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CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER



STUDENT DISMISSAL

REMINDER TO PARENTS – It is essential to the well-being of the students that you send a note to school with your child if you would like to make a bus change or to have their name placed on the early dismissal or end of the day pick up list. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

DRESS CODE POLICY (221) REMINDER



An individual's dress, personal appearance, and cleanliness should reflect a sensitivity and respect for others. The fact that the school allows a wide variety of school clothes does not necessarily mean we feel all styles are equally appropriate. Students should dress and groom themselves so as to meet fair standards of safety and health and so as not to cause disruption to the educational process:

- ✚ Wearing apparel which tends to create a disturbance in the academic atmosphere is not permitted. The length of shorts, skirts, and dresses must be to the student's fingertips.
- ✚ Ribbed or spaghetti strap (two finger width) tank tops, shirts exposing midriff, unbuttoned shirts except at the neckline, shirts containing suggestive or "double meaning" statements, or shirts advertising alcohol, drugs or tobacco, or extracurricular activity uniforms with short skirts, or clothes tending to overexpose are not permitted
- ✚ For safety reasons, flip flops cannot be worn. Students are not permitted to wear shoes without a backstrap. Shoes with wheels are not permitted.
- ✚ Students are discouraged from applying hair color to their hair or from wearing distracting hair styles unless it is for a themed day or special event as approved by building administration.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PARENTS

As the year draws to a close, I would like to bring your attention to the school's policy on teacher requests, as stated on page 36 of the student handbook:

TEACHER REQUESTS:

Parents are strongly discouraged from making requests for teachers unless there is a specific educational need to be considered. Teacher requests should be addressed and mailed or hand-delivered to the principal. Teachers and administrators will not accept verbal requests or share requests with colleagues. Requests will not be guaranteed due to the various factors that we consider when making class lists. Your understanding and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

ATTENTION - YEAR END LUNCH PROCEDURES



As the end of school draws near, it is important that students maintain a positive account balance in their lunch accounts. Students who have negative account balances will be given alternative lunches as follows:

- May 1st – May 5th Negative Balance \$15.00 and above
- May 8th -May 12th Negative Balance \$10.00 and above
- May 15th-May 19th Negative Balance \$5.00 and above
- May 22nd –May 31st Negative Account Balances Not Permitted , You must have a zero or positive account balance

The School District is required to be more stringent on its charge policy due to some new Federal Regulations. It is expected that each student end the school year with a zero or positive account balance.

If you have any questions please contact Adam Thomas, Food Service Director at (814) 479-2328 or email adam.thomas@ctasd.org. Lunch account balances may be checked at the Lunchtime Portal on the school website, or students may check the balance in the lunch line. Charges will continue to accrue for alternative lunches. Alternative lunches consist of a sandwich, vegetables, fruit and milk. Your assistance and cooperation are greatly appreciated.



SUMMER CAMPS



University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown Campus is offering summer STEM camps for students in grades 2 - 8. Registration opens May 1, 2017 at upj.pitt.edu/codeprograms. Please contact Roxanne Jenner at 814-233-7894 if you have any questions.

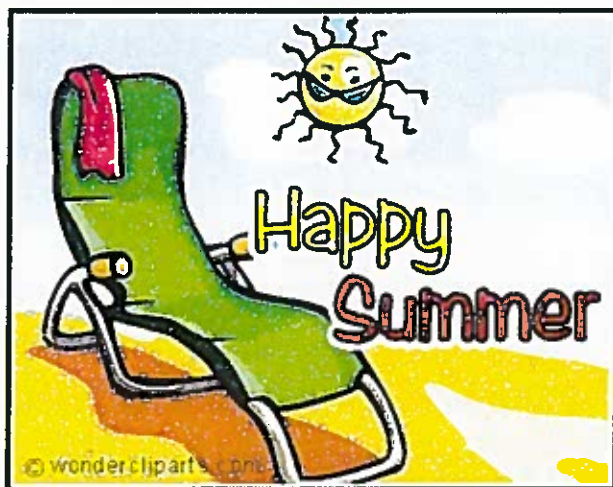


CALENDAR REMINDER



May is a busy and exciting month. A wide variety of activities will be held in addition to a full academic program. Some of the activities include concerts, field trips, and fifth grade promotion. Please be sure to check the Calendar of Events!

We extend our best wishes for everyone to enjoy a safe and happy summer.



Greetings from the PTA!



It's hard to believe that the end of the school year is just around the corner! What a great year it's been! There are still lots of things going on in these last few weeks! Field trips will be in full swing, we will be showing our teachers and staff our appreciation this month, Mystery Readers will be surprising the kids, and we will be saying goodbye to another group of amazing students and wishing them well in the next step of their time at Conemaugh Township. It's not too late to volunteer to help with any or all of these events in one way or another!

CT sure does love to read! Both Reading Night and the Read-a-Thon were huge successes this year! Our Read-a-Thon raised almost \$5,000.00 and the kids had a fantastic time celebrating! Reading Night was once again the highlight of the school year for many! Everyone had a great time being whisked back to the 1960's with a groovy night of music, games, yummy food and snacks, looking at the stars, checking out a helicopter, and most of all, just enjoying being part of an amazing community of children and families who value reading! A huge thank you to the Reading Night Committee and every single volunteer for each of these events! We are able to have these events each year thanks to all of you!



Final PTA Meeting of the school year: May 2, 7:00, Elementary Library
First PTA Meeting of the 2017-2018 school year: August 1, 7:00 Elementary Library

Thanks!
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A Special Thank You!!!

With the closing of the school year comes the end of another chapter in the life of the CT PTA. Deb Thomas, our reigning President is finishing up her time as our leader! Deb, there are no words to express how grateful we are to you for all you have done for the children, families, and staff of CT Elementary. We still have you for one more year, so don't go too far!
THANKS DEB!!!!

A great big "THANK YOU!" to all of you for your constant support through the 2016-2017 school year. We had a wonderful year with lots of wonderful, fun events for the kids of CT. It is only because of the efforts of the community and families of CT that we are able to continue to do what we do. A special thank you goes out to the families of the children moving on to 6th grade. It's been our pleasure to work with you and we wish you the very best as you move on to new adventures at the Middle-High School!

MAY 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------------------|---|---|--|--|--|-----|
| | A Day 1 Science PSSA | B Day 2 3rd grade FT-Zoo | C Day 3 | D Day 4 PTA Movie Night | E Day 5 Elementary SongFest 2nd Grade FT Old Bedford Village | 6 |
| 7 | F Day 8 Board Mtg. 7pm Grades 2 and 3 Concert at 7pm | A Day 9 Grades K and 1 Concert 7pm 3rd grade FT -SHC | B Day 10 Gr. 4 Pre-trip Assembly @ 9:15 | C Day 11 | D Day 12 4th Grade FT to Caverns 5th Grade FT to Carnegie Q and U Wedding | 13 |
| 14 Mother's Day | E Day 15 | F Day 16 Cyber Safety Gr. 4-5 1:00 pm Board Mtg. 7pm | A Day 17 | B Day 18 5th to Fort Ligonier 5th grade band concert 7pm Biz World | C Day 19 1st Grade FT to Sequanota K FT to Valewood | 20 |
| 21 | D Day 22 Teacher Appreciation Week | E Day 23 | F Day 24 | A Day 25 5th Grade Promotion 7pm | B Day 26 SCHOOL IN SESSION Promotion Party One hour early dism. | 27 |
| 28 | Memorial Day Vacation | C Day 30 Outdoor Grill | D Day 31 Senior Walk Through at 9:00 am Baccalaureate | 1 | 2 | |