

# Cherrywood Charger News

## September 2012



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有人會與您聯繫，為您傳達文件上的重要內容。

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Nếu quý vị cần sự giúp đỡ  
Để hiểu rõ hơn về những văn kiện đã được gửi về nhà  
Xin gọi điện thoại Vietnam tại 923-1903  
sẽ có người giúp quý vị hiểu những điều cốt yếu của văn kiện.

**Monday, September 3, 2012**  
**Labor Day- School Will Be Closed**

**La escuela estará cerrada el**  
lunes 3 de septiembre, 2012 por el día del trabajo

Thứ Hai, Ngày 3 Tháng 9, 2012  
Ngày Lễ Lao Động - **Nhà Trường Sẽ Đóng Cửa**

不上課- 9月3日星期一為勞動節，所有Berryessa 學校停課。

## Cherrywood August/September Newsletter Critical Points

- 1) NO SCHOOL Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, All Berryessa schools will be closed for Labor Day.
  - 2) Common Dress: All students will be wearing the same color clothing. Shirts or blouses will be white or navy blue - plain. No tank tops or sleeveless shirts. Pants, shorts, skirts, jumpers or dresses need to be denim jeans, navy blue or khaki (tan) -plain colored. No Logos on any of these clothing items. Shoes need to be closed- toed. Jackets and Back packs can be any color – If you have questions, please contact the office 923-1915.
  - 3) Order forms for Clothing: If you would like, Cherrywood Logo t-shirts, sweatshirts and polos may be ordered. An order form is attached to the newsletter.
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1. NO CLASES el lunes 3 de septiembre, todas las escuelas de Berryessa permanecerán cerradas por el día del Trabajo.
  2. Vestuario común: Todos los estudiantes usaran el mismo color de ropa. Camisa o blusas de color blanco o azul marino lisos. No playeras tank o sin mangas. Pantalones, shorts, faldas, jumpers o vestidos necesitaran ser de denim jeans, azul marino o caqui (beige) lisos. Su ropa no deberán de tener ningún logotipo. Los zapatos deberán ser cerrados. Las chamarras y mochilas pueden ser de cualquier color. Si tiene preguntas comuníquese a la oficina al 923-1915.
  3. Hoja para ordenar ropa: Si usted desea puede ordenar camisas y sudaderas con el logotipo de Cherrywood. Adjunto a este boletín esta una hoja para ordenarlos.
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1. KHÔNG CÓ LỚP, Thứ Hai Ngày 3 Tháng 9, Tất cả các trường học Berryessa sẽ đóng cửa cho ngày Lao Động.
  2. Cách Ăn Mặc Chung: Tất cả học sẽ được mặc quần áo cùng màu. Áo sơ mi hoặc áo kiểu sẽ là màu trắng hoặc màu xanh hải quân – đơn giản. Không được bận áo hai dây, hoặc áo không tay. Quần, quần short, váy, jumpers hoặc áo đầm phải là màu xanh hải quân/*navy blue* hoặc *kaki* (tan) đồng màu đơn giản. Không Logo trên bất kỳ các quần áo mặc hàng ngày đến trường. Giày cần phải che lại các ngón chân. Áo Jacket và Back Pack có thể bất kỳ màu sắc nào cũng được – Nếu bạn có thắc mắc, xin vui lòng liên lạc với văn phòng số 923-1915.
  3. Đơn đặt mua quần áo: Nếu bạn muốn biết, Cherrywood Logo áo thun/*t-shirts*, áo nỉ/*sweatshirts* hoặc áo *polo* có thể đặt hàng. Mẫu đơn đặt hàng được kèm theo trong thư nhắn tin ngắn.
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- 1) 不上課- 9月3日星期一為勞動節，所有Berryessa 學校停課。
- 2) 共識服裝：所有學生將穿著顏色一致的衣服。襯衫或上衣必須是純白色或純深藍色。不容許穿背心或無袖襯衫。長褲，短褲，裙子，連身褲，或連身裙必須是牛仔褲，深藍色或卡其色(棕褐色) – 純色而且沒有任何標誌的衣物。鞋不可以露趾。夾克和背包則可以是任何顏色。如果您有任何疑問，請聯絡辦公室923-1915。
- 3) 訂購衣服表格：如果你想訂購Cherrywood 標誌的T-恤，運動衫和馬球運動式上衣。請填寫附在學校每月訊息的訂購表格。

# Cherrywood Elementary Volunteer Opportunities

We have many volunteer opportunities for you to help Cherrywood Elementary throughout the school year. Please select ALL area of interests and provide your contact information and a Cherrywood Home & School Club (PTO) Representative will contact you with more information.

Other ways that you can help Cherrywood Elementary is by making a monetary donation to support our school.

Checks can be made Payable to: Cherrywood Home and School

- ☐ Become a Home & School Club Officer (We will contact you with more information)
- ☐ Become a School Site Council Member ( We will contact you with more information)
- ☐ Assist with Cherrywood T-Shirt Sales (Ongoing fundraiser)
- ☐ Assist with Vision / Hearing Screening (September & December)
- ☐ Picture Days (October, December, and March)
- ☐ Volunteer me for Fall Gift Wrap Fundraiser (September/October)

\_\_\_will count money \_\_\_will sort/distribute orders

- ☐ Volunteer me for Pizza California Family Night (October / November)
- ☐ Volunteer me for Fall Book Fair (October / November)

\_\_\_Cashier \_\_\_book selection helper

- ☐ Volunteer me for Panda Express Family Night (December)
- ☐ Volunteer me for Spring Book Fair (March)

\_\_\_Cashier \_\_\_book selection helper

- ☐ Volunteer me for Spell-A-Thon (January)
- ☐ Volunteer me for Spring See's Candies (February)

\_\_\_will tally/count money \_\_\_will sort/distribute orders

- ☐ Volunteer me for Talent Show/Pasta Dinner (March)

\_\_\_Coordinator \_\_\_Helper / setup \_\_\_Serving Dinner \_\_\_Cleanup assistance

- ☐ Volunteer me for Giorgio's Family Night (April)
- ☐ Volunteer me for the Cherrywood Staff Appreciation Luncheon (May)
- ☐ Volunteer me for Berryessa Art & Wine Festival (May)

\_\_\_Prep food helper \_\_\_Booth Sales Helper

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Room #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND ANY DONATIONS TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER**



# CHERRYWOOD T-SHIRTS ORDER FORM

Show your school spirit and order yours today!

Come purchase your spirit wear at the office. We currently have all of the sizes, no order required!!! T-shirts are white and the Polo & Sweatshirts are navy blue with a Cherrywood Chargers Distinguished School logo. Samples of the sizes will be on display in the School Office. **If your size is not available you can** place an order. Please complete and return the order form below with your payment (exact change required). When your order arrives we will call you or deliver directly to your child's classroom.

**We accept cash or checks payable to Cherrywood Home and School, sorry no credit cards.**

ITEM PRICING	CHILD (S-M-L-XL)	ADULT (S-M-L-XL)	ADULT (XXL)
T- Shirt (White only)	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00
Sweatshirt (Crewneck) (Navy Blue)	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$20.00
Hoody (Sweatshirt with a hood) (Navy Blue)	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$27.00
Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt (Small logo on left front)	-----	\$30.00	\$32.00
Jersey Polo Shirt (Navy)	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$20.00

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Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Teacher/Room#: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

ORDER FORM	S	M	L	X L	XXL (size for Adults)	TOTAL QTY	COST PER ITEM	TOTAL
<b>CHILD</b>								
T- Shirt (White only)							10.00	
Sweatshirt (Crewneck) (Navy Blue)							15.00	
Hoody (Sweatshirt with a hood) (Navy Blue)							20.00	
Jersey Polo Shirt (Small logo on left front) (Navy Blue)							15.00	
<b>ADULT</b>								
T- Shirt (White only)					*	/	12.00	
Sweatshirt (Crewneck) (Navy Blue)					*	/	18.00	
Hoodie (Sweatshirt with a hood) (Navy Blue)					*	/	25.00	
Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt (Small logo on left front )					*	/	30.00	
Jersey Polo Shirt (Small logo on left front) (Navy)					*	/	18.00	
* Add \$2.00 extra for XXL							<b>TOTAL \$</b>	



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Hello Parents and Families,

It is great to be back at school and to see all of your smiling faces. I hope that you all had wonderful and exciting summer and you are ready to learn and have an awesome school year!

We have been speaking to the students about how to receive the most out of their education while they are here at school. Because we know how important it is that students, parents, teachers and staff work together to ensure each student's success, we encourage healthy meaningful relationships to be created early on. This year we will be focusing on working effectively with our parent volunteers. We appreciate and encourage your support and want to continue to foster those relationships. We ask that you review the Cherrywood Student handbook with your child and assist us in keeping all of our kids safe.

I am sure by now you have noticed the lovely sea of navy blue, white, khaki and denim that the children have been wearing as they are on the school yard. The **Common Dress Policy** is in full swing and it is so nice to see the uniformity of our students. As mentioned in previous newsletters last year, and in a separate letter dated June 6, 2011, the policy was discussed, voted on and passed by parents who attended our Site Council meetings. The policy then was passed by the Board of Trustees. Please remember the **common dress code is as follows: Plain navy blue or white shirts** (blouses or shirts, collared or crewneck) **blue jeans, navy blue or khaki uniform type pants, shorts or skirts and navy blue or khaki jumpers.** As always, no tank tops are allowed and skirt/ shorts length must be at least to the child's fingertips when hands are held down to their side. **Target, Kohl's and Walmart** have these items for very reasonable prices. Should you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank you

so much for your support and participation.

Please keep in mind that during the first three weeks of school our student enrollment is in transition. One of the many challenges public schools face each year is that we do not know exactly how many students will be attending our neighborhood schools. It often takes a few weeks before student enrollment actually stabilizes. We thank you very much for your patience in this matter.

Thank you,

*La Keisha Blackshire*  
Principal

## Welcome to our New Staff Members

Please welcome the following staff members to Cherrywood School.

**Alex Blank** will be teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Debbie Narvaes** will be a Para in the SDC class.

**Debbie Faria** will now be in the library.

**Michelle Porter** is our new Speech therapist.

And **Linda Pham** is our Psychologist.

## Free and Reduced Lunch Forms

Applications **must** be renewed every year. If you believe your child may qualify for free or reduced lunch, if you did not receive an application or you need another, please complete the form which is available in the office. The completed form can be turned into the office or to get approval more quickly, turn into the District office Child Nutrition department. Until an application is approved, children should bring a cold lunch from home or money to buy a hot lunch.



## Dates to Remember...

- Aug 31 Spirit Assembly, 11:05 am Multi
- Sept. 3 **Labor Day – Holiday NO SCHOOL**
- Sept. 11 Board of Trustees Meeting, 7:00 pm  
1376 Piedmont Road
- Sept. 12 School Site Council & Home & School Association Meeting, 6:30-7:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room
- Sept 20 **BACK TO SCHOOL**  
6:30-7:15 Class Visits  
7:15-7:30 PM  
Introductions in Multipurpose Room
- Sept. 21 Fun Field Day 9:45 - 10:45 AM at Spirit Assembly 11:05 AM in Multipurpose Rm
- Sept. 21 Student Council Election and Speeches Grades 1-5 11:05 am
- Sept. 25 Vision Screening for Grades 1, 3 & SDC



## Parent Volunteers

Volunteering in your child's class or at the school is a great way to show your child how much you value their education. If you would like to help... a current Tuberculosis test is required BEFORE you can work in the classroom. **They are good for 4 years. Please bring your immunization card to the office. We will keep a copy on file.**

## Back-to-school night

Mark your calendar now  
**Curriculum Night**, on

**September 20** at 6:30 pm. You will receive information about your child's class, meet his/her teacher, and hear about the instructional program.



## School schedule

All schools in Berryessa will have a **minimum day every Thursday** to provide time for professional development activities and instructional planning. The overall number of instructional minutes will be about the same, per California requirements. School hours are:

### Kindergarten

**Early Birds and K/1 class:**

8:15 am-12:15 pm M, T, W, F

**Late Birds:**

9:45am-2:36 pm M, T, W, F

Thursdays (**all K students**):

8:15am-12:15 pm

### 1st-3rd grade

8:15am-2:36 pm M, T, W, F

8:15am-1:00 pm Thursday

### 4th-5th grade

8:15am-2:36 pm M, T, W, F

8:15am-1:01 pm Thursday

**Picture Day will be October 19. Mark your calendar!!**



## Traffic cautions

For safety reasons, **NO PARENT PARKING IN THE STAFF PARKING LOT. NO LEAVING YOUR VEHICLES PARKED IN THE WHITE ZONE – YOU WILL GET A TICKET.**



- ❖ Watch for children crossing the street.
- ❖ Drive slowly and legally when near the school.
- ❖ Let your child know where you will meet him/her after school each day. Be on time so your child is not alone out on the street or playground.
- ❖ Do not drive past the cones that are at the main driveway entrance and exit.

*Thank you for keeping our children safe!*

## Student Drop off Information

Please pick up your children at dismissal time. There is only 15 minutes of supervision after dismissal time. Parents, please make appropriate plans for your child's safety. Sometimes the office staff has meetings after school and there will be no one to supervise your child. Thank you for your attention. Also, if your child is required to cross the street when they're being dropped off and picked up, please make sure they use the crosswalk.

**We Love Reading  
Every Friday  
Names will be drawn  
Don't Forget to  
turn in Your  
Blue Reading Logs  
To your teacher**

## Starting on the right foot

We had more than **140 students** who received certificates for Perfect Attendance last year - no tardies, no absences all year long. A real accomplishment that pays big dividends in your child's learning!



Start the year right by making sure that your children arrive at school on time every day this year, starting with the *first day*. Yard supervision begins at 8:00. For your children's safety, ***please do not have them at school before 8:00.***

## Administration of prescribed medication for pupils

(Education Code 49423)

A *Permit To Take Medication in School* form must be completed by the parent/guardian and physician for all prescription drugs (as well as over-the-counter medication) to be dispensed at school. This form may be obtained from the school office. Medication must be sent to the school office in the original pharmacy container, including the student's name and the doctor's instructions. **Do not** send medication to school in a lunch box or with your child, as it may be hazardous to another student if ingested.

## Extended Day Care

Cherrywood is fortunate to have a child care program available for Cherrywood students from kindergarten through fifth grade before and after school. Please contact the **San Juan Bautista Day Care Program at 259-9739** for additional information.



## Child Nutrition Services Announcements to Elementary School Parents

### NEW national school lunch requirements for 2012-13!

The new Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act requires school lunches to be healthier than ever before. Children are now **required** to take at least a 1/2 cup serving of fruit and/or vegetables with every school lunch. To ensure compliance with this requirement, a cafeteria assistant will be positioned at the end of each serving line. If a student has not selected at least a 1/2 cup of fruit and/or vegetables from the salad bar, he/she will be asked to do so before receiving the lunch entrée. Please review this new procedure with your children so that they will know what to expect and the lunch lines can continue to move quickly.

### Meal Price Increases for 2012-13:

New lunch price: **\$2.75**  
New breakfast price: **\$1.75**  
(Toyon & Northwood only)

Reduced lunch price: \$0.40  
(remains the same)  
Reduced breakfast price: \$0.30  
(remains the same)

The school board approved a \$0.25 increase to meal prices in order to help defray costs associated with the new federal menu requirements. These requirements include increasing whole grain-rich offerings, decreasing total sodium content, and offering a variety of fresh vegetables each week, i.e., dark green, red/orange, legumes, etc. More fruits and vegetables will be purchased since students will be required to take at least a 1/2 cup serving with each lunch.

We will be mailing notices home to families who owe \$2.50 or more on their cafeteria accounts. Payment should be turned in on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school. In your payment, please remember to include the amount owed plus the amount you'd like to prepay for

future lunches (any amount). Payment may be in the form of cash or check and can be dropped off at the school office or cafeteria, or by paying online at [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com) (available now). Please be reminded that we can only provide one emergency meal to students with negative balances. If payment is not received after that, elementary children will be offered the salad bar and milk, but not the hot entree.

At any time, you may obtain your child's current balance by: (1) checking on-line at [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com), (2) calling your school cafeteria, or (3) calling Child Nutrition Services at 923-1875 or 923-1879. If you haven't done so already, we recommend that you set up an on-line account for your child at [www.mynutrikids.com](http://www.mynutrikids.com) as a convenient way to review your child's account balance and transaction history. There is no charge to set-up an account, but there is a \$1.95 transaction fee for making an on-line payment.

Please note that if your child(ren) qualified for free or reduced lunch in 2011-12, you will need to complete a 2012-13 free/reduced meal application to see if they qualify for continued benefits. If you did not receive an application in the mail, you may pick one up at your school office or at the District Office in the Child Nutrition Services Department.

Thank you for your continued support!! -- *Child Nutrition Services*

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**Donations of hand soap, tissues & copy paper for the office & classrooms would be greatly appreciated.**

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MTGS

LOCATION: 1376 PIEDMONT RD- TUESDAYS @ 7:00 pm, BOARD RM

DATES: SEPT 11, OCT 16, NOV 13, DEC11, JAN 15, FEB 12, MAR 12, APR 16, MAY 14, JUNE 4

Agendas are posted 72 hours in advance.

## Cherrywood Home and School Association/School Site Council

One of the best and most enjoy-able



ways to make sure that your child is successful and happy at school is to become involved in school activities. Cherrywood's Home and School Association sponsors many student programs and activities, and helps to raise funds that enhance your child's total learning experience at Cherrywood. The H&S Officers and Staff Representatives meet monthly to plan the various activities. *All parents are invited* to attend the monthly meetings and get involved in planning activities and supporting Cherrywood in any way that best fits your schedule.

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The first meeting will be **Wednesday, September 12**. We will review our budget and school plan for this year.

## Volunteers Needed

We are looking for parents who would be willing to help out at our school. See the attached flyer for areas in which you may be willing to help out. Once you complete the form, turn it in to the office or your child's teacher. Being involved with your child's school shows your child you care!

## SCIENCE CAMP DONATIONS

Every year fifth graders go to Walden West for five days to receive an intensive curriculum in science within a natural setting. Each year we have students that are unable to afford the entire amount of approximately \$250.00 to attend Science Camp. We are asking if you would consider a monetary donation which could be used for these students who cannot afford partial or full funding. Please consider donating to Science Camp fund. If you are interested, please contact the office at 923-1915. This year our 5<sup>th</sup> grade will attend Walden West on May 20-24, 2013

## COMMON DRESS

Don't forget your Common Dress. Shirts are White or Navy Blue, any style except Tank tops. Pants/skirts/Dresses /jumpers/shorts are Navy blue, denim or tan colored. Shoes must be closed toed and can be any color. Backpacks & Jackets can be any color.



## Bear Hugs

Each week, our teachers select a student from their class to receive special recognition with a Bear Hug certificate. Students may be recognized for effort, being a good friend, academic excellence and many other things. Students receive a Bear Hug Certificate, a pencil, and a hug or a high five from the Cherrywood Mini Bear.

## Box Tops for Education

Interested in an easy way to help out our school? It's as simple as clipping the Box Top Coupons from participating packages and bringing them to the office or your child's teacher. Our coordinator will do the rest. Box Top Coupons can be found on the packaging of many common household items from cereals to storage bags. For a complete list of products please visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com).