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THURSDAY NOTICE

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January 10, 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, January 11: Movie Night, 6:00 pm
Monday, January 14: Contra Dance, Grades 3-7
Thursday, January 17: CMS Night at Rio
Friday, January 18: YA Gr. 1-4, 3:45-4:45 pm
Monday, January 21: MLK Birthday – School Closed
Tuesday, January 22: Governance Mtg., 6:30 pm
Friday, January 25: ASM: MLK Celebration, 9:30 am

ATTENTION PARENTS!

CMS SIBLINGS ENTERING KINDERGARTEN

We are now preparing for the 2019 CMS Lottery. We need to know prior to the Lottery Drawing how many CMS siblings will be entering kindergarten next school year. Parents, please email Terry Lakin at lakint@norwalkps.org with the name of your child entering kindergarten as well as the name and grade of your current CMS student. An application will be sent to you later this month. **To be granted sibling priority, both incoming sibling and the current student MUST attend CMS next year.**

If you have friends or family interested in learning about our school and applying to Columbus, please have them check our school website: cms.norwalkps.org for dates and times of evening information meetings and daytime tours. (New applicants must attend one of these meetings or tours in order to receive an application.)

UPCOMING ALL SCHOOL MEETING



Friday, January 25, 9:30 am: At this ASM, we will celebrate the spirit and teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Plans are being finalized and we will share an update next week.

WINTER SESSION AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

The winter session of After-School Enrichment Programs will run from Monday, January 28 through Thursday, April 19. Registration is now open. To register online, go to: www.norwalkafterschool.com. If you have questions, please email info@norwalkafterschool.com or call 888-212-3837.



CONTRA DANCE ENRICHMENT

We are pleased to announce that a Contra Dance caller will be here on Monday, January 14 to work with CMS students in Grades 3-7. Contra Dance is folk dance made up of long lines of couples with origins in England and Scotland.

The schedule is as follows:

9:45-10:45: Grade 3
11:00-12:00: Grade 4
12:15-1:15: Grades 5-7

All families are welcome and volunteers are needed!! Please let Mr. Smith know at mowrys@norwalkps.org if you are able to attend.

PTA NEWS & Events

MOVIE NIGHT:

Join us for Movie Night on Friday, January 11, 6:00-8:15 pm. Our feature presentation is "Incredibles 2." Admission is free. Food trucks will be on-site. Looking for a few volunteers to help, please contact Melissa at Melissa.iacovacci@gmail.com for more information.

FAMILY NIGHT AT RIO:

CMS Family Night at Rio is Thursday, January 17, 2019, 5:00-9:30 pm. Dine in or take out. Come out for one of our most festive family nights. Bring your family and friends. Don't forget to let your server know you are from Columbus.

FROM THE MUSIC ROOM:



We are excited to announce the dates for the CMS production of "The Lion King Kids."

Performances will be

Thursday, March 7 at 2:00 and 7:00 pm and Friday, March 8 at 7:00 pm. *Mark your calendars, you won't want to miss this!*



GROWTH SPURT – IT'S HAPPENING!

GROWTH SPURT is a musical play co-written by CMS grads Katie Romano and Laszlo Balazs. It is hitting the stage on Saturday, February 2, 2019. There will be one show only, 4:00 pm at the Ben Franklin Theater in Norwalk. Along with the story, Katie and Laszlo have written the lyrics (together) and music (Laszlo) to the show's 12 songs, and Katie has done the choreography. Younger sisters Abbey Romano and Vivian Balazs will take the stage and perform. They will be joined by former CMS students Alexandra Dul, Elisabeth Mastrota and Valeria Antunes and current CMS students Elizabeth Santamaria, Finnuala Cronin and Christian Lopez! If you would like to purchase tickets, please go to:

<https://crystaltheatre.ticketleap.com/growth-spurt>

NORWALK EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SHARK TANK

Students are invited to participate in Norwalk Education Foundation's 4th annual Classroom Innovation Grants a la Shark Tank competition. Here's how it works: Projects must enhance their school. Ideas should address one or more of the following: academics, extra-curricular activities, social-emotional wellbeing, physical health/nutrition or safety. Students may work alone or with a group. Each project must have a staff supporter to sign off on the proposal. Proposals are due by March 8, 2019. For further information and an application, please go to the Norwalk Education Foundation website: <http://www.norwalkeducation.org/>.

FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD:

The Gray Dog

The gray dog barked as Trinity walked past her neighbor's house. Trinity loved her neighbor's dog, but then the dog bit her. Now, let me tell you how he bit Trinity. He got off his leash and tiptoed behind her. Then he bit her. The gray dog's name is Pup and he's super cute. But Trinity doesn't care. She's still afraid of Pup. Now every time she walks by her neighbor's house, she whistles and walks fast. And she has never played with the gray dog again.

By Za'Riyah

