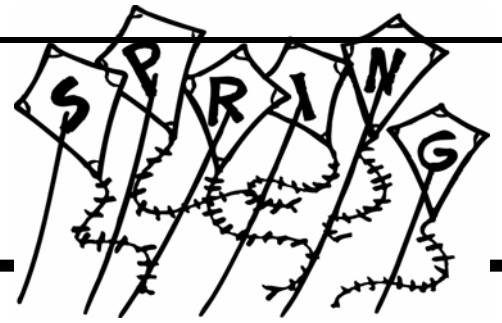


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March 27, 2009



Please be sure to attend the CSMH Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, March 31st at 6:30 pm. We will be updating our school community on the progress we have made on our five year strategic plan and about where we are heading next. Your input and participation is important to our continued success. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening.

Cheetah Cheer Program

At the end of each reporting period, we celebrate the academic success of our 7th and 8th graders with our Cheetah Cheer program. The students are given special “oops passes”, “free run passes”, raffle tickets and a few other goodies in recognition of their hard work and effort. At today’s assembly, I had the pleasure of awarding 50 students Cheetah Gold awards for obtaining a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. We had 26 students receive Cheetah Silver awards for grade point averages between 3.0-3.49. Eleven students received Cheetah Bronze awards for grade points between 2.5 and 2.99. The Emerald Award was given to eight students for raising their grade point averages .5 or more points from first trimester. We are proud of our Charter students’ academic accomplishments. Congratulations to all those we recognized today!!

Jump Rope for Heart

Our Jump Rope for Heart was a big success and the students particularly enjoyed jumping as a group over our giant jump rope. The third graders set a school record for their age groups by jumping 13 students at a time! Many students have turned in their pledge sheets and money they raised for this event. If you have not yet turned in your pledge sheet and money, please do so by Monday, March 30.

Mornings are still chilly, but it is warming up later in the day. With the warmer weather, we’re running more so make sure your child has a water bottle to bring with him/her to PE, as well as appropriate footwear. Thanks!

- submitted by Mr. Chagnon

We have a talented group of middle school students currently in our journalism class. In the next few months, I will be periodically sharing with you articles that they have written.

New Multimedia Center

By: Nikki Chun and Michelle Steffani

The new multimedia center should be opening after spring break. The main reason for adding the new portable is Mrs. C. and the staff felt that the students needed a place for a library and a computer lab. It will also serve as an extra teaching area for elective and enrichment classes and a place for small groups of students to work.

The computers will be put in the multimedia center during spring break. We have been updating our computer lab with thin clients from WYSE Technologies. They are much more energy efficient and they work off the server at school. This helps to prevent viruses and students are no longer able to change and/or add unwanted things to the computers. Also, the problem with files being deleted will be solved and they will be safely saved in a folder on the server. We will soon have enough computers for an entire classroom of students.

Our partnership with Wyse is allowing us to be a demonstration site for other schools. This year will be a trial run to see how the new multimedia center is working. By next year, we expect to have everything running smoothly. We are also hoping to add a new smart board to the computer lab.

We were able to purchase the new multimedia portable and the two new fifth grade portables through fundraising money, much of it raised at our Clos LaChance auction event. The total cost for the new portables was approximately \$240,000.

We would like to give a special thanks to the following people for making this new multimedia center possible: Mr. Blake Perdue, Mr. Ken Boyd, Mr. Jeff King, Mr. Steve Schilling, Mr. Nick Rizzi and Mr. Scott Sabsay. Thank you to 7th grader Brendan Schilling for choosing our media center as his Eagle Scouts project. Brendan and his helpers painted and assembled all of our library shelving. Here is a quote from Ms. C., “The entire staff is very excited about having a library, a new computer room, and some extra space.”

Upcoming Dates to Remember

March 30 th	Academic Chess
March 31 st	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 Town Hall meeting at 6:30 pm at CSMH
April 1 st	CSMH Chevy's Day!! Minimum Day - Staff Development Ag Plant Sale from 12:00-6:00 Lottery for 2009-2010 in multipurpose room at 3:30 Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm
April 3 rd	Student Council Spirit Day - Crazy Hair Day 2 nd graders on field trip 4 th graders on field trip 8 th graders leave for Washington D.C.
April 6 th	Academic Chess
April 7 th	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45
April 8 th	Order hot lunches for the following week by 5:00 pm Kinders on field trip
April 9 th	6 th graders on field trip 8 th graders return from Washington D.C.
April 10 th	No School - Staff Development
April 13 th -17 th	No School - Spring Break
April 20 th	6 th graders leave for Science Camp
April 21 st	Golf Club after school from 3:00-3:45 CSMH Board meeting at 7:00 pm

**BE SURE TO STOP BY THE PLANT SALE ON WEDNESDAY!!
ALL SALES SUPPORT OUR WONDERFUL AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM!!**