
Chester Chats

School Newspaper written by students for students

Meet the Staff!

The staff members of the 2014-2015 Chester Chats School Newspaper club are a dedicated group of 4th and 5th graders.

From Left to right: Ava B, Taylor G, Lizzie C, Carley T, Grace F, Courtney C, Colin R, Ariana B, Ettienne L, Sena A, Scott G, Cruz V, Ryan M, Zack W and Mrs. Roupe



R.E.S.P.E.C.T

By: Taylor G

We had an assembly on October 1st about respect, and Chesterbrook Academy's kindergarten classes presented. They did an awesome job! Kindergarten made a video of themselves being disrespectful then correcting their actions and showed being respectful. They made a chart in their classes to show ways you can be respectful in our school, community, and houses. Lastly, Kindergarten sang us a song about respect. After the assembly, some students and teachers were asked "What does respect mean to you?" These are their answers:

"Treat people the way you want to be treated"- Mr. Wyatt

"Don't throw trash at people"- Yousif (Kindergartner)

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"Talk nicely to people"- Declan (1st Grader)

"Be kind and don't leave anybody ever out."-Jewels (3rd Grader)

And lastly, Mr. Rodia shared his view on respect: "Respect is very important to me, and I hope it becomes a big part of everyone's life at CBA. It is the most important trait we learned this year. Simply, treat others as you wish to be treated."

Their answers are right! Everyone has their own way of saying what respect means.



Recess

By: Grace F

BROMM, BROMM, BROMM that's the sound of the basketballs at big kid recess. PUNT, PUNT, PUNT that's the sound of the boys playing soccer. All kinds of things go on at recess!

The playground is bursting with kids racing down the slides, climbing up ladders, and conversations at the picnic tables under the tree! A mixture of people are running miles, hula hooping, and jump roping on the blacktop. Continued on next page.

Happy Birthday!

By: Ava B and Lizzie C

September

9/3 Allie B 9/4 Lafe C
 9/6 Sahas V and James B
 9/8 Suhanya Y and Ava B
 9/9 Erica C and Sandy L 9/10 Jadyn J
 9/11 Brewer R 9/14 Edward C, Taylor G, and Sheldon T 9/15 Trisha P and Jaxson S 9/16 Lucy P
 9/17 Dylan F and Kirti P
 9/21 Meredith G 9/24 Hope K
 9/25 Beck B and Sebastian C
 9/26 Sarah W and Gabe C
 9/28 Luke C 9/27 Alexis N 9/29 Joey R

October

10/1 Logan F and Georgia T
 10/4 Yousif A 10/5 Maddie C
 10/6 Andrew V 10/8 Celia R
 10/12 Shawn G Devan M and Katie M
 10/15 Ryan M 10/16 Allison W
 10/17 Dante T and Chloe D
 10/24 Gavriella F and Avery W
 10/25 Robert E and Meghan E
 10/26 Arush G 10/27 Ettienne L
 10/31 Fiona C, Eyra A, and Max C

November

11/1 Sena A 11/3 Zack W 11/5 Ariana B

*More November Birthdays in the next edition!

Welcome to little kid recess! First of all, watch out for kids asking you to tie shoes. I had to tie about a million shoes. Kids can do everything that the big kids can do at recess. However, the playground is busier! Kids are playing more games of tag than Big kids recess. There is even a group of kids who are playing wolves!

These are all things you can be doing during outdoor recess. Now that the weather is changing, we will have to start having indoor recess.

What are you going to do? At indoor recess we all play on electronics, draw on white boards, chitchat, play board games, make rainbow loom, and play story games. Recess is the best part of the day to relax and hang out with your friends. What do you do at recess?

Interview of Courtney: Principal for a Day!

By: Ryan M

4th grader, Courtney C, took over for Mr. Rodia as principal- our school was run by a student! It started off with a letter to the school saying a few things Courtney was going to change. She let everyone dress down! Boys had to wear blue and girls had to wear pink and purple. Principal C started our day

off with a dance party in PRIDE time. We all got up and danced. She also ended the school day early. We were allowed to go outside for extra recess at 3:15 p.m.! This is when Principal C filled us in on some of the unseen parts of her day as Principal:

Tell me about your day Courtney. What did you do first?

"The first thing I did was checked on carline. Then, I checked on some classrooms and it took a while."

Then what did you do?

"I did pride time. It was really fun! We had a dance party. At lunchtime, I went out lunch with some friends and Mr. Rodia. Then, I checked on more classes."

Did you have fun doing your job?

"Yes, it was really fun!"

What was the best part and what was the worst?

"The best part was checking on the classrooms. The worst part was nothing. I had fun doing all of it!"

Would you like to be a school principal some day?

"Maybe, but I really want to be a detective."

Is Mr. Rodia's job hard?

"Some of it like going around and checking classrooms."

Did anyone get in trouble?

"No, not big trouble."

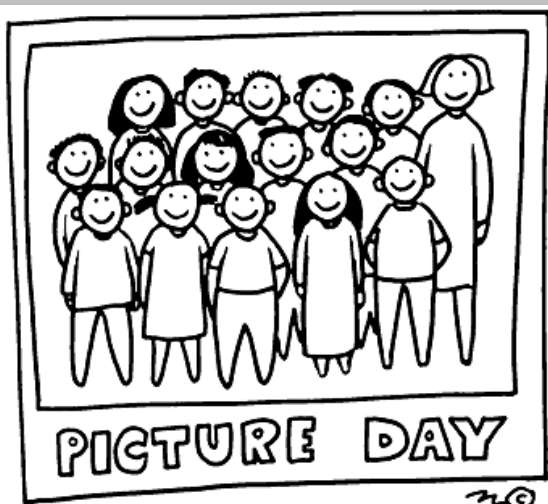
Thank you Courtney for taking over for Mr. Rodia. We had a fun time when you were principal!



Picture Day

By: Colin R and Carley T

Picture day gets a lot of different opinions. Some people hate it, some people love it, and some people just go, "eh". Grant, in 2nd grade, said, "I like the pictures that come home." On picture day, parents sometimes make their kids do their hair nice and dress silly. We did a survey and found most boys don't like picture day and most girls like it. Kindergartener Grant Thrower said, "They make you fake smile and do silly poses." And "The boys have to wear ties and blazers or sweaters." Photographers sometimes have siblings take pictures together. A lot of people don't like picture day, but many people like it. The best part about picture day is that it's over! Well, until spring pictures but luckily we get to dress down! Hopefully your mom doesn't put you in a fancy outfit or make your hair look crazy. Say, Newspaper!



Cherry Crest Farms

By: Ettienn L

The whole school had an awesome day at Cherry Crest Farms. We had an all day trip, and we were allowed to wear whatever we wanted! There was a whopping amount of three huge busses full of kids. It was an hour-long ride with kids screaming in happiness.

When we got there, all classes, teachers, and chaperons were split up. The teachers were given flags of football teams to let the people working at C.C.F. (Cherry Crest Farms) know who the different classes were. We divided into our small class groups and the adventure began!

The first station was called The Ball Cage. You have the choice of playing five games and each was more fun than the one before! The first game was a game that tested your aiming skills. The object of the game was to aim and throw a baseball on the red X. If you manage to hit the red X, you would win the game and move onto the next game. The next game was called Grand Slam. In Grand Slam you have to use baseballs and aim them into a small hole to win the game. The next game was called Shoot Hoops.

When you're playing Shoot Hoops you have to use basketballs to shoot in the rookie league nets, the minor league nets, or the major league nets. The major league nets are the hardest. Once you are done

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you can advance to the next game that is called Soccer Shots. You have to use a soccer ball and kick it in the goals. The final game is called touchdown. In touchdown, you get a football and you have to throw it into the goal.

The next place was called Big Ball Coral. When you're in Big Ball Coral you get to play giant volleyball with your friends. Right outside of the Big Ball Coral, is the Post Pounder. At the Post Pounder you get to test your strength to see how strong you really are!



All of us absolutely love to bounce, so the next place we went to was called bouncing pillows. When you're on the bouncing pillows, you get to bounce as high as you can. Don't worry if you fall off the pillow, there is nothing but fluffy sand to catch you.

We like slides too! That is why we went on the Hay Chute Slide and the Straw Bale Racer. On the Hay Chute Slide you get to slide down a giant tunnel, inside of a potato sack. But the only way to have this much fun, is to climb up a giant mountain. After that, you can climb up the mountain a second time to slide down the Straw Bale Racer. After sliding down the slides a million times each, we were extremely tired. We decided to relax in the relaxing air chairs. The relaxing air chairs are hammocks that lift you up in the sky.

Then, after getting our energy back, we went to the Giant Slinger. The Giant Slinger is a game where you and your friends can use sling shots to hit the targets up the hill where we went on the slide.

Our favorite place that we went to was the Farm Experience Center. In the Farm Experience Center, you get to touch and see your favorite animals. Everybody was running around screaming for the two giant pigs named by students of Chesterbrook Academy. Fred is the boy and Josephine is the girl. There were two baby goats running around screaming too. "They were so cute!" - Scott G, 10 "I'm gonna name this one Billy!"- Ellise R, 10

Every year, before we leave, we always take a picture on the giant spider web. Everyone was sad that we had to leave and want to come back. Some of us wanted to take the goats home. We had a great time and hope to come back soon. That is what happened at our wonderful day at Cherry Crest Farms. To learn more about Cherry Crest farms you can take a look at their website: <http://www.cherrycrestfarm.com/>

Fall	Word List
V C B R E E Z Y G Y P X R F T	BROWN
Z A I P H P V R U V F R A K E	BRIGHT
T I I T S W I B W V B S K D B	LEAVES
V Z R I U C S L R O R A N G E	RED
W L I E L O C K E I C H R W P	CANDY
T E Z B D R A M C S G Q B F U	CORN
U A P H V N R M N Z F H L B M	HALLOWEEN
G V V A L H E D M K X B T E P	BREEZY
L E R L P B C R C S K S H X K	PILES
P S Z L S B R A N O H E H U I	ORANGE
H U P O T R O W N S A U R R N	RAKE
R H W W E O W Q P D Y T M K S	SCARECROW
Z H G E R W W K T G Y V J I X	COAT
O X G E Q N O Q X E B W I S B	PUMPKINS
I H S N P Z V A T Y E L L O W	YELLOW

Our Trip to Baltimore, MD

By: Scott G

On September 12th 2014 3rd-5th grades went on a field trip to Fort McHenry in Baltimore, Maryland. We went to Fort McHenry for the 200th anniversary of the Star Spangled Banner. In Fort McHenry, we got an inside tour of the building, and we raised the flag! After we were at the fort, President Barrack Obama was there to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Star Spangled Banner, too! After we went into Fort McHenry we went to the Inner Harbor water taxi. The taxi was a boat instead of a car. It was pretty cool. Some of us went to Ripley's Believe It or Not or a candy place called It's Sugar. In Ripley's Believe It or Not, we saw the world's tallest man. He was 8 foot 11! In It's Sugar, we saw the world's largest gummy bear! Over all, it was a great trip!

Interview with Ms. McGarrigle

By: Ava B and Lizzie C

We chose to interview Ms. McGarrigle (Ms.M) because she is new at our school this year and we were desperate to find out more about her! We were able to meet with her one morning and this is what we found out:

Where did you teach before you came to CBA?

"Phoenixville School District and the Chester County Intermediate Unit."

Is this your first time teaching 5th grade? What other grades have you taught before?

"4th, 1st - 5th gifted class and Pre -school."

How do you like CBA so far?

"I love it!" she said. Ms. M also said she feels very welcomed at our school. "I feel very welcomed by faculty and families alike. Families stop in my room and introduce themselves to me and it makes me feel great! The other teachers have been super helpful and welcoming since the start of the year."

How do you like your students?

"I love my students, it's a unique experience having such a small class, but it's been great getting to know each one of them so well."

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Star-Spangled Banner



Do you have any siblings?

“I have an older sister, Meghan and a younger brother, Kevin.”

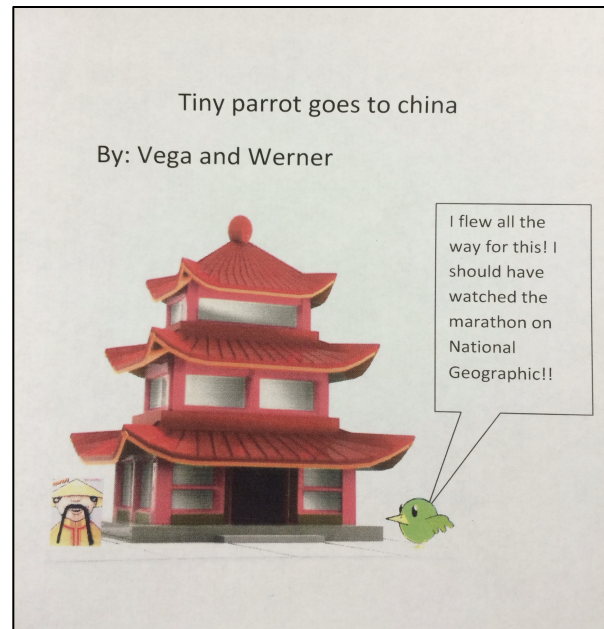
What do you like to do outside of school?

“I love to go out to eat at yummy restaurants. Italian food is one of my favorites. I also enjoy fly fishing in my free time.”

What are you looking forward to this year?

“One of the things that has been so great this year are all of the opportunities to get to know families within CBA. The special events like Sneak Peak, Family Movie Night, and Parade of Pumpkins have given me the chance to see the CBA community all together and continue to get to know the 5th grade families but also become part of the CBA family as a whole.”

The things we learned about Ms. McGarrigle are so interesting, and we hope you enjoyed the article. I hope you learned just as much as we did. To check out more information about Ms. M check out her school website: <http://nobel.finalsite.com/page.cfm?p=22636>



Vega and Werner created this cartoon. They had inspiration from Mrs. Seltzer’s sketch book prompts. This cartoon was created using clip art in Microsoft Word.

Fall Word Search

By: Sena A

Answers:

Word List

Fall

By: Ettiienne L

Chesterbrook Academy's Third grade hosted the 11th annual Parade of Pumpkins festivities. Everyone carved a pumpkin and then brought them in to the school. It was from 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m. That means two whole hours of fun! When they started to let us walk around, we could see all of the wonderful pumpkins that everybody carved. There were all different types of designs. There were witches, vampires, batman, creepers, dragons and more!

The best part was when we got to see them in the dark. You could see them shine brightly in the darkness. That's not all. While you looked at the shining pumpkins, third graders walked around and sell glow sticks, candy, vampire teeth, hot dogs and other things too. Each item was \$1.00. All of the money that we raised is going to an organization called Bringing Hope Home.

By giving the funds to Bringing Hope Home from Parade of Pumpkins, we helped a family take care of their bills while they are in the hospital or if they are sick. We make sure that they are all taken care of. Everybody had fun at Parade of Pumpkins and we are all looking forward to next year. Way to go third graders!



The Walnut Street Theater

By: Courtney C

On Friday, October 3 the Walnut Street Theater came to Chesterbrook Academy and put on a play called "Third Grade Adventures". Four people from The Walnut Street Theater came to CBA. Their names in the play were Susie, Tommy, Kyle, and Molly. The play was about a girl named Molly, and she was bullied by this boy named Tommy because she was short.

But then she acted all mean so she wouldn't get bullied, but unfortunately that didn't work out. This was a great play, and we all learned about what to do when you are being bullied.



Halloween

By: Cruz V and Zack W



Halloween was just around the corner, and everybody was so excited about what candy they got. But before most can just dig in, if they have allergies their moms or dads have to check and see if they can have all of their candy.

We talked to all the kids, and we asked them all their favorite candies. The most liked candy in the school is . . . Candy Corn by one vote!

Movie Night

By: Ariana B

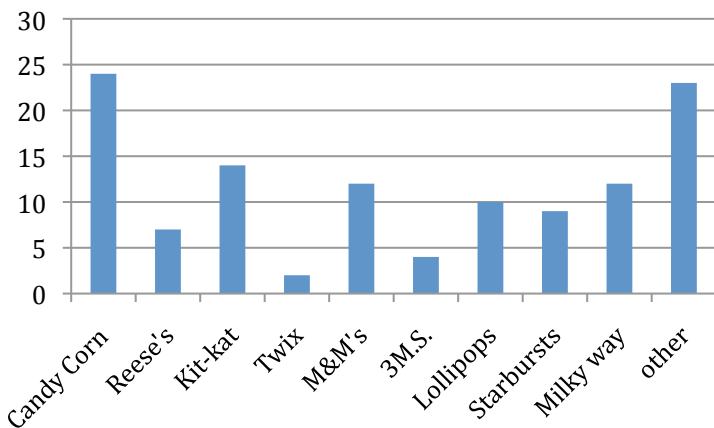
Have you ever been to movie night here before? At this year's back to school movie night, we had everybody come and sit down to watch a movie. The movie we watched was Frozen. Everybody thought the movie was great! We had this year's Movie at 6:30 on a Friday night after school.

Parents and students brought dinner. One student and their Mom bought McDonalds. Another family brought pizza!

Taylor, a 4th grader, said "I'd rate this movie a 10!" Taylor said she had seen the movie 4 times and 1 time in Spanish! That is cool! I talked to 2 other students named Ryan and Sena in 4th grade. They both thought the movie Frozen was funny in some parts and sad in other parts. When rating Frozen on a scale of 1 to 10, they both said 8! They both said they do not have the movie on DVD. All the people who came had a good time. Hope to see everyone there next year for movie night!

Thanks for reading!

Halloween Candy



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