



## From Ms. Sylvia's Desk

Friday, January 8, 2010



**PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** If you have an extra hour a week (or more) our lower elementary teachers are in need of Reading Mom's, Dad's or Grandparents. By listening to children read, you will provide a much needed service to your child's teacher and to the students in the classroom. If you are interested, or would like to volunteer in another way, please come by and see Ms. Ada. She will get you set up and will let your child's teacher know that you will join us during the instructional day. Thank you, in advance, for your time and commitment to our students!



**PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO) MEETING-** Please mark your calendar and join us for our next PTO meeting next Tuesday, January 12, 2010. Your voice is important and can assist us in making important decisions for your child's/children's' education. Meetings take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the Upper Elementary Classroom (Church Hall). We look forward to seeing you on the 12<sup>th</sup>!



**DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURES-** A friendly reminder that we have drop-off and pick-up procedures in place for the safety of our children at CCMS: The two outside lanes (Lanes 1 and 2) are for drop-off or pick-up only. The center lane is an EXIT ONLY lane. At no time should these lanes be used for parking purposes. Doing this creates an unsafe situation for students who are exiting or entering their vehicles. If you need to come into the school (even for a brief moment), please park your vehicle in the lot at the side of the school. Your assistance in promoting the safety of all our students is greatly appreciated!



**RETURNED CHECKS-** Effective January, 2010, CCMS will begin charging a \$25. fee for checks returned for “insufficient funds.” We realize that these are hard economic times; however, the school cannot assume a loss for monies intended for After Care services or Hot Lunch purchases. If a check is returned, you will be contacted by Ms. Ada. At that time, she will collect the amount of the check and the \$25. fee in cash. If a check for insufficient funds is received more than once in a school year, future services rendered will be paid in cash. Thank you for your cooperation!



**HEAD LICE-** This week, a student in the lower elementary classroom was diagnosed with head lice. Please read the letter included in your child’s Friday Folder for treatment and ways to prevent the spreading of head lice. Gracias!



**GIRL SCOUT COOKIES-** It’s that time again...Girl Scout Cookie Time!!! Please support our CCMS Troop 9697 by pre-ordering your favorite Girl Scout cookies! An order form is in the front office, and Ms. Ada will gladly take your order! Cookies will be delivered by Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. Don’t miss out on this yummy opportunity!!!



**BRRRRRR!**- We’ve certainly had our share of **COLD** weather this season! In the event that the weather poses a threat to the safety of our students, and C.C.I.S.D. schools are cancelled, CCMS will also follow suit. Please check your local news stations for school closures throughout this winter season. Stay warm!



KIDS KORNER-

Dear Parents,

Next Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting another Pajama Party to raise money for our Upper Elementary field trip to Camp Allen this spring. Our goal is to raise at least \$75. per child. The Pajama Party promises many fun activities, dinner and snacks! Look for a form in your child's Friday Folder and return to school by Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

On another note, we are hosting a Food/Supply Drive for The Ronald McDonald House. Please bring any non-perishable food or items you wish to donate by Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. For a list of needing items, please check in the front office.

Thank you,

Upper Elementary Students