

CSS CHATTER

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Welcome back!

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM...

Our Preschool friends had an amazing start to their school year and are looking forward to our new adventures to come with the building excitement from the Preschool expansion grant. Preschool is so much fun!!!

Kindergarten has been learning about rules and routines. We have been reading stories and doing projects on being good listeners.

In First grade students are adjusting nicely to the routine. We are having a lot of fun learning about each other and making new friends. Math has been fun so far too. We are learning some math games to play during center time. The students in first grade are building their stamina for a reading center-“Read to Self.”

Second grade students learned about having a positive Growth Mindset. We discussed the Power of Yet and set goals for our school year. We can't wait to see what our students will accomplish!

Third graders are feeling good to be back! Students have been hard at work establishing classroom routines and building a strong classroom community. In math, they have been learning how to round to the nearest ten and hundred. In reading, they are working on identifying the setting, characters, and plot of a story. They also have been learning how to identify different parts of a sentence including subject and predicate.

Fourth grade has been getting back into the groove of school! They worked so hard on their beginning of the year benchmarks and are excited to begin learning fourth grade material! In math they are reading and writing multi-digit numbers, ordering numbers, and rounding! In reading the students are learning about story structure!

Fifth grade students have had an excellent start to school! They have been enjoying getting to know each other through classroom games and Morning Meeting times. We have started our first book of the year, "The Light Jar," and the students seem to really enjoy it so far! In science class, we are learning all about cells and can tell you why our skin wrinkles in the bathtub! Many of the fifth-graders have commented that they love fifth grade because they get lockers. This group of students has learned how to use locks really fast! We are looking forward to a fantastic year in fifth grade!

SPECIAL AREAS

In STEAM grades kindergarten and first will be creating a collaborative mural based on the book “The Dot.” Students will explore primary and secondary colors. The completed mural will be displayed in the Multi-media Center. Second through fifth grades are each completing a tessellation that they will later piece together to create a mural.



In World Language classes, kindergarten and first grade students are learning about the colors “rojo y azul” (red and blue). We are reading “Little Roja Riding Hood” to learn about red and play find and search to learn about blue. Second and third grade will dance and sing “Cabeza, hombros, rodillas, y pies” (Head, shoulders, knees, and toes) to learn about body parts. Fourth and fifth grader will practice our “Hola a todos.” (Hello Everyone) song using their language learning skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing!

In Music class all K-2 students are learning about Steady Beat and singing our Hello Song on the ukulele! All of our 3rd through 5th grade students are working on their “Summer Playlist” project and sharing their favorite songs of the summer!



In Gym classes students in grades K-5 learned the importance of our warm-ups. Each class learned the rules and routines in the gymnasium while performing static and dynamic stretches. K-2 classes followed the “Captain’s” commands while playing the game of ships & sailors, while grades 3-5 demonstrated different locomotor skills while playing Bug Tag!

In the Computer Lab, K-2 classes are learning all about the computer mouse and how to effectively navigate a digital environment by playing games like Dragon Drop, a game where the kids drag and drop their dragons to their dinner! Third through fifth grade classes are developing their touch typing skills and are getting their beginning of the year races done to determine their current WPM (Words per Minute)!

This week in QUEST, students have been spending the time getting to know one another. Students K-5 have been creating puzzle pieces by drawing things that they like to do outside of school. Puzzle pieces are then shared so that students can see what their peers are interested in. The puzzle pieces will be displayed in the classroom, so that students can see them.



You are invited...

CHARLES STREET SCHOOL

"Back to School Night"

Thursday September 22, 2022



In an attempt to accommodate families with students in multiple classrooms, all teachers will be available for 2 sessions.



6:00 – General Assembly in the Gym with Mrs. Lee and district administration.
Be sure to visit the PTA Membership & Boy Scouts of America Tables in the Gym hallway.



6:15 – Parents report to their student's classroom



7:00 – General Assembly in the Gym with Mrs. Lee and district administration.
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7:15 – Parents report to their student's classroom



Parents are reminded that Back to School Night is not the appropriate time to discuss your individual student. Please ask to make an appointment to speak with the teacher about your child at a more convenient time.



Please make every effort to attend without your students. Though we try to make all events family friendly at Charles Street School, our classrooms are not large enough to seat parents and students, nor is support staff available to oversee students outside of the classroom.



CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Grade	Room	Teacher	Grade	Room	Teacher
BSI	3	Mrs. Adams	5	12	Mrs. Mackenzie
5	11	Mrs. Allen	2	29	Mrs. Mackey
1	24	Mrs. Bewley	4-5	4	Mrs. McCann
2	30	Miss Blatchley	4	2	Mrs. Michaels
Music	Stage	Miss Bove	K	28	Mrs. Mills
BSI	18	Mrs. Bowen	BSI	22	Mrs. O'Connell
1-3	15	Ms. Craig	PS	20	Ms. Pogoda
G&T/QUEST	17	Mr. Cross	2	31	Mrs. Riggi
PE/Health	GYM	Mr. Devlin	4	8	Miss Ruff
4	1	Miss Eckhardt	BSI	3	Mrs. Shubiak
5	13	Mrs. Ehret	1	23	Mrs. Stagliano
1	25	Miss Fanrak	ESL/WL	19	Mrs. Svekla
K	27	Mrs. Gaffney	Library	Library	Mrs. Tyler
3	6	Miss Garrison	BSI	22	Mrs. Vieira
4-5	14	Mrs. Gerner	Speech	32	Mrs. Webb
3	7	Miss Graovac	BSI	18	Mrs. Williams
Computers	19	Miss Hagmann	Counselor		Miss Berenato
3	5	Mrs. Heller	Nurse		Ms. DelRossi-Bishop
K	26	Mrs. Henry / Miss Horta	Principal		Mrs. Octavia Lee
STEAM	10	Miss Hoffecker			
K-1	21	Miss Levine			

PRESCHOOL



Welcome to Preschool!

All parents of preschool students are invited to attend:

Preschool Parent Information Session

Date: Wednesday September 28th

Time: 5:30 to 6:30

Where: CSS Gymnasium

Doors open 5:20—Entrance thru Door #9
on Walnut Street

*Though we try to always host family friendly events at CSS, this meeting is directed more towards parents. We do not have anyone to oversee your children during this time.

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All parents & preschool students are invited to attend:

### Preschool Student AND Parent Open House

Date: Thursday September 29th

Start Time: 5:30

Where: CSS Gymnasium—Doors open 5:20  
Entrance thru Door #9 on  
Walnut Street

Come and meet your teacher, visit your classroom,  
and make new friends! Your Charles Street School  
family cannot wait to say HELLO to you!

The first day of full day preschool at CSS will be  
Monday, October 3rd!





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**OCTOBER 15, 2022 | 6:30PM - 11PM**

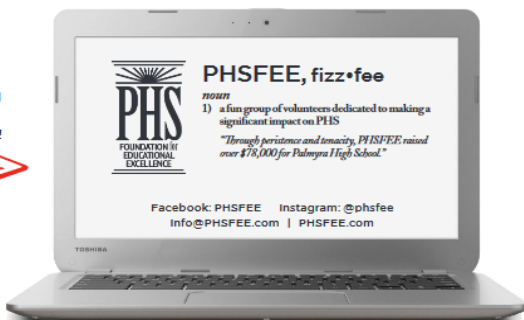
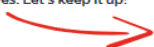
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PHSFEE is happy to accept donations as well. *Donations are tax-deductible. 50/50 purchases are not.*

Past Casino Nights have raised funds to purchase science equipment, chromebooks, digital cameras; and also to support equity initiatives. Let's keep it up!



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