



PARENT REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATION

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CDS PRO MEETING NOTES **OCTOBER 4, 2023**

The 2023-2024 school year at CDS is off to an amazing start! Thank you to the many parents and volunteers that joined us for our first PRO meeting of the year. Below is a recap of the most time-sensitive items from the meeting. If you'd like to plan ahead, please continue reading the attached flier outlining all PRO events throughout the year. We are especially excited to announce that the long-awaited CDS Auction and Gala will be held in Spring 2025 in honor of the school's 60th Anniversary! If you have any questions, please reach out to us, or the committee chairs (contacts attached) any time.

All the best,
Dima & Lindsay

Key Upcoming Dates

- October 16 – [Reading Is Fundamental](#) Book Drive begins
- October 21 - 3s and K Trunk or Treat @ Lemon Road Elementary, 3:30 - 5 pm
- October 22 – Book Fair, 10 am-2 pm at CDS, costumes welcome!
- October 26 & 27 - NO SCHOOL, Parent Teacher Conferences
- October 28 - Parent Child, 2s, and 4s Trunk or Treat @ St. Luke School, 10:30 - 12
- November 1 – PRO Meeting 7 p.m. at CDS Barn featuring Guest Speaker, Occupational Therapist, Amanda Simmons (OPEN TO **ALL** PARENTS)
- November 7 – 9 am Book Club with Dr. Rene – The Importance of Being Little
- November 10 – NO SCHOOL, Age-Level Meetups (more details to come)
- November 30 – Holiday Party at Washington Golf and Country Club (adults only)

BOOK FAIR

- Sunday, October 22nd from 10 - 2 at CDS
 - Puppet Show @ 11 am, Read Aloud with Ms. Shea & Dr. Mary @ 1 pm
 - [Volunteers needed!](#)
 - Kids can wear their Halloween costumes (no scary costumes, please)
 - Can't make it? [Shop online!](#) Oct 20 - Nov 2

STAFF APPRECIATION

- Sept: the Welcome Back to School bundt cakes were a big hit!
- Oct 12: Fall Treats -- Hot Apple Cider Bar + Fall Pies!
- Nov 9: Luncheon: El Tio + Meals from an Allergen-Free Vegan Caterer. If you are able to help with set up or cleanup, [please let us know!](#)

PHILANTHROPY

- Oct. 16-25: Book Drive – drop off new/gently used books in the wagon at carpool and/or at Book Fair. [Let us know how you can help!](#)
- Nov 13 - Dec 1: Adopt-A-Family Holiday Gift Drive - more details to come!

SOCIAL

- Nov 30, 7-10 pm: Holiday Party at Washington Golf and Country Club (adults only) Book your childcare now!
- DJ, Photo Booth, and Live Auction (Head of School for the Day, Name the Carpool Lane, Name a CDS Tree)
- Tickets go on sale Nov. 1!

FUNDRAISING

- Minted Holiday Cards:
 - SAVE 20%, and Minted donates 15% to CDS. Enter the promo code FUNDRAISECOUNTRYDAY at checkout!
- Mabel's Labels
 - Go To : [Mabel's Labels](#), and type in Country Day School (McLean) in the search bar.
- Harris Teeter
 - Go to: [Harris-Teeter](#), click on 'Link your VIC Card" and complete the information. Enter our school code 6737.
- More fundraising events to be announced!

YEARBOOK

1. Send any photos from Family Fun Nights (at least 3-5 children in the photo) to communications@countryday.org.
2. Parent volunteers needed in:
 - Parent Child (9am & 11am classes)
 - Sparrows (3s)