

Cedar Hill Scoop

March 23, 2018

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

March 23	Boys Night Out 6:30-8:30pm
March 30	No School (Good Friday)
April 2	World Autism Day (wear Blue)
April 5	Deadline for Color Run Registration
April 6	Deadline for 5th Grade Shout Outs
April 6	Autism Puzzles and donations due
April 10-13	Early Dismissal (Spring Conferences)
April 20	Last day to order 5th Grade Yearbook
May 11	Color Run

PARENT BOOK CLUB -- NEW!

The PTO is excited to invite our entire school community -- moms, dads and teachers -- to read and discuss the book The Gift of Failure by Jessica Lahey on **May 23rd at 7:00 P.M** in the library, as a follow up to yesterday's General PTO meeting about resilience with our school counselor Molly Wilcox. We have selected this book to help us all better understand how to help our children become resilient. This book explores the many ways parents can help children learn to be independent, while learning to see that failure is a part of the path toward success. The PTO hopes moms, dads and teachers will come and be a part of the discussion. Book those babysitters and please join us! Bring your thoughts, opinions, and feelings about this book and engage in conversation with fellow parents. We hope this is the first of many future Book Club meetings! Be on the lookout for an event Evite. You can purchase this book wherever books are sold -- including our upcoming book fair!

AUTISM AWARENESS AND ACCEPTANCE DAY at Cedar Hill School

Our differences make each one of us unique. When we celebrate those differences, we bring our world a little closer together! April is Autism Awareness Month and Cedar Hill School will once again be raising awareness for Autism by promoting acceptance and celebrating our differences through many special activities! On Monday, April 2 (World Autism Day), third graders will reinforce what they've learned during their sensitivity training earlier this year by taking part in a special Ribbon Tying Ceremony led by Mr. Ciempola. The ribbon trellis will be on display

outside of the main doors throughout the month of April. Students in grades 2-5 will then watch a touching video titled "Firefly Jubilee" which shows how to be a friend to a child with Autism. Please remember to have your child **wear BLUE on Monday, April 2 for World Autism Day**. On Friday, April 6th, the CHS Character Crusaders will host a special assembly for all students to honor autism awareness. Throughout the month of April, students will also read facts about autism during the morning announcements. Lastly, we invite you to be a part of our School-Wide Acceptance Chain! The chain will be added-on to this year and we hope to see it grow even bigger with your help! Last year, on behalf of our CHS Community, \$230 was donated to Autism New Jersey, a nonprofit agency committed to ensuring safe and fulfilling lives for individuals with Autism!! Your child will be coming home with a copy the puzzle piece template to get them started. We encourage you to print extra copies to decorate and return as many as you'd like as a family. With a suggested donation of \$1.00 per puzzle piece, all students, staff members, families, and friends are invited to participate! *Please see the attached flyer and puzzle piece template sheet for more details. **Kindly submit your puzzle pieces and donations by Friday, April 6th.** The more puzzle pieces that are returned, the longer our chain will be and the greater the impact we can have as a community. **Thank you** so much for your kindness and support!

COLOR RUN FRIDAY MAY 11th

On your mark, get set, get ready to **COLOR RUN!** The Color Run will be held at CHS on **May 11th at 5:30 pm**. This is our largest fundraiser for the year. Families can raise money two ways: 1. By entering the race (parents, siblings and friends are welcome to enter too!) 2. By asking friends and family members to make a donation. Every donation can help the student win **COLORFUL** prizes!

Be sure to check your child's backpack for registration and fundraising information (also attached below). Students will have until **April 5th** to collect donations and **can** either register online <http://shop.schoolathon.org/190010> or via registration form sent home today. Please make all checks payable to "Cedar Hill PTO" **NO CASH** will be accepted. Please see the attachment for full instructions on registration and FAQ's.

TOP 10 Donation Earners get to Color Splash Principal Ciempola & Assistant Principal Uhler with color before the big race!

Keep up to date by visiting the PTO website at www.chspto.org. Please email questions to Colorrun@cedarhillpto.org

FIFTH GRADE SHOUT OUTS

Hard to believe that in a few months our children will be leaving Cedar Hill. A Shout Out is a perfect way to wish them luck and congratulate them for all their

achievements. These proper send offs will be featured in the fifth grade yearbook for all to read. Shout Outs are \$3 each, and there is a limit of 3 per student. This is a two step process.

First, complete the Google form that was emailed to each family on March 23rd. Next, send in payment with the payment flier sent home with each child in their Friday Folder. Payment must be received in order for the Shout Out to appear in the yearbook. Monies collected help defray yearbook expenses. Cash or check written to Cedar Hill PTO will be accepted. Each teacher was a collection envelope, so just have your child hand payment to their teacher. All Shout Outs must be submitted by **April 6th** in order for them to be in the yearbook.

Here is the link for the Google Form: <https://goo.gl/forms/50BADPR4WhtCVsQo1>

If you have any questions, please contact Kerry Bowden at ellablue15@gmail.com

FIFTH GRADE PARENTS - YEARBOOK IS ON SALE NOW!

The Fifth Grade Yearbook is now on sale! Order forms went home with your students today, and you can send in cash or a check made payable to Cedar Hill PTO. Starting Saturday February 17th, you can also order online at <http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09893958> or go to www.schoolannual.com and click Buy My Student's Yearbook, then search for your school. Yearbooks are \$25 and the sale will run from **February 17th to April 20th**. Please make checks payable to Cedar Hill PTO. Be an early bird and order your yearbook now! Any questions? Contact Kerry Bowden at ellablue15@gmail.com

SCIENCE FAIR THANK YOU

The 2018 Science Fair was a huge success! We had 160 scientists presenting 95 innovative and creative projects and experiments in grades 3 - 5. A big thank you to all the students, parents and teachers who dedicated their time and made it such a FUN event! This year's event, in particular, displayed originality and innovation! It was very exciting to see. A special thank you goes to **Mrs. Uhler** and **Mr. Ciempola** for their continued support of the Science Fair; to the co-chairs, **Joanna Bartlett, Janina Hecht, and Christine Thoma**, for organizing the students and advisors during the 10-week period and the Saturday event; and to all the parent advisors and volunteers who donated their time: **Sofia Aftab, Katie Andrews, Kim Famula, Sirisha Ghatty, Carla Hagerman, Adam Hecht, Jennifer LaCapra, Jaemin Lee, Sunitha Mathias, Valorie Parisi, George Piccola, Susan Ruggerio, Lauren Salko, Kristi Salveson, Kamlesh Shekhawat, Daniel Smith, and Elise West**. We look forward to next year's event!

SUPPORTING KATIE KING - OSS 4th GRADER

Katie King is a 4th Grader at Oak Street School and was diagnosed with metastatic

Ewing Sarcoma on August 23, 2017. Ewing's is a very aggressive and rare pediatric bone cancer requiring an aggressive chemo plan, which Katie receives at CHOP. The Katie King Foundation will be used to help with medical bills along with travel expenses to and from CHOP. For more information on ways you can help, go to <http://www.katiekingfoundation.com/fundraisers.html>

FRIDAY FOLDER: Need to sign up for the Cedar Hill Friday Folder and or the Honeywell Alert System?

Here are the Links:

Cedar Hill Friday Folder: http://www.bernardsboe.com/district_information/friday_folders/friday_folder_sign_up/ (remember to check the Cedar Hill box)

Honeywell Alert System: <https://instantalert.honeywell.com>

HELPFUL WEBSITES:

CEDAR HILL PTO – www.chspto.org

CEDAR HILL SCHOOL - <http://cedarhill.bernardsboe.com> (school policies and procedures can be found on this website)

AtoZ Link - www.schooldirectoryupdate.com

LUNCH PREPAYMENTS - <http://www.myschoolbucks.com> (online account for student lunches)

SCHOOL CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS - <http://www.bernardsboe.com> (you can also sign up for Friday Folders and Honeywell Alert System here)

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION - <http://www.boxtops4education.com>

OLIVER LABELS - www.oliverslabels.com/cedarhill

(enter Promo Code FUN3072)

AMAZON SMILE -- <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3679303>

Submissions to the Cedar Hill Scoop may be emailed to chsscoop@cedarhillpto.org.

Deadline for submissions is **Wednesday at 5pm** for inclusion on Friday. ALL submissions must be approved by the PTO Presidents.

PTO Presidents: Jen White and Tara Kanofsky, can be emailed at chsinfo@cedarhillpto.org

Editors: Lisette Mowen & Megan Lipset can be emailed at chsscoop@cedarhillpto.org.

ATTACHMENTS BELOW

Calendar

Lunch Menus (Hot Entree and Sandwich)

World Autism Day Puzzle Template

World Autism Day Puzzle Directions

Color Run Registration

Color Run Fundraising Information