

Concord Elementary

May & June 2016 Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: It has been an exciting year of learning and growing here at CES. In addition to our growth, we have had many student and staff celebrations this year. I think it important to give particular recognition to two teachers who will be retiring at the end of this school year. We say a special thank you to Mrs. Kramer and Mrs. Windle. Mrs. Windle has taught 31 years and Mrs. Kramer has taught 14 years at CES. We wish them the best as they write the next chapter of their life's story in retirement. We thank them for their dedication to CES.

Please take note of the important calendar changes (*) and current events. For all of our CES faculty and families, we wish opportunities for rest and relaxation this summer. One of the best ways to relax and have enjoyment is to read. Please remember that reading with your child daily will help decrease the potential for "summer slide of learning." You might also find ways to work in some basic math fact practice each day.

We are looking forward to a successful close to our school year & continuing to show how bright our future really is at CES! -Mrs. Rinella

As a result of reaching our "Coins for Caring" School goal, Mrs. Rinella & Mr. Wells were slimed on Friday, April 29. Thank you for helping us reach our goal!



MR. WELLS' MESSAGE

It's hard to believe this is our last newsletter for the 2015-16 school year! Our students and staff have surely had a very successful year. This year's theme was "Our Future is Bright at CES!"

Parents, thank you for your dedication and commitment to your child's education.

Shine On!
Mr. Wells

On **Saturday May, 14th** at 9am, come out to run in our **CES Indian Color Fun Run!**

Then stop by the rescue squad and **Support the American Red Cross!**

Blood Drive
Concord Rescue Squad
12605 Richmond Highway
9am to 1pm

Current
Events

May 2-26: SOL Testing

May 27: Field Day
Grades PreK-2 – 9-11:15am
Grades 3-5 – 12:30-2:45pm
(Ag Day will be at opposite times of Field Day for PreK-2 and 3-5)

May 30: Memorial Day –
School's Closed for Everyone

***May 31 – June 2:**
2 Hour Early Dismissal Days

***June 1:** Hall of Fame End of Year
Assemblies: Grades K-2 at 9am
Grades 3 and 4 at 10:30am

***June 2:** PreK and Grade 5
End of Year Celebrations (Gym)
Grade 5 at 9:15am
PreK at 10:30am

***June 2: Last Day of School**
Girls on the Run

On Sunday, May 1st, our GOTR team completed their 5k run at Sweet Briar College. Congratulations to all of our girls and Coaches Holt & Booth!



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PTA NEWS

Hello CES Family!

Can you believe this is the last month for our 2015-2016 school year? What a wonderful year it has been! Your hard work in fundraising and participation has really paid off. Things that we have been able to accomplish this year include the following:

- Supported incentives for students working hard
- Supplied two new smart boards for the 5th grade
- Provided an amazing experience with Theater 4 (a traveling group of actors) with *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea* and *Hugs and Kisses*
- Buses were provided for 4th & 5th grade field trips, and so many more things.

On behalf of the PTA, we say Thank You! You will never regret being involved in your beautiful student's life and neither will they.

This Saturday, May 14th, will be our first COLOR-A-THON! Registration begins at 8:00 am. I encourage you to come check it out! If you would like to participate, come on down to registration! While you won't get the "free" items that came with the \$30 preregistration, you will be provided the opportunity to run/walk/dance your way around the school! If you'd rather just come watch the fun, just bring a chair and a cheering voice! We will have drinks and baked goods for sale too. The actual "running" begins at 9:00 am.

Field Day is also coming up. Your students and you (if you ordered one) will get their t-shirts the morning of Field Day in their homeroom classes. There will also be a lunch order form coming about out for Chick-fil-a lunches that parents can purchase for Field Day.

Looking ahead, next year is going to be an awesome one too! We will be doing our World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser again. This was a huge fundraiser this year. This upcoming year, we will get to hand out boxes on Registration Day. It will work very similar to last year, meaning boxes will have 60 \$1 candy bars in them. If you sign a box out, you assume responsibility for the selling/turning in the money of all 60 candy bars. Next year our school has an immediate need that we can help with, mulch for the playground. This fundraiser will be the primary support for that.

I encourage everyone to join our PTA in something next year, in any way. It is a fun and unique "peek" inside to all the great things students do at CES. Thank you so much for allowing me the privilege of being in the PTA and your president! If you have any questions, you can reach me through our CES-PTA on Facebook page or email me at carlene.mcardle@gmail.com.

Joyfully Yours,
Renee McArdle