

THURSDAY NOTICE

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, March 2:	Mismatch Clothing Day ECHO's, 2:20 pm YA Gr. 1-4, 3:45 pm
Wednesday, March 7:	CMS Family Night at Rio
March 8-21:	Parent/Teacher Conferences
March 9-16:	Spring Book Fair
Thursday, March 8:	CMS Middle School Mtg., 6:30 pm
Friday, March 9:	ECHO's, 2:20 pm
Tuesday, March 13:	CMS Middle School Mtg., 8:15 am Governance Mtg., 6:30 pm
Thursday, March 15:	EARLY DISMISSAL, 1:50 PM Conference Night, 6-8 pm Book Fair Evening, 6-8 pm
Friday, March 16:	ASM: Deirdre Murtha, 9:30 am ECHO's, 2:20 pm
Friday, March 23:	ASM: Newport Jazz, 9:30 am
Monday, March 26:	ASM: ECHO's Shares, 2:30 pm

Tomorrow is Mismatched Clothing Spirit Day!



GRAB 'N GO BREAKFAST

Beginning next month the breakfast program at CMS will be revamped with a portable cart located in a central area in the school filled with food that students can grab on their way to class in the morning. The breakfast food will be available for purchase by all students (and free for those who receive free lunch). The hope is that the grab 'n go model will increase the number of students eating a healthy breakfast as breakfast plays a critical role in helping children start their day prepared to learn and succeed. The breakfast and lunch menus can be found on the Board of Education's website.

SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEY

Please take a moment to fill out our school climate survey. We are looking to increase our participation rate from last year. In order to enact School improvements, we need to hear from you. Please go to the following link:

<http://www.schoolclimate.net/survey/schools/parent.asp?caseid=1183636&survey=4>

ATTENTION 5TH GRADE PARENTS!!!

Come and hear about the CMS Middle School Program!

Two presentations have been planned for current CMS 5th grade parents: Thursday, March 8 at 6:30 pm and Tuesday, March 13 at 8:15 am. Both meetings will be held in the 6th Grade Room 191. Attendance at one of these meetings is mandatory for parents wishing to keep their children at CMS for 6th grade. Applications must be completed for all applicants, including current students. Applications for the CMS 6th grade lottery will only be distributed at these meetings. If you have questions, please contact Misty Hofer at hoferm@norwalkps.org or Terry Lakin at lakint@norwalkps.org.

CMS SIBLINGS ENTERING KINDERGARTEN

Please email Terry Lakin at lakint@norwalkps.org if you have a CMS sibling entering kindergarten next year. Include your current CMS student's name and the name of your child entering kindergarten. We will send an application home with your older child.

Special Notes:

- *In order for siblings to receive priority status we must have a completed application by MARCH 15, 2018.*
- *CMS Sibling Kindergarten students will register at CMS (it is not necessary to register at your home district school). We will provide you with registration information when it becomes available.*

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held from March 8-21. Parents be on the lookout for conference appointment letters from your classroom teachers. Contact your classroom teacher directly if you do not receive an appointment date.

Please Note: School will be dismissed at 1:50 pm on Thursday, March 15 in preparation for Conference Night that evening.

GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MEETING

The next CMS Governance Council Meeting is Tuesday, March 13 at 6:30 pm in the CMS faculty room. Please let Terry know if you are unable to attend.

PTA NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair at CMS

The CMS Spring Book will run from Friday, March 9 through Friday, March 16. Many, many volunteers are needed to have a successful Book Fair. To sign up to help, go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/CMS2018SpringFair>.

CMS Family Night at Rio!

Wednesday, March 7, 5:00-9:30 pm. Dine In or Take Out. Come out for one of our most popular and festive family nights. Enjoy a fantastic dinner – bring your family and friends. Tell your server you are from Columbus and Rio will donate a percentage of all sales to our school!

CMS Annual Spring Auction

The annual Spring Auction is Friday, May 11. New venue, new night and so much more! Make this our best year yet! Get involved by simply attending and/or helping the committee. For more information, please contact Deb Morelli: debsmorelli@gmail.com.

Upcoming Dates:

- CMS Read-a-thon: March 12-16
- CMS Family Night at Chipotle, Tuesday, April 3, 2018
- CMS PTA presents "Restorative Practices, Bullying and Character Education," Thursday, April 19, 6 pm. Look for more details soon.

"ANNIE" IS COMING!!

The CMS Chorus is presenting "Annie" on June 7, 2 & 7 pm and June 8, 7 pm!! Ms. Murray is looking for lots and lots of parent helpers. (Your child does not have to be in the show to help.) Some responsibilities include: programs, stage help, waiting with non-auditioning students while others audition, etc. Please contact Ms. Murray at murrayl@norwalkps.org if you would like to help.

CONNECTICUT'S GOT TALENT

CMS fifth grader Ashley Collins made it to the Connecticut's Got Talent finals and will be competing in finale this Friday, March 2, 8 pm at the Wall Street Theater, Norwalk. A link to a livestream of the show will also be posted on the Wall Street Theater's Facebook page. For ticket information go to: <https://www.ticketfly.com/event/1618429-connecticuts-got-talent-norwalk/>. For more information call (877) 987-6487 or go to: www.wallstreettheater.com.

LOOKING TO PURCHASE GIRL SCOUT COOKIES?

CMS Girl Scouts will be selling cookies at the Stop 'n Shop on Connecticut Avenue on Sunday, March 4 from 3-8 pm.

COLUMBUS MAGNET FAMILY NIGHT AT

RIO BORDER CAFÉ

330 Connecticut Avenue, Norwalk

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5:00-9:30 PM

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