



**January 4th, 2019**  
**Cornerstone Christian School News**



As many of you already know, I (Mrs. Rose) will be retiring from my position as the school secretary on February 1st. Thanks to all of you for making my years at Cornerstone so memorable! I am excited to introduce to you the new school secretary. Mrs. Nettleingham and the school board have chosen a wonderful replacement. Welcome Mrs. Sandra Lorey! Mrs. Lorey has volunteered in many positions here at CCS over the years. Her 2 eldest sons attended this school and her youngest son is currently here in the 8th grade. You may know her as our "spirit wear" lady and as one of our pizza moms. We will be blessed to have Mrs. Lorey on staff.

## Lunch Time

February 1st begins the new quarter for our lunch program. Please go to the school website to sign up and pay for the new quarter if you have not already done so.

We are looking for a parent to serve pizza on Fridays. You would be needed from 11:20am to 1:00pm. If you are able to fill this much needed position please call the school office (810-494-4040). Thank you.

Save <sup>the</sup> Date

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Monday, Feb 11th 2019



Grandparents are invited to be honored and celebrated on this special day, Monday, February 11th. Please join us from 9am-11am. If your grandparent is unable to attend you may invite a special person.



# School Spirit Tastes Great!



Make a dinner a selfless act by joining us for a community dinner to support Cornerstone Christian School. Come in to Chipotle, at 8599 W. Grand River Ave. in Brighton, on **Monday January 14th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring the flyer that was sent home with you or show this on your smartphone to make sure that 33% of the proceeds go to Cornerstone Christian School.



\*Online orders will not be included in this offer. To ensure your purchase is counted you must pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during this event will not qualify but purchases made with an existing gift card will.



CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO

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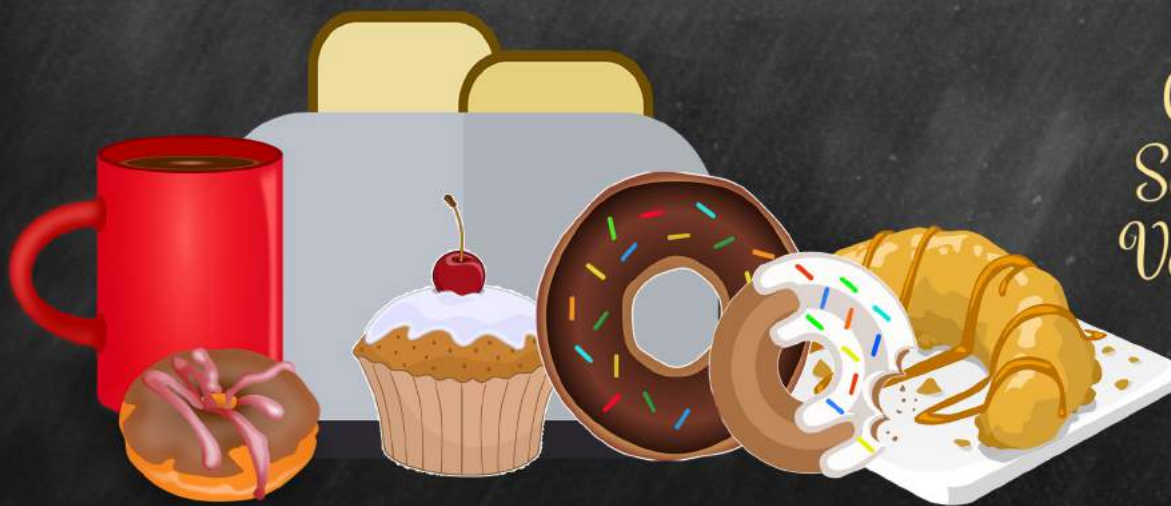
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Wednesday, January 9th

10:45am - 1:00pm in the Chapel

Come have a coffee and chat with other CCS parents!



Coffee, Juice,  
Sandwiches and  
Various Pastries  
Provided!

## ***Kindergarten Information Night***

**Thursday, January 17th, Room 111, 7:00 pm**

Do you know the parent of a preschooler?  
Are you the parent of a preschooler?  
It's time to start thinking about Kindergarten!



### **Perhaps you are asking yourself:**

“How do I know if my child is ready for Kindergarten?”

“Is there Kindergarten Readiness testing?”

“What should I look for in a Kindergarten program?”

“What is unique about CCS’s Kindergarten?”

Whatever your plans are for Kindergarten, this evening will give you important information that every parent should know.





# Go Thunder!

## Spirit Week

### **Monday: Crazy Hair/Hat Day (1/7)**

Students may wear their hair any way they desire or put on a crazy hat. School uniform is required.

### **Tuesday: Color Day (1/8)**

Wear and bring attire all the same color.

### **Wednesday: Favorite Character Day (1/9)**

Dress as a favorite character, real or imaginary.

### **Thursday Destination Day (1/10)**

Dress like you are involved in a specific event:  
A day at the beach, a birthday party,  
basketball game, hiking, fancy wedding...etc.

### **Friday: Favorite Team Day (1/11)**

Dress in your favorite sport or team apparel.

**Please note: if students are not participating in the spirit days, they must be in full uniform.**

On Friday, January 11th, we will end Spirit Week with a pep rally where the winner of the Spirit Trophy will be announced. This pep rally will be held at 2:55pm in Hess Hall. Parents welcome!

Individual winners and a winning class for each day will be posted on the wall by Hess Hall. Have a great week showing your school spirit and support for our teams!

# SCRIP

Did you know...when you purchase gift cards through SCRIP, you can earn money! Simply order gift cards on-line, drop a check off to the school office, and you earn money! A check for the amount you earned will be sent to you at the end of the school year. You may use the money any way you choose. Some families have earned enough to pay for most of their child's tuition! Just go to Shop-withscrip.com and use Code: 6C7C72298749 to get enrolled! If you are interested in learning more about SCRIP, please contact Mrs. Giammalva through the school office.

## 2018-19 SKI/SNOWBOARDS SEASON

**WHO:** CCS students & family members, all ages and ski levels welcome

**WHERE:** Mt. Brighton

**Friday-Jan. 4 @ 4pm, Friday-Jan. 11 @ 4pm, Friday-Jan. 18 @ 10 am, Monday-Jan. 21 @10 am (lift ticket will be \$33 because of holiday), Monday-Jan. 25 @ 4pm, Friday-Feb. 1 @ 4pm, Thursday-Feb. 7 @10am, Friday-Feb. 15 @ 10am, Monday-Feb. 18 @ 10am (lift ticket will be \$33 because of holiday), Friday-Feb. 22 @ 4pm...** any dates beyond this will depend on snow conditions.

**RATES:** Lift ticket \$28 ( discounted from \$42)  
Rental \$15 (discounted from \$30)  
\$5 Helmet rental (helmet required if taking a lesson)  
\$10 Hour Group lesson (discounted from \$20/hour)  
11 am lesson when we start at 10 am  
5 pm lesson when we start at 4 pm

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) Complete waiver (online)
- 2) Complete order form and payment for each date of participation and give to Mrs. Rose
  - \* Friday ski days - order form due on Wed. by 3pm
  - \* Thursday ski day - order form due on Tue. by 3pm
  - \* Monday ski day - order form due on Fri. by 3pm

**REFUNDS:** Will only be issued if Mt. Brighton is closed

**QUESTIONS:** Call or email Jennifer Lemmen 810-252-8939 [drjenlemmen@gmail.com](mailto:drjenlemmen@gmail.com)

## “NEW” TAX SAVINGS WITH 529 PLANS FOR 2018 AND AFTER

### Money Saving Opportunities!

#### Important Tuition News!

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act has expanded the use of 529 plans—accounts that allow savers to accumulate money and pay for college on a tax-free basis—**to include elementary and secondary school expenses at public, private or religious institutions.**

Beginning in 2018 the new law allows parents to take up to \$10,000 per child from that child’s 529 college savings plan to pay their K-12 tuition. Michigan offers two state-sponsored 529 savings plans. But as of now, just one—the Michigan Education Savings Program—is eligible to be used to cover private school tuition, according to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Money invested in MESP can grow free of federal and state income taxes if used for a qualified expense. There’s also State of Michigan tax breaks of up to \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for joint filers in state taxes.

#### Who can open an account?

Any individual with a Social Security number or federal Taxpayer Identification number who is a U.S. citizen or resident alien can open an account and contribute to a Michigan Education Savings Program (MESP) account on behalf of **any beneficiary.**

#### Earn money by referring a family!

Any current CCS family who refers a new family earns money! When you refer a family, and that family completes the school year, you earn \$500 per student! This money will be given to you at the end of the year completed by the new family. A referral form is available to fill out in the office and must be filled out at the beginning of the school year.





## Pizza Friday

Those making donations for January 11th Dessert-**Vaughn** Fruit/Vegetable-**Vaughn** Please provide for 85. The Friday pizza program must be prepaid. You will not be able to pay for pizza the day it is being served because orders are called in two days before. If your child is absent on the day you have paid for, all monies will be donated to the school. Milk/water will be available for purchase daily for 40 cents. Lunch order forms are available on the kiosk outside the office door. There is an opening for donations May 24. Please see the sign-up sheet on the kiosk or call the office to sign-up. Thank you.

1/17	<b>Kindergarten Information Night</b> —Parents of Prospective Students- Room 111-7:00pm
1/17	<b>End of Second Quarter</b>
1/18	<b>No School Students</b> —Professional Development/Records Day
1/21	<b>No School Students</b> —Martin Luther King Jr. Day
2/7	<b>No School Students</b> —Parent/Teacher Conferences-12:00 noon-8:00pm
2/15-18	<b>No School Students</b> —Mid-Winter Recess/Professional Development

### SCRIP

Scrip dates for the upcoming school year! 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6 (All Mondays), and 5/29 (Wednesday - Final Order). Checks are due into the office by 8:30 am each date.

### SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Mrs. Nettleingham has set up an account with "[remind.com](http://remind.com)". In order to receive a text message on your phone in the event of a school closing for Cornerstone Christian School, please text **@mrsnettlei to 81010**.

The mission of Cornerstone Christian School is to prepare children to glorify God as ambassadors of Jesus Christ by providing a biblical foundation, Christian values and relationships, and a challenging academic program.

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