



Corl Street Chronicle

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Corl Street Expo: February 1st

Save the Date:

- ✦ 12/22 Winter Sing-along and Pajama Day
- ✦ 12/23 - 1/2 No School: Winter Break
- ✦ 1/10 PTO Meeting (tentative—see note below)
- ✦ 1/16 No School: MLK Jr. day
- ✦ 2/1 Expo
- ✦ 2/2 Expo Make-up Day
- ✦ 2/7 PTO Meeting
- ✦ 2/13 No School or Snow Make-up Day

CS Renovation Update Forum

Three forums will be held in January, including one at Corl Street, to discuss renovation updates. When the date is confirmed, the CS Parents Facebook page will have more info, or check www.scasd.org

January PTO Meeting

To accommodate the forum, the date of the PTO meeting may need to change.

Start thinking up some projects and practicing your talents. Expo is coming soon!

What is Expo?

Expo is a project display and talent show. The projects are displayed during school as well as during the evening of the talent show.

Who can participate?

All Corl Street students, K-5 are encouraged to participate.

When is it?

Wednesday, February 1st. Bring in the projects in the morning before school starts. The talent show will be that evening at 6-8PM in the APR.

What types of projects can be done?

All types of projects are welcome. Science-related, artwork they've done, a collection they have, a hobby they enjoy -- anything they would like to display.

What about performances?

Music, dancing, poetry, comedy, and skits. All types of talent are showcased. Please limit each performance to five minutes or less to give everyone a chance.

More information will be distributed closer to the event as well as a call for volunteers. Please contact Mr. Schmidt (rns12@scasd.org) for more information.

From the Garden Committee

The Corl Street Garden has been cleaned up and put to sleep for the winter! Thanks to all of the volunteers who pulled weeds and turned the soil. A special thank you goes out to all of the kids who harvested the many carrots that were later enjoyed as classroom snacks! Our next Garden Committee meeting will be announced in the spring when we'll decide on the needs of next year's garden.

Fifth Grade Yearbook Acknowledgements

Parents of 5th graders, please look for a the 'Personalized Acknowledgements' form in your child's folder. Buying a small 'space' in the yearbook— to express the pride you have for your child and their accomplishments in their last year at Corl Street— is a sweet tradition that also helps to fund the gift of a yearbook for each of the classroom teachers. Order forms for the yearbook will be sent out to all families in January.

The Principal's Interest

Have a Great Break!

I want to wish everyone a restful break. If you are celebrating a holiday, I hope it is joyous and peaceful. If you are traveling over the winter break, I hope everyone returns safe and sound. Time with family is very precious, so enjoy every moment you have. See you next year!

- Charlotte Zmyslo

President's Points:

As you all know by now, the Corl Street community raised over \$20,000 from the Cougar Cat Run this year. This allows us to fund field trips and family events throughout the year. The PTO traditionally uses some of this money to give teachers allocations to spend on their classrooms. We are planning to discuss and vote on these allocations at the January 10 meeting.

Any money that is left over can be used to fund projects for the school. In the past few years, your PTO has planted trees on the playground, purchased document cameras for the teachers, and built new garden beds, as well as many other small and large projects.

Now that Corl Street Elementary will be renovated, it is a little harder to decide which projects to pursue. At this point, we don't know what the new footprint of the school will be or what the playground will look like when the renovation is complete. It seems that it might be a good idea to put aside some money for post-renovation projects. However, if you have a great idea for something you think the PTO should do, purchase, or build now, feel free to come to one of our upcoming meetings and tell us about it.

- Terrill Salter

In the Classrooms

The **first grade** has been working on the Great Pizza Mystery unit. The PA Dairy Princess came to teach them about cows and dairy products. Later in December, Max Radio's grandparents, who formerly owned a pizza shop, came to teach the first graders about pizza making.

Before the Winter Break, **fifth graders** will be researching Festival of Light celebrations from around the world. They'll collaborate with peers to research, compare and contrast, summarize and create crafts specific to each culture and celebration.

Fifth grade is beginning their study of Geological Processes. They'll be visiting the Deike Lab at Penn State on January 4, 2017 for the Shake, Rattle, and Rock! field trip.

Donation from Keep Corl Street

A big thank you goes out to the Keep Corl Street group for generously donating \$600 to the Corl Street PTO. This is left over from the sale of the signs that once dotted the landscape late last summer.

Notes from Nurse Kathy

With fall coming to a close, and the official start of winter soon upon us, here are some helpful guidelines:

1. Illness

You know your child the best. If you feel your child is sick, please keep him/her home and contact your health care provider. In general, students should be kept home when they have:

- Fever about 100° F. The child should remain home until s/he is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications, or
- Vomiting/Diarrhea, or
- Unexplainable rash or sores, or
- Red eyes accompanied by drainage



2. Pediculosis (Head Lice)

Isolated cases of head lice have been reported by parents. While uncomfortable and a nuisance, head lice pose **no** health hazard and do **not** transmit disease. Once treated, the student is able to attend school.

Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact our school nurse, Mrs. O'Shea, or health paraprofessional Mrs. Noel. Feel free to visit our website: <http://www.scasd.org/Domain/2005>