

China Middle School

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March 16, 2021

School News:

Teacher Workshop Friday, March 19 - No School

Quarter 4

It's hard to believe quarter 4 is right around the corner! Please let us know if your student will be attending in person or remotely. Please complete the [Quarter 4 Plan for Your Child Survey](https://forms.gle/9gdDcVyvuRuhgEVZ7) (<https://forms.gle/9gdDcVyvuRuhgEVZ7>). Please complete this survey by March 23rd. The information you are providing is for quarter 4 which runs April 5 to the last day of school. We're asking that students and families commit for the entire quarter. Students will not be able to switch their learning plan during the quarter. Thank you for taking the time to read and complete this survey.

Conferences

CMS will hold two virtual conferences with teacher teams on March 16 (Grades 5 & 7) & March 18 (Grades 6 & 8) from 3:00 - 6:30. Teachers have emailed a link to join the meeting by phone or by computer. If you have specific questions you would like answered please email the teacher directly. We look forward to (virtually) seeing you !

Spring Dress Code

We are on the brink of SPRING and nice weather will soon be here! This is a great time to remind everyone of our dress code. Shirts or tops should have either sleeves or a wide shoulder strap (three fingers, 2-3 in.). Tank tops with low cut armholes are prohibited. Skirts, shorts, and dresses must be mid-thigh or longer in length (minimum 3 in. inseam). Bare midriff clothing, shorts with holes above the mid-thigh are prohibited, and undergarments should not be showing.

CLYNK for Schools Challenge

We are collecting for our annual CLYNK for Schools Recycling Challenge! Once the bag is filled, drop your bag off at Hannaford Supermarket. Students that submit a photo to Mrs. Lyons dropping off their CLYNK bag will be entered into a drawing for a variety of prizes!

To make giving to this cause even easier, **beginning this week** we'll have two large blue barrels out at student pick up time. Feel free to drop off your empty bottles and we'll bring your bottle donations to Hannaford for you!

The money earned from this challenge will go into our Student Activity Account to help pay for Clipper Ticket prizes and other events that we have at our school.

If you would like additional recycling bags, please have your child request them from Mrs. Lyons. Thank you for your help with this fundraising challenge!

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Athletic Dept. News:

Spring Sports Sign Ups are on the wall across from Mr. Brooks' room. Participation packets will need to be completed and returned to the coach in order to try out. They are located next to Mr. Brooks' room.

Dates and Times are still being decided.

Yearbook News:

Pre-order your 2020/2021 yearbook now. See Ms. Armour for an order form. They cost \$10 each (checks can be made out to CMS. Please include Yearbook on the memo line.) You can also order online at

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

8th Grade News:

We have started our March Madness drawings! Thank you to all that have supported our 8th graders.

It's not too late to buy a ticket!

- 03/01 - Kasia Wooley, \$100.00 Dr. Auto Gift Certificate
- 03/02 - Tonya Reynolds, \$25.00 Amazon Gift Card
- 03/03 - Annette Bickford, \$25.00 Jorgensen's Cafe Gift Card
- 03/04 - Todd Dunn, \$25.00 The Landing Gift Certificate
- 03/05 - Karla Busmanis, 5 Free Skate Sharpenings Kennebec Skate Shop
- 03/06 - Darrell Fraser, \$20.00 Cash
- 03/07 - Lacey Studholme, \$20.00 Back's Dairy Gift Certificate
- 03/08 - Tamra St. Amand, \$15.00 Target Gift Card
- 03/09 - Tammy DeMerchant, \$50.00 Hussey's General Gift Card
- 03/10 - Chris Clark, \$50.00 Hannaford Gift Card
- 03/11 - Denise Clark, \$25.00 The Landing Gift Certificate
- 03/12 - Annette Bickford, Raider's Sugarhouse Maple Syrup Basket
- 03/13 - Becky Kanzler, New England Imports Oil Change Gift Card
- 03/14 - Debbie Farrington, \$25.00 Jorgensen's Gift Card
- 03/15 - Denise Clark, \$50.00 Visa Gift Card
- 03/16 - Stephanie Oliphant, \$25.00 Lakeview Lumber Gift Card

High School Information for Grade 8 Students/Parents:

We will post pertinent information as it becomes available from various high schools.

8th grade students that are interested in obtaining information about Messalonskee High School or any other high school should contact Mr. Sweeney. Mr. Sweeney is available to help with transitioning students to high school, completing registration packets, signing up for classes and answering any questions. His contact information is rsweeney@rsu18.org

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Lunch/Recess Monitor Needed:

CMS and CPS are currently seeking a Lunch/ Recess Monitor from 10:50 to 1:20 week days to supervise some of the most amazing students. Please contact Lois Bowden @ 445-1500 if interested.

China PTO News:

Want to join the PTO: We would love to have you! We meet on the first Thursday of every month at 6:00pm via Facebook Live. Email us at chinaschoolsPTO@gmail.com to get your name on our list.

Community News:

After a year of so much change ***China Rec Sports*** is excited to welcome back a favorite American pastime to 2021...

T-Ball and Coach Pitch Baseball - for kids ages 8 & under! For more information please contact chinarecsports@gmail.com , or complete the registration form [here](#).

Softball - Through Dirigo Softball League we are able to offer Softball for kids in 1st grade and up. If you have any questions please email at dirigosoftballleague@gmail.com*

Little League Baseball - Through Augusta Little League we invite you to play Baseball for ages 8 & up. For more information please visit the [Augusta Little League](#) webpage.

T-Mobile has a grant program to help with registration costs! The T-Mobile Little League® Call Up Grant Program is dedicated to helping families in need by covering registration fees associated with their local Little League program. Follow the link below to complete the application [T-Mobile Little League® Call Up Grant Program](#)

Important Dates:

3/31 – Registration Closes

4/07 – Last Payment Receipt Date

4/6 – Coaches Meeting & Selection

4/17 – Field Clean up

5/1 – Bottle Drive

5/15 – Picture Day and Pitch Hit & Run

China Rec Sports, Dirigo Softball League and Augusta Little League baseball look forward to hearing from you and to.....***Play Ball!***

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

03/16 - P/T Conferences 3:00 - 6:30 Grades 5 & 7

03/18- P/T Conferences 3:00-6:30 Grades 6 & 8

03/19 - Teacher Workshop, No School

03/31 - Virtual School Board Meeting, 7:00

04/01 - Virtual PTO Meeting, 6:00

04/02 - Quarter 3 Ends

04/05-04/16 - Penny Wars, PTO Sponsored

04/14 - Virtual School Board Meeting, 7:00

04/16 - No School, Teacher Comp Day

04/19-04/23 - April Vacation, No School

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Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

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