

China Middle School

Regional School Unit No. 18

Belgrade – China - Oakland - Rome – Sidney

“Engaging Learners ~ Strengthening Communities ~ Creating Global Leaders”

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September 18, 2019

School News:

Free & Reduced Price Meal Applications

Applications for free and reduced priced meals at school must be submitted for each school year. Forms were sent home with all students in their First Day Student Packets. Please submit your completed application to CMS or to RSU 18 Nutrition Director Barbara Bonnell at 41 Heath Street, Oakland, ME 04963. This year, in order for CMS to qualify for federal grant monies, we are asking that all families file a response to this form. If you do not qualify or do not wish to participate, please check off the box on the form or send in a note along with your child’s name and return it to us as soon as possible. Students that qualify for free/reduced meals will also receive a reduced rate on their laptop insurance. If you need an application form or need help in filling it out, please call the school office at 445-1500 or Barbara Bonnell at 465-7384 Ext 2661. If you would like to apply online, go to www.schoollunchapp.com.

Thank you.

CMS School Pictures will be taken November 7th. Due to the construction project in our gymnasium we have scheduled this a little later in the fall than we normally do. Photo packets will be sent home shortly.

News from Nurse Bonnie:

Flu Vaccination Clinic @ CMS - Tuesday, Oct 1

Maine General Medical Center and RSU 18 will host a free flu vaccination clinic at China Primary School on Tuesday, Oct 1. Please see the Vaccine Information Statement and Health Screen & Permission Form were sent home with students last week. Health Screen & Permissions Forms must be completed, signed, and returned by Wednesday, September 25. For questions about the vaccine clinic, please call School Nurse Bonnie Newcombe at 445-1500.

Athletic Department:

Wednesday, September 18th

Girls Soccer AWAY GAME China @ Vassalboro 4:15

Boys Soccer PRACTICE 2:45 to 4:15

Thursday, September 19th

Girls Soccer PRACTICE 2:45 to 4:15

Boys Soccer PRACTICE 2:45 to 4:15

Friday, September 20th

Boys Soccer HOME GAME China vs St. Mikes 4:00

(Note Girls Soccer Game vs Windsor Moved to 9/24)

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COUNSELING SERVICES

Sweetser Services accepts MaineCare and most other insurance programs. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Lois Bowden or Meaghan Murphy at 445-1500.

China PTO News:

Upcoming PTO events - email Chinaschoolspto@gmail.com to volunteer an hour or two of your time!

Penny Wars - The Penny Wars will run from 9/16/19-9/27/19. The homeroom with the most points at the end of the two weeks, wins a pizza party!

Paint Night Fundraiser - 10/18/19 at 6pm. The FaceBook event has been created, tickets will be up for sale shortly! Painting with Lori will be creating a custom painting for us for the event! \$30 per ticket, and all proceeds go to the China Schools PTO!

Zumba Workouts - weekly! Starting on Friday, 9/13/2019, we will hold a Zumba class (45 minutes) in the CPS Gym. Attendance is \$7 for ages 13 through adult, ages 12 and under are free!

China Maine Craft Show - 11/2/2019 - We will need a lot of volunteers for this event! Stay tuned on the PTO FB page for electronic volunteer signups!

Next meeting is October 3, 2019 at 6pm. Join us in the CMS Library, or join us on FB Live! Your voice matters!

China Rec News:

Soccer season is well under way!

We have home games scheduled the next two weekends, reach out to your coach to confirm the times. Team Pictures are scheduled for 9/21/2019 - the schedule will be passed out at practice next week. Contact Raigan York at 242-6515 or Ashley Allen 952-2019 if you have any questions!

Like our FB page to stay informed of weather cancellations and updates from the league!

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

9/16 - PTO Penny Wars begin (through 9/27)

9/20 - Common Ground Fair Field Trip - Grades 5, 8:15-2:15

10/1 - Flu Clinic

10/9 - P/T Conferences for students A - L (3:30 - 7:00)

10/10 STEAM Day for Grades 7&8

10/11 - No School, Teacher's Comp Day

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10/14 - No School, Columbus Day

10/17 - P/T Conferences for students M-Z (3:30 - 7:00)

10/28 - First Responder Day

11/1 - Quarter 1 Ends

11/2 - PTO China Craft Fair

11/7 - School Photo Day