# CRA Newsletter, 8-22-2018

Happy First Day of School!

The energy at the school this morning has been tremendous. It was great to see the students and parents in the courtyard and around the school.

The week before school began, the teachers received training in our Math program, Eureka Math (aka Engage New York). The whole school is using this math program. Teachers will still be able to enhance the program with their own instructional techniques according to the needs of their class. We also had a CPR/AED (use of the defibrillator) training that was open to the teachers and support staff. Both of these trainings were very beneficial to the staff. Along with the training the teachers have been very busy preparing for the school year.

On behalf of the entire school staff we welcome everyone back. We hope to see you Thursday evening for our Parent Information Meeting from 5:30 to 8:00.

Kent Fuller Principal

## 1<sup>st</sup> Day Packets

Today or tomorrow, your child will bring home a CRA folder, our "1<sup>st</sup> Day Packet". Inside you'll find school forms that need to be filled out and returned to your child's teacher, and important information from our wonderful PTO. Please return all forms by Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Students and parents may keep the school folder. :)

Watch for a school calendar magnet that will also be sent home this week with the oldest CRA student in each family - one per family.

## Parent Information Evening

Thursday evening, August 23<sup>rd</sup> is our Parent Information Evening. We request that children remain at home while parents meet with their child's teacher in their classrooms and attend the general PTO meeting. The schedule is as follows:

5:30-5:55 Kindergarten in K Classrooms
6:00-6:25 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades meet in their classrooms
6:30-6:45 PTO Meeting, Multipurpose Room
6:50-7:15 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grades meet in their classrooms
7:20-7:45 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade meet in their classrooms
6:00-8:00 PTO Information Booths & volunteer sign-ups, Multipurpose Room

\*\*\* Please make sure to visit the multipurpose room to learn about all the amazing PTO funded programs and how you can help. :)

#### **School Policies**

As the new year begins, we want to encourage parents to read/review our school policies. These can be found on our website under the "Our School" heading, "Policies & Procedures". Especially important at this time of year is the "Drop Off & Pick Up Map & Procedures" - please review these as student safety is dependent upon following the procedures. Also helpful is the "Dress Code/Uniform Policy" – it will answer any questions parents and students might have about the appropriate dress code at CRA.

## School Lunch

School lunch started off today with a bang!

School Lunch menus & Lunch Payment Policy should have come home with your child today and are also available on our website. Please remember to pay in advance for your child's lunch either online or in the office.

## Band & Orchestra Classes

Band & Orchestra classes will be offered again this year for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders. An introductory assembly will be held on Monday, September 10 at 2:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students *and their parents*. Come and learn about the instruments and what your child will be learning. Summerhays Music will be on hand at CRA after the program to rent instruments.

If your child chooses to participate, the class schedule is as follows:

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Mondays 3:15-4:00; Thursdays 2:30-3:15 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Mondays 2:30-3:15; Thursdays 3:15-4:00

## CALENDAR

Thursday, August 23:	Parent Information (See schedule above)
Tuesday, August 28:	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Kindergarten Classes
PTO Carnival, 5:00-8:00 p.m.	
Monday, Sept. 3:	NO SCHOOL, Labor Day