

February 14, 2022

Dear CCA families,

Thank you for the kind words last week. It will be an adjustment for everyone as we look for the new Director. Your CCA Board of Directors has a plan and will have more information for parents, including the date of the Meet and Greet as soon as possible. If you know of someone who would be a good candidate, please direct them to our website for more information.

CARDINAL KEY: The Cardinal Key for February is ***Integrity***. Do you show up as honest and committed, or dishonest and indifferent? Are you spending your time with the people and activities you value, or is your focus elsewhere? Asking these questions will help you identify if you are living with Integrity.

Kindness Week:

CCA had a Great Kindness week! Our speaker was engaging, fun and inspiring. I hope you are seeing more kind acts at home and in the community too. The paper shoe trackers from home should be returned to the office or classroom teacher tomorrow.

Students also supported St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital with dress-up days. We will share the amount collected as soon as NJHS counts it. Thank you!

We will be collecting actual shoes until March 2, 2022! Please take a look in your closets for good condition tennis/gym shoes to donate. Brian Williams will be taking them to Africa in April! He will continue to communicate with us about the donation of the shoes.

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences:

Conferences will be held February 15-17th. For elementary families, your classroom teacher will schedule a time with you.

For middle school families:

- Your student(s) will start your conference. They have been practicing and are ready!
- Teachers will be available for questions you may have.
- After 6pm, teachers will be in and out of meetings with students on plans. If you know you need to touch base with a specific teacher, please arrive before 6pm or email that teacher to confirm times.

After School Care will run until 7 pm during conferences!

In an effort to help you focus on your conferences with your child, feel free to drop off CCA siblings at After School Care. There is NO CHARGE this week. Please make sure your children are supervised while you are at CCA for their safety. Thank you!

Book Fair!

Learning to read is the most important skill a child can learn and we try to do it in the most fun way possible. We've scheduled an in person book fair February 10th - 17th to celebrate

reading. Book Fairs have always been about families and reading. We invite you to visit our Scholastic Book Fair **When you are at Parent Teacher Conferences** to experience the celebration of reading and take the opportunity to get involved in this mission. Please take a look at the attached [flyer](#) that explains all the events Ms. Richter has planned. If you have questions, please email jenniferrichter@re3j.com.

To see Book Fair dates, events, schedule, volunteer opportunities, and more here ---> <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/cardinalcommunityacademy>

A Note from Mrs. Nighswonger:

February is National Children's Dental Health Month. Check out [this site](#) for more information on the importance of good dental hygiene for children. [This link](#) takes you to some fun activities for kids!

2022-2023 Calendar:

Take a look at our approved [22-23 calendar](#). In order to best follow the district, we will have 2 Mondays next school year, April 3rd and May 22nd to meet the contact hours for our students.

COVID Update:

Please keep an eye on the **updated Covid guidance** from RE3j found on the home page of the CCA website (linked at the bottom of this newsletter). Feel free to contact me, Crystal at crystalbydalek@re3j.com or our new nurse, Brook at brooknighswonger@re3j.com if you have questions regarding Covid guidelines for schools and students.

Upcoming Events

- February 9-17th: Book Fair at CCA Library
- February 15, 16, 17th: Parent/Teacher/ Student Conferences 4-7pm
- February 18th: No School
- February 23rd: CCA Board of Directors meeting @ 5:30 in the STEM Lab or on Zoom
- March 2nd: Middle School Science Fair
- March 4th: K-2 100th Day of School event
- March 18th: Intermediate (3-5) History Day event

I am looking forward to seeing you all this week for our conferences.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lockette