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The 2021-2022 School Year Begins . . .

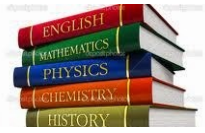
by Catherine Oliver, Head of School

On behalf of the board, faculty and staff of Christ Episcopal School, I welcome all returning and new students and their families. We are so pleased to be your partner in the education of your children.

I want to share a few things with you that help make our partnership a great success:

1. parents of students in preschool, check your child's *tote bag* EACH DAY for teacher and school communications as well as student work
2. kindergarten to grade 5 parents:
 - A. sign or initial your child's *Agenda* each day and review teacher notes, assignments, and reminders
 - B. parents of students in kindergarten to grade 5, check your child's backpack for his/her "take-home" folder which will contain school notes and student work sometimes requiring your signature and return
3. communicate, via phone or email, with your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns
4. call **me** if you want to further discuss **anything**
5. continue to respect our Staying Healthy Procedures.

OUTDATED CES TEXTBOOKS GOING TO AFRICA



When cleaning rooms and preparing for the new school year, CES teachers were asked to get rid of old books that were no longer being used and taking up space in closets and on shelves. Not wanting to throw away educational materials, we discovered that instead, we can send them to school children in Africa, where students there can use our materials. North Street Church of Christ will soon be sending our no longer needed books their way!



CHAIRPERSONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need all the help we can get this October! We are looking for a Pumpkin Patch Chair to help coordinate our patch volunteers throughout the month of October. Pumpkins will be delivered on **Tuesday, October 12th!** We also need multiple volunteers to sign up for Pumpkin Patch shifts. Please join our CES annual tradition of selling pumpkins to our Nacogdoches community. This is our 24th year! Pumpkin Patch t-shirts will again be sold to be worn on Fridays during October.



Mrs. Chelsea poses with her **PreK-4 class** during the first week of school. This great group of students are ready to take on the school year and to increase their knowledge by listening, learning, and doing.



Mrs. Tucker and her **1st graders** pose on their first day of school. Their year to come will be filled with all kinds of amazing learning experiences.



Mission: Christ Episcopal School is a diverse community of learners who participate in an enriched academic program in a nurturing Christian environment which fosters a dedication to service to others and a love of lifetime learning.

Parent Association Board

Our CES Parent Association board chairs are **Kim Newman** (Aniston-3rd) and **Sasha Kubacak** (Sloane-3rd and RJ PreK-4). Our CES board member who reports monthly about CES-PA activity to the CES Board of Trustees is **Sydney Kroll Register** (Lane-4th). The CES-PA also communicates to parents via the classroom teachers and the CES Parent Association Facebook page. I am so grateful for their efforts and time spent on organizing and following through with our Parent Association fundraising activities. Committee **volunteers are needed** to assist with the upcoming school year events. We would love new parental involvement in the **Parent Association**. If interested, please contact **Kim Newman at (903) 235-0875**.

Box Tops for Education

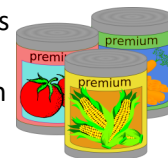
Our school benefits greatly from *Box Tops for Education* dollars. Please scan your grocery receipts after purchasing Box Tops items to benefit the school. There is a Box Top App that walks you through the instructions needed to have a personal account that is connected to CES. Your participation is truly appreciated!



T-Shirt Sale: The CES-PA will soon be selling our latest CES t-shirt design that can be worn on Fridays, as well as other former CES designs. Be on the lookout for order forms!

FOOD for H.O.P.E.

Our on-going community project is the local food bank, H.O.P.E.— *Helping Other People Eat*. Each Wednesday, students bring canned or dry food goods to Chapel to donate to the bank. Make an effort to send a food item each Wednesday for the rest of the school year. Christ Episcopal School does make a difference in the lives of our own neighbors!



SIGN UP FOR THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

CES receives a percentage of your Kroger purchases throughout the year after you enroll online. Please enroll to help benefit the school at <https://www.kroger.com/account/>



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Thank You

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CES would like to say a big, **THANK YOU!**, to **Ramsey Parr, RJ Bohac, and Meredith Fleming** for their amazing service as CES School Board members for many years. **RJ** served as the chair of the Facilities and Safety Task Force, **Meredith** served as our School Board Secretary, and **Ramsey** served as our School Board Treasurer. Their years of service and involvement helped CES maintain a high level of excellence and for that we are so appreciative.

Important Dates in September

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| Mon., Sept. 6 | Labor Day Holiday, <u>NO SCHOOL</u> |
| Fri., Sept. 10 | Hearing Screening, PK4, K, 1st, 3rd, 5th |
| Fri., Sept. 17 | End of first Mid 9 weeks, Grades 1-5 |
| Wed., Sept. 22 | Mid 9 week reports sent home, Grades 1-5 |
| Fri., Sept. 24 -
Thurs., Sept. 30 | Scholastic Book Fair |
| Mon., Sept. 27 | Open House Night, 5:30-6:30pm |
| Tues., Oct. 12 | Pumpkins arrive!
We need help unloading! |