

### The Chatfield School March 20, 2017 Bi-Monthly Newsletter



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Happy Spring!

You Are Invited to a Maple Syrup Party at the Willows this Saturday Morning! Maple syrup season is here for Chatfield students. Tapping trees, processing firewood, hauling buckets of sap, filtering and canning the finished syrup have all become part of the school day during this busy season. Our students are hosting a maple syrup extravaganza Saturday, March 25. This program will be at the Willows Ecology Center from 10am-12pm. Participants can see the evaporator in action, learn how to identify and tap a maple tree, take a tour of the sugarbush, learn about historical sugar production by Native Americans, and cut firewood with a crosscut saw. Students will be offering samples of fresh syrup with French toast and waffles. This event is free and open to the public. Students will be selling their homemade Maple syrup. Parking is available in the lot south of Chatfield.

Middle School Open House Tuesday, March 21 6:30PM-We will have an important meeting and open house for our current fifth grade students entering middle school in the fall and for any non-Chatfield students interested in enrolling at Chatfield in 6th, 7th or 8th grade in the fall. Please feel free to invite friends of students with middle school students that may be interested in enrolling at Chatfield.

Middle School Scheduling Begins-We are kicking off middle school scheduling for the 2017-2018 school year today. Student course selection forms are due back to current homeroom teachers on or before Friday, March 30.

Spirit Week and Copper Challenge are next week!-Please see this newsletter for more details.

Matt Young and Bill Kraly, Co-Directors

### GATLINBURG BOOK DRIVE

NJHS is sponsoring a book drive for the school that was displaced from the Gatlinburg fires in the Fall of 2016. They are in great need of books for grades 3rd -8th. Boxes will be in each grade area. Collection dates are
March 20th-24th

### THE PANCAKE MAN IS COMING!

We are looking forward to our special pancake lunch on Tuesday March 28. The lunch includes pancakes, sausage, fruit, drink and fixings. The cost of the lunch will be \$5

per person. Students can use their id card to charge their lunch or they can pay cash. This lunch is available to free and reduced lunch students as well. Parents are welcome to attend. Serving times are approximate: Kindergarten 11:10, 1-2 11:30, 3-4 11:50, 5 Noon, 6-8 12:10.



### CHATFIELD CANDY HUNT

Friday, April 14th, Chatfield will be hold our annual Candy Hunt on the Chatfield grounds!!

### NEEDS:

One bag of <u>wrapped</u> candy from <u>each</u> child. Please have your child deliver the bag of candy to the classroom teacher on or before April 12.

<u>Lots</u> and <u>lots</u> of parents to hide the candy. Parent hiders meet in homeroom area 20 minutes before your child's hunt time.

Younger siblings may join the hunt.

In case of rain, goodies will be distributed in the classroom.

See the flyer attached to this newsletter for classroom participation schedule.



### M-STEP NEWS

Students in grades 3-8 will be taking the M-STEP in April. These computer adaptive, high quality tests assess students in Reading and Writing, Math, and at various grade levels Science and Social Studies. The M-STEP a valuable assessment tool that provides:

An important snapshot of student achievement.

Valuable information to parents on their child's academic achievement.

Important data for teachers, schools, and districts to help guide instruction.

These assessments are required by both state and federal law in order to ensure all children are learning and receiving a high-quality education.

You can help your child be ready for the M-STEP by: Establishing routine times at home for reading, math fact practice, and homework.

Making sure he or she gets a good night's sleep prior to testing.

Making sure he or she eats breakfast and have snacks and water.

Encouraging him or her to work diligently on the assessment.



### CHATFIELD ARCHERY CLUB

Chatfield students have an opportunity to join the Archery Club! The club meets on Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. from March 28-May 9th. Please complete the enrollment form in this newsletter and return to Mr. Verellen. The cost is \$40

### PLEASE NOTE:

The club is for grades 3-8!!



### HELP WANTED FOR OUR "WEE" ONES

Chatfield School is looking for part-time assistance in our Day Care program. If you love little ones and would like to help with our Wee Dolphins, please stop in at the Chatfield office for an application.

### SIBLING ENROLLMENT

If your Chatfield student has a sibling or siblings that you would like to have attend Chatfield for the 2017-2018 school year, please complete the form attached to this newsletter and return to the office by April 3rd.



### COPPER CHALLENGE

Each homeroom will be collecting pennies for Cancer Research. Penny wars will run Tuesday through Thursday March 28-30th during lunch time!



In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours.

~Mark Twain~

## CHATFIELD SPIRIT WEEK!

### Monday, March 27 to Friday, March 31

-Spirit Week is coming....keep these special days in mind-

### Monday, March 27 is TEAM FAN DAY

Who is your favorite team? Where are you going to college? Support your favorite team!

### Tuesday - March 28 is PAJAMA DAY

Come to school in you PJs...uh modest puhleez...don't forget some still have P.E.! Oh and Pancakes for lunch!

### Wednesday - March 29 is WHAT A CHARACTER DAY

Dress up as your favorite book character, your favorite athlete, a famous person.

### Thursday – March 30 is **PINK** or GOLD

Wear pink in support of Cancer Awareness or Gold for Pediatric Cancer Awareness

### Friday – March 31 is Formal Day

Dress up and look sharp!

### **Copper Challenge!**

Can your homeroom raise the most pennies for Cancer Research?

The Copper Challenge - Penny Wars will run Tuesday through Thursday, March 28-March 30 during lunch time.

Please get involved!

**Spirit Week is sponsored by Student Council!** 



# Tuesday 3/28 – Thursday 3/31 Only Save your pennies!

# The class that raises the most pennies wins! RULES:

Each class has a jug with their teacher's name. Students put pennies in their class jug.

Students put silver coins & dollar bills in the other classroom jugs.

Silver coins & dollar bills are subtracted from each class's penny total.

There is a chart on the wall that tells which class is winning. You will want to put your silver coins & bills in that class's jug. **DO NOT** put pennies in other classroom jugs.

You will be able to put money in the jugs before school and during lunchtime.

Challenge will end after lunch on Thursday.

Funds raised support "Kids Without Cancer" Non-Profit and Student Council activities.

## CHATTIELDTAMILIED

# Youareinvited to the 20 than mual Chat field Candy Hunt

FRIDAY,April14



THECHATFIELDGROUNDS

### Time:

Wee Dolphins	10:00	Front Gardens
Kindergarten	11:00	Front Gardens
1/2 Grades	10:30	Playground
3/4/5 Grades	11:00	Playground
6/7/8 Grades	11:20	Amphitheater

### We need your help! Needs:

- 1) One bag of <u>wrapped</u> candy from <u>each</u> child. Please have your child deliver the bag of candy to the classroom teacher on or before April 12.
- 2) <u>Lots</u> and <u>lots</u> of parents to hide the candy. Parent hiders meet in homeroom area 20 minutes before your child's hunt time.
- 3) Younger siblings may join the hunt.
- 4) In case of rain, goodies will be distributed in the classroom.

### Special Notice

### Attention Chatfield Parents

If you have a Pre-school child starting Kindergarten in the 2017-2018 school year

(student must be 5 or turning 5 no later than September 1st)

Or

A child/children in grades K-8 who are NOT enrolled in Chatfield School

Siblings of enrolled Chatfield students are given priority for any vacancies during enrollment of new students.

If you have a child/children currently attending Chatfield School and would like to have their siblings added to our sibling waiting list, please complete the form below and return it to Chatfield School no later than April 3, 2017.

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2017-20	18 Chatfield Sti	udent Sibling En	rollment	Form
Child's Full Name:	Gender:	Date of Birth		Grade Level
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Parent/Guardian Name(s)				
Address		City	Ziţ	)
Parent/Guardian Signature				Signature date
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### 2017 Chatfield Archery Club

Grades 3-8



### LIMITED TO FIRST 20 REGISTERED STUDENTS!

Tuesdays:	3/28,	4/11,	4/25,	5/2, 5	/9
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Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40 (Checks made payable: The Chatfield School)

All participants will learn the essential elements of shooting a Genesis Bow by following the "11 Steps to Successful Archery Shooting" while shooting arrows from 7, 10, and 15 meters.

Participants do not need to have their own Genesis Bow to participate in the club. Bows and arrows will be provided to students for use for the duration of the club.

Any questions or concerns can be directed towards Mr. Verellen at kverellen@chatfieldschool.org or 810-538-1733.

### **2017 Chatfield Archery Club**

Name:	Grade:
Parent(s):	Phone:
Email:	T-Shirt Size:



CHILDREN'S BOOK
AUTHOR & ILLUSTRATOR

## MATT FAULKNER

VISITED

### CHATFIELD SCHOOL



On FRI. MARCH 17TH, your child met children's book author/illustrator

Natt Faullen er! If you'd like to purchase one or more
of MATT's books for your child please fill out this form and return it with
payment to your teacher by

Each book will be autographed and personalized by Matt! Please make checks payable to:

	-	TOTAL	\$
"GAIJIN: AMERICAN PRISONER OF WAR" HARDCOVER	\$19.99		
"STAND TALL, ABE LINCOLN" SOFTCOVER	\$8.99	·	\$
"THE MONSTER WHO ATE MY PEAS" SOFTCOVER	\$7.95		
"BECAUSE I COULD NOT STOP MY BIKE" SOFTCOVER	\$7.95		\$
"WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT FIRST LADIES" HARDCOVER	\$17.99	The state of the s	Ė
"A TASTE OF COLORED WATER" HARDCOVER	\$17.99	energy page 100 miles	\$
"GROUNDHOG'S DILEMMA" HARDCOVER	\$16.95	negative desired	\$
	PRICE	QUANTITY	SUBTOTAL

## Game Night Fundraiser for Blind Education

Date: Thursday,

April 13

Time: 6:30-7:30

Place: Gym

Cost: \$3 per person

or \$5 per family

Help raise money for Florida School for the Blind and Deaf.





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### Chatfield School Weekly Events

### Weeks of March 20 & 27, 2016

As of March 20, 2017

### Monday, March 20, 2017

PreK & KG Dance-Commons-3;45 p.m. PK-KG Dance-Commons-3:35 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 21, 2017

1st Grade Dance-Commons-3:45 p.m. 2nd & 3rd Grade Dance-Commons-4:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Tiger Den-Library-6:00 p.m. Archery Club-Gym-6:00 p.m. Middle School Open House-6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 22, 2017

1-3rd Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, March 23, 2017

Cub Scouts Bear Den-Library-6:00 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

### Friday, March 24, 2017

Archery Team-Gym-6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts-Weblos Den-Library-6:00 p.m.

### Saturday, March 25, 2017

Maple Syrup Open House-Willows-10:00 a.m. Chatfield School Future Enrollment Tours-10 a.m.-11 a.m.

Monday, March 27, 2017 SPIRIT WEEK-Team Fan Day

KG Field Study-Longway Planetarium-12:15 p.m. PK-KG Dance-Commons-3:45 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 SPIRIT WEEK-Pajama Day Pancake Man-Gym-11:00 a.m. 1st Grade Dance-Commons-3:45 p.m. 2nd-3rd Grade Dance-Commons-4:30 p.m. Archery Club-Gym-6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017
SPIRIT WEEK-What a Character Day 1st-3rd Yoga-Library-3:40 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, March 30, 2017

SPIRIT WEEK-Pink or Gold Day Girl Scout Meeting-Library-3:40 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting Bear Den-Library-6:00 p.m. Track Conditioning-Gym-6:30 p.m.

### Friday, March 31, 2017

1/2 Day-School Dismissed at 11:30 a.m. SPIRIT WEEK-Formal Day Archery Club-Gym-6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Weblos Den-Library-6:00 p.m.

> SPRING BREAK-APRIL 3rd-7th RETURN TO SCHOOL MONDAY, APRIL 10TH