

# 2024 Newsletter: Week of September 9<sup>th</sup>

## Church Street School Champion

Soaring to New Heights!

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Dear Parents and Guardian(s),

Hope everyone is doing well. We had a great kick-off to the 2024-2025 school year! We are so excited to have our CSS community back together again. We truly appreciate your support as we adjust to our new routines and procedures, especially at arrival and dismissal. Our CSS Tigers are doing a great job learning and following the school routines. We are so proud of them.

To celebrate our return to school, don't forget to join our PTA for the **BACK-to-SCHOOL** picnic on **Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30PM!** We also hope you can join us for our first PTA meeting of the school year on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM.

Families, please reach out if you need any support as we remember and honor the heroes and lives that were lost on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Looking forward to a great week of learning and growing!**

*Ms. Castillo*

Ms. Castillo, Principal

### Character Education

Each month we will share a book associated to a trait of the month. This month's trait is **KINDNESS**. Enjoy listening to the book, [The Sound of Kindness](#) with your child and discuss ways they can show kindness at CSS and in their communities. This month, you might see your child come home with a CSS Bucket Filler card. Students will receive these cards when they have been caught showing kindness.

### Student Breakfast and Bus Pass

Please note that student passes will be distributed to all students on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. The pass will be affixed to your child's backpack and should be used for breakfast and/or the bus if the student qualifies. If your child requires a replacement, please reach out to the main office (914)422-2400.

### Family Handbook

If you have not done so already, please make sure to read through the handbook and **complete the acknowledgement of receipt form using the link located in the handbook** <https://resources.fnabfile.net/images/v1723837165/whiteplainspublicschools.org/k859vngocwxbm9jic/2024-2025ChurchStreetSchoolFamilyHandbook.pdf>  
If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out to our main office.

### Food and Nutrition Program

**All students** qualify for a free breakfast and lunch. The meal **menus** are located on the food services website <https://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/district-offices/food-services/menus>. We ask that **all families please complete the Education Benefit Form** which can be done electronically using this link <http://www.myschoolapps.com> to take advantage of additional benefits. If you have any questions, please call (914) 422-2400.

### Parent Survey

To support the social, emotional and academic growth of each of our Tigers, we would like your input regarding parent workshops. Please click on the link <https://forms.office.com/r/ECElxA5d9V> to complete this brief parent survey by **Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**. We appreciate your input and partnership!

### Special Person/Dad Take Your Child to School Day

Dads/Special Person Take Your Child to School Day, hosted by the Youth Bureau is taking place on **Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:45AM** across the district. The event should be done by 8:20AM. A flyer with details will be going home this week and shared on the Remind app.



## Upcoming Events

### Week of the 9<sup>th</sup>-Fire Drill Conducted

September 9<sup>th</sup>

- Board of Education Meeting  
Ed. House 7:30PM

September 10<sup>th</sup>

- **First PTA Meeting CSS 6:30PM**

September 12<sup>th</sup>

- First Bus Drill

September 13<sup>th</sup>

- **Back to School Celebration! 5:30PM**  
(Playground)

### Week of the 16<sup>th</sup>-Lockdown Drill Conducted

September 19<sup>th</sup>

- **Smile-Picture Day!**
- Special Person/Dad Take your Child to School Day

September 21<sup>st</sup>

- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Car Wash (Church Street School)**

September 24<sup>th</sup>

- **Grades K-2 Open House 6:30PM**

September 27<sup>th</sup>

- Teaching Assistant Appreciation Day!

## Back to School Read Aloud What Color Zone are you in?



Read Aloud Link:

<https://ensemble.lhrc.org/Watch/k7DZx32T>

## How will you be a Bucket Filler at CSS?



Read Aloud Link:

<https://ensemble.lhrc.org/Watch/St74CjFe>

Book of the month:



Character Trait: Kindness

Read Aloud Link:

<https://go.screenpal.com/u/DaLH/thesoundofkindness>