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THE CENTERVILLE CONNECTION

Principal's Constellation Comments

Another school year has begun, and your children handled its beginning with grace and enthusiasm. It is always amazing to see how much the students have grown over the summer. They just keep getting taller and remind us that time is going by!

Thank you to all of our families that have rallied to support CES and each other during this difficult time of loss. **The viewing for Jazimen Warr will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, 8/29, at First Baptist Church of Highland Park, 6801 Sheriff Road, Landover, MD 20785. Following the viewing there will be a funeral service at 11:00 a.m. The church phone number is 301-773-6655.** Students attending the service will have an excused absence, as long as they are accompanied by a parent and bring in a note the next school day explaining their absence.

KickOff Meetings for Oakdale High School Redistricting Study Announced

There will be four opportunities for the public to learn about the upcoming Oakdale HS Redistricting project. Public information meetings will be held at the following locations: Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at Oakdale High School at 7 p.m.; Thursday, September 18, 2008 at Urbana Middle School at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at New Market Middle School at 7 p.m.; and Monday, September 29, 2008 at Gov. TJ Middle School at 7 p.m. The meetings will cover the same information and are open to all school communities. FCPS staff will introduce the OHS redistricting project, define objectives and establish the process and schedule. There will also be an opportunity for the public to provide general comments, concerns and ask questions. Draft redistricting options will not be available at this time. Additional information can be found on the FCPS web page at <http://www.fcps.org/ohsredistricting>.

Alcohol Based Hand Sanitizers

We wish to inform parents that we are no longer able to accept donations of **alcohol-based** hand sanitizers. It has been determined that when the alcohol-based sanitizer gets on either the tile floors or carpeted floors within the school, it damages the floors by bleaching the color/finish. Within the next month, FCPS will be installing new, **alcohol-free** hand sanitizers throughout the school.

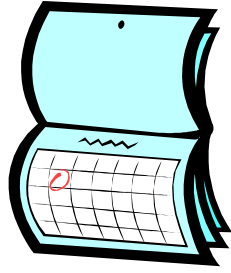
PTA News

The first PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9th at 9:15 a.m. in the cafeteria. Come meet them, chat, see old friends, meet new friends and share your ideas with them.

Our Fundraiser is **kicking off next week!** There are hundreds of great products, magazines and goodies available through catalog orders or through ONLINE purchases. Many products available only online are personalized and make terrific gifts. And new this year – in addition to the cool incentive prizes offered by Kathryn Beich, all students that sell at least five items will be entered in a drawing to win a brand new iPod Shuffle and a \$25 iTunes gift card!!!! **Keep your eyes peeled for the catalog next week!**

Yours in education,
Steve Raff & Gina Keefer
Administrative Team

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Dates to Remember

- 9/1/08 – School Closed for Labor Day
- 9/8/08 – Back to School Night
 - Kindergarten – 5:30 p.m.
 - 1st Grade – 6:30 p.m.
- 9/16/08 – Back to School Night
 - 2nd Grade – 5:30 p.m.
 - 3rd Grade – 6:30 p.m.
- 9/17/08 – Back to School Night
 - 4th Grade – 5:30 p.m.
 - 5th Grade – 6:30 p.m.
- 9/19/08 – School Closed for Fair Day