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CHERRY TREE

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KEY DATES

Mar 22 Adrenaline Fundraiser

Apr 1-8 Spring Break -No School

April 10 Late Start

April 13 Dine to Donate: Verde Mexican Grill

April 19 Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

April 24 Late Start

April 25 Dine to Donate: Kizuki Ramen

May 8 Late Start Dine to Donate: City BBQ

May 13 PTO General Meeting

May 23 Students' Last Day Fifth Grade

Recognition Ceremony

For announcements, updates, and reminders for CTE activities, follow Cherry Tree PTO on social media!

Facebook | Twitter | Instagram

For a working calendar of events, please click <u>HERE</u>.

PTO GENERAL MEETING

Monday, May 13th, 10:45 - 11:45 a.m. Cherry Tree Elementary LGI Room

All parents & guardians are welcome & encouraged to attend!

Come hear about updates for next school year, including details on the upcoming building renovation that will begin this summer. We will also vote on the PTO Slate & budget for the '24-'25 school year!

All who attend in person will be entered in a drawing for \$50 Amazon Gift Card for themselves + their child's teacher.

FIFTH GRADE PARENTS

 We are collecting photos of students throughout their time at Cherry Tree for a special slide show shown during the Fifth Grade Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, May 23. Submit photos here: <u>https://forms.gle/QKBz1zfWhBrCiyYj7</u>

 Order yard signs to recognize your Fifth Grader by April 11 <u>https://cherrytreeyardsigns.itemorder.com/shop/sale/</u>

Save the date for the Fifth Grade Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, May 23. Volunteer opportunities will be available on May 22nd & 23rd - more information coming soon.

PARENT NIGHT OUT - PARENT PROM

THANK YOU to Amberly Lopez for organizing such a fun evening for parents to gather this past weekend! The band, food, and prizes were all fantastic!

> Thank you again to our prize sponsors: Moyer Fine Jewelers Cold Plunge Studio The Rejoicing Vine Sprouts Cooking School Yard Card Queen Peace Water Winery



SPRING AUCTION

THANK YOU for bidding on our Spring Auction items; we are so thankful for your generosity!

With your help, the PTO was able to raise more than **\$10,000**, which will fund a Cherry Tree Patriot scholarship for CTE alumni for the next TEN years!

A huge thanks to Spring Auction chair Mary Ajango, CTE teachers and staff for donating experiences, and to Carmel Fire Department, Carmel Swim Academy, and The Rejoicing Vine for donating auction items as well!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

Friday, April 19th, 8:30-9:30 a.m. CTE Cafeteria

Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers this school year!

We want to show you our appreciation by providing you with breakfast! This is a drop-in event; If you are unable to attend the entire time, stop by to grab some breakfast!

PLEASE RSVP HERE

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

The Random Acts of Kindness Committee recently provided CTE teachers & staff with a "Lucky Snack & Drink Cart"

Thank you to all who donated items; recipients were grateful!





MEDIA CENTER VOLUNTEERS

We need your help!

If interested, sign up here.

Contact Becky Downing (<u>becky.downing@gmail.com</u>) with any questions!



STAFF WISHLISTS

Because of your generosity, the PTO had the oppportunity to fulfill several Staff Wishlist requests! Here are some of the updates we have received!



MRS. URTEL: Thank you, PTO, for the replacement novels! This novel, *The Orphan of Ellis Island*, has been a "fan favorite" for many years, as you can see by the image. These replacement novels ensure all students have their own copy (with all the pages) of this extended text!



MS. STEGEMOLLER: Kindergarteners using the new finger eye readers!

CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS & THE SOLAR ECLIPSE

Eclipse Glasses

The CTE PTO will be providing all CTE students with eclipse viewing glasses! Glasses will go home with students the week before Spring Break.

CCS Solar Eclipse Visitor Parking Fundraiser

Carmel is in the direct path of the Solar Eclipse on Monday, April 8, 2024!

The city is expecting thousands of visitors throughout the weekend. All Carmel Clay Schools will be closed that day, so the district is offering reserved parking at participating buildings with all proceeds benefiting local PTOs.

> For more information, please visit: <u>CCS Solar Eclipse Visitor Parking Fundraiser</u>

VOLUNTEER: SPRING OPPORTUNITIES

We need your support! Cherry Tree PTO needs your time and talent to make this Fall's events and initiatives successful!

Parents and grandparents, please fill out the Google Form below to indicate interest in volunteering this Spring.

You will need to complete and pass a background check prior to volunteering. If you have any questions, please e-mail the PTO at <u>cherrytreepto@gmail.com</u>

VOLUNTEER INTEREST FORM



2023 - 2024 PTO SLATE

Click <u>HERE</u> to view the PTO Slate for the Executive and General Board for the 2023-2024 school year.

Thank you to all parents who are willing to fill these roles!

TREASURER'S REPORT

The current <u>Treasurer's Report</u> is available, as well as previous reports.

Learn how your PTO dollars were used to enhance students' experiences at CTE.

Budget for the 2023-2024 school year can be viewed <u>HERE</u>.

CTE STUDENT DIRECTORY

Have you signed up for the optional <u>Cherry Tree Directory</u>?

If you are already a member, please update your child's teacher!

Once you create a Membership Toolkit account, you will have access to the directory and upcoming calendar events.



This is a free, optional directory for all Cherry Tree families.

CARMEL POLICE YOUTH ACADEMY

2024 Carmel Police Youth Academy



Who We Are

The Carmel Youth Academy will provide children, ages 11-12, an introduction to the field of law enforcement and an understanding of law enforcement's role in our community.

Our academy will include guest speakers, tours of the police department and fire department facilities, team building exercises, a service project to give back to our community, a mock crime scene investigation, games, and more!









When?

- Academy #1 June 10th 14th
- Academy #2 July 22nd 26th

Monday - Thursday 8 am - 3 pm Friday Noon - 6 pm

Where?

Carmel Middle School 300 S. Guilford Road Carmel, IN 46032

Other Info

- Price: FREE!
- Age Requirements: 11 & 12 years old
- Applications open March 1st at 10 am
- Applications will be accepted on a "first come, first served" basis





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COME SUPPORT US!

You're invited to Adrenaline Action Park located at: 10080 E 121st St Suite 182, Fishers, IN 46037

> COME SUPPORT Cherry Tree Elementary on Friday March 22nd, 2024

Adrenaline Action Park will donate 15% of made from Jump Tickets, Food & Arcade back to:

> Make sure you bring this flyer with you and tell everyone you know! WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU, YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

(317) 572-2999

marketing@adrenalineactionpark.com

CONTACT US

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CCS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



GOOD NEWS CLUB



It's Free!

> Happening at: Cherry Tree Elementary When: Mondays Feb. 26 - March 25, 2024 Time: 2:30pm - 4:00pm Contact: Haley Filbert: 812-499-4730

Kids *must* have parental permission to attend.

Go to cefcentralindiana.com/register.html or scan the code to register your child(ren) today!

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Your child will have fun and LOVE learning about developing good character qualities, and moral values based on Biblical principles through:

- Dynamic Storytelling
- Meaningful Songs
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- Life-Changing Scripture Memory
- And more!

All Good News Club volunteers are trained and regularly screened in accordance with the *Child Evangelism Fellowship*® Child Protection Policy.



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JOIN THE CCS TEAM





JOIN OUR TEAM

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

- Work in a professional environment with a flexible schedule you control
- Positively impact the education of students in your own community
- Have the ability to select your preferred school site
- Daily Rate is \$80- \$90



For more information, contact Kelli Hackett at khackett@ccs.k12.in.us or (317) 844-9961.



APPLY HERE WWW.APPLITRACK.COM/CCS/ONLINEAPP/

ASCENSION CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS STUDENT THERAPY SERVICES

Ascension behavioral health partners with Carmel Clay Schools to provide on-site counseling services and skills training to children and families. Services are provided all year (including school and summer breaks).





Parents can call Ascension directly at 317-338-4951 to register and schedule your child with one of our licensed school-based counselors.

Ascension therapy services are administered through Ascension Stress Center and billed to the family's insurance. Financial assistance options are also available.

EASY, NO COST WAYS TO SUPPORT CHERRY TREE

Shutterfly.

Cherry Tree PTO is thrilled to announce a fundraising opportunity with Shutterfly.

With their help, we've created a custom online storefront where you can shop the extensive Shutterfly collection, and for every purchase made, Shutterfly will donate 8% to our Organization. Plus, you can even use applicable Shutterfly discount codes!

Please feel free to share this website with friends and family!

http://cherrytreepto.shutterflystorefront.com/



Kroger has a community rewards program!

Log in to your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards to add Cherry Tree Elementary PTO from the list of organizations.

Kroger donates a percentage of your spending to our school.

This is an easy no-cost way to support Cherry Tree! Register for these programs today!



CHERRY TREE REMINDERS

PARKING

A new city ordinance now restricts using neighborhood streets near school property as a school drop off alternative. If you are using a car to get children to/from school, please follow the procedure to bring them in/pick up on school property in the lot to the east of the school/facing Hazel Dell Pkwy.

CARPOOL

We do our best each day to keep the line moving in an efficient way. You can help by having students ready to exit the car upon arrival, pulling all the way down in the morning to allow more cars to drop off and by having all students exit the passenger side of the car for safety. Thank you for your partnership in helping us welcome a

nd safely deliver home 700+ students each day.

CHROMEBOOKS

<u>Please remember to charge your Chromebooks every night!</u> They are a very important part of our daily routine and need to be charged and ready to go at the beginning of each day. In addition to being charged it is very important they are brought to school each day. Unfortunately, we will no longer be able to offer loaner computers to students who forget them at home.

*Also, please remind your students to treat them with special care. We have seen an increased number of broken devices, and we are very limited in our inventory of replacement Chromebooks.

ATTENDANCE

Cherry Tree Elementary is now using School Dismissal Manager to report absences (both in advance and same-day), late arrivals, and appointments. This online tool is preferred to phone calls. Visit www.schooldismissalmanager.com.

SUPPORT CHERRY TREE

Box Tops are a simple way to support Cherry Tree! Just download the Box Tops for Education App and scan your grocery receipts after you shop! Box Tops donates \$0.10 for each participating product you buy and there are always new bonus box tops opportunities! Having trouble remembering to scan your receipts? Set a customized scan reminder through the app that fits your shopping schedule!

Kroger has a community rewards program as well! Log into your Kroger account and choose Community Rewards to add the Cherry Tree Elementary PTO from the list of organizations. Kroger donates a percentage of your spending to our school.

These are simple ways for friends and families to support the Cherry Tree PTO at **NO COST** and they are an integral part of our fundraising efforts. Thanks for your support!

STUDENT BELONGINGS

Be sure to label your student's personal belongings, such as coats/jackets, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc. If an item is missing, please be sure to have your student check the Lost and Found!