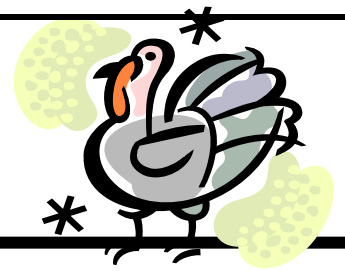


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Family Involvement Team

Family participation is a key part of our mission and vision and it is a goal in our strategic plan. We have formed a Family Involvement Team to help coordinate and oversee family participation at CSMH. During parent conferences, each family should have received a family involvement commitment form. These forms need to be completed and returned by December 3rd.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the volunteer coordinators. Their contact information is available in the cover letter.

We have included the cover letter, the family involvement job descriptions and the sign up form in the e-packet if you need to make a copy. Thank you in advance for getting your form returned to school and for your commitment to Charter School.

Lost and Found



Lost and found has been outside all week for students and parents to go through. There are still a large number of unclaimed sweatshirts and jackets. Anything left will be donated on Tuesday!!

Book Fair

If you have not yet had the opportunity to see this year's Book Fair – you need to check it out!! The Book Fair will continue through Tuesday of next week. This is a great chance to buy holiday gifts or a Birthday Book for your child's classroom. Bring joy to your child's teacher by purchasing a book from his/her wish list. The school receives approximately 50% back from all purchases.

Morgan Hill Christmas Parade

The annual Morgan Hill Christmas Parade will be held on December 6th this year. The Charter School will be represented by singing students and staff riding in the Gagnon's pinzgaur (Swiss Army vehicle) and walking. Everyone is invited to be part of this event!! Please be sure to read over the flyer in today's folder for more information.

It should be a fun evening and we look forward to having lots of students in the parade!!

Photo Update

Photos will be distributed over the next week. Make-ups and retakes will take place Friday, December 5th. Please see the flyer for more information.

Service Learning in Action at CSMH

This week, our third grade students experienced a memorable community service event that will brighten the holidays for many local families. The students got to experience first hand how through hard work, they can make a difference in their local community. The students teamed up with Community Solutions in Morgan Hill to provide Thanksgiving meals to local needy families.



The students brainstormed what would be needed to provide a family with a satisfying Thanksgiving experience. They were required to work at home by doing various chores to earn money for the project. Once the money was collected, students traveled to a Morgan Hill grocery store and did all the shopping. The students separated and packaged the groceries.

On Thursday, they had a visit from a Community Solutions employee who was incredibly grateful to the students for their thoughtful efforts. Thanks to all the third graders, their parents and their teachers for truly making a difference in our community!

There will be no e-packet next week. Enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday. Spend quality time with your family. Be sure to share all that you are thankful for.

The CSMH staff is thankful for our wonderful students, our supportive families and each other.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

November 24 th	Middle school boy's soccer at 4:00 at Complex Middle school girl's basketball at 5:00 at Aromas
November 24 th - 25 th	Minimum Days for Parent Conferences Book Fair
November 26 th - 28 th	Thanksgiving Holiday - No School
December 1 st	2 nd graders on field trip Academic Chess Middle school girl's basketball at 6:00 at Crossroads
December 2 nd	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 Middle school boy's soccer at 4:00 at CSMH
December 3 rd	7 th and 8 th graders on field trip Middle school girl's basketball at 5:00 at Crossroads
December 4 th	Assembly in multipurpose room - Opera in a Box Middle school talent show dress rehearsal at 2:45
December 5 th	Picture make-ups Middle school talent show at 6:30 pm
December 8 th	Middle school boy's soccer at 4:00 at CSMH Middle school girl's basketball at 5:00 at Crossroads Academic Chess
December 9 th	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
December 10 th	Minimum day - staff development Middle school boy's soccer at 4:00 at Southside Middle school girl's basketball at 5:00 at Oakwood
December 11 th	Middle school boy's soccer at 4:00 at CSMH
December 12 th	Middle school dance