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"A World in a School"

The Monthly Newsletter for The Children's School of Rochester



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Principal Piper's Update

Dear Families,

We're excited to celebrate Halloween on Thursday, October 30, with a morning full of fun and safety! Join us for Briefing from 9:30-9:50 a.m., where we'll share Halloween safety tips. Right after, we'll kick off our Costume Parade around the school (weather permitting). Families are warmly invited to cheer on our little ghosts, superheroes, and storybook characters!

Since Friday is a half-day, we expect more students to participate on Thursday. Students may come to school in costume and wear them to Briefing. Parents will be dismissed first to line the parade route, followed by classes starting with Pre-K.

Learning Habits Spotlight

This year, students are recognizing each other for the following learning habits:

- Integrity – Doing what's right when no one is looking
- Collaboration – Working well with others
- Accountability – Owning our actions
- Resiliency – Handling challenges calmly
- Effort – Giving our best

Please help us reinforce these habits at home!



Weekly Briefings

By Mrs. Reddington

Are you looking for an easy way to be involved at your child's school? Join us for "Briefing" on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am - 9:55am in the gym!

Briefing is the time when all students and staff at The Children's School of Rochester come together as a school family. We welcome new visitors, share our classwork, and celebrate our many different cultures. Once you attend one, you'll want to attend many more! We hope to see you there!

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the CSR Gym!

Let your child's
teacher know if
you have an idea
for a
performance at
Briefing. We
love to feature
our students and
families!

Our three school wide goals:

- Descriptive feedback on writing
- Try, Discuss, Connect strategy in math
- Peer feedback on our learning habits

Our SCEP Plan

By Margot Egling

Our School Comprehensive Education Plan, or SCEP, is CSR's blueprint to help improve student learning. This is a plan created by our instructional leadership team, and it is supported by all CSR teachers in the classroom and through their workgroups.

We saw a lot of improvement in our students last year, and increased our NYS test scores in both reading and math. We look forward to seeing CSR's students continue to grow this year!

Our SCEP has three commitments:

1. Giving descriptive feedback on writing, using conferences and rubrics.
2. Using the Try, Discuss, Connect strategy to show our thinking during math.
3. Peer to peer feedback to build a stronger culture of learning. This will begin with students acknowledging the learning habits they see in their peers, but will include feedback on learning and work as well.

Asking your child about these goals is a great way to strengthen the connection between home and school!

CSR's Learning Habits

This month's learning habit is Integrity.

Integrity means doing the right thing, even when it is difficult. It means being honest and responsible, even when no one is looking.

"To me, integrity means respecting others and following the rules without anybody asking."
- Dheeni, 5th grade

Can your child tell you about what these learning habits look like in school?



First PTO Meeting!

Welcome back! My name is Lindsay Nabozny, and I am a CSR parent and the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)'s treasurer. The role of the PTO is to support and enhance the school community by raising funds for classroom needs and enrichment, organizing events for families, recruiting volunteers for various activities, and generally creating a greater sense of community among students, parents, and teachers.

The PTO held its first meeting of the year on October 1st. We talked about lots of events that we have planned for this year, including the International Dinner on November 14th, holiday fundraiser at Barnes & Noble in Pittsford on December 13th, annual sledding party on January 24th, ice skating party on February 28th, end of year picnic on June 18th, and more. And we are always open to new ideas. If there is an event or activity that you would like to organize, let us know!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, October 29th at 6:00pm via Zoom. All are welcome! Join us at <https://bit.ly/CSR-PTO-Oct25>, Passcode: 677905. We are also looking for PTO officers. This year, we need a new president and a vice president. If you are interested or have questions about what these roles entail, email me at l.a.nabozny@gmail.com. Here's to a great 2025-2026 school year!



Save The Dates:

**November 14 -
International Dinner**

**December 13 -
Barnes & Noble
Fundraiser**

**January 24 - Annual
Sledding Party**

**February 28 - Ice
Skating Party**