

## “The Chat”, Chatfield School’s Weekly News



September 14, 2009

### Welcome Back! Hope you had a great summer!

#### Monday, September 14, 2009

PM Daycare in Gym 3:30-6:00 p.m.

VB Practice—JV 6-7 p.m. Parent Meeting from 7:00-7:15 p.m.

VB Practice—Varsity—7:15-8:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, September 15, 2009

**Middle School Curriculum/Meet the Teacher Night in the Commons Area—6:30-7:15 p.m.**

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

Flag Football Game—4:30 Chatfield @ Bishop Kelley

Home JV Volleyball Game—Chatfield vs St. Paul In gym—6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, September 16, 2009

##### Fall Picture Day!

4th Grade Field Trip to Lansing Capitol, etc.

8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

**Lower EI Curriculum/Meet the Teacher Night In Gym—6:30-7:15 p.m.**

#### Thursday, September 17, 2009

**Constitution Day—Wear Red, White & Blue!**

PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

Flag Football Game Turrill @ Chatfield—4:30

**Kindergarten Curriculum/Meet The Teacher**

#### **Night in Gym—6:30-7:15 p.m.**

Away Boys’ Varsity Soccer game at Imlay City Christian—4:30 p.m.

#### Friday, September 18, 2009

##### Early Release at 2:30 p.m.!

PM Daycare in Gym—2:30-6:00 p.m.

#### Monday, September 21, 2009

##### Regular Scheduled Classes!

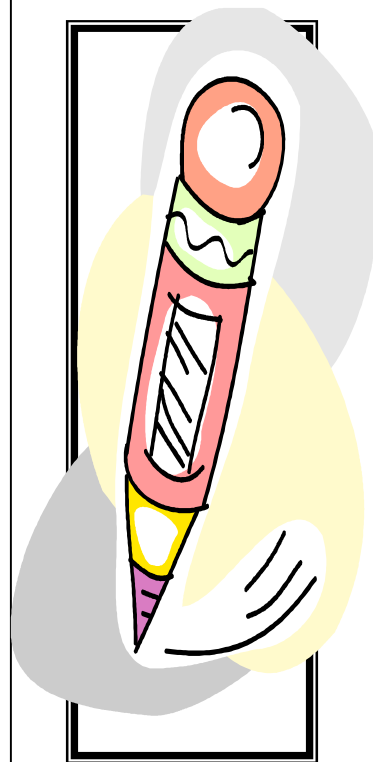
PM Daycare in Gym—3:30-6:00 p.m.

##### Reminder:

**All Emergency Cards Must be returned to the school office as soon as possible!**

**If your child needs to miss school FOR ANY REASON, YOU MUST LEAVE AN ATTENDANCE MESSAGE! TO DO THAT, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL NUMBER... 667-8970 AND LISTEN TO THE PROMPTS, IF YOU NEED TO LEAVE AN ATTENDANCE MESSAGE, PRESS 6.**

**We need to know the student’s name, teacher and grade, the reason for the absence, and when you think he or she will return.**



### Dropping Off Students in the Morning:

#### Doors Open:

Gym Lobby Door

Front Office Door

Middle School Door (w/Steps)

Library (North Door)

Open at 6:15 a.m.

Open at 7:15 a.m.

Open at 8:00 a.m.

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#### Dropping Off:

**All entrances — except the Library (North) Door may be used for “Stop and Drop Off” and traffic flow needs to be maintained. The Library (North) Door should be USED ONLY BY PARENTS WHO HAVE PARKED and are walking their children into school. Stopping at the Library Door severely impedes traffic flow!**

### Student Waiting Areas:

**Students are NOT ALLOWED to be in Instructional Areas or Locker Rooms prior to 8:20 a.m. Students arriving BEFORE 8:20 MUST REMAIN IN THE GYM LOBBY AREA or the Middle School Corridor; Kindergarten children may remain in the office hallway.**

## **EST (Extra School Time)**

At Chatfield School a primary goal of the parent-staff partnership is to have children learn to be responsible for their behavior and to respect the rules that make the school a safe, organized environment for learning and activities. We try to develop this in a variety of ways, including having consequences for not fulfilling expectations.

This year we are developing the EST Program (Extra School Time) to provide a simple consequence that can be used for minor infractions—primarily excessive tardiness and persistent disobedience (continuing to do something unacceptable even after being told to stop.)

EST is an after school period. The EST Center sessions will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:40 until 4:25 p.m. Students who must complete an EST period will be supervised and expected to have school work or a book to read.

Teachers who assign EST period are responsible for having the child's parents aware of the assignment, but this will be accomplished in different ways depending upon the age of the student and the communications process between the family and the teacher.

To have EST work requires the support of parents. Families may have to adjust schedules for picking up children. Families with more than one child may have to arrange for two pickup times since the children not required to attend EST cannot be supervised by school staff. To assist in making arrangements, students will be expected to complete EST assignments within two EST days of the assignment (for example, if a child were assigned EST on Thursday, he/she would be able to do the EST assignment that day or the following Tuesday).

**Just a Reminder:**

**K-8th Grade:**

**Warm Weather Dress Code is to be Safe, neat and modest. Students wearing inappropriate clothing will be asked to call home for a change of clothes.**

**Non-Acceptable Shirts:**

**Girls—spaghetti straps, off the shoulder, low necklines, exposed midriff area.**

**Boys—muscle shirts with deep armholes and All shirt design many not contain inappropriate words or graphics.**

**Shoes—must be worn at all times at school, this includes children involved in the before and after school programs. We encourage sensible, safe shoes that allow students to be active. Platform shoes are considered a hazard and have caused turned ankles in the classroom and on the playground. Flip-flops, although comfortable, restrict play outdoors.**

Please join us  
 For:  
*-An Open House-*  
 Featuring:  
 The Chatfield School Grandparents  
 On:  
 Thursday, September 24, 2009

6:30-7:30p.m.

The Chatfield children have set aside this time to honor grandparents, a special older friend or their parents. Stroll with your special child through the gardens surrounding the school and then come inside to tour the school and visit classrooms.

Visit the pie tasting table located on the outdoor basketball court and also enjoy the musical treat provided by *Strings n' Things*.

*-We believe that Life is measured in memories not years-*

*-Make A Wish Foundation*



**POSITIONS AVAILABLE:**

1. One person is needed to work from 7:45 to 8:45 a.m. and again from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. (2:30—3:30 on Fridays). The position is supervising in the gym entrance/Middle School hallway in the morning and supervising the Extra School Time (EST) area after school.
2. Persons may be needed to work from 11:00—1:00 each day in the gym/cafeteria.

If any Chatfield parent is interested in being considered for either or both of these positions, please obtain a brief application form in the school office.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US AT CAMP LAEL

Run/Walk family fair this Saturday, September 19th!

Time: 11:00 a.m. TO 8:00 P.M.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25.00

ANYONE UNDER 12 OR OVER 70 IS FREE!

Registration begins @ 10:00 a.m.

Kids run (12 and under) at 11:00 a.m.

Adults run at 12:00 p.m.

Prizes given for:      Total donations  
                                  Single highest donation (most sponsors)  
                                  Fastest runner times

Family fair bounce houses, games, fun:

Family picnic lunch is \$5 (for non participants)

You may register online at [www.camplael.com](http://www.camplael.com)

Or Call 664-6795 or (1-800-636-8452)

**GRANDPARENT OPEN HOUSE**

Grandparent Open House us Thursday, September 24th. As in previous years, there will be a pie tasting. We will need PIES--lots and lots of pies. PIES can be homemade or store bought. PIES can be brought to the school kitchen anytime on September 24th.

Thank You....was it mentioned we need MANY, MANY PIES?????

## **FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION DAY—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH**

The following lists some of the Michigan Participating Museums. For a more complete list, you may go to <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/museum-search/?state=Michigan>

Air Zoo—Portage, MI

Birmingham Historical Museum—Birmingham, MI

Kalamazoo Nature Center—Kalamazoo

Matthael Botanical Gardens—Ann Arbor

MSU Museum—East Lansing

Troy Museum & Historic Village—Troy

UofM Michigan Museum of Art—Ann Arbor

Arab Am. National Museum—Dearborn, MI

Cliffs Shaft Mine Museum—Ishpeming

Kingman Museum—Battle Creek

Meadow Brook Hall & Gardens—Rochester

Mus. Of Contemporary Art—Detroit

UofM Exhibit of Nat. History—Ann Arbor

## **TIME TO PUT ON YOUR BEST SMILE!**

**JUST A REMINDER THAT THIS COMING WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 16TH IS OUR FALL PICTURE DAY!**



**EVERYONE GETS THEIR PICTURE TAKEN. THEN EVERYONE WILL GET AN ENVELOPE WITH PROOFS AND PACKAGE PRICING TO TAKE HOME THAT DAY FOR MOM AND DAD TO REVIEW. YOU WILL ONLY HAVE A SHORT TIME TO RETURN THAT ENVELOPE, ALONG WITH YOUR SELECTION OF PICTURE PACKAGE AND PAYMENT BACK TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE!**

### **YEARBOOK CHANGE:**

**Also, please note 2009-10 Yearbooks WILL NOT BE distributed FREE to students and staff. If you purchase a Fall Picture Package, a yearbook is included. If you do not want to purchase a picture package, you can still order a yearbook at a cost of \$6.00. Please check the appropriate box on the order form.**

## RELAY NEWS

**Thanks to all the students and parents, without you Chatfield would have not make their goal of \$8,000.00. We turned in \$8,405.10, which made Chatfield School a Gold Sponsor for the Relay For Life June 2009.**

RESERVED  
PARKING

The following families have won this year's parking spots:

**Aulbrook, Canavesio, Taylor, O'Bryan and Chamberlain. These spots are reserved, so PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THEM BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL OR ON THE WEEKENDS!**

For those who are new or don't know what Relay for Life is all about, Relay For Life is a life-changing event that brings together more than 3.5 million people to:

- Celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer.
- Remember loved ones lost to the disease.
- Fight Back, we Relay because we have been touched by cancer and desperately want to put an end to the disease.

The team is made up of Chatfield students, grades 4-8 who are committed and willing to raise money through different fundraisers. We camp out at the Eastern Michigan Fair Grounds in Imlay City over night and walk around the track in the fight against Cancer. This year's event will be held June 12th-13th, 2010. Our theme this year is, ***Cinderella***.

***Our First meeting is Friday, September 18 at 2:35 in the Multi-Purpose Room. All students (boys and girls), grades 4-8 are welcome.***

The school store will be opening in the next few weeks!

Upcoming events include: Mom-To-Mom sale, date TBA; I will need lots of help for this! The sale will be held at Chatfield, tables will be \$20.00 & \$30.00. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

Save your old cell phones & ink cartridges! We will be collecting them and sending them in for \$. More details later.

Thanks to All—Karen Hart (810) 656-8771—email: [dnkhart@charter.net](mailto:dnkhart@charter.net)