



CHELAN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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The month of March and the following months will be a busy time at CMS. We will be wrapping up Season Three sports in the next few weeks. March brings us music competitions and concerts, the CMS Play, and a couple of field trips. Students will also be working hard as they finish up preparations for the WASL that will begin after Spring Break. We will also begin planning the 8th grade Moving Up Ceremony. If there are any 8th Grade Parents/Guardians who are interested in helping to plan the evening, please contact me. Through these busy times, we would like to thank our students for their continued efforts in the classrooms. Keep up the great work!

Chris Anderson, Principal

CMS EVENT CALENDAR



- 3/3 Wrestling @ Cashmere
- 3/4—3/6 **Mid-Winter Break No School**
- 3/12 Wrestling @ Pioneer
- 3/13-3/14 Science Olympiad
- 3/14 Wrestling @ Quincy HS
- 3/18 Grade Check
NCWMEA MS Large Group 7/8 Band
- 3/19-3/21 MS Play
- 3/24 Gear Up 8th Grade Field Trip—BBCC
- 3/25 MS Spring Music Concert (7:00 PAC)
- 3/27 6th Graders to Cashmere (Musical)
- 3/30-4/3 Spring Break
- 4/6 Spring Sports Practice Begins



CMS Music Programs

The Chelan Middle School Music Department has been busy the past several weeks preparing for their upcoming Large Group Festival and Spring Concert. The Middle School Choir—Belle Voce—will be attending the festival for the first time and Mrs. Kunkel is looking forward to the opportunity to show them off. If you had the chance to hear them sing at their December concert you can understand her excitement! They will be heading to Wenatchee on Tuesday, March 3, and will be able to hear other young choirs sing while they are there. Like the Choir, the 7th/8th Grade Band will listen to other groups. Mr. Burdick and the students are hoping to continue their tradition of receiving a Superior Rating at their festival on Wednesday, March 18, also in Wenatchee. Parents and friends are welcome to attend either or both events.

Although the 6th Grade Band does not attend the festival, they are still working very hard on their concert pieces. The Spring Concert will be on Wednesday, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC and will also feature the MOE 5th Grade Band. Concert goers will be sure to notice how these two groups have matured and improved since December.

We encourage friends and families to come out and support all of these fine

Curriculum Alignment

Many teachers from the Lake Chelan School District are currently serving on K-12 curriculum alignment teams. This year, the focus is on Social Studies, Language Arts, and Health/Fitness. The goal is to define essential learning goals at each grade level, align the curriculum from kindergarten through 12th grade, and to make sure teachers are equipped with the best possible materials and professional development to make sure that our students get the top-notch education that they deserve. The Social Studies curriculum will be aligning with the State Department of Education's suggestions for next year, meaning that Washington State History will now be taught in 7th grade, and Ancient Civilizations



Holden Trip

6th graders are gearing up for their traditional outdoor education trip to Holden Village. The trip will be from Tuesday, May 26th through Friday, May 29th. Students are anxiously awaiting this adventure that is sure to be a highlight of their year! Mrs. Bankson says that the Holden trip rocks her socks off! Look for information to be coming home in the near future.

Athletics Update



The Girls Basketball season recently finished up with a strong showing by both the 7th and 8th grade teams. The girls played hard and were fun to watch throughout the season. We would like to thank them for representing CMS with pride!

The Wrestling season is underway and the boys have been hard at work. On February 26th CMS hosted Quincy, Pioneer, and Foothills. The boys performed well in front of the home crowd. We would like to thank all those that volunteered to help make the evening successful.



Track and Girls Softball will start up after Spring Break. Students who are interested in participating should see Mrs. Mackey in the office to make sure they have all necessary paperwork completed.



GO PIRATES!

CMS ASB

CMS's twelve ASB Senators had the privilege of traveling to Eastmont Jr. High School on February 3rd to take part in the 2009 Middle Level Regional Washington Student Leadership Conference. The students had a blast meeting other student leaders from across the region. They also had the opportunity to participate in an "idea exchange" where they gathered ideas for school events and fundraisers from other participants. The Senators learned important leadership skills to help them be effective and positive role models in their school and community. They came back excited to try new ideas here at CMS!

Recently the ASB put on an Activity Night for the students at CMS. The night was well attended and all that attended seemed to enjoy themselves. Students danced the night away. When they wanted a change they could go into the gym to shoot around or find a table to hang out with friends. The 12 Senators are also helping put together the CMS yearbook, and busy planning other activities for the student body such as spirit weeks and another dance. They have a lot on their plate, but are doing a great job of making CMS a better place!

