Cedar Hill Scoop

October 3rd, 2014

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 7 Gift Wrap Sales End

October 8 PTO Meeting Mount Prospect - Gifted & Talented Presentation

October 10 Cedar Hill Sportswear Online Store Closes

October 11 First Grade Garden Party Clean-Up 1pm to 4pm

October 17 Boxtop Collection Ends

October 29 Early dismissal 12:45

October 29 Fall Book Fair and Cedar Hill Art Show - 1 DAY ONLY!!

**FALL BOOK FAIR AND CEDAR HILL ART SHOW - OCT. 29TH 11:00AM - 6:30PM ONE DAY ONLY!!!!**

Come spend this month's scheduled Half Day shopping the Fall Book Fair and viewing the fabulous works of art our students have created so far this year. The book fair will be in the cafeteria for 1 DAY ONLY so please come out to support our school and pick up wonderful reads for your children and great gifts for the holidays. After shopping, tour the school's hallways to see the artwork on display by ALL of our students. More details and ways to help coming soon! Contact Alicia Martine with questionsaliciamartine@hotmail.com

**GIFT WRAP SALES EXTENDED UNTIL TUESDAY!!!**

Are you ready to help Cedar Hill by purchasing high quality wrapping paper or gift bags for the upcoming holidays or birthdays? How about delicious cookie dough for after school playdates? Take a look at the Kastle Kreations catalog for great gift ideas for that holiday grab bag including gourmet chocolates and magazine subscriptions. The sale runs through **Tuesday, October 7th.** Just fill out the order form and return it to your child’s teacher with a check made payable to Cedar Hill PTO. Family and friends can also raise money for our school by ordering online at [www.sigfund.com](http://www.sigfund.com/) (details in your packet). Orders will be delivered before Thanksgiving so make Kastle Kreations one of your stops for holiday gifts for friends, family, coaches, babysitters and teachers and support Cedar Hill at the same time.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT - HUGE SUCCESS!**

THANK YOU to our chairs **Ami Beers and Sharon Good** for putting together a great fun-filled Family Fun Night this year. A great big THANK YOU to the army of volunteers who helped make this year's Family Fun Night a huge success! Hats off to the volunteers who worked check-in and the very busy pizza/drinks tables in shifts and kept the crowd well fed. Also a big thank you to the face painters, popcorn makers and sellers who worked very hard all night on the never-ending lines. Thanks to everyone: **Danielle Abrutyn, Patti Albertson, Danielle Balseiro, Carol Bianchi, Mary Bocchino, Fiorella Bologno, Katie Chan, Tejal DaSilva, Dorothy Dobbie, Lisa Duguay, Lori Gaughan, Jennifer Gengo, Colleen Harris, Colleen Heinemann, Michelle Horner, Elizabeth Ingraham, Peter Ingraham,** **Meg Kern, Lydia Kerrick, Alicia Martine, Sara Medenilla, Danisha Patel, Dorthea Schlosser, Alexandra Schwarz, Erika Studness, and Jennifer Viggiano**, and anyone else who jumped in and helped that night. A very special thank you to the WAMS and RHS students who helped with pizza and face painting. Thank you to Leroy and his crew for helping set up and clean up our festive event, and thank you to Mr. Mollica and Mrs. Scully, for their help in overseeing the entire event. Thank you everyone, we couldn't have done it without you all!

**CEDAR HILL SPORTSWEAR**

EXTRA, EXTRA, read all about the EXCITING sportswear for Cedar Hill School. Tired of trying to figure out a time to buy sportswear? Worry no more! We are ONLINE!!! Order from the comfort of your home, and pick it up at Cedar Hill School when it is ready.

It is as simple as 1,2,3!

1st Go to [www.teamgearinc.com](http://www.teamgearinc.com/).

2nd go to the stores tab and then click on Cedar Hill School button.

3rd choose the awesome sportswear you would like to order and VOILA!

In 2 -3 weeks AFTER the ordering period has ended and online store is closed, you will receive your AWESOME CHS sportswear. STORE IS OPEN until **October 10th ONLY.** No orders will be taken after the store is closed.

**FALL BOX TOPS CONTEST CONTINUES THROUGH OCTOBER 17th!!**

The box in the office is filling up fast with Box Tops from all of your favorite brands- like Motts applesauce, Ziploc, Avery school supplies, General Mills cereal, Progresso soups and many, many more. Every BOX TOP your child clips from products that you use every day brings his or her class closer to a Popcorn Party!!! The two students with the most submissions will also win individual prizes. Here’s how to win- Step one: Keep clipping those Box Tops!!! Step Two: Copy or use the sheet attached to this Scoop and apply your neatly trimmed BOX TOPS. Step Three: Send in the sheet with your child to be deposited in the class collection bag. It is as easy as that! We will count them up, send them in and Cedar Hill gets free money for our children!! Last collections for the Fall contest will be on **Friday, October 17th,** so don’t miss out!! Be sure to include your child’s full name and class on all collection sheets to make sure that your class gets credit. Any questions, please contact the BOX TOPS committee atjkleinle@yahoo.com.

**FIRST GRADE GARDEN CLEAN UP PARTY!**

Come join us on **Saturday, October 11, 1pm to 4pm** at the inner courtyard to clean up and prepare the first grade garden for the coming year! This is a chance to celebrate the amazing hard work of the children and parents who have helped make the growing garden such a success over the last year. Bring all the family!

We plan to:

- Empty raised beds and harvest any last veggies

- Replace/ improve and move raised beds

- Transport new donated soil from soil supplier Cedar Hill Soil to the new beds

- Celebrate and thank everyone for all their help this year with the first year of the garden with some seasonal treats!

What you can bring:

- You and your family! We need muscle but no gardening skills required!

- A truck and willing driver to bring the 2 yards of donated soil to the school

- 3 new raised beds

If you would like to come, and/ or provide any of the above items, please sign up at the sign up genius site here<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044cabad2cab9-october>

We look forward to seeing you there!

**KIDSTUFF - THANK YOU FAMILIES!**

A hearty thanks to all the families that have purchased a Kidstuff book for themselves and for family and friends. Your purchase goes a long way toward continuing the fantastic programs, like assemblies and author visits, that our Cedar Hill kids so enjoy. If you ordered different editions, those will be shipping this week and sent home with your children as soon as they arrive. Thank you, also, to the families that returned books - your book return ensures that the dollars earned from this fundraiser stay at Cedar Hill, rather than paying for unreturned books. If you haven't yet turned in your book or payment, it's not too late! Just send it in to school with your child.

**SHOP AT** [**AMAZONSMILE.COM**](http://amazon.com/) **AND EARN MONEY FOR CEDAR HILL!**

That's right! Just by shopping at Amazon.com you can earn money for our school. Simply click on the linkhttp://[smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3679303](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3679303) the next time you go to do your online shopping. It will take you to AmazonSmile.com and automatically sign you up to support Cedar Hill. AmazonSmile is the same great Amazon products, prices, free shipping and Amazon Prime but every time you shop there, Amazon will give 0.5% of your purchases back to Cedar Hill. Then, each time you go to shop after that, just log into [www.amazonsmile.com](http://www.amazonsmile.com/) instead of [amazon.com](http://amazon.com/) and your purchases will always count toward Cedar Hill. This is a quick, simple way to support our school all year long! Thank you so much to Jamie Dwek who let us know about this program. Now get shopping at [AMAZONSMILE.COM](http://amazonsmile.com/)!

**HAVE YOU LABELED ALL OF YOUR CHILDREN'S BELONGINGS!**

Avoid the lost and found pile! **Oliver's Labels** are the cute and practical way to identify all of your family's belongings and help keep the out of the "lost and never found" pile. Their waterproof labels and tags are made of high performance, scuff-proof materials and are dishwasher, microwave and washer / dryer safe. Customize and preview your labels instantly with your name and choice of over 30 colorful design themes. Visit us online at [www.oliverlabels.com/cedarhill](http://www.oliverlabels.com/cedarhill). The labels are shipped directly to your house. 20% of the purchase goes to support the Cedar Hill PTO at no extra expense to you!

**IT'S BACK... BUT BETTER! COSTUMES AND PARTY SUPPLIES**

You can now purchase costumes and party supplies all year round. Go to [www.costumeandpartyfundraiser.com](http://www.costumeandpartyfundraiser.com/) and enter Promo Code FUN3072 and CHS PTO will receive 15%of the purchase total and you receive 10% off your order. Please see the attached flyer for more information and step by step instructions.

**CEDAR HILL MONTHLY CALENDAR**

We are pleased to be able to once again provide you with a monthly calendar of school events this year. You will be able to find useful information about PTO meetings, class trips, special grade wide activities and school events. We hope you find this a helpful tool. The calendar will be included each week in the attachments section of the Scoop. Thank you **Jen White** for all of your hard work in preparing the calendar each month!

**CEDAR HILL DIRECTORIES ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!**

If you have not paid your Cedar Hill dues your access to the A to Z online directory has been terminated. So get your $35 in for your dues and have the ease of the A to Z online directory reinstated! Any questions please contact Alicia Martine at aliciamartine@hotmail.com

**STOP AND SHOP BONUS PROGRAM**

It's FREE money for Cedar Hill when you shop at Stop & Shop with your registered Stop & Shop Savings Card. You can register several different ways – Follow the easy, step by step instructions on the attached handout and return to your child’s teacher. You may also register online yourself at [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus) Or email the last name your card is registered under and the digits on the back of your card to stopandshop@cedarhillpto.org. It only takes 2 minutes to do. Any questions, please contact Danielle Abrutyn @ daniabrutyn@gmail.com

**CEDAR HILL SCHOOL WEBSITE**

Our wonderful computer teacher Mrs. Cheo-Issacs has been working with our PTO to provide updated PTO related information on the Cedar Hill website. Please use the link below to utilize the site.

**GENTLE REMINDER**

The PTO would like to remind all parents that dogs are not permitted on school grounds between the hours of 7am and 6pm. While we love our canine friends, please refrain from bringing them to school as there are many children who are allergic to dogs or simply afraid of them. Thank you for your cooperation.

**ATTENTION ALL TWEENS IN GRADES 4 & 5!**

Do you like to read but wish you had a wider book selection? Do you sometimes need help selecting an appropriate book for your reading level and/or interest(s)? Cadette Girl Scout (and former CHS student) Arianna Minassian, from 8th grade Girl Scout troop 60988, is working on her Silver Award. Her project is titled “ESCAPE WITH A GOOD BOOK”. Arianna is creating a binder of book reviews for Tweens in grades 4-6 which when completed, will be permanently placed in the Children’s Department of the Bernards Township Library and elementary school libraries. For more information on this project and how you can help, please see the attached flyers. Book reviews can be submitted to either your elementary school Librarian or to the Bernards Township Library Children’s Department. Thank you so much in advance for your help and for supporting your local Girl Scouts.

**ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH THE DISTRICT WEBSITE?**

The Bernards Township School District no longer sends paper notices home in students backpacks. To receive weekly district news and school notices electronically, you must register on the district website,[www.bernardsboe.com](http://www.bernardsboe.com/). If you don't sign up, you'll miss out on important news, grade level notices and permission slips. It only takes a minute to sign up. Please note: The Scoop is published and emailed by the Cedar Hill PTO and is completely separate from the district notices. In order to receive district and grade level notices, you must register on the district website.

**HELPFUL WEBSITES:**

CEDAR HILL SCHOOL -<http://www1.bernardsboe.com/CedarHillElementarySchool/> (school policies and procedures can be found on this website)

CEDAR HILL SCHOOL PTO -<http://www1.bernardsboe.com/CedarHillElementarySchool/PTO_Information.aspx>

LUNCH MENU -<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BzMSWOeujSIQcVBBMmR4VUpvWlE/edit>

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

SCHOOL CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS - [http://www1.bernardsboe.com](http://www1.bernardsboe.com/) (you can also sign up for Friday Folders and Honeywell Alert System here)

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION - [http://www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com/)

OLIVER LABELS - [www.oliverslabels.com/cedarhill](http://www.oliverslabels.com/cedarhill)

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

COSTUME AND PARTY SUPPLIES - [www.costumeandpartyfundraiser.com](http://www.costumeandpartyfundraiser.com/) Promo Code FUN3072

STOP & SHOP A+ PROGRAM -<http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus> CHS School ID: 07390

**ATTACHMENTS**

Minion Boxtop Collection Sheet

Stop & Shop Flyer

October Calendar

Girl Scout Silver Award (2)

Submissions to the Cedar Hill Scoop may be emailed to Colleen Heinemann at cbirminghamheinemann@yahoo.com. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday at 5pm for inclusion on Friday.

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