



Chippy Chatter

Charles Carroll Elementary School PTA September 2011

Important Dates

Thurs. Sept. 15th
Back to School Night
2-6PM CCES
PTA Monthly Meeting
to follow CCES Media Center

Mon. Sept. 19th
Chippy Directory Info Due

Tues. Sept. 20th
Five Guys Restaurant
Fundraiser 3-9PM

Wed. Sept. 21st
Market Day Pick Up

Fri. Sept. 23rd
Fun Run – schedule to be
sent home soon!

Family Night at Players

**PTA Monthly Meetings
are the 3rd Thurs.
of every month!**

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President's Message

Welcome back to Charles Carroll for another exciting year in our school community!

I can't believe how fast the summer flew by, but I am happy to be back to work within the CCES Community, especially in such a banner year for our school. **It's our 90th Anniversary!!!!** (see pg. 1&2)

That's right, The Charles Carroll School is 90 years young this year. We have some exciting ideas for how to celebrate, so be sure to keep an eye out for updates in the monthly newsletter.

Hot on the Heels of this newsletter we will be holding our 3rd annual Fun Run. This is a terrific way for families to get back in the swing of things here at CCES and help purchase technology for our school. (p. 2)

Speaking of support, check out the info on our fundraising (p.3). We are trying to offer a wide range of opportunities this year so that families can participate where they are comfortable.

We hope this newsletter will be a way to keep you up to date on our activities and school support, so please take a moment to read through all the great info included! The Newsletter will be distributed via Alert Now the first Thurs. of every month, so be sure to watch for it in the future. (Families who have requested print info from CCES will also receive paper copies of our newsletter.) We are happy to publish news about Community Non-profit events that is submitted by the Mon. before Distribution. Contact chippypta@gmail.com for more info!

Finally, I want to give a special thank you to all the members of the Executive Board from last year and our current Board for their hard work over the summer and their dedication to the school community. Our CCES families are truly lucky to have such a great group of volunteers to support the students and staff!

Again, welcome back. We're looking forward to a banner year!!!

Seeking CCS Alumni!

We want all Alumni to help us celebrate Charles Carroll Schools' 90th Anniversary. If you are, or have information about an Alumni, please contact us at chippypta@gmail.com OR call Bonnie Kremer at 410-346-7824

Charles Carroll School - 90th

Honoring our past, supporting our present, protecting our future!

As the year continues, check here for information about our Anniversary events and projects. A good portion of our October Newsletter will be devoted to that information.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Anniversary please contact us at chippypta@gmail.com or via a note to the Main Office labeled ATTN: PTA ANNIVERSARY.

Current plans: We are working on designing new Spirit Wear to commemorate the school's 90th Anniversary. If you wish to purchase our traditional Green Spirit Wear with the chipmunk design, you may still do so. The order form is on the PTA section of the Website or may be picked up at the Main Office. This spirit wear will also be sold at PTA events.

We are developing plans for a Time Capsule and possible landscaping project to be unveiled at our May Day festivities. If you are a landscaper or contractor who can donate your time or materials please contact Kelly at chippypta@gmail.com or 410-346-7106 ASAP so we can present an accurate plan to the school administration and Central Office!

Year in Review History Announcements - Every Third Thursday (the same day as our PTA General Meetings) students will learn about one decade of the School's History during Morning Announcements. This may include popular songs, sports, and important historical facts. Be sure to ask your student about what they have learned, AND join us at our General Meeting for additional Historical information!

Our 3rd Annual Fun Run

Join your student(s) on Sept. 23rd to run some laps in support of technology at CCES. As in the past two years, all money collected for this event will go to help purchase technology at our school. Every student will receive a CCES Water Bottle for participating

Information and collection envelopes will be sent home the week of 9/12 so students can collect pledges. Envelopes, NO MONEY, should be brought the day of the run. Students will have the week following to collect on their pledges.

Thank you for supporting our school!

Reflections is coming!!!

The Reflections Fine Arts Competition is sponsored by the National PTA and is a chance for CCES students to shine on the STATE and possibly NATIONAL level.

Reflections offers all Grade Levels the chance to create a project in one of 6 areas: (Visual Arts, Photography, Creative Writing, Music Composition, Dance Choreography, & Film Production.)

Projects are created at home and submitted to the CCES PTA for judging. Everyone who participates receives an award!

Info on rules and deadlines is coming soon!

PTA Fundraising Opportunities:

We need your help to finance our school support projects and events this year!

PLEASE NOTE!!!!!! Our current plan is to offer MANY opportunities for fundraising throughout the year. We know that most families will not participate in EVERY Fundraiser, but we hope you will find one or two that work for your family! If you have questions or suggestions, don't hesitate to contact us, and THANK YOU. In advance, for your support this year!

FREE MONEY PROGRAMS: Please let your family and friends know about these programs! By participating in services your family uses regularly, and by recycling products you already buy, you can help keep our PTA in the black!

Box Tops/Campbell's Labels/Tyson's Labels: These labels are found on General Mills, Campbell's, and Tyson's Products. Classes and individual students can compete to turn in the most box tops. Prizes are awarded three times a year. PLEASE NOTE: Only Box Tops and Campbell's labels properly cut and fastened to a collection sheet can apply to individual totals. (Collection sheets are available online at the PTA Website.) Please check expiration dates on labels before turning them in!

Sunny D Labels: UPCs found on Sunny D products can be collected until Nov. 15th. For every 20 received, 20 books are earned. Labels from single serve containers MUST be from the OUTER WRAPPING, not individual bottles.

Ink/Electronics recycling: Used Inkjet cartridges, cell phones, laptops, and more are collected by The Main Office, at Brewer's, and at St. Mary's UCC. For a detailed list of what items qualify, see the PTA website!

Capri Sun/Lunchables: All brands of aluminum drink pouches and plastic lunchable style trays can be deposited in the PTA Trashcan in the cafeteria. These items are recycled by Terracycle and the PTA receives a per item pay out. Students may bring pouches from home/sports practices if they are sealed in a Ziploc Bag.

Shopping Rewards: Forms will be sent home allowing you to register your grocery loyalty card so that your purchases can benefit the PTA. If you have a TARGET VISA or STORE CARD you can register Charles Carroll as your school in their "take charge of education" program at the Customer Service Desk.

Restaurant Nights: These events occur not only at restaurants, but at retail stores as well! There will be a afternoon/night when a portion of your purchase goes to Charles Carroll. We will notify families of these events via Alert Now, the newsletter, and Chippy Folder. Please spread the word on these events as they are an easy way for grandparents, family friends, etc. to support the PTA!

PLANNED FUNDRAISERS: These are some probable fundraisers we will run this year.

Market Day: purchase ready made meals and frozen foods and help support the PTA. Orders are placed monthly.

Fun Run: Collect pledges from friends and family. 100% of the proceeds go to support/purchase technology for CCES! Scheduled for Sept. 23rd.

Coupon Card: These wallet size cards are affordable and easy to use, and feature discounts for local businesses. We're hoping to have these starting in Nov.

Holiday Shop: Students can shop in private with a helper and a budget for gifts for family, teachers, and friends. This year we are looking at having Fri. night and Sat. hours. We will also have a vendor area for parents where they can shop while the kids are making their selections. Scheduled for Dec. 2nd & 3rd.

Breakfast with Santa: We will be returning to Applebees this year for this popular event. We will have a double seating AND we will be opening this event to the public. CCES families will have a chance to reserve first! Scheduled for Dec. 10th.

Sub Sale: Order fresh subs, sandwiches, and pizza from Shultz's Deli in Hanover PA. Scheduled for Jan. and June.

Art To Remember: Art work your child creates in class can be put on a variety of keepsake items. Scheduled for March/April.

Service Project!

Last year we sent letters and care packages to government personnel stationed overseas. This is a great way for our kids to do something for people making a big sacrifice to defend our country. CCES students did a fantastic job. We received comments from many of the people we mailed projects saying they were touched and appreciative.

We plan to send cards and care packages again this year. We will collect items at our PTA Family Events in Oct. and Feb. and at all general meetings. You can also send items to the school marked **Military Service Project, Attn: Cathy - PTA**. Please feel free to have your child make pictures or thank you cards at home and send them as well. We will mail care packages in early Nov. and late Feb. (Please check our website for items to be donated.) Holiday cards will be sent in early Dec.

If you have a family member on active duty that you would like to include in our project, Please contact Cathy Steffans(cathyspta@aol.com) or (410-346-7393.) This can also include government/private contract employees that are on tours of duty overseas.

CCES Community Updates:

Please submit information about Community Events/Concerns by the first Monday of the month to chippypta@gmail.com – all community postings will be approved by CCES Administration .

Little Chippys Before/After Care:

Space is still available for your little chippy! There are packages to fit all budgets and needs. Full time, Part time, and Drop in care are offered. Full time care consists of Mon. - Fri. both mornings and afternoons. Morning only care is \$55 for a Mon.-Fri. Schedule, and the afternoon only is \$65 for Mon.-Fri care. Drop in rates are \$7 per hour. If you were enrolled in the Before/After care program last year, you will qualify for the CCES 90th Anniversary rate of \$90 per week for full time care. If you have a need for a schedule that is more tailored to your family, please contact Nicole Church to learn more about rates and schedule availability – Cell: 443-812-6368, Center Phone: 410-346-7206, or at littlechippys@verizon.net

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