

# China Primary School

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**Comp Day for All Teachers - NO SCHOOL**  
**Friday, October 11**

**Columbus Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL**  
**Monday, October 14**

## **Free & Reduced Price Meal Applications**

Applications for free and reduced priced meals at school must be submitted for each school year. Forms were sent home with all students in First Day Student Packets. Please submit your completed application to CPS or to RSU 18 Nutrition Director Barbara Bonnell at 41 Heath Street, Oakland, ME 04963. If you need an application form or need help in filling it out, please call the school office at 445-1550 or Barbara Bonnell at 465-7384 Ext 2661. If you would like to apply online, go to [www.school lunchapp.com](http://www.school lunchapp.com). *This year, in order for CPS to qualify for federal grant monies, we are asking that all families file a response to this form. If you do not qualify or do not wish to participate, please check off the box on the form or send in a note along with your child's name and return it to us as soon as possible. Thank you.*

*The grace period for those who qualified for free or reduced price meals last year will expire Oct 10. After Oct 10, all families who have not submitted a new application will be on a Full Pay status.*

## **Parent / Teacher Conferences at CPS**



Parent / Teacher Conferences will take place from Monday, Oct 7, through Friday, Oct 18. *Our common night for conferences is Thursday, Oct 10.* We are once again asking parents to visit our CPS Conferences website at <https://sites.google.com/rsu18.org/cps-ptcs> to sign up for a conference time. Scan the QR code posted in our school lobby with your phone or other device, or visit the CPS website through [rsu18.org](http://rsu18.org). You may also contact your child's teacher by calling the school @ 445-1550 and leaving a message requesting a conference time. We are looking forward to seeing you at parent / teacher conferences.

## **Scholastic Book Fair @ CPS**

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to China Primary School beginning Monday, Oct 21, through Friday, Oct 25. Mrs. Boudreau is seeking volunteers to help with this event during the school day. If you would like to volunteer for morning or afternoon hours, please let us know by calling the school at 445-1550 or sending an email to [sboudreau@rsu18.org](mailto:sboudreau@rsu18.org) before October 21. The hours of the fair will be 7:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## **Title I Reading & Math Family Event**

A Title I Reading & Math Family Event will be held Friday, Oct 25th, 4:30-5:30 p.m. in the CPS Library. Please stop by for a meet and greet the night of the Annual CPS Pizza Supper. More information will be sent home with your child. Hope yo see you there!

## **Upcoming Events:**

- School Board Meeting Wednesday, Oct 2, 7:00 pm at Central Office
- China PTO Meeting Thursday, Oct 3, 6:00 pm @ China Middle School Library
- Kindergarten Field Trips to Lemieux's Orchard Friday, Oct 4
- Parent / Teacher Conferences @ CPS Monday, Oct 7 - Friday, Oct 18 - Common Night Thursday, Oct 10
- **Teacher Comp Day Friday, Oct 11 - NO SCHOOL** - *(Zumba moved to Wed, Oct 9, this week)*
- **Columbus Day Holiday Monday, Oct 14 - NO SCHOOL**
- School Board Meeting Wednesday, Oct 16, 7:00 pm at Mid-Maine Technical Center, Waterville
- Fire Prevention Day @ CPS Friday, Oct 18
- PTO Paint Nite @ CPS Friday, Oct 18 - *(Zumba moved to Wed, Oct 16, this week)*
- Scholastic Book Fair @ CPS - Oct 21 - Oct 25 - *volunteers needed please*
- CPS Annual Pizza Supper Friday, Oct 25 - *stay tuned for more details*

# **China PTO News**

## **PRIMARY SCHOOL PENNY WARS RESULTS**

<b>Teachers</b>	<b>-3328</b>
<b>Pre-K &amp; Kindergarten</b>	<b>+4031</b>
<b>First Grade</b>	<b>+7496</b>
<b>Second Grade</b>	<b>+2411</b>
<b>Third Grade</b>	<b>-2592</b>
<b>Fourth Grade</b>	<b>-2989</b>

# **WINNERS OF THIS FRIDAY'S PIZZA PARTY: FIRST GRADE!**

The China Schools PTO meets the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the China Middle School Library. **Next meeting is this Thursday, October 3, at 6pm. Join us in the CMS Library.** All are welcome to join us in our efforts to support our children's education. We now have a Facebook Group: find us at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/chinaschoolspto/> We air every meeting on FB Live. While we still need people to attend meetings in person so we can vote on issues, we welcome those who can't attend to join us on the FB Live feed. **Your voice matters!**

Join our Remind group (download the Remind app) to get updates. Our code is @chinasc

**Upcoming PTO events - email [Chinaschoolspto@gmail.com](mailto:Chinaschoolspto@gmail.com) to volunteer an hour or two of your time!**

- **Paint Night Fundraiser** - 10/18/19 at 6pm. The FaceBook event has been created, and tickets are up for sale. Painting with Lori has created a custom painting for us for the event! \$30 per ticket, and all proceeds go to the China Schools PTO!
- **Zumba Workouts** - Every Friday 5:30-7:00pm we hold a Zumba class in the CPS Gym. Attendance is \$7 for ages 13 through adult, ages 12 and under are free!  
*Zumba moved to Wednesday, Oct 9, due to school closure Friday, Oct 11*  
*Zumba moved to Wednesday, Oct 16, due to PTO Paint Nite Friday, Oct 18*  
*Zumba moved to (???) due to CPS Pizza Supper Friday, Oct 25*
- **China Maine Craft Show** - 11/2/2019 - We will need a lot of volunteers for this event! Stay tuned on the PTO FB page for electronic volunteer signups!

## **China Maine Craft Show** Sponsored by The China PTO **Saturday, November 2, 2019**

**China Middle School 9am-2pm**

Once again as part of the PTO sponsored China Maine Craft Show, we will be having Homeroom Basket Raffle. This is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year and funds raised from the raffle help fund extra resources and activities for our school.

Every donation is appreciated! Themes have been assigned to classes and students are asked to bring in a new item, gift card, or gift certificate based on their assigned theme. Collection will begin on Tuesday, October 1st and end no later than Friday, October 25th. Suggestions for items are listed next to the theme as a guideline but all ideas are welcomed and appreciated. Boxes will be placed in Primary School classrooms for students to place donated items and Gift cards will be sent to the office for safe keeping.

**PreK/Kindergarten- Ultimate Christmas Wish List Basket (Toys, Movies, Legos, Disney, Barbie, LOL Surprise, Play-Doh, Shopkins, Dress Up, Superheroes, Hot Wheels)**

**Grade 1- Family Fun Night (Board Games, Movies, Card Games, Puzzles, Movie Tickets, Family Crafts)**

**Grade 2- Everything Sports Basket (Sports Team Merchandise, Clothing, Accessories, Water Bottles)**

**Grade 3- Dunkin Donuts Themed Basket (Gift Cards, Dunkin Donuts Merchandise)**

**Grade 4- Slime Themed Basket (Slime ingredients: Glue, Contact Lens Solution, Borax, Baking Soda, Already Made Slime, Containers for Slime, Slime Kits, Mix-Ins i.e.: beads, glitter, food coloring/paint)**

**Grade 5 and 6- Food/Restaurant Gift Cards/Certificates (Gifts Cards from your favorite restaurant or take out spot, Visa Gift Cards)**

**Grade 7 and 8- Retail Therapy Gift Cards/Certificates (Gift Cards from your favorite place to shop- TJMaxx, Wal-Mart, Olympia Sports, Amazon, Visa Gift Cards)**

### **Community News**

**Substitute Teacher Training** - China Primary and many other schools in the area need substitute teachers. If you enjoy working with children and want to learn more about the rewards of working as a substitute in local schools, check out the Mid-Maine Regional Adult Community Education Program training offered at Waterville Senior High School on Thursday, Nov 14, 5:30-7:30 pm (\$11 self-supporting fee). For more information about this and many other adult ed offerings, or to register, contact [www.midmaine.maineadulted.org](http://www.midmaine.maineadulted.org) or call 873-5754.

**China Rec Soccer:** Contact Raigan York at 242-6515 or Ashley Allen 952-2019 if you have any questions! Like our FB page to stay informed of weather cancellations and updates from the league!