

CAE Newsletter

September 2018

TEAMING UP FOR SUCCESS!



— WELCOME — BACK TO SCHOOL

As principal of Cumberland Academy Elementary, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great year at CAE! We are all excited to have students back in our classrooms and hallways filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our goal to help every child feel welcomed, connected, and a part of the Cumberland Academy family. Together, let's make sure our children thrive in their academic abilities and grow as students.

Upcoming Events

9/3	No School
9/5-12	TPRI – Grades 1 & 2
9/14	School Pictures
9/20	Progress Reports go home
9/24-28	Change-4- Change

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TPRI TESTING

What is TPRI?

It is a highly reliable early reading assessment that is designed to identify the reading development of student in Kindergarten through 2nd grade.

When is it given?

The classroom teacher gives TPRI as a one-on-one assessment three times a year.

How is TPRI results used?

The classroom teacher uses the results to provide targeted instruction so that students improve as readers.

Dates

1st Grade – September 5th – 12th

2nd Grade – September 5th – 12th

Kindergarten – completed in October (dates TBA)



Lunch Schedule

Early Education Building
11:00 Kindergarten

Cafeteria
10:50 1st Grade
11:00 2nd Grade
11:25 3rd Grade
11:35 4th Grade
12:00 5th Grade

CAE Remind 101



Sign up to receive messages from Mrs. Whitehead regarding school activities and events.

**Text @73ff3f to
81010**

Daily Reminders



Morning Drop-off:

- * School starts at 7:50 AM
- * Students are tardy after 7:50 AM
- * After 7:50 AM, all students must be signed in by a parent
- * Students are not supervised before the doors open at 7:20

After School Pick-Up:

- * School ends at 3:15 PM
- * Students with a sibling on campus are picked up out front
- * Students without a sibling on campus are picked up in the back
- * All students not picked up by 3:45 will be sent to EDP and charged the daily fee of \$10 per day
- * Students who walk home will need to make sure the proper form is signed
- * Tutorials are over at 3:50 and all students must be picked up by 4:00 in front

Dress Code

Please check the school website for our Dress Code Policy. As we start to get a little cooler weather, review the policy for acceptable jackets, hoodies, and tights. Remember, LIGHT BLUE and YELLOW are not school uniform colors.

Character Trait Focus



RESPECT

Act in a positive way towards others.

Our students focus on a character trait each nine-week period throughout the school year. The students that exemplify the focus trait get recognized at each awards assembly.



NO SCHOOL
9/3 Labor Day



Picture Day is Coming

Order before Picture Day at

mylifetouch.com

Picture Day is:

Friday, September 14, 2018

Cumberland Academy Elementary

1 VISIT:
mylifetouch.com

2 ENTER
your Picture Day ID
HC018267Y0

3 ORDER
your perfect package—and
don't worry about returning
anything on Picture Day!



ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR UNIFORM

Teacher Shenanigans

Our CAE staff had a little fun during in-service week!



ATTENTION FIRST GRADE!

First Grade Families!

Thank you for helping make the beginning of the year a successful one!

Please remember, first grade is a big transition from Kindergarten. Therefore, remind your child of classroom and school rules/expectations that have been sent home. Please complete any homework and send a snack each day for your child, along with a spoon if one is needed. Make sure your child is in dress code everyday. Hoodies/sweatshirts in the classroom are often needed, but must be in uniform colors.

Contact us if anything is needed!



PE NEWS

We are up and running in PE - literally! This first 9 weeks is all about getting students back into shape after a summer off by running laps and getting our heart rates up. We are also focusing on body control and spatial awareness (being aware of our own bodies, as well as those around us so we don't crash into one another). With the Texas heat not letting up, we will spend much of this first 9 weeks indoors playing tag and dodging games and enjoying the AC while we can. It's going to be a great year in PE and I am so excited to be back doing what I love to do!

- Coach Brown



CHANGE-4-CHANGE

PURPOSE: Raise \$100 for classroom recycling bins to organize our school-wide recycling program

WHEN: September 24 – September 28

WHAT TO DO: Find all your extra change & drop it in the change jars in the front office





Bienvenidos a la clase de español! Welcome to Spanish class!
Our Kindergarten classes are having a great time learning through singing and dancing. They are learning the Hola y Adios song and Chocolate. They are also beginning to learn el alfabeto en español! During the month of September, all the students will be celebrating Hispanic Heritage month. The students will be learning about many Latin American countries and completing a project in class. They will also learn about el día de la independenciam de México, México's Independence Day, that is celebrated on September 16.

CAE GARDENERS





4th GRADE NEWS



Dance, Dance, Dance.... as we learn new place value concepts in Mrs. Powell's math class. These kids love a good dance party after digging deep and working hard. The new 4th grade vocabulary and word problems are a BIG step up from third grade. This month in math we'll be mastering place value, rounding, begin fractions, and 2-digit multiplication.

As of right now, we are mostly settling in and getting to know each other, procedures, and guidelines. Mrs. Gremmels class has been focusing on character and their traits, categorizing spelling words, but mostly learning how to work with a partner.

Our big theme in language arts this month is "helping brings out the best in us". We also begin our first children's novel this week, *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* written by Judy Blume. In Social Studies, we're learning about how to read maps, how to find Texas. In other words, "Where in the World are we?". In Science, this month we're learning how to investigate and observe matter and energy.

Until next month...
Your 4th grade team





Fifth Grade News



5th Grade has gotten off to a wonderful start! We are planting flowers and vegetables in the garden boxes by the playground. It will be so exciting to watch everything grow.

Our year in 5th grade is fast and furious, and we start our year with the intent of lots of success and preparation for 6th grade. In order to learn what is necessary for 5th grade, behavior must be at it's best. We will visit with you for concerns and appreciate your support.

The homework each week will be spelling, reading 20 minutes each night, and other assignments needed for practice on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights.

The skills we are working with this nine weeks is place value, decimals, rounding and estimating, multiplication of 2 digit x 2 digit numbers, and the real life situational word problems. Please continue to practice basic multiplication facts to help with all the computation needed in 5th grade.

Reading will work on comprehension, how to infer/predict and draw conclusion from the story, characters, as well as conflicts.

Thank you so much for your support!



REMINDER:

It is illegal to turn left into our parking lots from Shiloh. It causes collisions and slows the traffic flow.

third grade rocks!

Third grade is a transition year. We are going from learning to read to reading to learn. Many students coast through Kindergarten-Second grade without much effort and make all A's. That usually changes in third grade. Of course, your child may very well make all A's, but course content will become more challenging.

If you want to keep an eye on your child's progress, please sign up for Parent Portal. The procedures on how to set it up will be sent home soon. There you can see your child's grades as they are entered into the grade book as well as notes from the teacher.

Third graders are encouraged to take more responsibility for their learning, possessions, and behavior.

What we are learning:

Math – place value

Reading – genres

Science – safety and ecosystems

Social Studies – our place in the world

Language Arts – improving our writing and sentences



MORNING REMINDERS

The earliest time for students to be dropped off in the mornings is 7:20 am.

Students **MAY NOT** be left unsupervised outside the building at any time for their safety around the morning traffic.