

**CAPITAL DAY SCHOOL
CAPITAL COMMENTS
May 20, 2011**

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Calendar of coming events

- May 23 Mini Relay for Life at CDS, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
May 23 Frankfort Children's Singers performs for 2nd through 8th, 10:30 a.m.
May 24-26 Eighth Grade final exams. *Schedule attached.*
May 25-27 Sixth and Seventh Grade final exams
May 25 Kindergarten Celebration, 11:00 a.m.
May 26 Honors Assemblies, Lower School-12:45 P.M; Middle School-2:00 p.m.
Dress up, Capital Day Shirts and kaki pants or skirts, no jeans
May 27 Grades 1-4 goes to Gatti's, 8:45 to Noon
May 27 Last day of school, 11:30—Superkids, Noon dismissal—Main Bldg.,
May 27 Graduation, Church of the Ascension, 6:00 p.m.
(Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth grade students will perform. Dress up clothes.)

COOL THING THAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK

The Estill four-year-old class counted off all the students in the school by tens when everyone was assembled on the playground on Thursday.

HONORS ASSEMBLIES

Parents, grandparents, and friends are invited to attend Honors Afternoon this Thursday, May 26, in the Multipurpose Room. Honors Assembly for Lower School, grades 1-4, is at 12:45 p.m. and Honors Assembly for Middle School, grades 5-8, is at 2:00 p.m. Our students will be recognized for their outstanding achievements and participation in such programs as Duke TIP, Young Writers, Governor's Cup, MathCounts, spelling bees, National Geographic Bee, sports, academic and work ethic awards, and Grade 8 awards this school year.

We ask all students to dress nicely in observance of this special occasion. Middle school students are reminded that our dress code (Student and Parent Handbook, p.11) specifies that this is a dress-up day. Nicer clothes or clothing options may be worn. Capital Day School Shirt and khakis or other nice slacks or skirt are encouraged.
Denim may not be worn.

GRADUATION

All Capital Day School families are invited and encouraged to attend graduation next Friday, 6:00 p.m. The ceremony will be held at the Church of the Ascension, 311 Washington Street. Students in grades 4, 5, 6 will perform. Please arrive by 5:45 p.m. The ceremony includes speeches by the graduates, Board recognition, Outstanding Teacher Award, singing by grades 4, 5, and 6, and other presentations. The Grade 7 parents and students will host a reception after the ceremony

SCIENCE TEACHER APPOINTED

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Kris Murphy as our new science teacher for the Middle School. Mrs. Murphy worked at CDS for a number of years as the assistant Kindergarten teacher before leaving to complete her BA degree at KSU, which she earned on May 2010. She presently is a part of the NASA Endeavor Science Teaching Certificate Project, pursuing a certification in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Education. She intends to continue her studies toward her Masters degree in the newly formed STEM program at UK.

FIELD DAY

Our students and teachers enjoyed Field Day on May 19. Students in grades one through eight are divided into the three teams - Red, White, and Black - evenly mixed by age and grade. The students walked from school to Juniper Hill Park. They engaged in a number of relay races and other competitions (Wheelbarrow race, three-legged race, sack race, ball toss, tug-o-war, and five other events).

The Eighth Grade students and Mr. Mathews were organizers for the day. The students had lunch at the park.

The Red team had the highest score. White came in second. The Black team won the tug-o-war tournament.

FRANKFORT CHILDREN SINGERS

Frankfort Children's Singers, under the direction of Linda McKinley, will visit CDS as a part of their Spring Concert Tour of schools on Monday, May 23. At 10:30 they will perform for our second through fifth grade students in the Multipurpose Room.

Lena Adams, third grade, is a member of the troupe. They most recently performed at the Lexington Legends game on Saturday, May 14.

OPEN HOUSE

We were delighted with the response to the Frankfort Area Chamber of Commerce Open House we hosted on May 17. Thanks to our wonderful parents, students, and board, we had a very well organized and appealing event. We had lots of new faces in attendance and introduced our next head and our school to many members of our community.

- We expect that we served about 150 people. (We ran out of our 150 dessert plates and supplemented with some others we had on hand.);
- Food was ample and very appealing;
- The Chamber staff and officers were supportive and in attendance;
- The student performances were very nice and enjoyed by the guests;
- Classrooms were spic and span, and attended by our teachers
- The guests found our student gallery of art impressive;
- We hosted at least five prospective families;
- We hosted at least three newly enrolled families;
- Our information sheet looks good, and the Chamber has asked for extra copies to distribute;
- The guests had opportunities to win door prizes (various, donated by our parents and teachers);
- The guests received a favor for attending (a beautiful set of note cards featuring student art);
- 6 alumni, now in college, attended.

CAVALIER SCHOLARSHIPS

Information about the newly instituted Cavalier Scholarships program to help fill our Middle School is attached. Please share it with friends whose students would be a suitable match with Capital Day School's program of academic excellence.

MINI RELAY FOR LIFE / SPIRIT WEEK

Our students and teachers have enjoyed the special events and Spirit Week leading up to our mini Relay for Life scheduled for Monday. Today we had "Soup for the Cure" to raise awareness and funds for the American Cancer Society. Mrs. Barnes reports that more than \$1,000 in coins was collected in the Coins for Cancer. She will have the final totals next week after we receive a final count from the bank.

Our mini Relay for Life will be held on our campus Monday, May 23. The opening ceremony is at 9 a.m. We invite any cancer survivors to participate in the first "leg" of our walk at 9:15 a.m. If you have a friend/family member who is a cancer survivor, please ask them to join us at 9:15 a.m. We will have students walking, in rotations, all day until 3 p.m.

Parents are invited to come on Monday for lunch with your student and be a part of our mini Relay. Even if you can only come for the lunch hour, we would appreciate your participation and support. Sugar free lemonade will be available during the walk for a donation. Please stop by our lemonade stand!

CDS YEARBOOKS

An order form for the CDS yearbook is attached. Cost for each yearbook will be \$30.00. The order form also may be used to order advertising in the yearbook. Many of our families place ads to congratulate their students' upon their accomplishments. We also sell ads to businesses.

SUMMER CHILD CARE NEEDS?

We have heard from college-aged alumnae looking for summer child care positions. For more information, please contact Mrs. Daugherty or Mrs. Barnes.

MUSIC INSTRUCTION

Ms. Preston is taking new beginning piano and guitar students this summer. Call 502-229-6734 to schedule lessons.

MACBETH

Grade 8 finished studying Macbeth. There will be an opportunity to see it performed at Josephine Sculpture Park, 3355 Lawrenceburg Rd, Frankfort, KY, a ½ mile north of the Stewart Home School, on June 3-5 and 10-12 at 8 p.m. More information may be found at www.josephinesculpturepark.org.

MORNING DUTY

Monday, May 23	Meg Phillips, Luke Gregory
Tuesday, May 24	Nick Stone, William Wooldridge
Wednesday, May 25	Ellie Elliott, Cordelia Jones
Thursday, May 26	Natalie Hardy, Brenna Detwiler
Friday, May 27	Josh Simpson, Emma Stevenson

Morning Duty starts at 7:40 a.m. and ends at 7:50 a.m. Please be prompt.