Unit News

Unit A

We look forward to seeing our parents and students at Parent Teacher Student Conferences. Thank you for coming to Family Math Night!

Unit B

Unit B will be visiting the planetarium at Rock Bridge High School on Tuesday morning, February 23. We will be gone from 9:00-10:45. We are all excited about this field trip!

Unit C

Next week Unit C students will be prepared to lead their conferences. This is a spring Unit C tradition. We encourage you to make arrangements so that parents and children can attend together.

Principal's Pen

Our school will be bustling next week when all of our families are in the building for parent-student-teacher conferences. Please plan an extra 10 minutes when you are at Ridgeway to stop by and visit with a specialist teacher. These teachers are available according to the following schedule:

- Ann Chapin - Speech/Language/Learning Specialist (Feb. 24 and 25 - 3:30-6:00, Feb. 26 - 8:00-10:00)
- Beth Ryberg - School Counselor (Feb. 24 and 25 - 3:30-6:00, Feb. 26 - 8:00-10:00)
- Valerie Harre - Media Specialist (Feb. 24 and 25 - 2:45-6:00, Feb. 26 - 8:00-10:00)
- Greg Colman - Unit C Science (Feb. 25, 3:30-5:30)
- Mark Bowers - Physical Education (Feb. 25, 3:30-4:30)
- Celestine Hayes - Music (Feb. 26, 8:00-10:00)
- Fran Lakatos - Art (Feb. 25, 3:30-6:00, Feb. 26, 8:00-11:00)
- Tim Gambill - Physical Education (Feb. 25, 3:00-6:00)

School Club Meeting Times - check the RAP for changes

- Chess Club - Tuesdays 3-4:30 in the Art Room
- Ridgeway Choir - Tuesday mornings at 7:25 in the Music Room
- Astronomy Club - Wednesdays at 7:20-7:50 in Mr. Gramke’s room
- Drama Club - Wednesdays 3-4:00 in Mrs. Sandstedt’s room - See date change for next week!
- Computer Lab - Thursdays 2:45-4:00 in the Computer Lab - will not meet next week!
- Lego Building Club - Thursdays 3-4:00 in Ms. Malloy’s room - will not meet next week!

Club Notes! Please note these changes in club meetings due to Parent Student Teacher conferences.
- Drama Club will meet Monday, February 22.
- No Computer Lab or Lego Building Club on Thursday, February 25
Come to our Scholastic Book Fair!

**Where?** In the Media Center during Parent Teacher Conferences

**When?**
- Wednesday, February 24, 2:50-6:00 pm
- Thursday, February 25, 2:50-6:00 pm
- Friday, February 26, 8:00-10:00 am

**Why?** This is a great chance to stock up books for spring and summer reading! There will be a wide selection of books for readers of all ages. If you can’t stop by, we will also have an on-line fair, open February 20 - 29, available at: [http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/ridgewayelementaryschool4](http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/ridgewayelementaryschool4)

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**Book Fair Volunteers Needed!** We could use a few more parents to help during the Book Fair!

The book fair is open during the conference hours:
- Wednesday, 2/24, 2:50-6:00 pm;
- Thursday, 2/25, 2:50-6:00 pm;
- Friday, 2/26, 8:00-10:00 am.

Please contact Valerie Harre, Media Specialist at vharre@cpsk12.org if you can help out!

And ... If your child is a member of the Reading Club and is attending the Literature Festival in Warrensburg, please choose a time to help with the book fair. Profit from the book fair is used to pay for the Reading Club trip to the Children’s Literature Festival in Warrensburg in March. Your child is invited to help while you work, but should not take the place of an adult. We always have fun working at the book fair, so please sign up! Here is the link to the Sign Up Genius: [http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a49acad2eb9-book1/22645657](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a49acad2eb9-book1/22645657). Please let us know if you have any questions.

Valerie Harre, Media Specialist at vharre@cpsk12.org and Kathy Dempsey at kdempsey@cpsk12.org

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**Ridgeway Calendar**

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**ABCD Calendar**

- Monday, February 22 ~ A
- Tuesday, February 23 ~ B
- Wednesday, February 24 ~ C
- Thursday, February 25 ~ D
- Friday, February 26 ~ A

Please remember that the day your child has PE, they must wear tennis shoes to class.

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**Yearbook order forms**

Yearbooks are $5.50. Please complete the order form and return no later than March 1! The yearbook is a gift for all fifth graders from PTSA. Fifth grade parents do not need to complete a form!
Ridgeway Family Skate Night!  Come have fun and exercise with the Ridgeway family AND help a good cause. Skating is $6 per person with $1 going to Second Chance, a charity chosen by Student Council. If you want to bring your own skates, they must be very clean. Inline skates are extra. Special for this time only - one FREE soda and popcorn per skater! This event is reserved for Ridgeway students and their families only. Please be sure an adult is present to supervise your children during the skate party to help keep all skaters safe.

When: Thursday, February 25, 2016 (no school Friday, February 26)  
Where: Empire Roller Rink, 1305 Business Loop 70 E  
Times: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Unit A  
7:30 pm to 9 pm Units B & C  (NEW TIMES BECAUSE OF CONFERENCES)  
***Special for this time only - each skater receives one free soda and popcorn.***

From the Kitchen Committee ~
Kitchen supplies needed for Fun Day.  
Unit A  
Hanney - Rectangular divided Styrofoam plates  
Lyman - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce  
Shull - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce  
Wheatley - 48 oz plastic jars of plain Applesauce  
Unit B  
Sandstedt - Paper Towels  
Johnson - Ranch Dressing in squeezable bottles  
Molloy - Ranch Dressing in squeezable bottles  
Gramke - Creamy Peanut Butter or Squeezable Concord Grape Jelly  
Unit C  
Cox - Squeezable pickle relish (small bottles)  
Dempsey - Mustard (small 10 oz plastic bottles)  
Williams - Ketchup (small 8 oz plastic bottles)
You've been asking how you can help on FunDay. Now is the time to sign up. If you are available to work a 2 hours game shift on FunDay it would be greatly appreciated. It takes approximately 125-150 volunteers the day of FunDay to run all the activities. Please remember we ask Unit A students to remain with an adult during FunDay. If you can't help out the day of or won't be able to be at FunDay but would still like to help in some way, this link also contains items we need to run the games, such a batteries, combs, etc. Sign up now to get your favorite spot.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849afac2c7-funday1

**Silent Auction Request**: Did you get a gift for Christmas that is just lovely... for someone else? Do you have a restaurant gift certificate lying around that you know you'll never get around to using? Consider donating these items to the Fun Day Silent Auction. Our SA room is a big money maker, but it depends on the donations of generous families and businesses. Put together a basket of frames, candles or lotions you have no use for. Donate a service like cake decorating or party planning! And do not hesitate to contact Angie Connell at angelaconnellpt@yahoo.com or Danielle Johnson at dajohnson@cpsk12.org if you have any connections to businesses that we can contact for donated products or gift certificates. Thanks in advance for any help you can give!

Do you have a computer at home with Publisher (or some other design program) and five hours to spare the week of Fun Day? If so, we could use your help updating the banner hung in the cafeteria/gymnasium on Fun Day? This is the year to learn the job to take over the following year. It primarily involves updating the donor names and sending to be printed. If you have more time to volunteer, this position could also prepare the ad sheet for Fun Day as well. It's a perfect job for someone who wants to help in some way and is design savvy and would prefer to volunteer from home. If so, please email lizette_somer@hotmail.com, brandi.daffron@gmail.com, or aprilferrao@gmail.com

**Another FunDay Serving Opportunity**... Prize Patrol committee needs someone to shadow Sarah McAnelly this year to learn the ropes to take over in the future. This committee is responsible for buying the various prizes given out for the games on FunDay as well replenishing the prizes in the game rooms during the event. If you are interested in the position or would like more details, please contact any of the Fun Day Co-Chairs (aprilferrao@gmail.com, brandi.daffron@gmail.com or lizette_somer@hotmail.com).

Please check your child's backpack/Friday folder for important information about the Big Drawing ticket sales and Golden Ticket incentive drawing. Happy ticket selling!

Please see Kitchen Committee List is on page 2!