

Chatsworth School

Andrea L. Derrien, Principal

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A Message from Mrs. Derrien

Dear Chatsworth Families,

As we approach these last few days of school I would like to say a sincere thank you for all you have done to help make this such a positive and productive school year. A special thank you to our magnificent PTA and our many parent volunteers who have contributed so much to Chatsworth School during this past year. We appreciate your ongoing support of your children and the school community. As we are prepare for Field Day, Fifth Grade Farewell and Kindergarten Closing, we would like to commend our students for putting their best effort forward on a daily basis. We are very proud of our student accomplishments and the wonderful teachers that continue to foster excellence.

Our dedicated staff devotes considerable time, thought and effort to placing students in appropriate classes. It is our goal to have all students in instructional settings that will allow them to learn in a safe, secure and supportive environment. We are very fortunate to have talented, professional and dedicated teachers and staff members who are committed to providing valuable learning experiences for all students therefore, we do not accept requests for specific teachers. Our top priority is creating balanced classrooms which focus on meeting the needs of all of our students.

The last day of school for the 2016-2017 school year is Tuesday, June 13. Schools will close 3 hours early on June 12 and June 13. Our farewell assembly for our fifth grade students is Friday, June 9, beginning at 9:25 A.M. Each fifth grade student receives four tickets of admission to the ceremony so that family and friends may attend.

Thank you for sharing your children with us and participating in their education throughout the year. I want to wish everyone a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer!

Best Regards,

Andrea L. Derrien, Principal

Residency Night - Fifth Grade Families

Our students that are transitioning to Middle School will need to come in to school to verify their residency. Parents of fifth grade students received a letter regarding residency verification during the first week of May. Information regarding documentation that may be used in this process is included in the letter. You may come in to the office during the school day, however, for parents that are not able to do so, staff will be at school **on June 7 from 4:30 to 7:00 pm** in order to help you. This must be completed before the end of the school year so your child is not withdrawn from BCPS.



June 2017

Important Dates

June 6

Field Day

(Rain date, June 7)

June 7

Residency Night

(see information below)

4:30—7:00 pm

June 9

Last Day for Pre-K and Pre-School
Classes (3 and 4 year olds)

June 9

Fifth Grade Farewell
Ceremony
9:25 am

June 12

Kindergarten Closing
Ceremony
9:30 am

June 12

3 hour early close

June 13

3 hour early close
LAST DAY of SCHOOL

Read all about it!

Places and Spaces

I remember visiting a children's book store once that had interesting spaces cut out for reading. I began to explore new places to take reading adventures on my own. This summer, I would love for you to take a picture of an interesting place or space your child has found to read. Please have your child write a couple of sentences describing this special spot. You may send the picture and description to my email: lbeckerleiphart@bcps.org. I will display all that is sent to me to initiate some wonderful stories and discussions when your children return to school in September.

Have a WONDERFUL summer!

Lauren Becker-Leiphart/ Literacy Specialist



BCPS News and Calendars on an App!!



BCPS has a mobile app that will send you notifications of school closures - right to your smartphone! Visit <https://www.bcps.org/news/mobileapp.htm> to download the BCPS NOW app! You can also check the Chatsworth School website for information at <http://chatsworthes.bcps.org/>.

Important Dates

Here is an up-to-date list of spring events (great for posting on the refrigerator!)

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| May 30 | Chatsworth's Got Talent 6:00 pm |
| June 6 | Field Day (<i>rain date June 7, which is changed from June 8</i>) |
| June 7 | Residency Night 4:30 to 7:00 pm (see info in newsletter) |
| June 9 | Fifth Grade Farewell 9:25 am |
| June 9 | Last day, Preschool and Pre Kindergarten students |
| June 12 | Kindergarten Closing Program 9:30 am |
| June 12 | BCPS elementary schools close 3 hours early |
| June 13 | Last day of Classes; ALL BCPS schools close 3 hours early |

Please call us in the office with any questions. Thank you!

Dressing in Layers for School

Different areas of the school building are warmer than others. For your child's comfort, please consider dressing your child in layers or sending a light sweatshirt or jacket to keep in their bag or locker.



Chatsworth PTA News and Events



The PTA meeting scheduled at 4pm on June 6, 2017 has been canceled and will not be rescheduled.

Chatsworth Field Day falls on this date, so we want students and families to have the evening to recover from a fun-filled day at school without having to worry about attending a meeting. Thanks for your understanding.

Dear Chatsworth Families,

As the school year comes to a close, I want to take a moment to say thank you. I am forever grateful to our volunteers, the school staff and teachers, our administration, and our students for making my first year as PTA President so memorable. I've learned a great deal about what a non-profit organization can accomplish with the support of a community as wonderful as ours and have many ideas about what we will accomplish going forward.

Because of you, here are a few things we funded this year:

Assemblies \$4000
Time Magazine for Kids in Every Classroom \$2000
Classroom Supplies \$700
New Chairs in Media Center \$300
Ten Mini HD Projectors and three Full Size 3D-capable Projectors \$5700
Black-Eyed Susan Award Luncheon for Students \$300
Children's Author Visit \$1500
Fifth Grade Farewell Events & Scholarships \$3500
Staff, Teacher, and Bus Driver Appreciation Week \$1600
Teacher Back to School Luncheon \$400
Family Literacy Night \$1000
Donuts Day and Muffins Morning \$800

Our PTA Volunteers facilitated: American Education Week – Book Fair – Read-a-Thon – Spirit Wear – Trunk or Treat and Fall Festival – Family Night Out Events – Concession Stands – School Supply Kits – Yearbook – Online Auction – Hershey Park Tickets – Orioles Tickets – Smencils - Family Movie Night – Volunteer Appreciation – Claire's Gourmet – Field Day Assistance & Donations – Fifth Grade Farewell Dessert Reception – Chatsworth Gives Back-Our Legacy Community Service Project – Box Tops Shoparoo – Scrips – PTA Facebook & Twitter – Chatsworth Family's Website – Online Family & Student Directory

Chatsworth School PTA is **POWERED BY VOLUNTEERS & FUNDED BY DONATIONS** and we couldn't have done any of this without your involvement. Next year is going to be fantastic too, but until then, get out there and enjoy the summer!!

With deepest appreciation,

Amber McGinnis

Chatsworth PTA President

SUMMER CONTACT INFORMATION:

Should you have any questions or suggestions over the summer, contact us!

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Tired of driving from store to store to purchase school supplies for your child? Great news! We are offering the SchoolKidz Supply Kit program at our school this year. Kits include the exact colors, quantities, and brands teachers are requesting in a personalized box ready for your child's first day of school.

Simply place your order by June 23, 2017 to have all your child's necessary supplies.

Orders can be placed online at www.shopttkits.com.

Enter our school's account number: 86890.

Questions? Contact Sara Hoffman at saraptachats@gmail.com.

***Endorsement from your PTA President: If you've never ordered school supplies like this before – I promise it's worth it! By placing your order now, you eliminate shopping for supplies before school begins and your child doesn't have to carry in any supplies on their first day at school either! It's a no-brainer and a win-win. Place your order online by June 23rd, and the PTA will do all the heavy lifting! Thanks in advance – Amber McGinnis*