

**CAPITAL DAY SCHOOL
CAPITAL COMMENTS
September 2, 2011**

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Upcoming dates

- Sept. 3 Response deadline to SWOTs survey, Strategic Planning meeting
- Sept. 5 **Labor Day – No School**
- Sept. 6 Parent Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Library
- Sept. 7 School Picture Day
- Sept. 9 All School Picnic, Juniper Hills Park, Jack Williams Pavilion 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 15 Elem. Governor’s Cup (Grades 4 & 5) parents meet, 5:00 p.m., MP Rm.
- Sept. 15 CDS Board Meeting 6:00 pm., Library
- Sept. 16 Grandparents/Grandfriends Day
- Sept. 17 CDS Strategic Planning meeting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Hospice of Blue Grass
- Sept. 20 Early dismissal 2 p.m., Faculty Professional Development
- Sept. 22 Conferences and Book Fair, 3:30-6:00 p.m.
- Sept. 23 **Conferences and Book Fair, 8:00 a.m.-noon - No School**
- Sept. 30 **Extended Day Ends at 4:30** – Child Care Staff Meeting
- Oct. 3-7 **Fall Break, No School**
- Oct. 11 Parent Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY NEXT WEEK

School Picture Day is Wednesday, September 7, 2011. Your student should have already brought home an order form with information about school picture day and ordering school pictures. If you can’t find your order form, there are a few extras in the school office. All students will be photographed for the CDS yearbook whether or not you order pictures.

Payment is due for your portrait selection on Picture Day. Return your cash or check payment in the envelope furnished on the order form. If you prefer to pay by credit card, visit **mylifetouch.com** and follow the online instructions. Our picture day ID, EL011768Y0, is found at the very bottom of the payment envelope. Hint: the “0”s are numerals. Write the online payment code on the Order Form. Send the completed Order Form to school with your student on picture day.

Portrait packages start at \$14.50. Each purchaser also receives a \$20 credit certificate to use at Shutterfly.com.

KROGER GIFT CARDS – LET’S DO THE MATH!

If 100 CDS families purchased \$100 in groceries weekly at Kroger using a Kroger gift card from CDS, CDS would receive \$20,800 by the end of the year at no cost to our families.

We will have a supply of Kroger gift cards available for purchase at the All School Picnic for your convenience.

Use of Kroger fundraising gift cards is extremely easy and convenient. If you want to know more, we have attached an information sheet to this Capital Comments. It contains as much information about Kroger gift card fundraising as a person could ever wish to know!

FALL BREAK CHILD CARE

Plans are underway to offer child care during Fall Break, October 3 through 7. Hours will be 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Cost will be \$25 per day.

Additional details and registration forms will follow next week. Responses will be due September 16.

ELEMENTARY GOVERNORS CUP

An information and organization meeting for parents of fourth and fifth grade students for our Elementary Governor’s Cup Academic Team is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, at 5 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Please come and learn more. We are recruiting students to participate, and parents to help.

SWOT – STRATEGIC PLANNING

Our entire school community was sent the link to a survey via e-mail on Monday, August 29. If you have not already done so, please send your responses to the survey ASAP, but by the September 3 deadline. The surveys are being used to develop aggregate data that can be used during the scheduled September 17 Strategic Planning Work Session. (Individual survey responses will not be made available to the group to preserve anonymity.)

Also, you are invited to attend the Strategic Planning Work Session. We will create goals to guide CDS through a critical time in our history. This strategic planning session will take place on Saturday, September 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the conference room of the Hospice of the Bluegrass, 643 Teton Trail, in Frankfort. Lee Cowherd, a professional strategist, will facilitate the meeting.

During this session, we will not develop a complete strategic plan. Instead, we will use the session to identify "WIGs" (Wildly Important Goals) and develop objectives and action items for each of these goals.

Please plan to stay for the entire six-hour session. In order to make full use of our time with Mr. Cowherd, we will not leave the facility for lunch. Instead, we are asking participants to bring a dish to share. (The facility has a kitchen with a microwave and refrigerator.) Because childcare will not be available, we ask that children do not attend the session.

Please respond by September 3 if you plan to attend. To respond or find out more, contact Tina Goodman by emailing Goodmann_tina@yahoo.com or calling 502-320-2505.

ALL SCHOOL PICNIC

The All School Picnic is scheduled for September 9 at Juniper Hills Park, at the Jack Williams Pavilion from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. A flyer is attached. First grade parents are responsible for organization (set up and clean up). The first grade class representatives are Laura Bryant and Michelle Tyson.

The Parent Council will provide the beverages (water and lemonade); plates, cups and cutlery; and fried chicken. The rest of the meal will be pot-luck. Please bring your family's favorite dish. Please bring the recipe, too. Kendra Hefley has offered to compile them into a CDS cookbook for us. Alternatively, you can e-mail Kendra your favorite family recipe(s) at kendraheffley@gmail.com.

We expect to distribute the school yearbooks for last year at the picnic. Our class of 2011 (yearbook staff) will be on hand.

You are welcome to bring grandparents and friends. This school-wide event is a wonderful opportunity to greet old friends, and get to know new students and their families. If you have lawn chairs, picnic blankets, or folding tables, those are handy to bring also.

MORE FREE FUNDRAISING FOR CDS

Last week we told you about some ways you can support CDS at no cost to you. Here are a few more:

TerraCycle – We collect drink pouches, cookie packaging, and plastic bags that would be thrown away after the students' lunch and redeem them through TerraCycle, a company which collects hard-to-recycle waste. We redeem the above listed items for 2¢ each. Laura Bryant handles the collecting and redemption.

BoxTops Marketplace – If you begin your Internet shopping for one of the many vendors listed on the Box Tops of Education Marketplace tab, your purchases will earn a percentage (between 1 and 10%, varying by merchant) for the school. Go to Boxtops4education.com. Click the “Earn” tab and then choose “Marketplace” from the drop down menu.

Target - Take Charge of Education – Visit Target.com. Click on Red Card at the bottom of the home page. Then scroll down and click on Take Charge of Education to see how the program works. CDS will earn 1% of your purchases.

KECC

A copy the pledge form for the Kentucky Employees Charitable Campaign, going on now, is attached, with Capital Day School's information already filled in. Capital Day School qualifies as an eligible 501 (c)(3) charity. Simply complete the form with your information and turn it in at your office

Thank you!

SEEKING GRANT WRITER

Our Board of Trustees intends to pursue additional funding for our school through grants. If you have experience with grants seeking, we would appreciate your assistance and insight. Please contact Judith Sudholt, judith.sudholt@gmail.com, for more information or to offer your assistance.

ARCHERY

CDS Archery is open to students in fourth grade and up. Practices are at 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays at CDS. Students who are new to archery should arrive at 5:30 p.m. in order to be introduced to the rules and equipment before practice gets underway. For more information, contact Melissa.Darby@capitaldayschool.net.

GOLF

Volunteer opportunity: We are seeking one or more volunteers to assist our coach, Dave Obradovich. Please contact our Athletic Director, Melissa Darby Melissa.Darby@capitaldayschool.net for more details if you think you might be able to assist.

Golf practice is on Mondays at Lakeview Springs GC from 4:00 to 5:30.

BLACK CAT CHASE

Mark you calendar for the Black Cat Chase on October 28, 2011. Click <http://www.frankfortymca.org/Default.aspx?tabid=1681> for more information, and to register on-line. Between now and September 30, registration is just \$15. Be sure to indicate that you are part of the Capital Day School team when registering.

MUSIC LESSON OPPORTUNITY

Kim Preston offers private music lessons. She is scheduling piano and guitar lessons for the fall, starting in August. If your child already takes lessons, call to confirm lesson time. If your child would like to start lessons, Mrs. Preston is taking new students in piano and guitar. Call 502-229-6734 or e-mail kim.preston@capitaldayschool.net.

MORNING DUTY

Monday, Sept. 5	Nick Stone, William Wooldridge
Tuesday, Sept. 6	Noah Bryant, Katie Butler
Wednesday, Sept. 7	Caroline Coles, Patrick Hydes
Thursday, Sept. 8	Medora Jones, Zach Jones
Friday, Sept. 9	Kirsten Pilcher, Izzy Ransdell

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