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Cossitt Avenue Newsletter

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Good afternoon,

In my never ending quest to track down every conceivable article, podcast and book title to share

The link below from the Washington Post was entirely too appealing to pass up. As fewer and fewer adults statically are reading for pleasure than ever before, it feels even more urgent to find ways of getting engaging and inspiring books into the hands of our children.

Realizing that the whirlwind and chaos of the adult universe might be the culprit behind the slow disconnect between adults and their books, I am here to say that for many of our children, books continue to be the keepers of the flame and the doorway into worlds of wonder and amazement.

We also know that in homes where books and reading are treated accordingly, the message makes its way into the mindsets of our children. It does not feel too terribly long ago to me that I would be doing my December holiday book searching for my three children in the hopes that I could find perfect matches between individual children and specific titles.

To watch what happens when that mysterious match takes place and all of a sudden, the roles switch and the book owns the child, is to remember what books can sometimes accomplish.

In the hopes of generating some hopeful and helpful title searches, I would encourage you all to spend some time with this link and see if there might not be some holiday treasures to be discovered and shared.

After all these years, it is still hard to find words to describe the look

within the eyes of a child as they sit and hear the familiar, “Once upon a time “

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2022/12/06/kids-books-recommendations-list-culture-war/>

Mr. Michael Michowski

Principal, Cossitt Elementary

Important Dates:

- **Wednesday, Dec. 21st** - Class Parties Begin
 - Gr 1 Winter Party - 12:20 pm
 - Gr 2 - 4 Winter Party - 1:30 pm
 - **Thursday, Dec. 22nd**
 - Last day of School before Winter Break
 - Gr 6 Winter Party - 10:20 am
 - **Friday, Dec. 23rd - Jan 8th** - NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK
 - **Monday, Jan 9th** - School Resumes
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PUSHCOIN UPDATE

Pushcoin has updated their system to allow users to make payments of any value amount. In the past there has been a minimum of \$35 payment; users can now enter any amount to make payments through Pushcoin.

From the payment screen, manually enter any dollar amount, do not use the drop-down option. The drop-down will show various pre-set amounts like \$35, but can be overridden to any amount desired.

WINTER LEGACY SPORTS PROGRAMING

COSSITT AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS

WINTER 2023 PROGRAMS



GRADES 1-3
Thursdays, 3:15-4:30PM
January 12 - March 23 (off 3/16)

GRADES 4-6
Wednesdays, 2:30-3:45PM
January 11 - March 15

Multi-Sport Madness features variations of traditional gym games like relay races, tag, capture the flag, dodgeball, soccer as well as our popular Legacy games like Hand Hockey, Medic, and Battleship. This co-ed program is limited to 18 students.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

LEGACYSPORTSCAMP.COM/COSSITT

Questions: info@legacysportscamp.com
or call/text (312) 969-0215
View More Programs at legacysportscamp.com



Join the thousands of kids that have made Multi-Sport Madness our most popular program! MSM features variations of traditional gym games like relay races, tag, capture the flag, dodgeball, soccer as well as our popular Legacy games like Hand Hockey, Illinois Jones and Battleship. Space is limited, enroll today!

Students should wear gym shoes this program.

At the end of the school day, students should walk to the gym to check-in with Legacy staff. Parents will be called for absences unless that student was absent from school.

We will dismiss from entrance #1 on Madison Ave. (School office door)

Capacity is 18 students. Registration is first come, first serve.

For our cancellation/refund policy, please [click here](#).

A NOTE FROM THE COSSITT MUSIC DEPARTMENT

We are so happy to announce that live performances are happening this year again! More detailed information will be sent out to grade level families as we get closer to show time!

Kindergarten, First, Second, and Third grade - January 26, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. in Park Junior High School Auditorium

Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth grade - March 23, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. in Park Junior High School Auditorium

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Are you receiving the Tiger Times?

The Tiger Times is the newsletter of the Cossitt Parent Teacher Council (PTC). It is e-mailed every Friday at 2:30 pm and includes information about parent participation opportunities (i.e. room parent/ holiday party sign up), student or all school activities (i.e the Back to School Party), and grade specific events (i.e. the upcoming 3rd grade Bike Rodeo).

If you opted out of being in the D-102 directory, then your email was not included on the Tiger Times distribution list. To start receiving the Tiger Times emails, contact cossitttigertimes@gmail.com. Please include your preferred email address and the grade level(s) of your child(ren).

**Note: This will not affect your D-102 Directory preferences.

SHIELD TESTING

District 102 is offering weekly SHIELD testing for students who have parent consent.

You can find the sign-up for this on the front page of the district website or with the below link.

Testing began this past week. If you are still interested please use the link below.

[Dist 102 SHIELDS Testing Sign-Up](#)

School Traffic, Drop-Off, and Pick-Up

In order to create a smooth start and finish to our days, please review the Traffic Map included below. Please note that the parking lot will be closed at 8:00 a.m. to keep all students safe as they walk to their respective line up areas for safety purposes. DO NOT park and leave your vehicle running on these streets. The line must continue to move!! Please feel free to contact the main office (co-office@dist102.k12.il.us) with any questions.

View [Map](#) Here

Morning Arrival Information

Arrival is on the Blacktop on the north side of the building. All students will line up with their classes. Teachers will be outside with signs for easy location. The lines are marked on the blacktop going west to east, Kindergarten - 6th grade. Please see the attached document to make sure that you are familiar with the procedures.

**Regular school day (Mon, Tues,
Thurs, Fri)**

8:15 a.m. Enter Bell

8:20 a.m - Classes Begin

11:20 a.m. - Lunch Dismissal

12:15 p.m. - Classes Begin

3:15 p.m. - Dismissal

Wacky Wed school day (Wed)

8:15 a.m. Enter Bell

8:20 a.m - Classes Begin

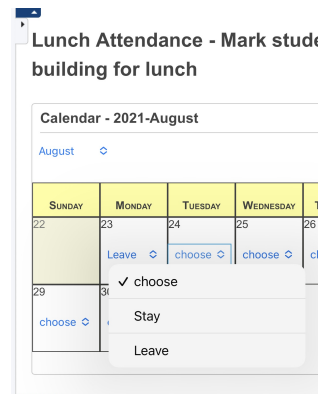
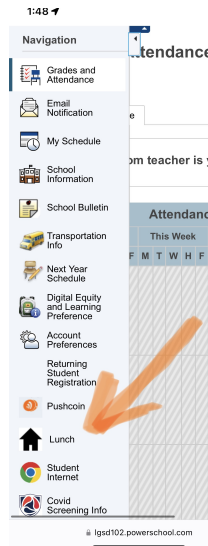
10:55 a.m. - Lunch Dismissal

11:50 p.m. - Classes Begin

2:30 p.m. - Dismissal

Going Home for Lunch??

If you want your child to leave campus for lunch. You need to make sure that you check them out in the Parent Portal on PowerSchool as well as remind your child as well, so they can let their teacher know. If your child is not checked out in PowerSchool, we will not let your child leave the building. Lunch pick up is at 11:20 and line up is at 12:05 on the blacktop. Your child may not enter through the main office, they need to enter from the blacktop.



Other Lunch Reminders:

- If your child needs a brown bag school lunch (\$2.95), you need to email the office (co-office@sd102.net) by 9:00 AM. We have to submit our lunch order to our provider so they can arrive on time.

- We no longer provide eating utensils. Please make sure that your child has the appropriate eating utensils packed in their lunch.

Health Office News:

District 102 Health Services believes in supporting optimal health to enhance learning. Please be sure to communicate with your school's health office regarding school absences, medications, and any health diagnoses so we may assist in supporting your child's success in school. Forms, and additional health services information can be found on the district's website under Parents: Health Services:

<https://www.dist102.k12.il.us/HealthServices>

Medications in School:

When it is deemed necessary by a licensed health care provider and parent to give medication in school, District 102 policy and state guidelines must be adhered to. All medication authorization forms need to be renewed each school year. All prescriptions require a medication authorization form to be filled out by the health care provider. Please note: Inhalers must be sent in the original box along with the parent portions of the authorization form filled out. Please contact the health office for questions.

Reporting absences: 708-215-6241 - Leave a Message

All absences should be reported to the health office prior to 8:20 a.m. Please add your school's health office phone number/email to your contact information (coattendance@dist102.k12.il.us 708-215-6241) for reporting absences or other health communication needs. You will need to leave a message. When reporting absences, please state your child's name, teacher, grade, and reason for absence. A nurse will return your call as needed.



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Schools

LaGrange 102 IL
Barnsdale Road School
Congress Park School
Cossitt Avenue School
Forest Road School

Stay Connected



Phone: (708) 215-6200

Fax. (708) 579-5485

Ogden Avenue School

Park Junior High School

School Hours

Science Center

8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. | Monday,

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. | Lunch Hours

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. | Wednesday

10:55 a.m. - 11:50 p.m. | Wednesday

Lunch Hours

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