

# *China Middle School*

**Regional School Unit No. 18**

Belgrade – China - Oakland - Rome – Sidney

*“Engaging Learners ~ Strengthening Communities ~ Creating Global Leaders”*

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## **School News:**

### SchoolStore Fundraiser

Nov. 9 - Jun. 18

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This year we are partnering with SchoolStore.com to raise funds for essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed. SchoolStore’s program is 100% online, so there is no selling or handling of money or products. Your participation is easy with no more than 12 minutes of your time required, and there is a nice prize program available to make this a fun experience for your child. In addition to the prizes provided by the SchoolStore website, CMS will also be providing incentives for the top three selling students periodically throughout the year.

Here is all you need to do for our program to succeed:

1. Go to [www.schoolstore.net](http://www.schoolstore.net) and sign up using our school ID: 150785
2. Send form emails inviting family, friends, and co-workers to support your student.
3. Return the envelope with the student prize code written on the front for your child to get their fun participation prize.

Here are three ways your family, friends, and co-workers can help our school

1. Make 100% tax-deductible donations to your child’s classroom with the purchase of CaringforClassrooms.org gift card.
2. Renew or purchase magazine subscriptions, DVD’s, cookbooks and more. We earn up to 50% of this purchase.
3. Shop online with over 400 major merchants like Walmart, Kohl’s, Best Buy, Disney, and more. We earn a percentage of this purchase.

With a few minutes of your time, SchoolStore is the easiest and safest way for our teachers and school to earn money for materials to enhance your child’s middle school experience.

Thank you so very much for your participation!

**PS. One family in our school has a winning \$100 Golden Ticket. Enter your ticket number online to see if it is yours!**

## **Yearbook News:**

**8th Grade News:** We need a baby and toddler or school-age photo of all 8th grade students. These photos are needed for the yearbook, as well as the end of the year slideshow. The photos can be given or emailed to Ms. Armour at [darmour@rsu18.org](mailto:darmour@rsu18.org) or Mrs. Wedge at [mwedge@rsu18.org](mailto:mwedge@rsu18.org)

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Yearbook Business/Recognition Ads Are Now On Sale. Space is limited. Get yours today! Yearbooks may also be purchased on this site. You may also order your yearbook at school. Order forms in office. Price is \$10. Please make checks payable to China Middle School.

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A07634466>

### **Athletic Department:**

Practice/Game Schedule

#### **Tuesday**

Boys Varsity 2:45 to 4:15 CMS

Boys JV 2:45 to 4:15 CPS

Girls Varsity 4:15 to 5:45 CMS

Girls JV 4:15 to 5:45 CPS

#### **Wednesday**

China @ Temple 3:30 BV/GV

Girls JV 2:45 to 4:15 CMS

Boys JV 4:15 to 5:45 CMS

#### **Thursday**

Whitefield @ China 4:00 BV/BJV

China @ Whitefield GV/GJV 3:30

#### **Friday**

Girls Varsity 2:45 to 4:15 CMS

Boys Varsity 2:45 to 4:15 CPS

### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

Sweetser Services accepts MaineCare and most other insurance programs. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Samantha Ireland, (Sweetser Counselor) at 207-468-4891, Lois Bowden (Principal) or Meaghan Murphy (Dean of Students) at 445-1500.

### **China PTO News:**

Our next PTO meeting is on Thursday, January 3, at 6pm in the CMS Library. We hope to see you there in person, or join us on FB Live to attend virtually.

- PTO meetings will be the **first Thursday** of the month at 6pm, in the CMS Library, all year.
- Join our new FB Group to stay up to date with PTO events, meetings and volunteer needs. Find us at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/chinaschoolspto/>.
- For those parents who would like to attend the meetings, but are not able to physically be there, we are going to try to go FB Live and allow virtual attendance. Just be aware that due to connectivity issues, virtual attendees may miss some important information during the meetings. We will do the best we can to stay connected!

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- We also have a new Remind classroom for parents at the Middle School that use Remind. Find us here:  
<https://www.remind.com/join/chinasc>

If you have any questions/concerns or suggestions, email us at [chinaschoolspto@gmail.com](mailto:chinaschoolspto@gmail.com), or contact us through our FB Group.

### **Come join the American Field Service Club at Erskine Academy:**

Please join the Erskine Academy AFS students this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Erskine gym for Breakfast with Santa & The Christmas Craft Fair. Admission is \$3.00 per person or \$10.00 for a family of 4. Proceeds to help support building a home for the homeless in Guatemala. Listen to live Christmas performances, eat a pancake breakfast, write letters to Santa, shop the craft fair for gifts and DIY crafts for children. For more information please contact Erskine Academy.

### **Calendar of Events: For a more detailed calendar please see our website.**

12/12 - CMS @ Temple - BV/GV, 3:30 pm  
12/12 - School Board Meeting @ CMS, 7:00 pm  
12/13 - CMS @ Whitefield - GV/GJV, 3:30 pm  
12/13 - Whitefield @ CMS - BV/BJV, 4:00 pm  
12/15 - Breakfast with Santa & Craft Fair 8:00 am to 12:00 pm @ Erskine Academy  
12/17 - CMS @ Palermo - BV/BJV, 3:30 pm  
12/18-Holiday Concert for Parents & Community, 6:30  
12/19 - Holiday Concert for students, 8:15 a.m.  
12/19 - CMS @ Chelsea - BV/BJV, 3:30 pm  
12/19 - St. Mikes @ CMS - GV/GJV, 3:30 pm  
12/21 - Erskine Holiday Concert at 9:00 a.m. @ CMS  
12/21 - Geography Bee 1:00 p.m. (ish)  
12/24-1/1 - Christmas Break  
1/2- Board Meeting, CO, 7:00pm  
1/3 - CMS @ Windsor - GV/GJV, 3:30 pm  
1/3 - Windsor @ CMS - BV/BJV, 4:00 pm  
1/3 - PTO meeting, 6:00 pm  
1/7 - CMS @ Whitefield - BV/BJV, 3:30 pm  
1/7 - Whitefield @ CMS - GV/GJV, 4:00 pm  
1/9 - CMS @ Vassalboro - GV/GJV, 3:30 pm  
1/9 - Vassalboro @ CMS - BV/BJV, 4:00 pm  
1/11 - CMS @ St. Mikes - GJV, 3:30 pm