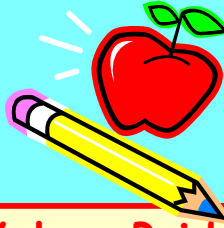


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Trojan Houses of Tradition, Valor, Pride & Perseverance!

From the Principal's Desk

We are starting to lose storage space for all the lost and found jackets, hoodies, and pullovers. As a result, starting this week, we will place the lost and found clothing in the hallway next to the music classroom. Please come by and recover any items that your child may have lost. Over the Christmas break, we will donate any unclaimed items to a charity in an effort to create more storage space.

School climate surveys were developed by the Georgia Department of Education to gather school climate perceptions from students, school staff members and parents. Data from the school climate surveys and other sources will be used in the calculation of School Climate Star Ratings for all Georgia public schools. We value your input and need parents to complete the parent survey located on the elementary website:
www.chickamaugacityschools.org

Survey responses are anonymous and will be submitted directly to the Georgia Department of Education for analysis. Individual data results from the Georgia Parent survey will not be available to the public and will not be posted online.

Sincerely,

Jeff Sikes
Principal
Chickamauga Elementary School

Needy Family Fund & Closet

Every year we have families that need help with Christmas for their children. Due to the number of inquiries from parents and community members offering to help our families, Mrs. Guthrie and I felt compelled to organize the effort. So here are the details if you want to help:

- a. Teachers will be taking up new toys, new clothing, and/or money donations.*
- b. Contact your child's teacher for that grade level's needs in regards to clothing sizes.*
- c. If our Christmas needs are met with all the donations, any leftover toys & clothing will be stored in our Needy Family closet. Any extra monetary donations will be placed in our Needy Family account for future use for those families in need.*

Donation deliveries will occur before Christmas break. So please have all donations turned in by 12/07/18.



Trojan Merchandise

Trojan House Merchandise!

- You can purchase Trojan House merchandise in the mornings. Items range from \$0.25 to \$8.00 and include: pencils, pens, erasers, highlighters, bookmarks & water bottles.

Yearbook (New paperback edition!)

- If you order now, you can reserve a 2018-2019 hardcover yearbook at a reduced price of \$30. The full price is \$35. The reduced-price ends January 1st.
- Now selling a paperback yearbook for just \$18.

Reminders to Parents

- As the weather begins to turn cool, please make sure that your child has a jacket or hoodie for outdoors. While our building does stay warm during the winter, recess can become very chilly without some type of jacket.
- Please place your child's name somewhere inside their jackets. If lost, we can more easily locate the owner of the jacket if the child's name is inside.
- Please help us with the student absences and tardies. Regular and timely attendance is critical for optimal school success. A Dr's note or parent note must be sent each time your child is absent. Students are encouraged to keep absences 5 or less for the entire year.
- If you have not already, please join the PTO. Our school heavily relies on the efforts of the PTO officers and volunteers. Please call Amanda Ray at 706-382-3100 ext. 1054 for information regarding PTO sign-up.

Upcoming Events

PTO Santa Shop

- 12/11/18-12/14/18

CES Christmas Chorus Concert

- December 13th
- 6:00 P.M.
- CES Cafeteria

Butter Braid Inflatables Reward Day

- Students that sold 10 or more Butter Braids will attend an inflatables party in the GLMS gym
- December 18th
- The students that are eligible for the inflatables party will be notified by their teacher.
- Each child will be given a \$1 coupon for the concessions. Additional concessions can be purchased.

Classroom Christmas Parties

- December 19th
- Each grade level will disseminate the details in their weekly newsletters.

Early Dismissal

- December 19th
- Starting dismissal at 11:30 A.M.

Christmas Break

- December 20th- January 4th
- Students' first day back from Christmas Break is January 7th

