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Principal Notes

Greetings Churchill Families,



Thank you so much for your continued support of our school and your child's growth and success as a learner! The second half of the school year has been off to a great start.

As you are shopping for or creating Valentines for your child(ren) to share with their classmates on February 14th, please select Valentine cards only as opposed to Valentines with candy items. Also, please make sure that your child(ren) has a Valentine to give to each child in the classroom.

During the month of February, we celebrate the Character Counts! pillar of Trustworthiness. We remind students to be honest, be reliable, be loyal, do the right thing, and do what you say you'll do. Remind your child(ren) to wear Character Counts! clothing or the color **blue** on Wednesdays during the month of February to demonstrate the pillar of Trustworthiness. **Our next Character Counts! assembly is scheduled for Friday, February 16, 2018 at 11:00 AM.** All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

We appreciate your cooperation with following the Arrival and Dismissal Procedures that are in place. Please adhere to the guidelines that have been established to assist us with the safety of our students. **Do not pick up or drop off students in the back of the building and/or interfere with our bus lane.** Remember that cell phone use in a school zone is prohibited and to please enter at the Churchill Sign when picking up and dropping off students.

Please send your child(ren) to school with warm coats, hats, scarves, and gloves on these chilly winter days. Remember snow pants and boots on snowy days as well. Students will participate in outdoor recess when the temperature with the wind chill is higher than 10 degrees.

Thank you so much for supporting our school when patronizing local businesses! Churchill's Culver's Night generated \$218.88 and Churchill's Rosati's Nights generated \$37.26 and \$77.19 for our school.

Thank you for your continued support in assisting us with providing exemplary educational experiences for your children!

Sincerely,

Tammie Harmon

Tammie Harmon
Principal

Denise Rodgers

Denise Rodgers
Assistant Principal



CHARACTER COUNTS!.sm

CHARACTER COUNTS! Every day at Churchill School!!

February is the month when our Churchill community celebrates the Character Counts! pillar of **TRUSTWORTHINESS**. Trustworthy people are people you can trust. Trustworthiness is made up of four major qualities: integrity, honesty, reliability and loyalty. Integrity means moral wholeness as demonstrated by a consistency of thoughts, words and deeds. The honesty aspect of trustworthiness involves both what we say (our words) and what we do (our conduct). Honest people always try to convey the truth. Reliability means keeping promises and following through on commitments. The last quality is loyalty – standing up with and for someone in need. When you are loyal to someone or something, you're constant and dependable. Trustworthy people keep their word, honor their commitments, pay their debts and return what they borrow. Let's help our kids know the importance of trust in life in all that they do.

In honor of Trustworthiness throughout the month of February, students are encouraged to wear blue on Wednesdays to show their support for the Character Counts! pillar of Trustworthiness.



Positively recognize a Churchill Elementary staff member through the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/WRz3Vus6t9rFoyOh2>

Churchill Elementary School Positive Staff Recognition

The entire Churchill Elementary School staff deserves to be acknowledged for the great work they do on a daily basis! Please use this form to recognize any member (or team) of our staff and their name(s) will be placed in our weekly staff drawings for prizes! Please remember it definitely takes a village to successfully support a safe, comfortable learning environment that includes teachers, secretaries, nurses, teaching assistants, custodians, specialists, etc. We will acknowledge everyone that is recognized and draw name(s) on Mondays to announce prize winners.

Kindergarten Registration

Community Unit School District 308 walk-in registration for Kindergarten will take place at **Central Registration located at East View**. Registration packets are available online at www.sd308.org. Packets are also available at any SD 308 school or the district office.

Please fill out the packet entirely and bring this packet when you register your child.

Children registering for Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year must be 5 years old by September 1, 2018.

OTHER ITEMS NEEDED: Original Birth Certificate
Photo I.D. of Parent
Three (3) Proofs of Residency

LOCATION: Central Registration - East View (District Administration Center)
4175 State Route 71, Oswego, Door #2

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	CHURCHILL ELEMENTARY	630.636.3800
	LAKEWOOD CREEK ELEMENTARY	630.636.3200
	SOUTHEURY ELEMENTARY	630.551.9800
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	HUNT CLUB ELEMENTARY	630.636.2800
	FOX CHASE ELEMENTARY	630.636.3000
	LONG BEACH ELEMENTARY	630.636.3300
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	GRANDE PARK ELEMENTARY	630.551.9700
	OLD POST ELEMENTARY	630.636.3400
	PRAIRIE POINT ELEMENTARY	630.636.3600
	WOLFS CROSSING ELEMENTARY	630.636.3700
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	BOULDER HILL ELEMENTARY	630.636.2900
	HOMESTEAD ELEMENTARY	630.636.3100
	THE WHEATLANDS ELEMENTARY	630.636.3500

If you are unable to make your school's scheduled registration date, please feel free to attend any of the dates listed above. Questions may be directed to the individual school or to the District Office Central Registration Department at 630.636.2404.

Medical Requirements for Kindergarten (not needed at time of registration)

- Physical – due by 1st day of school
- Vision – due by October 15, 2018
- Dental – due no later than May 15, 2019



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News from the Home & School Association

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, February 1: Rosati's Night

Saturday, February 10: 6-8:30pm, Daddy-Daughter Dance & Diner

Wednesday, February 14: 2:35-3:35pm, Valentine's Day classroom parties

Friday, February 16: 11am-12pm, Character Counts! Assembly

Friday, February 16: 12:15pm Early Dismissal (School Improvement Day)

Monday, February 19: NO SCHOOL (President's Day)

Tuesday, February 20: 6-7pm, Home & School Assn. Meeting

Wednesday, February 28: Culver's Night



Label Redemption Program

Congratulations to Mr. Shaw's 4th grade class for winning the second quarter Box Tops Contest! They submitted 213 Box Tops!! They received the traveling trophy filled with pencils for the students and a game to play during indoor recess for their class!

Please continue to send in your Box Tops for a chance to win the traveling trophy for your child's class. Please submit Box Tops taped to a collection sheet or in Ziploc bags of 50 or less. Bonus certificates will count towards the class totals, but please **DO NOT** tape them to the collection sheets. Any incomplete or expired Box Tops will not count. Make sure you include the teacher's name so the class gets credit!

Every little Box Top counts! As a school, we collected 1,024 Box Tops in the second quarter. That's \$102.40 for our school! The third quarter contest ends on **Friday March 9**. Thank you for your continued support of our Box Tops program and happy clipping!



Churchill Yearbook

Reminders:

- All 5th graders receive a free yearbook as a gift from Churchill Home & School Assn.
- Books ordered from 12/23/2017 – 2/15/2018 will be \$30.00. No orders will be accepted after 2/15/2018. A small number of extra books will be sold on a first come, first serve basis after ordered yearbooks are distributed.
- \$1.00 processing charge is added to all online orders.
- A paper order form is available at www.churchillhsa.com/ if you are unable to order online.
- Please contact Lori Davis at bmlrcmdavis@gmail.com with questions.



-- Amy Danison, Label Redemption Chair

JITTERBUG DOWN TO
CHURCHILLVILLE
at the **DADDY - DAUGHTER**
DANCE & DINER

the scene: **CHURCHILL ELEMENTARY**
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018
6:00 - 8:30PM

Hey darling daughters...
You're invited to a blast from the past!
Don't be rude- Choose your dude!
Daddy-o, funky uncle or groovy grandfather -
Any will do, your date is up to you!
Dig it?

the buzz: **\$25 PER COUPLE, \$5 EACH ADDITIONAL STUDENT/DAUGHTER**
PRINT AND FILL OUT FORM. SEND COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT BACK TO SCHOOL WITH PAYMENT -
CASH, CHECKS TO CHURCHILL HSA OR PAY ONLINE VIA PAYPAL (PLEASE NOTE THIS ON YOUR FORM)

FLIP OVER WHAT'S COOKIN'

- A DJ SPINNIN' SOUNDS • 50'S INSPIRED CRAFT • A FABULOUS FLICK •
- A PHOTOBOOTH STATION WITH THE MOST! •
- COOL EATS AND TREATS (SNACKS • ICE CREAM STATION) •
- DADDY-DAUGHTER PORTRAITS •

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS ON OR BEFORE 1/31

FOR A CHANCE TO WIN 50'S INSPIRED AMERICAN GIRL, MARY ELLEN!
WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED LIVE AT THE DANCE.

(TICKETS PURCHASED ON 2/1 OR LATER WILL NOT RECEIVE AN ENTRY TO WIN DOLL, NO EXCEPTIONS.)

DRESS: FORMAL OR DRESS TO 50'S THEME - YOU CHOOSE!





CHURCHILLVILLE DADDY - DAUGHTER DANCE & DINER RSVP AND VOLUNTEER FORM

committee date stamp
of payment.

PLEASE PRINT AND ATTACH WITH PAYMENT.

Student's Name (#1): _____

Student's Grade + Teacher: _____

Guest's Name: _____

Additional Student's Names: _____

Total Paid: (\$25 per couple + \$5 each additional student/daughter) _____

Payment Type: Cash Check Paypal paypal name if used to pay

(please circle)

Girls with paid tickets before 2/1 will automatically be entered to win 50's inspired American Girl doll, Mary Ellen!

THE DANCE & DINER IS HIRING VOLUNTEERS!

Are you willing to volunteer? We offer three different shifts!

NAME, EMAIL & PHONE NUMBER OF DINER APPLICANT

Dance & Diner Prep | Friday, February 9th at 6pm - Churchill Gym
Set up Dance & Diner decorations, craft table, concessions, & photo booth.

YES! SIGN ME UP: _____

Dance & Diner Volunteers - DDD Event | Saturday, February 10th 5:30pm
Volunteers are encouraged to dress as a 50's guy or gal!
Check in, 50's diner concessions, craft table, movie supervision, portraits and photobooth supervision

YES! SIGN ME UP: _____

Post Dance Assistance | Saturday, February 10th at 8:30pm
Cleanup, take down of decorations and all Diner closing duties.

YES! SIGN ME UP: _____

Pay Pal Links for Daddy Daughter Dance

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=PXG8XM5NMP954

Payment \$25.00

https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=5E2VVY9AGW3TU

Additional children link

Notes from the Music Room. . .

Wow! Here we are in February already and the school year is already more than half over. I can't believe how quickly the school year flies by!

Here's what's in store for music classes during the month of February:

First grade: Classroom Instruments—Students have been playing some of our classroom instruments. During the month of February we will concentrate on how to play them, learning their names, and being able to identify them by their sound. This month will also include some Valentine's Day songs.

Second grade: Patriotic music—During this month, we will be studying patriotic music. Students will learn some patriotic songs and the characteristics of patriotic music, both vocal and instrumental. We will also be singing a Valentine's Day song or two around the middle of the month.

Third grade: Muscial—Students listened to their musical, Joust!, and signed up for parts during the last 2 weeks of January. We will be working on the musical until the performance on Thursday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. (Please mark this on your calendar now!) Parts will be assigned in the next week or so, and copies of solos, speaking parts, and small groups will be sent home for students to memorize. Once all parts are assigned, I will send home a costume letter as well.

Fourth grade: Recorders—Students will receive their recorders (along with some instruction on proper sound production) sometime within the next 2 weeks. We will then be working on learning to play the recorders until around the middle of April.

Fifth grade: Rhythm—During month of February, students will begin a unit on performing rhythm notation, creating rhythms of their own in 2/4, 3/4 and 4/4 time signatures, and correctly notating teacher-performed rhythm patterns using quarter notes and rests, half notes and rests, dotted half notes, whole notes and rests, eighth notes, and sixteenth notes.

“Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent.”

Victor Hugo *French dramatist, novelist, & poet (1802 - 1885)*

-- Julie Van Camp, Music Teacher



News from the LRC . . .

Mrs. Caffarello is in need of "touch and feel" board books for her library. If you have any that you would like to donate, please send them to school with your child.



From the P.E. Department

After winter break our students completed a basketball unit. Students practiced a wide variety of skills such as passing, shooting, and dribbling. We played modified games such as Knockout, Around the World, Captain Ball, Pig/Horse/Clason, and NBA.

February is designated as Heart Month, and we will be focusing on fitness with the famous Heart Obstacle Course. We will follow that up with a week of Winter Olympics. We continue with fitness stations centered on cardiovascular related concepts. Be ready to bump it up! During the last two weeks of February the students will participate in Floor Hockey.

Have a Fantastic February and stay tuned for more updates!

- Churchill P.E. Teachers

Brittany Lindeman (636-3857)

Tom Clason (636-3848)

From the Art Room...

Kindergarten students are learning about the color wheel and the different color groups that make up the color wheel. First, Kindergarteners will learn about the primary and secondary color groups and how to use them in their art. They will be creating colorful primary and secondary chameleons based off the book “A Color of His Own” by Leo Lionni.

1st grade classes designed their very own helpful robot. Students used details on their robot to show the special helpful task of their robot. They experimented with creating visual texture in their robot artwork, using special texture plates and rubbing crayons.

2nd grade students are learning about the unique life and family units of the Arctic Emperor Penguins. They created their Arctic Emperor Penguins in their natural environment of Antarctica using oil pastels and watercolors.

3rd grade students are celebrating the Chinese New Year by learning about the long cultural traditions of this holiday, and how the Chinese New Year traditions are similar to the New Years traditions celebrated in America. They also learned about the cultural importance and symbolism of the Chinese dragon in Chinese culture and art. To ring in the upcoming Chinese New Year students are creating their own colorful Chinese Dragon art pieces.

4th grade students are expanding their art-making skills by creating colorful, eye-catching and eye-tricking optical illusion art. They are discovering how lines, shapes, and colors can be used to create optical illusions in art that plays tricks on the eyes of the viewer.

5th grade students are learning about the famous artist Andy Warhol. They are learning about Warhol's iconic pop art images as well as his importance in the art world. Students are creating their own colorful Andy Warhol style inspired art pieces, using images from today's popular culture.

Ms. Heidi Miller, Art Educator

Hmiller@sd308.org 630-636-3866

CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. ANDERSON'S 3TH, 4TH, AND 5TH GRADE GIFTED ED MATH STUDENTS.

Mrs. Anderson's 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade math students participated in a Regional Math Competition on the game website called Sumdog. Together they answered 32,716 questions and got 28,207 of them correct.

Mrs. Anderson's 3rd grade students won the competition! The 4th graders came in 2nd place and the 5th graders came in 3rd place. All students won a Sumdog Membership.

The top 10 students in the competition were:

10. Cassie M. - 883 questions correct
9. Emma Z. - 897 questions correct
8. Camerson P. - 904 questions correct
7. Danielle D. - 906 questions correct
6. Jayden K. - 906 questions correct
5. Danielle S. - 913 questions correct
4. Felix P. - 925 questions correct
3. Isabella K. - 934 questions correct
2. Jenna G. - 944 questions correct
1. Lincoln I. - 979 questions correct

Congratulations to all the math participants.

Leslie Anderson
Gifted Education Teacher
Churchill Elementary
630-636-3833



Churchill Elementary is participating in the Six Flags Read to Succeed Program. The program encourages students in grades K through 6 to engage in recreational reading. Students who complete six hours of reading books, magazines, newspapers, eBooks or comic books of their choice, are eligible to earn a free admission ticket to the Six Flags Theme Park in Gurnee, Illinois. Reading logs were sent home with students the week of December 18th and the deadline to return completed logs to their teacher is **Friday, February 2, 2018**. Parents are a key component of Read to Succeed, as they can encourage their child to read for fun! If necessary, parents can read to their child, help their child keep track of his\her reading hours and are asked to verify and sign all student reading logs when complete. Tickets will be distributed in May and are valid for the 2018 summer season, June-August. If you have any questions, please contact Churchill's Read to Succeed Coordinator, Kelly Schultz, at kschultz@sd308.org or 630-636-3850. Happy Reading!!



February 2018

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 <i>Rosati's Night</i>	2	3
4	5 9am – 7pm Kindergarten Registration @Central Registration at East View	6	7	8	9	10 6-8:30pm Daddy- Daughter Dance
11	12	13	14 2:35-3:35pm Valentine's Day classroom parties	15	16 11am-12pm Character Counts! Assembly 12:15pm Early Dismissal	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL (President's Day)	20 6-7pm Home & School Assn. Mtg.	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 <i>Culver's Night</i>			