

Good. Afternoon, Bret Harte Community!

* **TAFFY APPLES** went home today! Sorry for the delay.

* Yesterday, we had an author visit from Christina Soontornvat. She is the author of Diary of an Ice Princess, as well as other Scholastic books. All students in 1st and 2nd grade received a signed copy and all girls in 3rd and 4th grade.

* **Girl Scouts** started **Monday, November 25th** from 3:30-5:00pm. Sign up forms are in the main office.

*Affy Tapple Fundraiser are due back by November 20th to ensure arrival before Thanksgiving! Please turn in orders to the main office.

*German and STEM?! That's right! The program begins next week from 3:30-4:30pm. You can choose from either Monday, Tuesday, or Friday. Additional registration forms are in the office.

*The deadline to apply for the 2020-2021 school year is **Friday, December 13, 2019**. Online applications must be submitted no later than **11:59 pm CST** and paper applications must be received by the Office of Access and Enrollment no later than **6:00 pm CST**. This includes PreK through 8th grade.

*The temperature has begun to drop, so be sure your child is prepared for outdoor recess before leaving the house. Recess will be outdoors, as long as the temperature remains over freezing with or without wind chill per principal discretion.

*If you would like to volunteer within the school or on a field trip, please go to cpsvolunteers.org to be approved for level 1 or level 2 status. Level 2 is to chaperone. Level 1 is to work with students for 10+ hours within the school or to attend an overnight trip.

*Every student in attendance Monday through Thursday and in uniform may dress down on Friday. The dress code still applies: close toed shoes, no leggings or crop tops, and finger length shorts/skirts.

*Student fees are due before attending any field trips. They should be in no later than the beginning of October. These fees will go to cover the cost of digital subscriptions, magazines, and other supplemental materials used in the classroom. You can pay online using the epay link on our website at harte.cps.edu or you can send cash or a money order to the main office. The cost is \$50 for 1 student and \$75 for 2 or more students.

*Parent parking is to the right of the drop-off lane. The lot is for staff use only. If you are dropping off on 56th street, **please be mindful of our neighbors and be sure not to block the driveway in front of the Solstice.**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, December 2nd through Friday, December 6th My Very Own Library will be giving each student 5 books to take home!

Monday, December 9th Friends of Bret Harte Meeting at 5:30pm

Tuesday, December 10th Parent Advisory Council (PAC) at 8:30am. All parents are welcomed!

Wednesday, December 11th Local School Council (LSC) at 5:30pm in the gym.