

“The Chat”, Chatfield School’s Weekly News



September 21, 2009

Well — Looks Like Summer is Officially Over!

Monday, September 21, 2009

PM Daycare in Gym 3:30-6:00 p.m.

VB Practice—JV - 6-7 p.m.

VB Practice—Varsity—7-8 p.m.

Soccer Practices: 3:30-5

3-4 Girls

5-6 Boys

7-8 Boys

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

Flag Football Game—4:30 Chatfield @ Schickler

Soccer Practice—1st & 2nd Grade Boys & Girls

JV Volleyball Practice 6-7 & Varsity 7-8

Boys’ Varsity Soccer Game—Chatfield at

Cedar Crest—4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

Soccer Practices: 3:30-5

3-4 Girls

3-4 Boys

5-6 Girls

5-6 Boys

Volleyball JV Game Here vs Madison Academy

At 5:30 and Varsity Game vs Madison Academy

At 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 24, 2009

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

Soccer Practice 1-2 Boys & Girls—3:30-5

Flag Football Game Maple Grove @ Chatfield—4:30 p.m.

Volleyball Away Game— Chatfield @ St.

Stephens—JV—4:30 Varsity—5:30

Boys’ Varsity Soccer Home Game here

Vs. St. Stephens at 5:00 p.m.

Grandparents Garden Tour

6:00—7:30 p.m.

Friday, September 25, 2009

Early Release at 2:30 p.m.!

PM Daycare in Gym—2:30-6:00 p.m.

Monday, September 28, 2009

Regular Scheduled Classes!

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

PARENT REMINDER:

Please remind your student that if he or she is tardy, they MUST SIGN IN in the School Office before going to class.

Thanks

Parents:

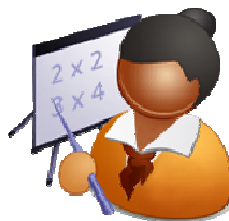
Middle School will again be selling Hotdogs!

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 29th

And will continue every Tue. & Thurs.

Throughout the school year!

Cost is \$1.00 per Hotdog!



Volunteer Opportunity:

Math Olympiad is an important activity at Chatfield when we have an abundance of high performing math students. Math Olympiad is an after school activity held once each week. Do you enjoy math and problem solving? If so, you may want to consider helping. Please contact either Cathy Houghtaling in Kindergarten or Jack McCauley in the office if you think you might be interested. There are no math requirements for being a volunteer; Cathy Houghtaling can give you more information on how you might help!

EST (Extra School Time)

At Chatfield School a primary goal of the parent-staff partnership is to have children learn to be responsible for their behavior and to respect the rules that make the school a safe, organized environment for learning and activities. We try to develop this in a variety of ways, including having consequences for not fulfilling expectations.

This year we are developing the EST Program (Extra School Time) to provide a simple consequence that can be used for minor infractions—primarily excessive tardiness and persistent disobedience (continuing to do something unacceptable even after being told to stop.)

EST is an after school period. The EST Center sessions will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:40 until 4:25 p.m. Students who must complete an EST period will be supervised and expected to have school work or a book to read.

Teachers who assign EST period are responsible for having the child's parents aware of the assignment, but this will be accomplished in different ways depending upon the age of the student and the communications process between the family and the teacher.

To have EST work requires the support of parents. Families may have to adjust schedules for picking up children. Families with more than one child may have to arrange for two pickup times since the children not required to attend EST cannot be supervised by school staff. To assist in making arrangements, students will be expected to complete EST assignments within two EST days of the assignment (for ex-

P.I.E. 2009-2010

COME JOIN US! CLIP AND SAVE!

OCTOBER 2, FRIDAY @ 9 A.M.

NOVEMBER 5, THURSDAY @ 6 P.M.

JANUARY 12, TUESDAY @ 2:30 P.M.

MARCH 11, THURSDAY @ 3:30 P.M.

MAY 19TH — TO BE ANNOUNCED



P.I.E.

PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

You're invited to be a part of your Parent/Teacher organization. Our first meeting is Friday, October 2 at 9 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. We will focus on setting goals for the 2009-10 school year. An information discussion focusing on HIN Health concerns will be led by Dr. Bush, a local County Health Officer.

If you have any items you wish added to the Agenda, please email

piesecretary@hotmail.com

Please join us
 For:
-An Open House-
 Featuring:
 The Chatfield School Grandparents
 On:
 Thursday, September 24, 2009

6:30-7:30p.m.

The Chatfield children have set aside this time to honor grandparents, a special older friend or their parents. Stroll with your special child through the gardens surrounding the school and then come inside to tour the school and visit classrooms.

Visit the pie tasting table located on the outdoor basketball court and also enjoy the musical treat provided by *Strings n' Things*.

-We believe that Life is measured in memories not years-

-Make A Wish Foundation



ATTENTION CHATFIELD FAMILIES & STAFF:

The City of Lapeer received a grant to expand the already extensive trails connecting walkways throughout the City. The Mott Trail Project includes an asphalt pathway from the railroad tunnel behind Chatfield through the Chatfield/Mott campus to the new Roland-Warner Middle School. Also Included is a two car handicapped parking area near the Willows. The work will begin September 25th and the scheduled completion date is the middle of November.

How does the construction process affect Chatfield?

- Drop off and pick up will remain as is.
- Parking in the back gravel lot by the flag football field will not be available. This lot is used primarily by flag football and soccer coaches and team parents.
- The staff parking lot will remain accessible.

The finished pathway will be another wonderful addition to the school.

TRAFFIC UPDATES:

Last year the parent organization (P.I.E.) developed some directions for improving traffic flow at the start and end of the school day. It really made a difference!

The routines are simple, but it really makes it better when everyone follows these directions:

1. **Persons Picking Up and Dropping Off at the Back (Gym) Side** of the building
 - Must come to the school from Genesee Street (make a left turn into the parking lot) and must turn **right when leaving the parking lot** and going out to Genesee Street.
2. **Persons Picking Up and Dropping Off at the Front (Mailbox) Side or at the Kindergarten Lot**
 - Must come to the school from DeMille Boulevard, drive behind the Mott Building and line up along the soccer field — when exiting must go back to DeMille.

With everyone cooperating, traffic flow and safety conditions are much improved.

GRANDPARENT OPEN HOUSE

Grandparent Open House us Thursday, September 24th. As in previous years, there will be a pie tasting. We will need PIES—lots and lots of pies. PIES can be homemade or store bought. PIES can be brought to the school kitchen anytime on September 24th.

Thank You....was it mentioned we need MANY, MANY PIES?????

FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION DAY—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

The following lists some of the Michigan Participating Museums. For a more complete list, you may go to <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/museum-search/?state=Michigan>

Air Zoo—Portage, MI

Birmingham Historical Museum—Birmingham, MI

Kalamazoo Nature Center—Kalamazoo

Matthael Botanical Gardens—Ann Arbor

MSU Museum—East Lansing

Troy Museum & Historic Village—Troy

UofM Michigan Museum of Art—Ann Arbor

Arab Am. National Museum—Dearborn, MI

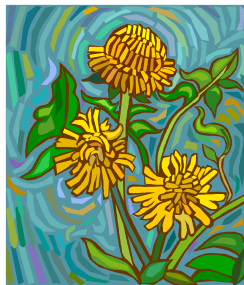
Cliffs Shaft Mine Museum—Ishpeming

Kingman Museum—Battle Creek

Meadow Brook Hall & Gardens—Rochester

Mus. Of Contemporary Art—Detroit

UofM Exhibit of Nat. History—Ann Arbor



Buy Mums for Grand "Mum" and Grandpa at The Grandparents Tour!

Thursday, September 24

1 Potted Mum Plant for \$7

Or

3 Potted Mum Plants for \$20

Large Bushel Basket Mums!

Proceeds benefit the Seventh & Eighth Grade Washington D.C. Funds

Sold through Perkins Nursery

To order in advance...call Perkins at 664-4501

This & That News:

Hi. My name is Alycia Kautz and there is a stray cat living in my neighborhood. It is very playful and so very nice. It is white and has brown and black on its ears and tail. It is a girl. It loves to be petted and even rolls over for you to scratch its tummy. My neighbor is going to bring it to the pound, but I am hoping to find a new home for this sweet kitty. If you would like to own this cat or if you have any questions, please, please, please call my mom, Dena, at 245-3864.



RELAY NEWS

We had our first committee meeting and so far we have 6 members. A lot of good ideas are pouring in for future fundraisers & store ideas. We need more students to join our committee to make it as successful as last year. Parents are welcome to come to the meetings & see what Relay for life is all about.

The tentative date for the Mom-to-Mom is Saturday 10/24 with set up on Friday 10/23. I need volunteers for the following things: Run the Relay table; collect money at the door. Along with people to work in the kitchen. I'd like to sell hot dogs, sloppy Joes, chips & pop. Donations of: Koegel hot dogs, sloppy Joes, chips and pop are needed. Relay members will be selling feet, luminary bags & working the Relay store.

We will take donations of things to sell, if you do not want to have your own table at the mom-to-mom sale.

Save your Ink cartridges & old cell phones. We will be collecting them all year. There will be a drop box in the hall by the gym entrance.

Next meeting will be Friday 9/25 from 2:35-3:00 pm in the multi-purpose room.

Feel free to call me or E-mail me any time.
Thanks to all

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