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Read-A-Thon

Has your student gotten their Read-A-Thon sponsors? If not, you have until Monday to turn in your Bonus Coupon #1 for a snack bag. This states that you have at least 5 sponsors. You can then go get more.

We are excited to see how this fundraiser will go. We are trying something different and we hope you appreciate the efforts that have been put into making this an easy event for teachers & parents.

There is a Go Fund Me page set up on the CCCS Facebook page and there is a link on the CCCS website. The link on the school's website will drop down when you click on the "Quick Link" tab. This will make it easier for your out of town friends and relatives to donate to your students.

Please help us make this a success.



Scrapbooking Extravaganza

Our next Scrapbooking event will be held on March 27 & 28. There are brochures at the school. If you are interested in attending, please request a brochure.

Each family is asked to donate \$5 to help with the cost of food for this fundraiser. An envelope is included with this newsletter. Please do your best to send in this donation.

For those receiving this via email, just send your donation in an enveloped clearly marked.



**Cambria County
Christian School**

February 26 , 2015

Upcoming Events:

- ☺ March 2-6—
Scholastic Book
Fair
- ☺ March 6—Family
fun night at the
book fair
- ☺ March 6—Grades
9-12 to Holocaust
Museum in Wash-
ington, D.C.
- ☺ March 13—Last
day of Read-A-
Thon
- ☺ March 16—
Basketball pic-
tures @ 1:30
- ☺ March 17—
Registration from
6:00-8:00
- ☺ March 18—
Pastor's Honor
Luncheon

Spring Festival

You will have an opportunity to sign up for your desired area at registration on March 17

I know it seems early, but we need to begin thinking about our Spring Festival. It will be held on Saturday, May 16 this year.

We NEED every family to help in order to make this event successful.

Here is what we expect of each family:

- ☺ Commit to work at least 2 hours the day of the Festival
- ☺ Bake for the bake sale
- ☺ Donate items for the flea market
- ☺ Optional..Auction donation
- ☺ Be willing to hang a couple flyers advertising the festival in area businesses

Each classroom will be donating an auction item also, so be watching for information on that at a later date.

The areas that will need assistance are: (in order of amount of help needed)

- ⇒ Kid's Korner
- ⇒ Food
- ⇒ Flea market
- ⇒ Clean up
- ⇒ Bake Sale
- ⇒ Car show
- ⇒ Chicken BBQ
- ⇒ Tractor show

Schedules will be sent home at a later date. When they are sent home, I would suggest you get your paper returned quickly. Spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

One area that takes a lot of time and effort is obtaining donations for our auction. If you would be willing to help in this area, please contact Mrs. Johnson. There are letters available to give to the business owner/manager.

We have tried to break these areas down so it isn't such a large job. Suggested areas are:

- ◆ Cresson/Ebensburg
- ◆ Nanty Glo/Mundy's Corner/Vinco/Parkhill/Conemaugh
- ◆ Armagh/Seward

- ◆ Johnstown's West End plus Coopersdale & Cambria City
- ◆ Downtown Johnstown
- ◆ Moxham/Geistown & Scalp Avenue
- ◆ Elton Road businesses (includes Wal Mart plaza) plus College Park Plaza
- ◆ Galleria and surrounding businesses (includes Lowes & Home Depot)
- ◆ Westwood, Westmont & Franklin Street businesses
- ◆ Any other areas I may have missed

We would like to get these donation requests started as soon as possible, so if this is something you'd be willing to do, please let us know right away.

As soon as the weather breaks, we will begin accepting flea market items.
Thanks in advance for helping us make this the best festival ever.



School Mall Booklets

This weather has not helped with any of our activities here at CCCS.

A week or so ago, Mrs. Lloyd sent home a booklet for you to complete with names and addresses. That's all you needed to do. If you still have those booklets, please complete them and send them back to the school. When we meet the goal, we will receive an additional bonus. We are only 10 booklets away from achieving this goal. Do your best, please.

Book Fair

There are a lot of exciting events going on all week during the Scholastic Book Fair. Each elementary student received a booklet with all these activities. In case you don't see it, here is a bit of that information.

- ◆ **Dollar Days**—Each day of the week during the Book Fair will be a “special dress” day. Students are asked to donate \$1 each day that they choose to participate in the day's theme. All money raised through Dollar Days will be donated to All for Books. A donation to All for Books helps us put more books in our library. Not only does your donation help our cause, but Scholastic Book Fairs will match monetary donations raised with a donation of up to one million books to two non-profit organizations dedicated to helping children, families and teachers acquire books and educational resources—Kids In Need Foundation and Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc. **Monday** will be School Spirit or Camo Day, **Tuesday** is Nerd Day, **Wednesday** is Hat Day (don't forget, you still must wear chapel clothes), **Thursday** is mismatch day and **Friday** is pajama day.
- ◆ **Family Event**—On Friday, March 6th we will be holding a Family Event at our Book Fair from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. There will be crafts, snacks, story time, activities, a special guest and of course, BOOKS! Please plan on attending. It should be a fun evening.
- ◆ **More Book Fair Fun**—There will be a jar filled with “fish and bait” at the book fair. When the students visit the fair, they may guess how many of each they think are in the jar. Also, when making a 25 cent donation to All for Books, students may select one octopus lollipop from the display. If the lollipop has a red tip, they will receive a \$3 gift certificate to use at the book fair.
- ◆ Our special guest at the Friday Family Fun Night is Geronimo Stilton. Geronimo is a talking mouse who lives in New Mouse City on Mouse Island. Geronimo has a younger sister named Thea Stilton, a cousin named Trap Stilton and a favorite little nephew, nine-year-old Benjamin Stilton. Geronimo is a nervous, mild-mannered mouse who would like nothing better than to live a quiet life, but he keeps getting involved in far-away adventures with Thea, Trap and Benjamin and sometimes Aunt Sweetfur. The books are written as though they are autobiographical adventure stories.
- ◆ The series originated in Italy. It is now Italy's most popular children's series. The Geronimo Stilton books have been translated in 35 languages.



One Call System

We will be setting up a *Call Em All* system soon. This system will permit me to make one phone call and everyone on the list will receive the same message. This is very important especially when there is an early dismissal, reminders of important events, etc.

Enclosed in this newsletter is a card that you need to put the 1 phone number you will want to receive the messages on. Each family may only have 1 number on our list. If you don't answer when the calls come through, it will go to your voicemail. Make sure you understand that once the *Call Em All* system is set up, no other calls will be made so make sure you've added a number that will be checked. The school's number should come up on your caller ID.

If your card is not returned by Wednesday, March 4, you won't be added to this system initially. It can be added later so you may miss important messages.

Send the card back right away.

Exchange Students

It's not too early to be praying and thinking about hosting an exchange student for the 2015-2016 school year.

CCCS has had the privilege of having 12 international students over the years. Some experiences have been great, some not so great.

There are students waiting to hear from anyone that would host them for a 10 month period of time.

It can be a great opportunity for you and your family to experience the culture of another country. You supply the student with room and board. They are responsible for all of their own expenses (ie. sports fees, lunch money, formal fees, etc.)

This program usually runs from August to June (a typical school year). We have had a few students come from January through December though.

The current families who have graciously opened their homes to these kids are Berkebile, Urban, Kestermont, McMullen. If you have questions about this program, I'm sure any of these parents will gladly answer your questions. Also, Mrs. Johnson is the area representative for International Student Exchange. They have a website also. It's www.iseusa.com Check it out.

If you feel led to host a student, contact Mrs. Johnson and we can get the process started. Everything is done on line, so it's fairly easy to get this process started.

Re-registration

Re-registration will be held at CCCS on Tuesday, March 17 from 4:00 until 8:00. It should only take 15 minutes or less to register.

What you need to do that night will be:

- ◆ Sign your financial agreement
- ◆ Pay your registration fee. Those registering on the 17th will receive a \$50 discount on their registration fee of \$250. Registration fees will no longer be "rolled" into your monthly payment.
- ◆ Complete a family information sheet. This is a valuable resource of needed information.
- ◆ Receive your statement for the building assessment. This is a fee charged for use of the Family Center and church for various daily activities. This is due in September.
- ◆ Sign up to help at the Spring Festival
- ◆ If you plan to apply for financial aid, please do so as soon as you have your taxes completed. If necessary, you can apply for financial aid while at registration.
- ◆ ALL families are required to sign up for FACTS tuition management. This is so your tuition will be automatically debited from your account monthly. This account can also be set up during registration if necessary.

New tuition rates are as follows:

One student	\$4398
Two students	\$6224
Three or more students	\$7150
3 or 4 year old preschool	\$ 965
K4	\$1109

Preschool has a non-refundable \$25 registration fee to secure a spot in the class.

It is imperative that you plan to spend 15 minutes of your afternoon/evening to re-register your child/children. Curriculum will be ordered in early spring. Because of restrictive costs, we only order for those children that we know will be returning. Please don't "assume" that we know your child will be returning to CCCS.

Contact Mrs. Johnson with any questions.



School Phone

814-749-7406

March 6, 2015

OPEN HOUSE

**Cambria County Christian School
will hold a Community Open
House Friday, March 6 from
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Preschool Open House from
7:00-8:00**

**Location: CCCS is located at 561 Pike Road,
Johnstown (actually in Mundy's Corner). Just a
short distance from the junction of 22 & 271.
Call for exact directions.**

**Please pass this along to anyone that may be interested in
seeing what CCCS is all about.**