



## Chilton Elementary School Fall Newsletter

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### School Theme

Our all school theme this year is Super Heroes – our mission is to unlock the Super Hero Power in every child!

### Schoolwide Title Program

The Title 1 Program is a Schoolwide Program at CES. Part of the requirement of a Schoolwide Program is to let parents know that their school is “Schoolwide” and what that means. Here is some information about Schoolwide Programs from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction website. “Schoolwide programs have great latitude to determine how to organize their operations and allocate the multiple funding sources available to them. They do not have to identify particular children as eligible for services or separately track federal dollars. Instead, Schoolwide programs can use all allocated funds to increase the amount and quality of learning time. In this way, they can embrace a high-quality curriculum, according to a comprehensive plan that ensures all children meet the state's challenging academic standards. Schoolwide programs serve all children in a school. All staff, resources, and classes are part of the overall Schoolwide program. The purpose is to generate high levels of academic achievement in core subject areas for all students, especially those students most in need.” The reading support services to students at CES are made possible through our Title 1 funding.

### Lost and Found

Our big tub is already heaping with lost and found items – mostly jackets. **It is a great idea to label children's items so that lost items can be returned – especially coats, hats, and lunch boxes!** Double check with your child to see if they may be missing a jacket or two. 😊

### PTA

Our PTA supports our schools in so many ways both financially and with programs. Please consider joining this worthy group and becoming more involved in your child's educational experience. It really is not a great deal of work and many hands make for an even lighter load for everyone! Grab a friend and come check out the next meeting!

## **Outside Of The School Day**

There are many ways to become engaged with your child's school – check out our First Friday of the month Early Riser Readers or 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month – Create And Read Event! There are also special Math Nights and Reading Nights – we love to see you at school! We also have Creators Clubs and Coding Clubs for students run by our librarian Mrs. Salzsieder. If you have other ideas for things that you would like to see happening at school – let me know!

## **Safety and Security**

We certainly thank our Chilton Fire Department for the time they spent at Chilton Elementary School talking about Fire Safety. They shared videos, songs, and important information about preventing fires and what to do in case of a fire. We even had a visit from Fire Pup! Please take the time to talk with your children about what to do in the case of a fire at your home – make sure they know where your safe meeting spot is outside of your house. We have monthly fire drills and we are able to totally evacuate the elementary building – over 400 students and about 75 staff - in an average of 1 minute and 37 seconds.

We also thank our Police School Liaison Officer – Deputy Meyer for all of his assistance with safety at school. We do practice preventative lock downs as a school and teachers practice emergency lock downs within their classrooms along with bad weather drills. We also have had two training sessions with the Sherriff's office on active shooters and our best course of action in different situations. With our safety grant we were able to upgrade and add cameras to the outside perimeter of our buildings and will soon be installing fencing along the back and side of the elementary playground.

## **Bingo for Books**

This has become a very popular event at our school in May. In the past some businesses/companies have donated money to help purchase the books that we give away for summer reading. A couple of parents have asked if their business/company could donate funds toward books as well and the answer is yes! If you have funds that you would like to donate - just let me know and I will bring the donation to the school board for acceptance. Donations are tax deductible.

## **Technology**

I have told the students that it is best not to bring technology devices to school (phones, ipods, tablets, etc.) They are too easily lost or broken or borrowed between students and then lost track of. Some teachers do have special days that students can bring their technology to school – which is fine – but otherwise technology items should stay at home. I also told students that if they must bring technology to school – they were totally responsible for it!

## **Opera for the Young**

Takes place on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in our elementary gym. We are privileged to bring this performance to CES and look forward to seeing some of our students participate in the group chorus during the production. We are able to bring this experience to our students using the funds generated from our own school musical. This year's musical production is based on the "Frog and Toad" book series and promises to be delightful!

## **Report Cards go home on November 9th**

Teachers are looking forward to meeting with you during your parent teacher time on November 13<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup>!

## **If You Ever Have a Question, Idea, or Concern...**

please do not hesitate to contact me. I will do my best to respond to you in a timely manner! I welcome your feedback regarding this! My contact information in at the top of this newsletter.