Unit A
Please see the flyer inside your student’s Friday folder about our Peach Tree Farms field trip on October 7. All students need to return the flyer by Wednesday, September 30 so we have an accurate lunch count.

Our next Munch and Read will be on Friday, October 2 at 2:00 PM. Please join us for these monthly reading celebrations. Bring a healthy snack (with no nut products) and good books to share.

Unit B
Book Orders are coming home this week and are due next Wednesday, September 30. You may order online at https://orders.scholastic.com/GNRYD or you may send your child’s order to school along with a check made payable to Scholastic. You can write one check for the total order. If you have any questions, contact Mrs. Sandstedt at lsandstedt@cpsk12.org.

Unit C
In science, Unit C students have been studying the metric system and the three most often used prefixes used in measuring distance. They have also learned of the importance of multiple trials in any scientific investigation. This week we began the study of matter. The students will learn what matter is, the states of matter and the difference between physical and chemical change. As we look into mixtures and solutions, they may even get a chance to observe the result of cooling a supersaturated solution of C12H22O11 and H2O. Ask your student what that means to them!

Looking ahead to School Events ~ please mark your calendars
Monday, September 28 ~ No School, Teacher Collaboration Day
Friday, October 2 ~ Munch and Read 2:00-2:40
Unit A parents are welcome to join their child!
Monday, October 5 ~ Volunteer Brown Bag Luncheon 11:30 -12:15
Media Center, see RAP, page 2 for more information
Thursday, October 8 ~ Drama Club Performance,
Dress rehearsal at 6:00. Performance at 7:00
Monday, October 12 ~ Picture Retakes, Classroom groups,
5th grade composite picture
Tuesday, October 13 ~ PAC 6:00, PTSA 6:30
Friday, October 30 ~ Unit Parties, check RAP for times

Schedule change: No Chess Club on Tuesday, September 29. Please plan your child’s dismissal accordingly.

ABCD Calendar
Tuesday, September 29-A
Wednesday, September 30-B
Thursday, October 1-C
Friday, October 2 -D

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

We are excited to open the media center for student use before school. Students will be able to return books, check out new books, read, and complete homework silently. We will have a trial period for the month of October.

These are the guidelines we have now, and we will make adjustments if needed.

♦ Come to the Media Center before going to the playground. Come as soon as you finish breakfast or when you get dropped off by your bus or parent.
♦ Return library books and check out new library books.
♦ Read or do homework **silently**. Children who cannot work silently will be sent to the playground.
♦ If you leave to go to the playground, move quietly in the halls and exit through the cafeteria.

Be ready to go to class at 7:50.

We are looking forward to seeing students in the Media Center beginning October 1!

Mrs. Harre and Ms. Odum

Principal’s Pen

I recently read that only 48% of young children in the United States are read to each day. Consider this: A student that spends 20 minutes reading each day is exposed to 1,800,000 words each year compared to a student that reads for 1 minute each day being exposed to only 8,000 words during the year. Reading aloud to your child exposes your child to a wide array of vocabulary while providing an adult nearby to discuss and explain unfamiliar words. Please consider starting a book with your child today.
Attention all Volunteers:

Ridgeway will host a ‘Brown Bag Lunch’ on Monday, October 5 from 11:30-12:15 for all classroom volunteers. If you are a new volunteer, a seasoned volunteer, or even think that you might want to volunteer in the future, please join us for this informative conversation. Interested participants will meet in the media center with the principal and a classroom teacher to discuss all aspects of volunteering at Ridgeway.

Autonomous School Board News

Meeting Dates for the 2015-2016 school year are:

- October 20, 2015 4:30-6:00 Ridgeway Media Center
- December 1, 2015 4:30-6:00 Ridgeway Media Center
- February 16, 2016 4:30-6:00 Ridgeway Media Center
- March 22, 2016 4:30-6:00 Media Center – Budget Meeting
- April 12, 2016 7:00 Media Center – Annual Membership Meeting
- April 26, 2016 5:00-6:00 Media Center – Officer Elections

The Autonomous School Board formed a sub-committee to examine the wait list policy. The first meeting will be Wednesday, September 30, from 3:00-4:00 P.M. The agenda is set as follows:

1. Discuss Data Collection Techniques
2. Discuss community notification of data collection
3. Schedule next meeting for Wait-List Committee

School Club Meeting Times

Should a meeting be rescheduled or cancelled it will be posted on the front page of the RAP.

- **Chess Club** – Tuesdays in the Art Room from 3-4:30.
- **Drama Club** – Wednesdays 3-4:00, Mrs. Sandstedt’s room
- **Computer Lab** – Thursdays in the Computer Lab from 2:45-4:00.
- **Spelling Club** – Thursdays from 3-4:00 in Mrs. Cox’s room

**Ridgeway Choir**, for students in Units B & C, will resume Tuesday, October 6, with before school practice at 7:25 on Tuesdays and lunch practice on Thursdays. The information about joining Ridgeway Choir, parent permission and ordering t-shirts were sent home. Please be sure to complete and return if your child plans on joining the choir. Please note these updated performance dates for the Choir: Winter Performance is on December 15 at 6:30. The Spring Performance is May 3 at 7:00.

~ Mrs. Hayes and Mrs. Shull.