



Cherry Tree Chatter

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Upcoming Events at CTE:

December 22 - January 7, 2019

Winter Break - No School

January 8

*Student's First Day back from break
Spirit Day*

January 15, 22, 29 - Session 1

Lego Club - 2:30-4:00 pm

January 21, 2019

Martin Luther King Day - No School

January 24 - 4-6 pm

5th Grade Activity Night - CMS

January 24 - 6-7:30pm

PTO Bingo Family Fun Night

January 28 - Feb 1st

PTO Box Tops Contest Week

January 30 - 6:30-7:30 pm

5th Grade Scheduling Night

February 5, 12, 19

Lego Club - 2:30-4:00 pm

February 6 & 7, 2019

Cherry Tree Science Fair

February 14

Valentine Parties

February 18, 2019

President's Day - No School

February 21 - 5:00 pm

Math Bowl Competition

February 26, March 5, 12

Lego Club - 2:30-4:00 pm

March 1

*PTO Adult Spring Fundraiser at Ritz
Charles*

March 7 - 4th Grade Musical

8:30 am - Student Program

6:30 pm - Parent Program

March 15

End of 3rd Grading Period

March 18-20

IREAD - 3rd Graders

March 29 - April 7, 2019


Spring Break - No School

May 30 - 8:30 am

5th Grade Recognition Program

May 30

Last day of School

<p align="center">~ INFO~</p> <p align="center">Carmel Middle School Dates</p> 	<p>January 24th - 4:00 - 6:00 pm - Activities Night: Students take a tour of the school, eat pizza and attend a basketball game. T-shirts will be given out at this event.</p> <p>January 30th - 6:30 - 7:30 pm - Scheduling Night: Information on course options shared with parents.</p> <p>April 24th - 5:30 - 7:00 pm - Open House: Students will have the opportunity to visit Carmel Middle School and participate in a scavenger hunt.</p>
<p align="center">~NEW~</p> <p align="center">Lost and Found Items</p>	<p>We have quite a large area (on the stage) of lost and found articles of clothing. In the next couple weeks, please stop by or ask your student to take a look during their lunchtime for articles of clothing they might be missing. January 25th we will box up the lost and found and give it to a needy organization.</p>
<p align="center">~NEW~</p> <p align="center">News from the Nurse</p>	<p>Take precaution to avoid flu season: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pdf/freeresources/updated/everyday-preventive-actions-8.5x11.pdf Angie Mace, RN School Nurse</p>
<p align="center">~ INFO~</p> <p align="center">Holiday Lights Recycle Drive</p> 	<p>Are your burned-out holiday lights leaving you down in the dumps? Are you thinking of replacing your old holiday lights with new energy efficient LED lights? Make your spirits bright and help make our planet “green” by keeping those old strands out of the dump.</p> <p>The CCS Green Team and Carmel Utilities are proud to sponsor the 6th Annual Holiday Lights Recycle Drive November 26th to January 10th. A box will be located at the school during this time period to collect any holiday lights that are being discarded. Each strand is 100% recyclable! All strands will be picked up by Technology Recyclers which will leave our landfill a little lighter!</p>
<p align="center">~INFO~</p> <p align="center">Stopit App</p>	<p>Click on the link for the newest “Stopit App” information. The code to use is CTECARES</p>
<p align="center">~ INFO~</p> <p align="center">BOOK RENTAL is now PAST DUE</p>	<p>Book rental is now DUE:</p> <p>How do I use Student QuickPay?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Log in to the myCCS portal at http://myccs.ccs.k12.in.us/login . 2. Click on View and Pay Textbook Rental Fees in the Textbook Rental widget. 3. At the Student QuickPay homepage, click on each student tab to review fees. 4. When ready, checkout to pay for textbook rental fees. <p>You can pay online via electronic check, debit card, or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express.) The school’s office will still accept cash, check, or money order payable to Carmel Clay Schools. <i>Payments are due by October 31, 2018.</i></p>

**~ INFO ~
myCCS will
retire in
December 2018**

Coming Soon!



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December 2018**

Access to grades and student
information will be available in the
new PowerSchool parent portal

More information on how to create a
parent account is coming soon!



Does your child like to explore why things happen and ask why or what if? Do they like science and find it interesting? If so, Science Fair may be a great experience for your child! Let your child put their scientific mind to the test and cultivate their curiosity through a Science Fair project. Science Fair participation is optional and a fun way to explore the unknown. For more information and to register from November 26 to January 15 visit <https://goo.gl/SX5nHz>.

**Winter Family
Fun Night**



BINGO Family Fun Night - Don't miss popcorn, prizes, and Mr. A as our caller at BINGO Family Fun Night on **Thursday, January 24th, from 6:00-7:30 pm.**

**~ UPDATED ~
Save the Date:
MARCH 1st**



This year, we are bringing parents something **new** for our Spring fundraiser. In place of Cherry Blossom Festival, we will be having an adult evening-out event with food, entertainment, and a silent auction. This has worked well for other schools, and we are excited to try this for our biggest fundraiser for the year! We hope to see parents and CTE staff members on the evening of **Friday, March 1st** at the Ritz Charles in Carmel. Stay tuned for more info as we return from winter break...but this event promises to be a great time. The silent auction is coming together with generous donations from Urban Chalkboard, ML Photography, Indianapolis Indians, Goldfish Swim School, CYT, and more! Mark those calendars for 3/1!

Lego Club



Lego Club registration is complete and families have been notified of registration status. It is important to complete a dismissal change for each day of your Lego Club. Those dismissal changes can be entered at any time. Thank you for helping CTE with this important step! This session

**~NEW~
Parent PTO
Meeting**



Save the Date: **The January general membership meeting will be on Monday, January 28, 10:30am-11:30am in the CTE LGI.** Come learn about all of the excitement things happening second semester. All are welcome!

**~NEW~
Ways to Help at
CTE**



PTO is gearing up for fun second semester events including family fun night, and we need your help to make them happen. Link to sign up is [HERE](#) !

**Box Tops
Contest & App**



The second semester Box Tops collection will be **January 28-February 1, 2019.** Remember to collect box tops until then, especially during any holiday cooking and baking! Each Box Top turned in earns \$0.10 for our school! You can also download the free Box Tops App to turn everyday receipts into direct support for our school. Just buy, scan, and earn! For more info and to download the app, visit www.boxtops4education.com/bonusapp.



CTE has once again earned the distinction of being a Common Sense Media Certified School. As your students may be receiving technology related gifts this season, here is a helpful video on balancing a healthy screen life: <https://twitter.com/twitter/statuses/1075449904149995522>