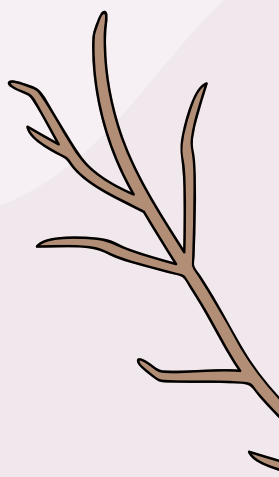


May Newsletter



Principal's Message

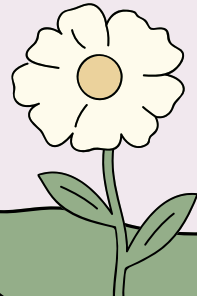
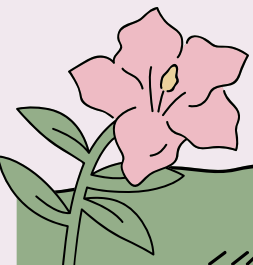
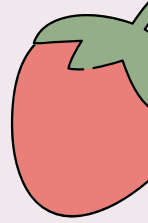
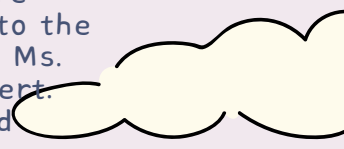
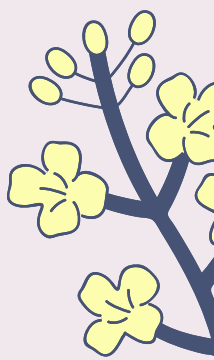
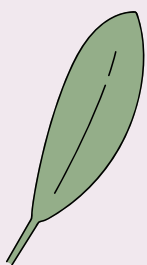
May has arrived and we are hoping the rainy weather will turn into sunshine and warm weather! As the days get longer, often students are staying up a little later than normal. We encourage families to set regular bedtime routines so that students are ready to learn at school. We know this can be a challenge with all the sports and other events that happen during our spring evenings. We also ask that parents have conversations with students about continuing to have a growth mindset when learning at school and staying as focussed as possible in the last two months of school.

April saw amazing performances of Seussical Jr. by our Grade 6 students. We want to say a big thank you to all students involved and to all CMS staff. Thanks also to the many parents who helped out in numerous ways. Special recognition to Ms. Hutchinson for pulling it all together for two amazing evenings!

Our Grade 7 and 8 Badminton teams were in full swing in April! We had about 100 students participating in both the recreation and competitive CMS leagues. Many of our students competed at the divisional badminton tournament and represented CMS very well. We had all 14 of our badminton entries in Grade 8 make it to the playoff round and most of our Grade 7 entries also made it to the playoff round. All games were hard fought and our students showed great sportsmanship! Thanks to the many teachers who helped with badminton supervision and coaching: Ms. Heese, Ms. Sawatzky, Ms. Funk, Ms. Pappel, Ms. Janzen, and Ms. Lambert. Special thanks to Mr. Paton and Mr. Reimer for all their coaching and organizing!

Our Grade 7 and 8 Bands performed at the Beginning Band Festival. Both bands were given very positive feedback about their playing and their attentiveness to the feedback from the adjudicator. Thanks to all the students for their hard work and practice leading up to this. The Gr 7 and 8 Concert Finale is on June 5! Students are encouraged to continue their hard work and parents/caregivers are encouraged to mark the date on their calenders! Special thanks to Mr. Janzen for all his expertise and leadership with the bands.

Learning Partner sheets were sent home and are due back on May 3. We ask that parents/caregivers spend a bit of time with their child(ren) to fill these sheets out. We use this information to help make classes for next year.



On May 13, The Joy Smith Foundation will be at CMS giving Online Safety Presentations to our Grade 7 and 8 students. An evening presentation for parents on May 13 is being planned as well. We encourage all parents/caregivers (Gr 5-8) to mark this evening in their calendars and plan to attend. Information was emailed home to parents/caregivers about those presentations in April. The Joy Smith Foundation is the leading authority in Canada on human trafficking prevention, intervention and support for survivors. Part of their prevention approach has been the development of Online Safety Presentations for students which are adjusted depending on the grade level of students being addressed.

Public Health will be holding an immunization clinic at CMS on May 22. This is only for students where parents have signed and handed back the immunization forms earlier this fall. If you have any questions about immunizations, please contact Public Health at 204-346-6123.

In the April newsletter we announced that CMS will be moving forward with being cell phone free next school year. We encourage families to talk with their children about this already and encourage their child to go cell phone free already this year!

Important Dates:

April 30, May 1 Grade 5 Poet Tea
April 29, 30 and May 2 Grade 7 Healthy Lifestyles Unit
May 1 Grade 7 MCIC presentations
May 3 Grade 8 Medieval Festival
May 6, 7, 8 Grade 5 Healthy Lifestyles Unit
May 10, 11 Grade 7 & 8 Band Trip
May 13 Joy Smith Foundation Gr 7 & 8 Presentations
May 13 at 7:00 pm Joy Smith Foundation Presentation for Parents/Caregivers
May 16 Gr 4 Parent Information Evening
May 20 Victoria Day - No School
May 22 Public Health Immunizations
May 23 Grade 7 at Goldeyes Game
May 27 Dragon Boat Practice
May 28 Grade 6 Track and Field at CMS
May 29 Grade 5 Track and Field at CMS
June 3 Grade 7 Track and Field at CMS
June 4 Grade 5/6 Divisional Track Meet (some students)
June 5 at 7:00 pm Grade 7 & 8 Band Concert Finale
June 6 Grade 7 / 8 Divisional Track Meet (some students)

School Information:

Biking and Walking Safety - We have a crossing guard at the Hespeler/Barkman/Ashford intersection at 8:30 a.m. Please ask your child(ren) to time their walk to school in order to arrive at that intersection after 8:30 a.m.

Lost and Found - We have a large collection of outerwear, waterbottles and shoes in our lost and found. Students and parents are invited to check out if any of those belong to them!

Communication - It is always a balance between communicating too much (and filling up your in boxes) and not enough. We try to find the right balance. You can also find school information on:

Our School Website - www.cms.hsd.ca
Our Instagram Feed - [clearspringhsd](#)

