

#### <u>**Important Dates:**</u>

Sept. 2nd: Labor Day No School

Sept. 4th: Back to school night 6pm-8pm

Sept. 10th: PTO meeting @ 5:30pm

Sept. 16-20th: CHS Homecoming week

Sept. 23rd: Board of education meeting 6pm

Sept. 25th: Half day (SIP)

The first days of school have been fantastic! The CMS Staff has been working with our students to build relationships, introduce them to classroom expectations, and we have started teaching new academic concepts. Without even blinking we are stepping into week three of school!

Back-to-School Night is tomorrow, September 4th from 6 to 8 p.m. Parents and guardians should enter the school through Door 9 at the back of the building. Doors will open at 5:45 p.m. We look forward to seeing you soon!

This week starts NWEA/MAP Testing. The NWEA/MAP assessment will be given during students' ELA and Math classes. Last week, families received a letter informing them of the NWEA tool. Feel free to refer to the message in Parent Square for that information. Teachers will use information from MAP to guide important decision making regarding students. We also use this tool as a way to measure student growth throughout the school year.

We are looking forward to a "Stellar September" at CMS!

Sincerely, Alexandra Paszt, Principal, Central Middle School



# First Day of School at CMS































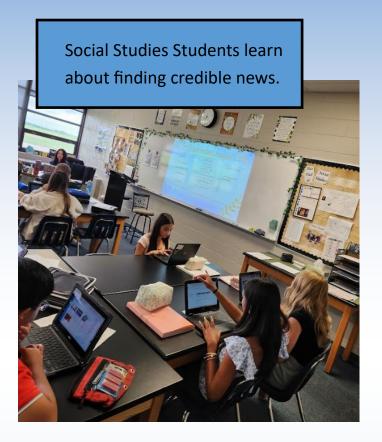


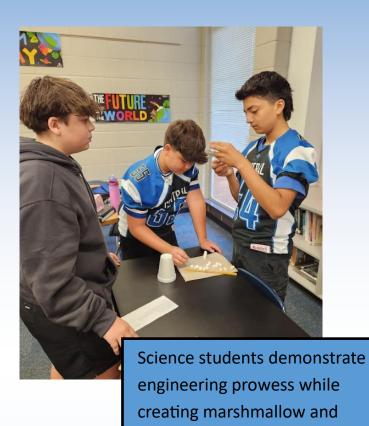






# What's Happening at CMS?!





spaghetti towers.

Math students solve a card tricks by calculating the mathematical process behind them.

### September 2024

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# **CMS Buddies Program**

We have a wonderful 8th grade peer buddies program that meets with our Mid-Valley students on a weekly basis. We will meet every Tuesday during Task. One semester commitment required. Please read more about it and sign-up using this link.





Mrs. Kathy McCoy
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https://bit.ly/buddies2024

# Family Participation in the LMC!

Do you have a special talent, interest, or hobby related to your culture? Would you be willing share with teens? I am looking for parents/guardians who are interested in sharing culturally related talents, hobbies or special interests with our students during Task in the library. Please contact Mrs. McCoy if you can help!

### Hispanic Heritage Month



Stop by the LMC during September 15 - October 15 to participate in Hispanic Heritage celebration activities. Play Loteria, make minipinatas, discover a new book by a Hispanic author!



# Notes from the Nurse:

Now that we are back in school, so are the germs! We have seen an increase in Norovirus, also known as the stomach flu. It spreads easily, and the most common symptoms are nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and stomach pain. Here are some tips to protect yourself and others.

- Clean your hands with soap and water, hand sanitizers may not eliminate the virus.
- Clean surfaces with a bleach solution to disinfect.
- Wash all bedding and clothing that is in contact with the virus.
- Do not prepare the family meals when sick.
- Remain at home until fever/vomit/diarrhea free for 24 hours.

We appreciate your partnership in keeping CMS a healthy place to learn.

Nurse Julie Julie.follman@central301.net

# Information from the Social Worker

#### How Can I Help?

I am here to support all of the wonderful students here at CMS who struggle with socialemotional skills and mental health. I can provide individual counseling, and group therapy.

#### **About Me**

I was born and raised in Elgin. I attended schools in U-46. I've been a school social worker for 8 years. I live in Carpentersville with my husband Tom and our dog Winnie. I enjoy going to concerts, doing crafts, spending time with my family and focusing on work.

#### **School Wide Reminders**

Satchel Pulse Screener
Comfort Dogs



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