



# FALCON FLASH

Cascade Heights Public Charter School Family Newsletter | May 01, 2019

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## From the Principal's desk

Dear CHPCS community,

The end of the year is a few short weeks away. In celebration of our Falcon families and friends, be on the lookout for year-end activities.

This year has been a fun one for our school including the World Language program! This week we are excited to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the whole campus! Senor Ransom has taken our Spanish students on an in-class journey this year through language, culture and participation in cooking, artistic and interactive experiences!

The Chinese program has also experienced a lot of fun and multisensory learning opportunities including the International China Trip in March, the Chinese New Year celebrations and many other events. In Wenny's absence, Melody Lu has done a fantastic job of keeping the program strong. She will return to Suzhou in June and we will miss her once she is gone! If you see her on campus please let her know that she is forever a part of our community and we have appreciated her hard work!

Sincerely,

Kristin Macy



Support our School!

**Reminder...**

**Deadlines for Scrip orders  
submit before 8:00am**

- 05/06 & 05/20

## Falcon Member Spotlight: Rosie Pridey



### Get to know Rosie Pridey

Mrs. Rosie Pridey joined CHPCS in the Spring of 2016 as our part-time music teacher. Since then she has grown her program to include ukuleles, recorders for additional students, new curriculum including John Feierabend's Conversational Solfege and she has helped the campus immensely by substitute teaching in a variety of other settings.

Mrs. Pridey has wanted to be a teacher since she was in 3rd-grade when she had opportunities to help her classmates. Later she found enjoyment in watching others learn and grow and getting to experience progress with them! She is passionate about music and equestrian sports and has found joy in seeing the "aha" moments in those cognitive beings as well. Mrs. Pridey enjoys reading fantasy books and anything with a good story. She has multiple (currently 11) four-legged children and loves them with all of her heart.

Mrs. Pridey consistently looks for ways to improve her program and help students at Cascade Heights surpass their musical expectations for themselves. She is a wonderful addition to our campus programs!



**No school on Wednesday, May 8th**

**Record all of your volunteer hours in the office.  
CHPCS reports all volunteer hours to the  
school district.**

**The School-Wide Fundraiser is still in effect**

Sales of the discount cards from 22 vendors plus access to the Entertainment Card are available for purchase.  
They make wonderful gifts!

**Questions?** Contact Hope Loose at [h.loose@chpcs.org](mailto:h.loose@chpcs.org)

## New Milk Dispenser Reduces Waste

At CHPCS, we strive to educate and create sustainability in all that we do. Our students are informed on how to compost, recycle, and reduce waste.

To add to our green status, last month CHPCS got our new environmentally friendly milk dispenser! We are the first school in the North Clackamas School District to offer this innovative solution to our students. Chartwells and the NCSD team, as well as the Eco-Schools Network and one of our dedicated parents, made this possible.

This dispenser will save between 3,600 and 7,000 cartons of milk each year (depending on usage) and provides our students the chance to drink cold, delicious milk with their school lunch.

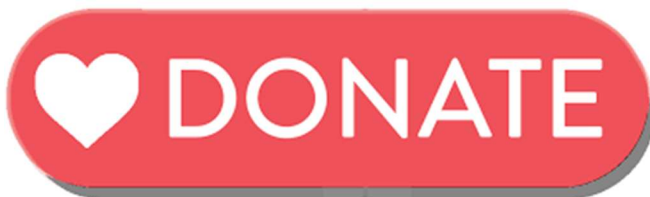


## Upcoming Events & Activities

### A message from 7<sup>th</sup> grade student, Amelia Deckert

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade class has been learning about World War II and how the United Service Organization (USO), a non-profit organization was established during that time period. USO's mission is to keep America's military service members connected to their family and home, and creating a safe haven for military families throughout their service to the nation. Some of their efforts include celebrities and other community members provide entertainment to our service men and women.

As a tribute to USO's mission, on **Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class will be hosting our very own USO Entertain Talent Show! We want to create an opportunity for CHPCS students to showcase their talent and let us all have a good time. Forms have been sent home with students and are due to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class by **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**.



### Pant Drive for the Janus Youth Program

Help the 7th grade class collect **200+ pairs of pants** for the Janus Youth Program.

The Janus Youth Program provide resources to at-risk youths and they are desperately in need of donations for pants. They will accept all pants and shorts, worn or new, and any size.

We are hoping to reach, or even better, exceed our goal of 200 pairs of pants - that's about 1 pair of pants per person. If you could bring more than 1 pair, that would be amazing. We need to get as many pairs as we can, because some homeless teens only have 1 pair of pants. We are trying to give more teens multiple pairs of pants, so every donation will help someone out.

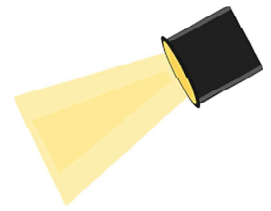
Please turn them into the office or the 7th grade classroom between **May 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**.

## Volunteers of the Month



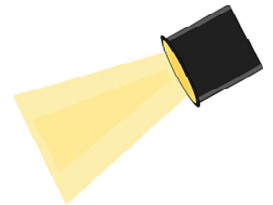
**Autumn Belezos, CHPCS Parent**

Mrs. Belezos has taken it upon herself to lead the charge in cleaning up our school grounds. Every week she spends time walking around our school and picking up trash and other items that have been left on the playground. She has inspired others and has impressed the staff. Because of her efforts, the school purchased two garbage cans to be available outside on the playground to make it more accessible to throw garbage away. Mrs. Belezos' efforts doesn't stop there, she also helps out in the library, classrooms, and as a lunch helper. Thank you for setting a great example and for being an inspiration Mrs. Belezos!



**Mike Cosgrove, CHPCS Parent and Bus Driver**

Mr. Cosgrove has been driving the bus for us long before he had children attending Cascade Heights. Mr. Cosgrove now has twin children in the Kindergarten class. He has been a wonderful volunteer on top of being a great bus driver for our field trips. Mr. Cosgrove helps empty the garbage cans outside for us every week and clean up our grounds. He also volunteers anytime he can and can always be found with a coffee cup in hand. What a great member of our community! Thank you Mr. Cosgrove for your enthusiasm.



## PTA Corner



Thank you, thank you, thank you so much for your support and help in making the Family Dance and Silent Auction such a fun and successful event! We had a great time putting the event together and appreciate all your generosity and support.

We raised **\$4,678** and will be using the money to support our SPED department with a classroom stipend, to pick up the cost of SchoolGuard (a School Security program), and to add programs to support the parents and teachers at Cascade Heights. Next year we will be adding workshops and fun to our monthly meetings and expanding our PTA programs.

I would also like to announce a wonderful partnership that was made while looking for donations for the Family Dance. Oregon Premier Futsal [OPF] not only wanted to donate a week summer camp for the auction, they wanted to help more, by doing a “kickback” program. So for every child that signs up for one of their Futsal camps, OPF will give the school \$25! Flyers will be sent home in the coming weeks.

### Upcoming Events:

#### **Fundraiser: Menchies | Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Our last Family Night Out is May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Clackamas Menchies. They will donate 20% of your purchase to the PTA. Menchies does require a flyer so we will be putting one in the planners and handing them out!

#### **End of year celebration | Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30pm to 4:30pm**

As a thank you to our chaperones and volunteers for all your support of the PTA and hard work, we want to give back in a BIG way! On field day we usually host an end of year BBQ, but that's not a big enough thank you. This year we are going to have a pizza party and bring in the Kona Ice truck for you all to enjoy snow cones! Please join us after school on Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30pm to 4:30pm for Kona Ice and Pizza. We will have allergy-friendly options as well.

Thank you for all your wonderful support!

## Calendar of Events

Did you know? Our Calendar of Events is also on <https://cascadeheights.org/> under News & Events

### May 2019

### Time & Location

05/02 (Thursday)	<b>Cinco de Mayo Celebration</b>	
05/06 – 05/10	<b>Teacher Appreciation Week</b>	
05/08 (Wednesday)	<b>School Closed</b>	
05/13 -05/16	<b>Smarter Balanced State Testing</b>	
05/20 (Monday)	<b>Coffee in the Library</b>	8:00am - Library
05/20 (Monday)	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	6:30pm – Library
05/23 (Thursday)	<b>Middle School Dance</b>	7:00pm – 9:00pm
05/27 (Monday)	<b>Memorial Day Holiday - School Closed</b>	
05/30 (Thursday)	<b>5<sup>th</sup> grade Performance</b> <b>Midsummer Night's Dream</b>	1:00pm – 6:00pm

### June 2019

### Time & Location

06/03 (Monday)	<b>End of Year Celebration and Field Day</b>	
06/04 (Tuesday)	<b>Last day of school – Dismissal at 11:00am</b>	
	<b>All School Talent Show</b> Hosted by the 7 <sup>th</sup> grade class	
	<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Promotion</b>	