

Concord Elementary

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News from Mrs. Rinella *Happy New Year!*

Welcome back to school and welcome to 2017! I hope all of our CES students, faculty and families enjoyed their time off and are ready to continue "Unlocking the Magic of Learning at CES." At the start of a New Year, we often set New Year's Resolutions. Resolutions are goals that we set and work to achieve. This can mean adding something such as "reading 10 minutes more a day" or taking something out of our day such as "playing electronics 10 less minutes a day."

Many students and teachers know I love to run in my spare time. Last year, I set a goal to run every day. As we closed 2016 and began 2017, I could say that I met my goal and did run every single day in 2016. I share this story as proof you can set a goal and achieve it! What goal(s) will you set and then work hard to make it happen?
Magically-Mrs. Rinella

Thank you Mrs. Rosser & Mrs. Bigham!



A special thanks to Mrs. Rosser and Mrs. Bigham for their holiday & winter cheer! Check out the Library entrance.

News from Mrs. Grubba

Small group counseling: We will soon begin friendship groups for grades 2-5. Groups on more sensitive topics such as death, divorce, or incarceration for students in grades K & 1st will begin soon. These groups meet once a week for 30 minutes and they do not interfere with core instructional time. Letters of participation have already gone home. If you feel your child would benefit from participation in one of these groups, please contact Mrs. Grubba as soon as possible.

Classroom Guidance

Students in grades K-4 have been exploring the "KELSO" Problem Solving curriculum. Kelso is a problem solving frog who teaches students about the difference between "big" problems that require adult assistance and small problems that children can try to solve. He offers them nine different approaches to problem solving. All fifth grade students will be challenged to learn a basic problem solving model in preparation for their move to the middle school. They will also practice applying this model to practical situations they could encounter.

Please encourage your child to practice some of these problem solving techniques.

French Classes

French Classes for 4th and 5th Grade will begin Wednesday, January 18th. Classes will meet from 3:45-4:45. Parent pickup at 4:45 is required.



For your Calendar

Jan. 13
Lee/Jackson Day
No School

Jan. 16
MLK JR Day
No School

Jan. 20
Hall of Fame
Assemblies

Jan. 26
100th Day of
School

Feb. 6-17
REAP Food
Drive

Feb. 9
2 Hour Early
Dismissal

Feb. 14
Jump Rope
For
Heart

Feb. 16
Parent-Teacher
Conferences &
PTA Meeting

News from Mr. Wells

Happy New Year! The start of any new year brings the sense of "newness" and new beginnings! It also brings up a great time in setting new goals. As parents, I encourage you to take a minute to sit with your child and ask him/her what they would like to accomplish this year.

One great goal to set with your child is to be present and on time to school each day. Our teachers and staff are dedicated to ensuring they meet the needs of each learner. In order to achieve this, it is imperative students are present each day. Attendance is vital to the success of all students. If there is anything I can do to assist with you and your child, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Magically,
Mr. Wells

Family Life Education

Mrs. Grubba will be teaching the sensitive areas of the state-mandated Family Life curriculum during **the week of March 27 to 31**. If you are unfamiliar with this curriculum or have any questions, please contact her and she will arrange a time that you can view the materials. **Parents always have the right to opt their children out of these classes**. For information about this process, contact Mrs. Grubba. In addition, Mrs. Grubba also has a wide array of resource materials related to human development and



C.E.S. Pride

All students will...

Be Courteous

Be Excited About Learning

Be Safe

"You can't spell SucCESs without CES!"

Hall of Fame Assemblies

Our next **Hall of Fame** Assemblies will be **Friday, January 20th**. Our assembly times will be as follows:

10:30am: Grades 3rd-5th

2:30pm: Grades PreK-2nd



Students should wear their **medals!**

Girl's on the Run



Yes, we will have a Spring Team!

Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Booth will once again be our coach. We welcome Ms. Crawford and Mrs. Hall our two new coaches this year. **Keep your eyes out for a flyer regarding registration.**

Inclement Weather Information

In the event of inclement weather overnight or during the school day, please listen to your local radio and television stations. The decision to close is made in the superintendent's office and everyone is notified through local radio and television stations and through our School Connects automated calling system.

In order to receive the call from our automated calling/email system, please ensure your most up-to-date information is in Parent Portal. If you do not have access to Parent Portal or have questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact the main office.

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