CHATFIELD NEWS

April 27, 2020

FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTORS

Online schooling continues this week and students are doing an excellent job! Parents, we appreciate you making sure your child is dedicating time to learning. The teachers are working hard to provide meaningful, manageable, high quality lessons. Students are benefiting. Please remember that students can raise or maintain their grade through their distance learning participation. Below please see a video from Mrs. Boyle regarding Google Classroom organization.

Below in this newsletter we have highlighted some student work and projects. Keep up the great job! If your child would like to submit work or news to be included in the school newsletter please send it to bkraly@chatfieldschool.org.

2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

The first day of school is scheduled for Monday, August 24. We are looking forward to the new school year. The school year calendar is attached to this newsletter.

NOT RETURNING TO CHATFIELD? PLEASE LET US KNOW

We need your help with finalizing enrollment. If your child will not be returning to Chatfield in August please inform us via email to Mr. Young at myoung@chatfieldschool.org by Monday, June 1, 2020. This will allow us to plan effectively for the coming school year.

SIBLING ENROLLMENT...PAST DUE

Siblings of enrolled Chatfield students are given priority for any vacancies during the enrollment of new students.

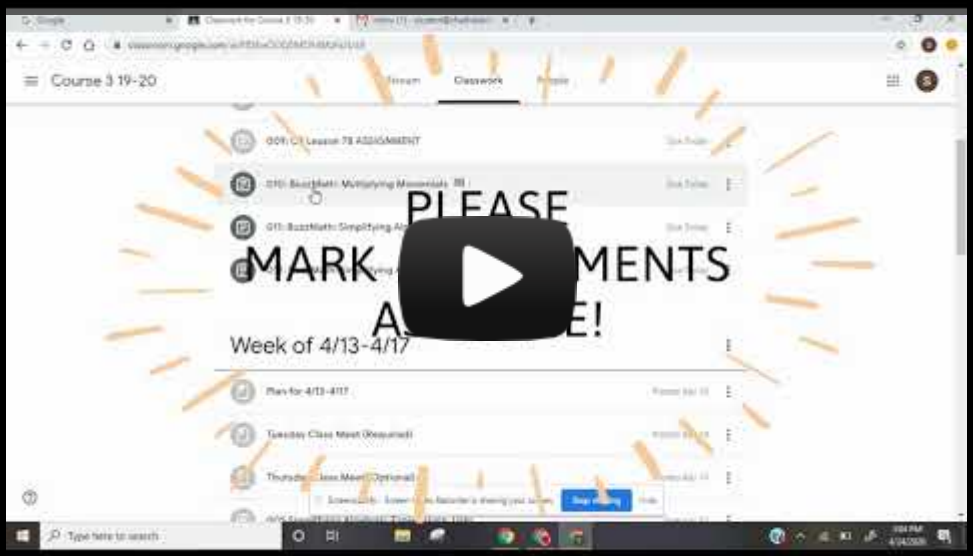
If you have a child starting Kindergarten in the 2020-2021 school year (student must be 5 or turning 5 no later than September 1st) or a child/children in grades K-8 who is/are NOT enrolled in Chatfield School currently, and you would like to have their siblings added to our sibling waiting list, please complete the form below by April 17, 2020. FORM LINK

LOTTERY ENROLLMENT – UPDATE

The lottery was completed on Friday, April 24. Families that had registered for the lottery will be mailed a letter with information about their enrollment number for their grade. We intend to begin the enrollment process in late May. Questions regarding enrollment or the lottery can be directed to Mrs. Borck at lborck@chatfieldschool.org.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM ORGANIZATION VIDEO

Google Classroom Organization Tips



FREE MEAL PICK UP

Chatfield will continue to work collaboratively with Lapeer Community Schools providing breakfast and lunch to all children under 18 years old and students with special needs under 26 years old.

Meals will be distributed using drive thru-pick-up style at the Center for Innovation Building located at 170 Millville Rd in Lapeer between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Each bag will contain a breakfast and a lunch.

Tuesdays – *Pick up Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday meals.*
Fridays – *Pick up Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday meals*

We owe a debt of gratitude to all our food service workers for keeping this essential service up and running during this challenging time. If you would like to volunteer for this program please contact Ami Davis at adavis@chatfieldschool.org
Thank you for all your hard work!

WELLNESS RESOURCES

It is important to take good care of our mental health during this time. Last weekMrs. Kress, school counselor, provided an informational letter.

The Lapeer County ISD has also shared this informational flyer about resources that are available throughout the area. Wellness

USBORNE BOOKS & MORE ONLINE BOOK FAIR LAST CHANCE!

Great news! Since your kiddos may be growing bored with the same supply of books and activities at home, we wanted to offer an additional great way to refresh your supply! Should finances be tight with the mandatory closures right now, please don't feel like you must participate. But we love having this option to help keep your children busy.

The book fair will close on May 1. Chatfield School earns 50% back in free books for every purchase, which will be wonderful for new additions when the students return in the fall.
You can shop direct from our school's book fair website: https://z4631.myubam.com/1537588. Purchases will ship directly to your home.

If you have questions about the books, activities, and resources or need recommendations, you may contact our school's Usborne Educational Service Representative, Katie Gardner, at katiebooklady@yahoo.com.

TIPS FOR PARENTS ABOUT ONLINE INSTRUCTION

1. Check Google Classroom daily with your child.
2. Provide your child with a quality work space that is free of distractions. Provide some scrap paper, pencils, etc.
3. Provide reading support or explanation of the directions as needed.
4. Talk positively about learning and doing school work online. We know this can be tough! Your attitude will impact your child's attitude.
5. Parents, you are the guide, but you are not the evaluator. Try to be non-judgemental with your child. Adhere to your expectations of completion, but allow the classroom teacher to provide the evaluation and feedback of actual quality of work.

INTERNET ACCESS AT CHATFIELD

Internet access is available for Chatfield devices in the north parking lot around the library and the gym lobby area. Basically, where you would park in the middle school pick up line should provide good service. Most libraries in the county are providing internet access in the parking lots.

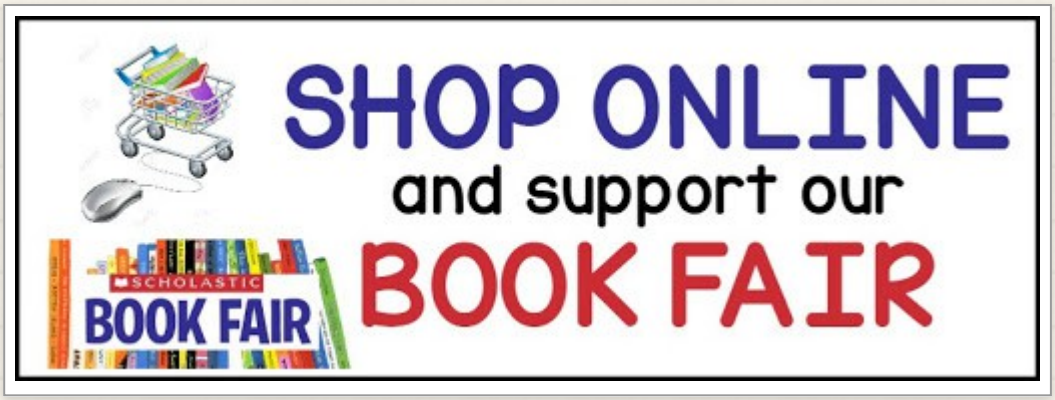
ONLINE SAFETY

With over 100 additional devices out to Chatfield families we want to remind everyone of the importance of keeping children safe online. Using various applications, Chatfield School monitors the use of our technology and is able to see how each device is being used. While Chatfield School does have firewalls in place to help with online security, parents must provide supervision of all computer use. The parent/guardian is ultimately responsible for a minor's use of technology. Here are some things to keep in mind:

1. Parents' rules about technology stand. If a child is not able to follow your rules he or she should not use the technology.
2. Set guidelines for when the technology can be used.
3. Set a time at night when technology must be off. Minimally 30 to 60 minutes before sleep.
4. Keep the device in an open space in the house.
5. Be aware of your child's online activity. Teach your child not to give out personal information.

GETTING SUPPORT FOR A TECHNOLOGY ISSUE

To request support for your Chatfield issued device, please email your request to Helpdesk@chatfieldschool.org. Mr. Hartman and Mrs. Huestis will be happy to help you.



ONLINE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR POSTPONED...COMING SOON!

Even though school is not open, we want to offer the Book Fair to our families. The online book fair will be open for 14 days coming soon. All book-only orders over $25 will ship free to your home.

We've teamed up with the popular Scholastic Store online to offer an all-new Virtual Book Fair experience where customers can shop exclusive titles, best-sellers, Raise a Reader Sets, collections, and more! Shoppers can take advantage of free standard shipping on book-only orders over $25 and all orders ship to the location of your choice, which is great for gifting.

Please watch for instructions on how to access the Scholastic Store through the school's Book Fair Homepage.

BUILDING ACCESS – WHEN DO WE PICK UP OUR STUFF?

The building will remain closed to students and staff until further notice. When it is deemed appropriate for people to gather there will be a plan for how parents can retrieve items, clean out lockers, etc.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

Unfortunately all end of year events including Olympics, Pride Day Assemblies, etc. have been cancelled.

There will be an eighth grade farewell program but the details and date are yet to be determined.

YEARBOOK UPDATE

We do intend to have a completed yearbook for the 2019-2020 school year, though it may not be done until later this summer. These will be for everyone that turned in an order form.

STUDENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS!

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Seventh Grade Apology Poems

#sorrynotsorry!

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PBS News Quarantine Edition (Emysode 29)

Guitar Class Sample

P.I.E. BOX TOPS – IMPORTANT UPDATE

We know the program has been through a lot of changes, but we're still collecting box tops! Please keep collecting at home if it is possible for you to do so.

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