

# CSS CHATTER

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## Welcome back!

### NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM...

**Our Preschool Expansion** program began on Monday, October 3rd. We opened our doors to many happy smiles, a few tearful faces, but all in all our little friends are adjusting well to their new routine. Our preschool friends have a busy schedule in our full-day program.

**Kindergarten** students are learning how to recognize and produce rhyming words, how to retell a story, and are practicing proper letter formation. In math students are learning about fewer, more, and zero. Students are learning about 1-5 as a number and as a written word.

**First grade** just finished the first chapter on addition to 10 in Math. We are very excited to start subtraction in Chapter 2. The students are doing a great job reviewing letters and letter sounds in Foundations. They also really enjoy working in the different reading centers. Students are doing an amazing job working together and independently to complete the different activities in each center.

**Second grade** students sharpened their Language Arts skills by identifying and using a variety of nouns in their writing. Students brainstormed spooky nouns and wrote creative paragraphs for their October bulletin board projects. Come to our hallway to see what we have been "brewing"!

**Third graders** are starting our personal narrative writing unit. Students have been learning how to add details using the 5 senses to their paragraphs to make them more descriptive. Students also put on a readers theater for their Journeys story of the week, The Trial of Cardigan Jones.

**Fourth grade** finished their first chapter in math and are moving on to multiplication. They will learn how to multiply multi digit numbers by 1 digit numbers! In reading, the students are learning cause and effect, short I and long I words, and quotations! The 4<sup>th</sup> grade students also completed their first science investigation. They are learning that the more energy an object has, the faster it will be!

**Fifth grade** is having fun learning about body systems in science class! They are getting to experiment with various materials, (some a little yucky!) and get their hands dirty! In math they are enjoying working in our STACK centers to have hands on activities to make our lessons come alive and stick with them. They are also very excited to have the chance to take out library books again, thank you, Mrs. Tyler!

## SPECIAL AREAS

In **STEAM / Music**, Ms. Hoffecker and Miss Bove are teaming up to combine music and art into a crossover class for 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. In STEAM, students are learning about abstract artist Wassily Kandinsky who has a condition called synesthesia which is when one of your 5 senses is supposed to be activated but sometimes other senses are activated as well. Kandinsky's case of synesthesia causes him to see colors when he is listening to music. In music, students are listening to the "Four Seasons" by Vivaldi and creating abstract artwork like Kandinsky while they listen to each season from fall, winter, spring and summer! Mrs. Heller's class closed their eyes and listened to the music to get their picture in their heads!



### In Health/Physical Education

this week students in grades K-5 are participating in the annual Spooky Bowling Tournament. During spooky bowling students are divided into rows and will demonstrate the skills necessary to safely bowl the ball down the lane and knock down as many pins as possible! Students will be working in small groups and will rotate positions where they bowl, set up pins, return the ball, and keep score!



## NOTES FROM THE NURSE....

- > Please have a change of clothes labeled and in your student's book bag.
- > Please update vaccines and submit to school; any questions call the nurse at 856 786-9300 x2004
- > All prekindergarten students are required by the State of New Jersey to have a flu shot by January 1, 2023! Please provide proof of flu vaccination to the nurse.
- > Please make sure all students have a water bottle and it is clearly labeled with your student's name.



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS....

**October 3 - 7** Week of Respect

**October 10** Staff In-service - No school for students

**October 10 - 14** Fire Prevention Week

**October 12** Grade 2 Parent Advisory Meeting  
CSS Gym @ 6:00 enter thru Door # 9  
*All second grade parents are invited to attend this important meeting to discuss a loss in learning, interventions, and plans for progress in aiding our 2nd graders.*

**October 17 - 21** School Violence Awareness Week

**October 24—28** Red Ribbon Week  
PTA Sponsored Scholastic Book Fair

**October 28** PTA Sponsored Pumpkin Fest / Family Night @ the Book Fair



# P.T.A.

## Halloween Fest & Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Join us for Our Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest with a twist. Let's make it a party! Wear your costumes and dance the night away Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>!

It is open to all students in Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade from the Charles Street School.

Please bring all decorated pumpkins, squash or gourds to the Charles Street School Gym between 6 & 6:30 to register.

**DON'T FORGET TO TAKE YOUR PUMPKINS HOME AT THE END OF THE EVENT!**

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON ALL THE FUN! THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!

- GAMES
- FACE PAINTING & TATTOOS
- PHOTO BOOTH
- DJ DANCE PARTY

>> REMINDER: OUR FALL BOOK FAIR IS ALSO OPEN IN THE LIBRARY FROM 6-8 <<

Judging begins PROMPTLY @ 6:30pm. Winners will be announced, and prizes will be given out shortly after voting is complete. All entries will be judged by students in attendance.

- You may paint, glue, dress-up or decorate your entry in any way that you choose.
- **Entries may be pierced or cut WITH THE SUPERVISION of a parent/guardian ONLY.**
- NO flame of any kind will be allowed in the cut pumpkins - battery lights are encouraged for this purpose.
- Prizes are awarded individually for each grade level, and for the best 'group' pumpkin - so enter solo or with your pals!

We can't wait to see how much fun you'll "scare" up this year!  
THE Palmyra PTA HALLOWEEN TEAM

## PALMYRA PTA WRITER OF THE MONTH CONTEST

Describe the spookiest, scariest skeleton, vampire, or monster! What is its name? What does it look like? What is it wearing?

Include as many details as possible so your reader can picture the creepy creature!



**DUE: OCTOBER 28, 2022**

Palmyra PTA  
**Halloween Poster Contest**  
Open to all Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students at Charles Street School  
Entries must be submitted by Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> in the bin by Main Office

**Poster Contest Guidelines:**

- Theme: Happy Halloween
- Poster size must be 11 X 17. Paper provided in orange bin by Main Office
- Poster may be vertical or horizontal
- No graphic or violent images
- Please cut and place in front of poster the "Palmyra Halloween Parade" announcement
- **Print on the back of the poster the following information:**
  - o Student's First and Last Name
  - o Grade
  - o Teacher's Name

**Judging Criteria:**

- Originality
- Creativity
- Accuracy of Theme

Judging will be done by CSS Staff. Winners will be announced on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> during Halloween Fest.  
Posters will be on display throughout the businesses in Palmyra

**Palmyra Halloween Parade  
October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022**



# COMMUNITY

## BULLETIN BOARD



### PALMYRA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION TRUNK OR TREAT AND FALL MARKET EVENT!

Bring your family and friends to Flournoy Park (Cinna Ave & Broad St) to enjoy festive food truck fare, upbeat tunes, local maker shopping, and of course, Trunk or Treating along South Broad Street!

- All ages welcome! ALL KIDS must be accompanied by an adult.
- Costumes encouraged but not required!
- Market attendance is free. Trunk or Treating is \$3 per child. All proceeds go back into the community through PIA grants, events and improvements!
- If you'd like to decorate a trunk, please email [Maureenbrz@yahoo.com](mailto:Maureenbrz@yahoo.com). Decorating a trunk is NOT REQUIRED to attend event.
- Cash is best option for food trucks, vendors, and Trunk or Treating fee.

FOR MORE INFO VISIT THE PALMYRA IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION FB PAGE OR EMAIL [MAUREENBRZ@YAHOO.COM](mailto:MAUREENBRZ@YAHOO.COM)



Join us for a night out as our community comes together to support Palmyra High School students!

PRESENTED BY THE PALMYRA HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

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

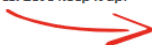
**\$65**  
PER TICKET

Includes buffet dinner from Sweet Lucy's BBQ, beer, wine, \$30 in gaming chips, music and fun at Sacred Heart Church in Riverton, NJ. Prizes include trips, gift certificates and event tickets!

Email [info@phsfee.com](mailto:info@phsfee.com) for tickets. Please make checks payable to PHSFEE.

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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