



# CHESSIE TIGER'S TALE

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings, CTES Families!

Spring has sprung!

Many thanks to the total community effort with ensuring student attendance during our March Attendance Challenge with BGES and EES! March 29th, although a three hour early day, does count towards our challenge. We hope to be the winning school, which will be announced on April 3rd when we return from Spring Break.

Our fifth graders completed MISA, Maryland Integrated Science Assessment. We thank them for their attendance and hard efforts! Grades 3, 4, and 5 will take the PARCC assessments while grades K, 1, and 2

will take MAP again later this year. See page two for the dates.

Students enjoyed participating in the Reading Across America activities and have enjoyed the Book Fair. We hope you can join us for the night opening of the Book Fair and the grades 4 and 5 concert this Tuesday, March 27. Our grade 5 students showed their dancing moves at the Ballroom Stars Showcase. Many thanks to the PTA for funding this terrific event! Mark your calendar for the Spring Student Showcase Night on April 17. So many fun things are happening at CTES!

Thanks for your partnership,  
Shandra K. Patrick, Principal

### *A Look Inside:*

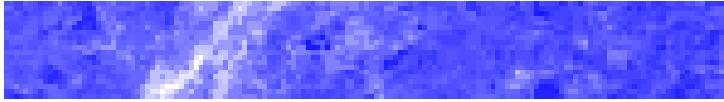
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### **PTA Board Members:**

- Mr. Newman, President
- Mrs. Sacco, Vice-President
- Mrs. Watts, Secretary
- Mrs. Waters, Treasurer

## Building Our Disability Awareness, We Are All Winners!

CTES partnered with Arc Maryland to start the dialogue of disability awareness at CTES. Mr. Brandon, a gentleman with an intellectual disability, spoke with our students. Students were then charged with the task of creating a poster representing the theme, "Together We're Better". Students submitted their artwork and two of our CTES students were recognized! Congratulations to Riley Brown for earning Honorable Mention and to Cameron Mosmiller for her First Place distinction. Cameron earned a \$50 gift card for herself and \$300 for the school! Both girls will be recognized at the Arc Maryland Annual Convention. At CTES, we will continue our growth regarding understanding that disabilities and other differences make us each unique and special. It is important to respect every person for who she or he is. We really are better together. At CTES, we will continue our commitment to kindness, collaboration, and teamwork!



## **Calling All Incoming PK and K Students!**

CTES's PK and K Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is quickly approaching! Birthday guidelines for PreKindergarten are 9/2/13– 9/1/14 and the birthdates for Kindergarten are 9/2/12 - 9/1/13. Please [call the front office](#) at 410-887-7505 and speak with Ms. Susan Akehurst [to request an appointment](#). You will be sent an information packet with papers to complete and bring to Registration. Please help us spread the word - tell your neighbors. It is important to register this spring and not wait until the summer or next school year. That way, we can ensure appropriate space and class size.

4/24: Pre-Kindergarten Registration

4/26: Kindergarten Registration

*Mark Your Calendar:*

*Tuesday, April 17th*

*Join us for a spectacular*

*Spring Student Showcase!*

## **NOTES FROM NURSE BOX**

March Madness is HERE – The stomach bug has not gone away, we are seeing strep throat, and many other types of viruses.

The WORST allergy season in years is now upon us, as the warm weather 2 weeks ago has allowed the early bloom of pollen and mold.

PLEASE be vigilant in hand washing with soap and water, regular laundering of bedding in hot water, and reminders to children not to sneeze into their hands. These simple, old fashioned practices TRULY reduce the spread of germs!!

Baltimore County does not provide medication in school for the relief of allergy congestion and related sinus and throat symptoms. Many NON DROWSY allergy medications for children are available over the counter. Please discuss the management of allergy symptoms with your health care provider.

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## **A Look Ahead**

- **Mar 27: Rescheduled Book Fair Night & Music Concert for Gr 4 & 5**
- **Mar 28: PTA Egg Dying Event**
- **Mar 29: Last day of March Attendance Challenge, Kindness Assembly, Last Day of 3rd MP, 3 Hs Early for Students**
- **Mar 30 & Apr 2: No School, Closed for Spring Break**
- **April: National Poetry and Financial Literacy Month**
- **Apr 3: School reopens**
- **Apr 9: PTA Meeting, 6PM**
- **Apr 11: Gr 2 Field Trip**
- **Apr 12: Gr 5 Field Trip**
- **Apr 17: Spring Student Showcase Night**
- **Apr 19: Report Cards Home**
- **Apr 20: PTA Paint Nite Event**
- **Apr 26: Poem in Your Pocket Day!**
- **Apr 27: Gr 4 Field Trip**
- **Apr 30—June 5: PARCC Assessments for grades 3, 4, and 5.**
- **May 7—June 4: MAP Assessments for grades K, 1, and 2**

## ***Kindness Counts!***

### **Guidance Information**

CTES celebrated Mindful March. Students practiced mindfulness during their classroom guidance time to help increase their emotion regulation and self-control.

The guidance topic for April is Coping Skills which builds off the trait of Mindfulness. The Virtue Trait discussed for the month of April is Patience.

The lunch group topics for March and April are Self Esteem, Friendship, and Emotional Regulation.

***MARCH ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE - happening now at CTES, BGES, and EES! Who will get the trophy?***