From the Principal's Desk... September 2017

The Lord your God is with you, the mighty Warrior who saves. He will take delight in you; in His love He will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

It is great to have all the students back filling the campus with joy! I have had an opportunity to speak with many students and have enjoyed hearing their tales of summer. Now it is time to switch gears from our care-free summer days to routines and schedules. The students have done a great job and are back on track. Hopefully all of you, parents, are adjusting.

Hoedown: We had our first large FAST event with the Hoedown on August 25th! It was an enjoyable time with most of our families in attendance. Thank you to all the families who participated. We had a variety of tasty dishes and a terrific team barbecuing, while enjoying each other's company. Those of you, who have a sweet tooth, may have noticed the line for the cotton candy was shorter this year. We rented a larger machine due to the popular demand, and of course, we had our popcorn machine going. The playground was packed, muscles were showing at tug of war and keen eyes were at the bean bag toss. We had an unplanned surprise, the sprinklers came on at the end, but being that it was such a warm evening, the kids loved getting cooled off. It was a great success! But, if you missed the Hoedown we have a lot more planned for the year and we look forward to seeing you then.

Hot Weather: We seem to be having the last push for some hot days. Generally, morning recess is cool enough to enjoy outdoor recess. For afternoon, (lunch), recess we consult the Weather Channel for temperature and air quality for the day. We will not knowingly put students in any health risks and we will use the gym for recess when necessary.

FAST Fundraising: Thank you for your support of CCS fundraising activities; Believe Kids and Apple sale. All sales are due next week. We appreciate all the families that go the extra mile.

Lollipop Pass: For those of you who don't know, coming to see the principal can be a good experience and for a good reason! Lollipop passes are given to students who have been caught doing something good or kind for someone. Teachers send the student with a pass that briefly describes the good deed s/he was caught doing. They receive praise from the principal, a lollipop, and a sticker. Lollipops are organic and therefore chemical free with natural sugar. At

the end of the year awards Chapel, in May, I present a special gift to the student with the most lollipop passes.

Soaring Readers: September 5th through October 31st is our Soaring Readers program. Reading is a foundation to the education of our students, please encourage your child to do some extra reading so they can be successful at reaching their goal. Remember this is outside reading, not homework. Children who meet their goal will be honored with an Eagle pin during Chapel. Classes who meet their classroom goal will receive a book for the class library and a popcorn or popsicle party.

See You At The Pole: This year the 5^{th} grade students will be leading the meeting for "See You At The Pole." We meet, together, around our flag pole to unite in prayer for our nation, city, schools, CCS families and for those who do not know the Lord. All are welcome and invited to join us at 7:30 am on Wednesday, September 27^{th} .

Grandparents or Special Person Day: Spread the word, Grandparent's Day/Special Person Day is also on September 27th. We want to honor those special people for the role that they play in their grandchildren's lives. We would like them to come and bring lunches to share with their grandchild/ren. We hope that they will be blessed in the hour that is spent here at school. Friday Flyers will have the times posted for the different age groups. I look forward to meeting the grandparents.

Wish Fulfilled: One of the items we had listed for fundraising was hand-held radios for staff communications. Thank you, Kathy West (Max West, is in 4^{th} grade), she donated them to Crossroads.

Other Important Dates:

Picture Day Preschool September 19th

Elementary September 20th

Teacher In Service No School for Preschool and Elementary September 28-29th

Scholastic Book Fair October 9-13th

Scholastic Book Fair/Family Night October 12th

Blessings,

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