

# CHATFIELD NEWS

August 27, 2018

## FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTORS

Today we renew our partnership to provide students with the best learning opportunities possible. As we help our children grow both academically and emotionally, please join us in embracing our theme for the school year:

**"Striving for academic excellence with compassion!"**

Let us set our sights high for academic achievement, making a commitment to prioritize learning both at school and home. And let Chatfield be the place that sets the standard for how students, parents, staff, and community work together for the benefit of all.

## EMERGENCY CARDS: RETURN WEDNESDAY, AUG. 28

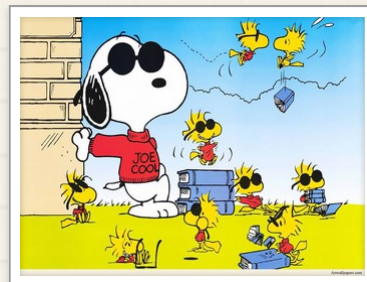
Please complete the blue emergency card that has been sent home. This should be returned by Wednesday, August 28. It is critical that the information is accurate. The emergency cards provide information about who may pick up your child in the event they are sick, need to leave early or there is a transportation change. The cards are kept in the office and if you should ever have any changes to your contact information or emergency contacts it is imperative that you update the information in the office immediately.

## PICTURE DAY-SEPTEMBER 6

School picture day is Thursday, September 6. All students will have their photo taken. It is recommended that students return the picture order form envelope that was sent home on the first day of school on or before picture day. The picture prices are discounted for preorders. After picture day it will be a little more expensive to order pictures. If you pre-order and you are unhappy with the picture, Geskus will refund your expense with the returned photos. Credit card orders can be placed at [www.geskusphoto.com/fallorders](http://www.geskusphoto.com/fallorders). Our school web code is 2439QHQRMDSYMP

Geskus Photography can be reached at: [www.geskusphoto.com](http://www.geskusphoto.com), email: [info@geskusphoto.com](mailto:info@geskusphoto.com) or 1-800-473-3885.

We are looking for a parent or two that would like to help on picture day. This job entails helping to organize classrooms to come down to the commons for pictures. It usually takes



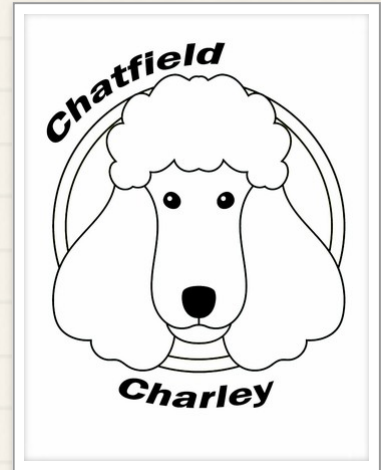
about 4 hours. Please let Mr. Kraly know if you would be willing to do this. Volunteers get discounted picture packages.

## CHATFIELD CHARLEY SHIRT ORDERS

Charley is Chatfield's very own friendly dog! He works with our school counselor Mrs. Kress and can often be seen spending time with students. Please support this unique program by purchasing a shirt! We are raising money for the care and keeping of Charley. Please buy a shirt!

Spirit wear order forms are also available below.

Spirit wear can also be purchased from Speedy Screen Printing in Lapeer.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION – GYM SHOES NEEDED

Please remember that students must have gym shoes for Physical Education class. Students may keep an extra pair of gym shoes in their locker.

## ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

To be successful, students must attend school each day. When a student is ill or a family circumstance requires them to miss school the absence needs to be phoned in to the school by 9:00 a.m. You may leave a message on the attendance line. Call 667-8970 and follow the prompts. Please state the child's name, grade, & reason for absence. If the school has not received an attendance message by 9:00 a.m., you will receive an automated attendance phone call.

## PARTNERS IN EDUCATION MEETING – SEPT.11, 3:45PM

Please come to our first Partners in Education Meeting of the school year held on Tuesday, September 11 at 3:45pm in the school library. All parents are encouraged to attend.

## PARENT-TEACHER PARTNERSHIP NIGHT A.K.A. CURRICULUM NIGHT!

It is very important that a representative from each family attend our parent-teacher partnership nights. It is a valuable time to learn about the plans for the school year, the curriculum, and how we can all work together for the benefit of our students.

Thursday, Sept. 6 Grades K-2 6:30pm

Tuesday, Sept 11 Grades 3-5 6:30pm

Thursday, Sept. 13 Grades 6-8 6:30pm





## PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

Each homeroom is in need of volunteers. Please let your child's homeroom teacher or Mr. Kraly know if you will help.

- Homeroom Art docent
- Homeroom Parent Coordinator
- Box Top Parent
- Math or Reading Support
- Teacher Helper Volunteer
- Homeroom P.I.E. representative

## MCKINNEY-VENTO ACT

Did you know that if you have become homeless or if any of the following circumstances apply to you or your child, your child may be eligible for support services from the school? The Act is meant to support children who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence:

- Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship,
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, camping grounds due to lack of adequate alternative accommodations
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters
- Living in a public or private place not designed for humans to live.
- Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations or similar settings, Migratory children living in above circumstances.
- Awaiting foster care placement

Please contact Mr. Kraly for information about the McKinney-Vento Act and how Chatfield can help your child.

## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Chatfield School collects Box Tops for Education. Each Box Top turned in represents 10 cents for the school. Please turn in your box tops to your homeroom teacher!



## NOW HIRING – BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Chatfield School is now hiring an enthusiastic before and after school caretaker! If you might be interested please apply at the school office. Applications are available from secretary, Mrs. Borck.

## NOW HIRING – SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Chatfield School is currently hiring substitute teachers. To qualify to sub an applicant must have completed 90 credit hours of college courses. Chatfield School is a great place to substitute teach! Please consider applying. See school secretary, Mrs. Borck for application information.

## SCHOOL COUNSELOR CORNER – MRS. KRESS

I love the beginning of the school year! Everything is fresh and new and most students have at least some level of excitement and positivity about being back in school and back in a routine. A positive outlook makes learning more likely and certainly more fun! For some students, when the newness of the year wears off; so does the positive outlook. Encouraging our students from a Growth Mindset standpoint can help to sustain their positivity, create perseverance and encourage a love of learning.

**\*Growth Mindset\*:** Belief that our most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains, talent and potential are just the starting point.

**Fixed Mindset:** Belief that our core personality, character, talent, abilities and intelligence are fixed. For instance, people might believe that they are either talented at something (art, music, sports, math, logic, etc.) or not; with no ability to grow or develop strength in that area.

Tips for Fostering a \*Growth Mindset\* at Home

- Praise Effort & Persistence

Offer praise to your child for hard work, perseverance, rising to a challenge and learning from mistakes rather than praising them for being “smart” or “naturally good” at something.

- Be a Growth Mindset Role Model

Pay attention to how often you say “I can’t (cook/sing/draw, etc.)” or “I’m terrible at (sports/spelling/math, etc.)”. It is important that our children see our imperfections and know that we are still working at some things, too. However, we want to offer an outlook of hope. Instead, add the word “yet” to your statement. “I’m not a good cook/singer/artist, YET but I am still learning!” or “I am still practicing sports/spelling/math.” The things we say become the thoughts and internal voice of our children. Speak positivity!

- Encourage Mistakes

Most of the time we do not like to make mistakes. It takes time to correct them or we feel bad about ourselves for not getting it right the first time. However, mistakes are great!! Mistakes are a chance for learning and growth. Help your child see the benefits of their mistakes. After school, music classes or sports practices try asking your children what mistakes they made in practice and then what they learned from those mistakes and how they can use that new information or skill next time. This helps children to see that we don’t expect them to be perfect or get everything right the first time and that mistakes are part of the process of learning!

Changing our mindset can be quite a challenge. If you’re feeling like “This is tough. I do not have a growth mindset!”, remember all you have to do is add the word YET to the end of that sentence. You may not be thinking with a growth mindset YET but with practice and persistence you and your child will be on your way to a positive Growth Mindset!

For more information about Growth Mindset visit <https://mindsetonline.com/>



CHILDREN WANT THE SAME THINGS WE WANT.  
TO LAUGH,  
TO BE CHALLENGED,  
TO BE ENTERTAINED,  
AND DELIGHTED.  
Dr. Seuss



## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES COMING UP

Please see the attached forms below for information about our after school dance program.  
Hunter's Safety program information is also attached below.



## CHATFIELD SCHOOL WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, August 27, 2018

First Day of School

Cheerleading Practices begin today 3:45-5pm

Flag Football Practice 4:00-5:30pm

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

Cheerleading Parent Meeting - Mandatory 5:00pm

Flag Football Parent Meeting - Mandatory 5:30pm

Volleyball Practices begin today both teams 6pm-8pm

Volleyball Parent Meeting - Mandatory 7:45pm

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

Thursday, August 30, 2018

Friday, August 31, 2018

NO SCHOOL-Labor Day Weekend

Monday, September 3, 2018

NO SCHOOL-Labor Day

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Thursday, September 6, 2018

**PICTURE DAY**

Parent Teacher Partnership Night K-2-6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 7, 2018

**School Released at 2:35 p.m.**



**Chatfield Charley T-Shirt Order Form**

Proceeds from the sale of CC T-Shirts will go toward care of Charley.

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**Chatfield Logo Sweatshirt Order Form**

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**Chatfield Logo T-Shirt Order Form**

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**Hunter's Safety 2018 Information and Permission Slip**

Hunter Safety class will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2018 in the Willows

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**Chatfield After School Dance Flyer and Enrollment Form**

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