

# Cherrywood Charger News

## October 2012



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923-1901 (Chinese) 923-1902 (Spanish)  
923-1903 (Vietnamese)

Somebody will get in touch with you to deliver the essence of the document.

如果您需要更進一步了解學校發回家的文件。  
請打學區中文線電話 923-1901  
有人會與您聯繫，為您傳達文件上的重要內容。

Si desea ayuda adicional, por favor llame al teléfono de asistencia en español al **923-1902** y alguien se pondrá en contacto para darle la información esencial del documento.

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.

## Cherrywood School Newsletter Critical Points - October 2012

**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT.** Thank you for coming!

**PICTURES.** Friday, October 19, 2012 will be Picture Day. This is going to be a FREE dress day, meaning your student may wear clothes that are NOT Common Dress. If you order a class picture, it will be delivered in Feb. 2013.

**HALLOWEEN PARADE.** On Wednesday, October 31, 2012, we will have the Halloween Parade from 9:45-10:30 AM. Parents need to sign in at the office and get a visitor's badge. If you do not wish for your student to participate in Halloween activities, please notify the office or your teacher. Alternative activities will be provided. Students not attending school will be marked unexcused on their attendance.

### Puntos importantes del boletín de octubre 2012 de Cherrywood School

**NOCHE ACADEMICA (BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT).** Gracias por haber venido!

**FOTOS.** El viernes 19 de octubre, 2012 será el día de fotografías. Este día los estudiantes podrán usar la ropa que desean, o sea que no necesitan usar el código de vestimenta. **Si** usted ordeno una foto de la clase, esta será entregada en febrero del 2013.

**DESFILE DE HALLOWEEN.** El miércoles 31 de octubre, 2012, se llevará a cabo el desfile de Halloween de las 9:45 a 10:30 AM. Los padres deberán registrarse en la oficina y obtener un pase de visitante. Si usted no desea que su niño participe en las actividades de Halloween, por favor notifíquelo a la oficina y al maestro de su niño. Habrá actividades alternas. Los estudiantes que no acudan a la escuela serán marcados como ausencia sin excusa.

### Điểm Tin Quan Trọng của Trường Cherrywood - Tháng 10 Năm 2012

**ĐÊM THĂM VIẾNG LỚP HỌC.** . Cảm ơn cho sự hiện diện của quý vị!

**NGÀY CHỤP HÌNH.** Thứ Sáu, Ngày 19 Tháng 10, 2012 sẽ là ngày chụp hình cho các em học sinh. Ngày này sẽ được ăn mặc TỰ DO, có nghĩa là học sinh có thể mặc quần áo KHÔNG cần theo yêu cầu. Nếu quý vị có đặt mua hình chụp nguyên lớp , chúng tôi sẽ chuyển giao vào tháng 2 năm 2013.

**DIỄN HÀNH HALLOWEEN.** Vào Thứ Tư Ngày 31 Tháng 10, 2012 chúng tôi sẽ có cuộc diễn hành Halloween từ 9:45-10:30 sáng. Phụ huynh cần ký tên tại văn phòng trường để nhận huy hiệu là khách đến thăm. Nếu bạn không muốn cho con em mình tham gia vào các sinh hoạt Halloween, xin vui lòng thông báo cho văn phòng hoặc giáo viên của con em mình. Có các sinh hoạt khác sẽ được thay thế cho học sinh không tham gia vào sinh hoạt Halloween. Học sinh không muốn tham dự mà nghỉ học ngày này sẽ được coi là vắng mặt không lý do.

Cherrywood 小學校訊重點 - 2012年10月份

**回校夜.** 感謝您們來參加!

**照相.** 2012年10月19日星期五是學校照相日。這一天是自由服裝，學生可以穿不是學校規定的制服上學。如果貴子弟有訂購班級團體照，將在2013年2月拿到相片。

**萬聖節遊行.** 2012年10月31日星期三，上午9:45-10:30我們將舉行萬聖節遊行活動。家長們需要到辦公室登記，並佩戴訪客的名牌。如果您不希望貴子弟參加萬聖節活動，請通知辦公室或孩子的老師。學校將提供替代活動。學生未到校上課將被視為無故曠課。



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Dear Cherrywood Parents and Staff,

We are off to an awesome start this school year! We have all of our classes set. We have discussed behaviors and goals with the students. We have discussed ways in which we can keep our campus clean. Student Council officers have been selected. Teachers have been attending professional development workshops and we had an awesome turnout for our Back to School Night. Thank you for coming out and supporting our food trucks! We will definitely invite them back.

As a school, we are continuing to look at how we support all students and make sure that their educational needs are being met. We, also, know that in addition to the hard work that we as a school do to educate your children, we need parental support, guidance and positive relationships formed between teachers, parents and staff. We are looking at various ways in which to further engage our parents. We will continue to offer our Family Fun Nights/ Parent Engagement courses to families. These classes are optimal ways in which to learn how to extend the lessons being taught at school. Come out, work with your child and hear about fun ways you can assist your child's teacher in order to help your child succeed. Remember, the more we work together to support our students, the more they succeed in becoming lifelong learners. Be on the lookout for the first series of classes being offered. Thank you.

Sincerely,

*La Keisha Blackshire*  
Principal

## Why Can't I Skip My Twenty Minutes of Reading Tonight? Let's Figure It Out Mathematically!

Student A reads 20 minutes five nights of every week; Student B reads only 4 minutes a night ... or not at all!

**Step 1:** Multiply minutes a night X 5 times each week.

Student A reads 20 mins x 5 times a week = 100 mins./week

Student B reads 4 minutes x 5 times a week = 20 minutes

**Step 2:** Multiply minutes a week x 4 weeks each month.

Student A reads 400 minutes a month.

Student B reads 80 minutes a month.

**Step 3:** Multiply minutes a month x 9 months/school year.

Student A reads 3600 minutes in a school year, which is the equivalent of ten whole school days a year.

Student B reads 720 minutes in a school year. Student B gets the equivalent of only two school days of reading practice.

By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade if Student A and Student B maintain these same reading habits, Student A will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student B will have read the equivalent of only 12 school days.

One would expect the gap of information retained will have widened considerably and so, undoubtedly, will school performance.

## Dates to Remember...

- Oct. 5 Spirit Assembly, 11:05 am in Multi
- Oct. 5 Student Council Mtg. 2:40-3:05 PM Rm 5
- Oct. 17 Board of Trustees Mtg. 7:00 pm at DO
- Oct. 19 PICTURE DAY
- Oct. 23-31 RED RIBBON WEEK
- Oct. 31 HALLOWEEN Parade at 9:45AM -10:30 AM

## NEW STUDENT BODY OFFICERS-Congratulations!

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Body Officers for the 2012-13 School Year. Every candidate should be very proud of how they handled themselves during the assembly. They were prepared, poised and showed leadership. Congratulations to all for your excellent presentations.

Our new officers are:  
President – Riley Labrador  
Vice Pres. – Alex Ordaz  
Secretary – Michaela Garcia

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**Happy Halloween - Be Safe!**



## ILLNESS – ILLNESS

Parents please do not send your student to school if they have had a fever or were vomiting during the night. Each time your child is ill please call the office immediately. We do have a message machine that is available 24 hours.

**Call 923-1915** and indicate the child's name, class teacher, and **specific illness** and phone #. This information is required by the State.

## **Student Drop off Information**

Please pick up your children at dismissal time. **If you have questions about your child's schedule, please contact the office.** There is only 15 minutes of supervision after dismissal time. Parents, please make appropriate plans for your child's safety. Sometimes the office staff will have 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, they **MUST** use the **crosswalk**.

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## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MTGS**

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

DATES: OCT 17, NOV 14,  
DEC 11, JAN 15, FEB 12, MAR 12,  
APR 16, MAY 21, JUNE 11

Open session starts at 7:00 p.m.  
Agendas are posted 72 hours in advance



Donations of hand soap, tissues & copy paper for the classrooms

would be greatly appreciated.

## **CHERRYWOOD HALLOWEEN PARADE**

**Wednesday, October 31  
9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

Parents please join us!! Please remember to come to the office and obtain a "Visitors" badge before going out to the yard, visiting classrooms or the lunch area.

Children are welcome to wear costumes for the parade, but no toy guns, swords or other weapons are allowed. Children should change into their regular clothes after the parade.

NOTE: If you do not wish your child to participate in the parade or other Halloween activities, please send a note to your child's teacher.

Your child will be provided with alternate activities. If you choose to keep your child home, it is listed as an unexcused absence on the attendance records.



## **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. They are good for 4 years. Please bring your immunization card to

the office BEFORE you volunteer in your child's classroom. Copies will be kept on file.

## **Picture Day will be October 19 - Friday.**



Envelopes will be going home soon. Complete the information to order the picture packet that best fits your needs. Don't forget pictures make great gifts for relatives. **The order must be brought the day of pictures. LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

**THIS IS A FREE DRESS DAY!!! COMMON DRESS NOT REQUIRED!**

Just a reminder, if you order a class picture it will be delivered in February after all the Make-ups have been taken & updated.

## **RED RIBBON WEEK**

National Red Ribbon Week will be Oct 23-31. Students will receive information and a No Bullies / No Drugs ribbon. They will also participate in activities reminding them to stay Drug Free. Check out the drug free posters around the school.

**We Love Reading  
Every Friday**

Names will be drawn  
Don't Forget to turn in  
Your Blue Reading Logs  
To your teacher



## CHERRYWOOD HEALTHY SNACKS

In an effort to stay in accordance with our Board Policy on Nutrition and Health, we are implementing the following policy with regards to student's daily snacks and class celebrations. There will be more information to go home throughout the year. In the meantime, we ask and need all parents to adhere to the following directions:

### Suggested Snacks for Recess (10:45 – 11:00)

- Baby Carrots
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Dried Cranberries
- Yogurt or Go-gurt
- String Cheese
- Pop Corn
- Triscuits
- Pretzels
- Gold fish Crackers
- Granola Bars
- Apple Juice
- Rice Cakes
- Bottle Water

### Celebrations

Please check with your teacher for classroom specifics.

- MUST inform the classroom teacher at least one week in advance.
- No surprise drop-ins
- Consult with your child's teacher as to what health food items would be appropriate.

Resources on the web  
[www.kidsrunning.com/columns/krcrcolumns0623snack.html](http://www.kidsrunning.com/columns/krcrcolumns0623snack.html)

Foods with little or no

nutritional value:  
Chips Soda  
Dry noodles Candy

## 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 including cough drops to school in a lunch box or with your child, as it may be hazardous to another student if ingested.

## SCIENCE CAMP DONATIONS

Every year fifth graders go to Walden West for four 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 \$230.00 to attend Science Camp this year. 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 – 23, 2013



### 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 our Cherrywood Bear. Thanks to Ms. LuLu for bring him back to life by wearing the costume!

### 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. **BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN THEIR CLOTHES**

SINCE MANY STUDENTS HAVE THE SAME TYPE OF CLOTHING.

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## FAMILY FUN NIGHTS

Come join the FUN! Look for the schedule to come out shortly for our Family Fun Nights.

Parents can learn great techniques for working with your child at home on some fun activities and participate in the classroom while your child has fun learning. You are welcome to sign up for any class(es) unless it is age specific.

## Fall Fundraiser Coming Soon!

The gifts catalog for our Fall Fundraiser will be coming home soon! The proceeds will go for classroom supplies and Science Camp. Sales.

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## Traffic cautions



For safety reasons, we DO NOT allow cars into the front STAFF ONLY PARKING LOT area or the circular driveway by the Kindergarten building for pick up or drop off of students. DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE IN THE WHITE ZONE LOADING ZONE- IT WILL BE TICKETED! COME EARLY!

- ◆ 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. Do not come IN the EXIT driveway!
- ◆ PARKING COMPLIANCE OFFICERS WILL BE HANDING OUT TICKETS THEY COME RANDOMLY TO ISSUE TICKETS!!!!!!
- ◆ DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR IN THE LOADING ZONE!

*Thank you for keeping our children safe!*

## CAFETERIA CORNER

The Fall is a busy time for our department as we are processing the free and reduced price meal applications for the 2012-13 school year. If your children qualified for free or reduced price meals last school year and you have not yet reapplied for this school year, please do so immediately. Those students who did not re-apply were automatically returned to full paid status (\$2.75 for lunch). The 2012-13 meal application can be picked up from your school office, from the District Office, or downloaded from the Child Nutrition Services webpage. For the quickest response time, please submit the completed application directly to Child Nutrition Services at the District Office.

Also, October is Verification month! Verification is the confirmation of eligibility for free and reduced price meals as required by the federal National School Lunch Program. A sample of BUSD households that currently receive free or reduced price meals was chosen randomly for the verification process. A verification packet was mailed home to these households on October 1<sup>st</sup>. If your household has been chosen for

verification, you must provide proof of income eligibility or confirmation that your household receives assistance under the Food Stamp Program, FDPIR and TANF program. If the required documents aren't completed and submitted, the eligibility status of your child(ren) will be changed to full paid. Please observe the deadline as stated on the verification letter.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Child Nutrition program, please contact us at 408-923-1875.

## PARTY TREATS

In an effort to ensure safety at Cherrywood School, we ask that all treats that are brought in by parents for their child's parties (birthday, holidays, etc.) be store bought, no homemade. In the case of a student allergy or question of whether a child can eat something, we have the ingredients on the package.

### 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  
visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com).



## Medications

Please remember that students may not have any medications (prescription or over the counter) at school and the office can not distribute any medications without a permission slip filled out by the doctor on file in the office. Please do not send any medications to school with your child.