

Community Christian School

February 2, 2021

Tuesday Memo



No School – Monday, Feb 15th
Presidents' Day

BE ON TIME.... IT'S KIND OF A BIG DEAL: January saw an excessive amount of tardiness. As we are all aware, school starts at 8:00 am. That means breakfast has been consumed, coats, hats and bags are put away, bathroom trips have wrapped up, hallway travel is done and students are in their seats for attendance. We are seeing upwards of a dozen or more students show up between 8:05 and 8:30am each day. This disrupts the learning, expectations and routines of every classroom affected, as well as the office. Please start earlier, plan ahead and bring your students on time.

MASKS, MASKS, MASKS!!! Please take 30 seconds to ensure that your child(ren) have masks as you leave the house each morning. We are running low on our disposable mask supply and believe whole-heartedly that most families have a health stockpile of masks at home by now. Please take an extra moment and check with your child before drop off each morning – thanks in advance!

100 DAY CELEBRATION: We will be celebrating 100 days of school on February 8th (this date may move back if we miss school for weather). We are asking for snack donations that can be counted up to 100 (ex... goldfish, cereal, animal crackers, pretzels, jelly beans). Think of a unique snack you can send with your child for our 100-day celebration.

CCS BEACH PARTY: Plan now for a day of fun as it is almost time for our annual CCS Beach Party. On February 18th during lunch, CCS will be hosting a beach party for all students. Children are encouraged to wear sunglasses, flip flops, shorts and anything else 'beachy' to school that day and enjoy their trip to the beach.

FEBRUARY MENU CHANGE: We have made a quick switch on the February lunch menu. This Friday, February 5th will be Sloppy Joes (and all other items from February 18th) and February 18th will be Pulled Pork (and Feb 5th items).

IOWA ASSESSMENTS: We will be taking the Iowa Assessments starting in March. Some requirements have changed regarding testing window dates & grade levels it applies to. Please see the letter attached from Mrs. Coble-Day regarding these changes and how those apply to CCS.

PTF/BOOSTER CLUB MEETING: The next PTF meeting will be Monday, February 8th at 7:00 pm in the CCS Art Room.

PTF/BOOSTER CLUB ANNOUCEMENTS: Back by popular demand - the ALL Crusaders Chocolate Candy Fundraiser will begin Monday, February 8th. Plan ahead and watch for your family's 1st box of chocolate bars to come home with your student that Monday! Sales will be held from February 8th to February 23rd. Top 5 sellers will receive a Scrip gift card of your choice. Instructions will be taped to your box of candy and additional boxes will be available in the office as long as you turn your money in from the previous box sold. Good luck – this is a really great fundraiser for CCS and we have customers already showing a lot of excitement and interest.

"Save Money on Tuition OR Daycare costs!" HOW TO USE CCS SCRIP VIDEO: We have posted a "How to Scrip" video on our CCS Facebook page. This video explains how the exciting NEWS that took effect on 01/01/2021 applies to CCS families. Families can now save money on daycare OR tuition costs by buying and using Scrip gift cards at your favorite retailers! It only takes 7 minutes to watch the video and then you're ready to use the app. By using the RaiseRight (Scrip) app, you and your friends/family can continually earn credit towards daycare/school costs. It is a 50/50 program 50% of the Scrip rebate is credited to the account of the child/family of your choosing and 50% of the rebate goes towards CCS. It's a WIN-WIN for everyone! The Scrip tuition and daycare credits will be applied annually. Start earning credit now, the first account credit will be applied in August of 2021. The more you buy, the more you earn.

CCS ON-GOING FUNDRAISER: RaiseRight Scrip App 3 Easy Steps for Apple/Android Users

- 1) Search for "RaiseRight Fundraising" app in your App/Play Store, and install.
- 2) Follow in app instructions for "Join a Program" with our school enrollment code **D5181E7E62477**
- 3) Buy and use e-gift cards on-the-go for your everyday shopping while supporting CCS!

REMINDER – if you do order physical gift cards, some orders will not come immediately. Physical gift cards are usually ordered after multiple orders are collected. This is then placed as a group order to save the school shipping costs.

We will notify you when your physical gift cards arrive at the school.

3 & 4 YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: 2021-2022 fall preschool registration is now open. Existing preschool families, please return your packet as soon as you can, all spots are open to the public now. If you know of a family interested in having their child attend preschool at CCS this fall, please have them contact the office via email (ccsofficefd@gmail.com) or phone (573-3011) to request a registration packet. Space is limited and applications are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register early!!

WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS: CCS school delays or cancellations are communicated to all families via our REMIND text system and posted on our Facebook page. In the past we have followed the Fort Dodge public & parochial school system in snow/ice delays, early outs and school cancellations. This will still be the policy, but understand that the FD schools will continue to remote learn on snow days as all FDCSD students have a school issued device. Community Christian School will continue to recognize these as traditional days as snow days (we have snow days built into our 2020-2021 calendar) until we run out.

WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS for PRESCHOOL: If K-8 is closed, all preschool classes are also closed. If school is delayed, the 3yr & 4yr old morning preschool will be canceled, the afternoon 4yr old preschool class will be held if we attend at 10:00 am. If an early dismissal is called, there will be no 4 yr old afternoon preschool. If school does close, the daycare will remain open as long as daycare staff is able to safely reach work. Daycare will relay any closures they have.

THIS MONTH:

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| Feb 8 | 100 day celebration (school wide) |
| Feb 8 | PTF Meeting – 7:00 pm CCS Art Room |
| Feb 9 | Marketing & Development Meeting – Noon Trolley Center |
| Feb 15 | No School – Presidents’ Day |
| Feb 16 | P&F Meeting – 6:30 pm |
| Feb 18 | CCS Beach Party |
| Feb 19 | Midterms due (Q3) |
| Feb 22 | Ag in the Classroom |
| Feb 22 | CCS School Board Meeting – 6:30 pm |
| Feb 22-23 | Spring Pictures |

LOOKING AHEAD:

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| Mar 1 | No School – Professional Development |
| Mar 2 | Dr Seuss’s Birthday celebration |
| Mar 8 | PTF Meeting – 7:00 pm CCS Art Room |
| Mar 9 | Marketing & Development Meeting – Noon Trolley Center |
| Mar 16 | P&F Meeting – 6:30 pm |
| Mar 17-19 | No School – Spring Break |
| Mar 22 | CCS School Board Meeting – 6:30 pm |
| Mar 26 | End of 3 rd Quarter |
| Mar 30/Apr 1 | Early Dismiss – Parent Teacher Conferences (1:30 -5:30) |

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK: **James 5:9** Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold, the Judge is standing at the door.

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