

CAIR PARAVEL - LATIN SCHOOL

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Family Newsletter - February 4, 2005

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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK...

...JAMES WALDY

TEACHER EVALUATIONS

Friends, With your most recent mailing you received a form that invited you to evaluate your children's teachers. May we strongly encourage you to take the time to thoughtfully fill out those evaluations and return them to the office according to the instructions? Your feedback is not only welcomed but considered necessary as we endeavor to continue to grow in our pedagogical skills as teachers, communication skills as service providers and mentoring skills as those who are called to assist parents in the training of their children.

In the spirit of this week's "Learning with Lewis" entry, we acknowledge that we – as Christians and teachers – are not ones who "never go wrong", and we certainly lay no claim to having arrived at a level of expertise that cannot be improved upon. Your feedback helps us to examine those areas that are perceived to be points in which we can grow as professionals. Of course, positive evaluations are just as necessary and appreciated, and I suspect that sometimes we don't take the time to fill out the forms in those instances when we may be thoroughly satisfied with a particular teacher. Encouraging your child's teacher with positive praise is just as important to the growth process as citing perceived weaknesses or areas for improvement.

God has blessed Cair Paravel with a quality faculty. Please join us in the pursuit of excellence by assisting us in examining those areas in which we can improve and better serve you as partners in the advancement of His kingdom.

CALLING ALL LIONS FANS!!

Come join us on Friday, February 4th as the Lions battle it out against the Lyndon Tigers in the Pride Land (that's CPLS talk for "home court")!

JV games start at 4:00 and 5:15, with varsity games following at 6:00 and 7:30. Wear your school colors, and bring your team spirit to cheer the Lions on to victory!! What better way to chase away the winter blues?!

Bring an appetite, too, cause we'll be serving up plenty of good food! Don't miss out on our "new" concession entree: Indian Tacos (a fried sweet-dough topped with a ground beef taco mixture, cheese, lettuce and tomato). We'll also be serving chicken fajitas, taco salad, or frito pie, to name a few.

Let's pack the house!! Hope to see you there!!

THE VALENTINE STORE

Mrs. Jorgensen's second grade class will be hosting The Valentine Store, where many fun items can be purchased for your special Valentine (or yourself) on February 3 and 4. The class will deliver the items (on campus) on Valentine's Day. The items are priced from .75 to \$2.25, and all proceeds will go to Compassion International for tsunami relief.

Order forms will go home on Monday, January 31st. Parents and Grandparents - perhaps you'd like to order something for your special CPLS Valentine? The items may be previewed in the window case next to Mrs. Jorgensen's classroom. Call Julie Helms (286-3603) or Tami Foster (379-0755) with questions.

ALL SCHOOL MEETING

The CPLS Administration, together with the Board, invite you to a "State of the School" meeting from 9:00 - 10:30 AM on Saturday, February 19. All families are encouraged to attend. Please mark your calendar and join us.

If you have questions or topics you would like addressed, email or call Cindy Patton at school.

SINGING VALENTINES

Now is your chance to make this Valentine's Day Special! The Madrigals will personally deliver a Valentine song to your special someone. Each singing Valentine is made complete with your choice of a heart-shaped cookie or a pottery vase by Lisa Schneider filled with flowers.

To order complete the attached form and return to Becky Greene's box in the CPLS office. Payment is due upon ordering. Make checks payable to CPLS, and write "Singing Valentine" in the memo.

DELIVERIES TO CPLS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2005 (8:30AM - 3:30PM)

- \$8.00 - Song and decorated heart-shaped cookie
- \$32.00 - Song & Flowers in a Lisa Schneider pottery vase

DELIVERIES IN COMMUNITY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2005 (8:00AM - 6:00 PM)

- \$15.00 - Song and decorated heart-shaped cookie
- \$45.00 - Song & Flowers in a Lisa Schneider pottery vase

KITCHEN CORNER

HOT LUNCH MENU (FEB 7-11)

MON ... Burrito, corn, apple, brownie
 TUE Cheese pizza, carrot sticks, applesauce, oatmeal pie
 WED ... Chicken fajitas, tossed salad, pears, cookies
 THU Hot dog, chips, banana, oatmeal pie **(Note menu change due to HS Science Fair)**
 FRI..... Deli ham, chips, apple, oatmeal pie

ALA CARTE

MON ... Stuffed Crust Pizza\$1.25
 TUE Taco Bar\$2.00
 WED ... Chicken Fajita.....\$1.25
 THU Sub Sandwich.....\$2.00
 FRI..... Cheeseburger w/Fries\$2.00

**PTF MEETING
 UPSTAIRS IN DAYCARE HOUSE
 FRIDAY FEB. 11TH AT 1:30 P.M.**

DESPERATE MOMS MAKE URGENT PLEA!!!

Have you noticed? Uniforms, being what they are, ...uniform, all look alike! This leads to many cases of unintentional clothing exchanges between students in the locker room, classroom and on the playground.

Please help keep track of your students uniform and spirit wear by putting their name on the tag!

LIONS' ROAR

Cair Paravel congratulates its spelling bee champion, Andrew Waldy (8th). Nathaniel Boggs (7th) successfully battled Lucas Bider (8th) for the runner up position. Top spellers from the 5th through 8th grade classes were chosen to compete in the Spelling Bee, held last Friday in the Cafeteria.

Class representatives were 5th grade: Melea Stone, Austin Hogan, Dylan French and Cole Foster. 6th grade representatives were T.J. Waldy, Patrick De-Donder, Chaz Doby and Nathaniel Boggs. 7th graders, Ariel VanHouse, Ryan Baker, Mason Bowen and Amanda Nigus were selected to compete. Eighth graders had the top spellers with Lucas Bider, Andrew Waldy, Emily Zurbuchen and Lauren Hylton. Congratulations to all of the spellers.

LIONS' SCORE

Boys Varsity Basketball

01/28 - CPLS..... 61 OlatheChristian 81
 02/01 - CPLS..... 63 Flint Hills 41

Girls Varsity Basketball

01/20 - Hillsboro Tournament
 01/27 - CPLS..... 33 ACCHS 47
 01/28 - CPLS..... OlatheChristian
 02/01 - CPLS..... Flint Hills

Boys JV Basketball

01/27 - CPLS..... 63 ACCHS 23
 01/28 - CPLS..... 48 Olathe Christian 61

Girls JV Basketball

No games this week.

Boys JH "A" Basketball

No games this week.

Boys JH "B" Basketball

02/01 - CPLS..... Heritage Christian

Girls JH Basketball

02/01 - CPLS..... 31 Heritage Christian .. 12

2 BEDROOM RENTAL AVAILABLE

Asland Properties has a house available for rent in the CPLS school area. The 2 bedroom house will rent for \$375.00 per month, plus utilities. Contact Jaye Conner, property manager at 235-8689 or 806-2571 for more information.

COLLEEN LIPPE, NEWSLETTER EDITOR

E-mail: newsletter@cpls.org
 (P) 272-9165 or (Fax) 272-3729
 Submission deadline - Tuesday, 4:00 pm

The newsletter may be read on-line at:
www.cpls.org/newsletter/CPLS_Newsletter.shtm
 Send e-mail address changes to parentlist@cpls.org

UNIFORM COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

The uniform committee met recently and made the following recommendations to Cindy Patton. We would like you to review them and contact us with your comments or questions.

#1 We recommended that girls capri pants not be a part of the CPLS uniform.

#2 We recommended beginning with the 05-06 year that the navy blue athletic hoodie and the navy blue CPLS spirit wear hoodie continue to be a part of the uniform. All other hoodies would be phased out at the end of the current school year. Navy blue crew neck sweat shirts would also continue to be part of the uniform.

Both of these recommendations were made after our committee reviewed the Uniform Resolution (see column 2-3 this page) and attempted to comply more closely with the intent of the school's policy.

Please forward any comments in writing to my e-mail slanghofer@juno.com or my home address by Feb. 7th for our committee review.

Thank You for your time.
Stan Langhofer
Uniform Committee Chair

TSUNAMI RELIEF

Stuco raised \$294.00 in donations from the Jeans and T-shirt Day. Proceeds will be sent to World Vision International.

PARKING LOT AUCTION

Congratulations to Colleen Lippe and Leslee Cantrell for placing the winning bids for the reserved parking places in the cutback parking in front of the school.

RESOLUTION RE: UNIFORMS 11/2/04

I. Background

Uniforms first replaced dress code at CPLS during the 2000-01 school year. The decision to require students to wear uniforms was motivated by the goals of:

- Increasing faculty time teaching by decreasing faculty time spend enforcing dress code.
- Providing clarity and certainty regarding what is/is not permitted for school wear.
- Eliminating peer pressure driven by fashion, and
- Improving students demeanor by positively affecting their self esteem and work ethic

See CPLS Board President's letter to parents, dated 12/22/99.

II. General Policy

• A "uniform" is commonly defined as dress of a distinctive design worn by members of a particular group and serving as a means of identification. See Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, 1976. By definition, that which is "uniform" is marked by lack of variation, diversity or change. CPLS uniforms identify and seek to unify the entire student body. Uniforms assist in establishing school tradition, and by definition, should not change from year to year or from one fashion to another.

• CPLS uniforms should reflect the character of the school as both classical and Christian. "Classical", as applied to clothing, is clothing "characterized by simple tailored lines correct for a variety of places and occasions and basically in fashion year after year". The classical aspect requires that items of clothing be traditional rather than trendy, neat rather than sloppy, and unchanging from year to year. The Christian aspect of CPLS requires that items of clothing be modest, reflect appropriate distinctions between the sexes, be affordable yet of good quality to assist parents in being good stewards of God's money, and change only when necessary so as to encourage students' relationships to be built upon character qualities rather than outward appearances or income levels and to assist parents in being good stewards of God's money.

• Decisions relating to uniforms should be few but when necessary shall be made by the Chief Adm. In accordance with the Family Advisory Committee guidelines, shall be consistent with and supportive of the General Policy as discussed above, and shall be clearly communicated to parents and students.

III. Parents, not teachers, are primarily responsible for assuring that their students' dress conforms to the specific uniform requirements of CPLS, regardless of the age of the student (s). Students are secondarily responsible for making sure that their own dress conforms to the specific uniform requirements of CPLS. Students' compliance with the uniform requirements, and their encouragement of other students to do the same, reflects their respect for authority, the school and the teachers, regardless of what their personal clothing preferences might be. In the event parents and students fail to properly exercise their responsibilities, they place the burden to strictly enforce uniform requirements on teachers and administrators, whose time is better spent on other matters.

TEACHING POSITIONS OPEN FOR 2005-2006

Letters of intent were received from employees this week and there will be several teaching positions open for next fall. Laura Simmons will be retiring from teaching high school Spanish. Nancy Toth will be retiring from teaching high school Science. Wendy Keller will be retiring from teaching first grade. Jim Congdon will be retiring from teaching Great Ideas as an adjunct. We will also be needing a new MAACS coordinator.

We will really miss these teachers and their contribution and service to CPLS.

Please consider these openings and if you are interested in applying for these positions or know someone who might be interested, please pick up applications from the front office. We are closing applications for the Great Ideas position that Dave Schneider had already indicated he was vacating. We have several great applicants.

Please pray for wisdom for our personnel committee as we continue to process applications. Also pray for the new teachers who will be applying as we seek to hire replacements for those teachers that are retiring.

Cindy Patton, Chief Administrator

LEARNING WITH LEWIS BEING GOOD

Even the best Christian that ever lived is not acting on his own steam – he is only nourishing or protecting a life he could never have acquired by his own efforts. And that has practical consequences. As long as the natural life is in your body, it will do a lot towards repairing that body. Cut it, and up to a point it will heal, as a dead body would not. A live body is not one that never gets hurt, but one that can to some extent repair itself. In the same way a Christian is not a man who never goes wrong, but a man who is enabled to repent and pick himself up and begin over again after each stumble – because the Christ-life is inside him, repairing him all the time, enabling him to repeat (in some degree) the kind of voluntary death which Christ himself carried out.

That is why the Christian is in a different position from other people who are trying to be good. They hope by being good, to please God is there is one; or – if they think there is not – at least they hope to deserve approval from good men. But the Christian thinks any good he does comes from the Christ-life inside him. He does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us; just as the roof of a greenhouse does not attract the sun because it is bright, but becomes bright because the sun shines on it.

- from Mere Christianity

TUITION ASSISTANCE DEADLINES

Tuition Assistance, formerly referred to as Financial Aid, is available to new and returning families based upon financial need. CPLS utilizes Family Financial Needs Assessment (FFNA), an objective third-party, to process the applications and assess each family's financial situation. FFNA accepts applications on-line or via USPS. Based on the processing times for each type of application and our goal to communicate awards to families by Friday, April 22, we have established the following deadlines:

Regular Processing, USPS, application & tax return must be received by FFNA by March 15, 2005 (Fee payable to FFNA \$20)

Regular Processing, on-line, application & tax return must be received by FFNA by March 29, 2005 (Fee payable to FFNA \$30)

Fastback Processing, on-line or USPS, application & tax return must be received by FFNA by April 8, 2005 (Fee payable to FFNA \$40)

Applications and brochures will be available starting February 19th at the State of the School Family Meeting. Funds available for Tuition Assistance and 2005-2006 tuition rates will be announced at this time.

Please note that a completed Federal Tax Return is required for all applications. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Funk.

SHOWCASE & OPEN HOUSE KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP MARCH 12TH

The school will host our second Showcase & Open House on Saturday, March 12th from 2:30 to 5:00pm. This free event is a lot of fun for CPLS families and an opportunity for other families to check out the school in a low-key and fun atmosphere.

Activities will include: individual and group performances by students; free food; art and science exhibits; tours and information sessions.

If you know of any families that have expressed interest in the school, please invite them to attend. This is also a great opportunity for extended family members to visit the school.

Kindergarten Round Up will be held at 2:00 on the same day.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Melody Congdon. Last year we had a great turnout and everyone had a lot of fun. We hope to see you this year!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION PROMOTION

PTF is sponsoring a "BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION" drive. It continues through February 14th. PTF will reward the class (K-6th) that collects the most labels with a popcorn party. There will also be a "special treat" for the teacher of the winning class.

CPLS receives 10 cents (cash) for each label collected. Proceeds for this fundraiser (as with all PTF fundraisers) are used to benefit the students/classrooms.

Call Suzanne Kentch with questions!

BOX TOPS CONTEST

Rende - 204
Conroy - 190
Packard - 186
Jernigan - 178
Jorgenson - 116
Black - 73
Orr - 56
Guenther PM - 53
Keller - 36
Key - 24
Guenther AM - 0

KEEP THOSE BOX
TOPS COMING!

NUGGETS FROM NARNIA ON WITCHES AND HUMANS

"That's what I don't understand, Mr. Beaver," said Peter, "I mean isn't the Witch herself human?"

"She'd like us to believe it," said Mr. Beaver, "and it's on that that she bases her claim to be Queen. But she's no Daughter of Eve. She comes of your father Adam's" – (here Mr. Beaver bowed) "your father Adam's first wife, her they called Lilith. And she was one of the Jinn. That's what she comes from on one side. And on the other she comes of the giants. No, no, there isn't a drop of real human blood in the Witch."

"That's why she's bad all through, Mr. Beaver," said Mrs. Beaver.

"True enough, Mrs. Beaver," replied he, "there may be two views about humans (meaning no offense to the present company). But there's no two views about things that look like humans and aren't."

"I've known good Dwarfs," said Mrs. Beaver.

"So've I, now you come to speak of it," said her husband, "but precious few, and they were the ones least like men. But in general, take my advice, when you meet anything that's going to be human and isn't yet, or used to be human once and isn't now, or ought to be human and isn't, you keep your eyes on it and feel for your hatchet. And that's why the Witch is always on the lookout for any humans in Narnia. She's been watching for you this many a year, and if she knew there were four of you she'd be more dangerous still."

"What's that to do with it?" asked Peter.

"Because of another prophecy," said Mr. Beaver. "Down at Cair Paravel – that's the castle on the seacoast down at the mouth of this river which ought to be the capital of the whole country if all was as it should be – down at Cair Paravel there are four thrones and it's a saying in Narnia time out of mind that when two Sons of Adam and two Daughters of Eve sit in those four thrones, then it will be the end not only of the White Witch's reign but of her life, and that is why we had to be so cautious as we came along, for if she knew about you four, your lives wouldn't be worth a shake of my whiskers!"

GIRLS SOCCER MEETING WITH COACH NELSON

WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 9

DIRECTLY AFTER SCHOOL
IN THE CAFETERIA

SCRIPPS PROGRAM BEGINNING AT CPLS OFFICE HELP NEEDED

A SCRIPPS program that returns a portion of the money you regularly spend on groceries, gas and clothing to the school will be beginning soon at CPLS.

We will be looking for a database manager, who will be paid from the proceeds to manage the SCRIPPS program. This person will also serve as the CPLS Volunteer Coordinator and maintain databases on volunteers, alumni and prospective CPLS families. They will also lead efforts to get families involved in the school through our many volunteer opportunities.

If you might be interested in the job of database manager, please fill out a staff employment application in the school office. The deadline for applications is February 8th.

More information to come about this exciting program!

Singing Valentine Order Form

Orders due by Monday, February 7, 2005

Ordered by:

Phone # of person ordering:

Deliver to:

Address:
(include directions)

Best times for delivery:

Special instructions:

Song choice (please circle one per)

Bushel and a Peck

Lullaby (Goodnight, My Angel-Billy Joel)

Come, Go With Me

Mr. Wonderful

Earth Angel

Only You

I'll Be Seeing You

You Are My Sunshine

In the Still of the Night

You Made Me Love You

Longest Time

Cheek to Cheek

Stand By Me

Love Is Here To Stay

My Guy

Gift choice:

___ Heart-shaped cookie

___ Pottery vase by Lisa Schneider with flowers

Payment: Check

Cash

Date Ordered:



The Valentine's Store

Order Form

NAME _____ CLASS: TEACHER/LAST HR. _____

Item #	Description	Cost per Item
1	Heart-shaped Swirl Pop	\$ 0.75
2	Valentine Pencil & Notepad	\$ 0.75
3	Bag of Candy	\$0.75
4	Glow-in-the-Dark Bouncing Putty	\$1.00
5	Metal Jacks and Ball Set	\$1.00
6	Heart Shaped Playing Cards	\$1.50
7	Silver and Bead Charm Bracelet	\$1.50
8	Rose Candles in Terra Cotta Pots	\$2.00
9	Hermatite Cross Necklace	\$2.00
10	Valentine Patchwork Bean Bag Bear	\$ 2.25

ITEMS TO BE DELIVERED TO OTHERS (FEBRUARY 14TH):

Item # (above)	Recipient	Class: Teacher/Last Hr.	Cost per Item (above)	Qty	Total Cost
TOTAL					

ITEMS TO BE TAKEN AT TIME OF ORDER:

Item # (above)	Cost per Item (above)	Qty	Total Cost
TOTAL			

TOTAL OF ALL ITEMS (ITEMS TO OTHERS + ITEMS TO ME) \$ _____

**Profits will be donated to the tsunami relief
Sponsored by Mrs. Jorgensen's Second Grade Class**

Cair Paravel-Latin School

February 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 04:30 PM - Girls JH Bball @ Heritage Christian 05:45 PM - Boys JHB Bball @ Heritage Christian 06:00 - Girls Var Bball @ Flint Hills Christian 07:30 PM - Boys Var Bball @ Flint Hills Christian	2 02:30 - Mom's in Touch - CPLS Daycare House	3	4 MAACS Registration Deadline 04:00 PM - Boys JV Bball v Lyndon 05:15 PM - Girls JV Bball v Lyndon 06:30 PM - Girls Var Bball v Lyndon 7:00 PM - 8th Grade Play - Stone Table Theater 08:00 PM - Boys Var Bball v Lyndon	5 7:00 PM - 8th Grade Play - Stone Table Theater
6	7 HS Spiritual Emphasis Week 3:30 PM - Boys JH A & B Basketball @ Washburn Rural	8 HS Spiritual Emphasis Week 04:30 PM - Boys JV Bball v Metro Academy TBA - Girls JV Bball @ Highland Park 06:00 PM - Girls Var Bball v Metro Academy 07:30 PM - Boys Var Bball v Metro Academy	9 HS Spiritual Emphasis Week 02:30 PM - Mom's in Touch - CPLS Daycare House 03:30 PM - Girls Soccer Meeting - Cafeteria	10 HS Spiritual Emphasis Week HS Science Fair 05:00 PM - Girls JH Bball v Flint Hills Christian 06:15 PM - Boys JHA Bball v Flint Hills Christian	11 HS Spiritual Emphasis Week HS Science Fair 01:30 PM - PTF Meeting - Daycare House 04:30 PM - Boys JV Bball v Olathe Christian 06:00 PM - Girls Var Bball v Olathe Christian 07:30 PM - Boys Var Bball v Olathe Christian	12 03:30 PM - Girls JH Bball @ Veritas 04:45 PM - Boys JHA Bball @ Veritas 06:00 PM - Girls Var Bball @ Veritas 07:30 PM - Boys Var Bball @ Veritas <i>(games rescheduled from 01/04/05 weather postponement)</i>
13	14 SPIRIT WEEK Singing Valentines	15 SPIRIT WEEK 04:30 PM - Girls JH Bball v KSD 05:15 PM - Boys JV Bball @ Burlingame 05:30 PM - CPLS Board Executive Session 05:45 PM - Boys JHB Bball v KSD 06:30 PM - Girls Var Bball @ Burlingame 07:30 PM - CPLS Board Open Session 08:00 PM - Boys Var Bball @ Burlingame	16 SPIRIT WEEK 02:30 - Mom's in Touch - CPLS Daycare House	17 SPIRIT WEEK	18 SPIRIT WEEK 04:00 PM - Girls JV Bball v McLouth 05:15 PM - Boys JV Ball v McLouth 06:30 PM - Girls Var Bball v McLouth 08:00 PM - Boys Var Bball v McLouth	19 9:00 AM - CPLS "State of the School" Meeting - CPLS Gym Girls JH Bball @ KCAA Tournament - CPLS Hosts Boys JH Bball @ KCAA Tournament - CPLS Hosts
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SPIRIT WEEK FEB. 14 – 18

To celebrate Spirit Week, Feb. 14 – 18, StuCo will sponsor the following days, when students can dress up in different attire for fun. All current dress code prohibitions such as no flip-flops apply.

Monday – Twin Day or Valentines Day dress – pick a twin and dress up like them or celebrate Valentines Day.

Tuesday – Pajama Day – sweats and modest pj's allowed

Wednesday – Wacky Wednesday – dress should be modest, but strange.

Thursday – Throwback Day – dress up in funky outfits from the past.

Friday – Spirit Day - show your spirit with CPLS promotional spirit wear or T-shirts.

Decorating the halls – each class will decorate a white sheet to be hung in the hall. Entries in the contest will be judged on creativity, artistry and promotion of school spirit.