

Carolina International

Comet Communicator...December 9 - December 13

QUICK VIEW for the week...

Rotation for this week - D, A, B, C, D

Tuesday - Chorus trip to Gray Stone Day School (2:00 to 9:00)

Wednesday - 5th grade FT; Fall Sports Banquet

Thursday - 6th grade FT

Friday - Holiday Store; Pizza



Support our CIS Sports programs - view the attachments - GO COMETS! Due to rain, the Powder Puff game was delayed - TBD.



CIS needs your continued support! Please assist with the Spring Musical, "GREASE" - https://www.donorschoose.org/project/grease-spring-musical-costumes/4580638/?utm_source=dc&utm_medium=directlink&utm_campaign=teacherhub&utm_term=teacher_2933760&rf=directlink-dc-2019-11-teacherhub-teacher_2933760&challengeid=20585599



School and community shootings and tragedies are all around us. Our society is becoming very violent with each and every day. Social media in many cases has become a "den" of hatred and inequities. Many of our schools are troubled by an inability to control the violence within the school walls. CIS is not one of these schools. Cell phones are not allowed for use during the school day to try to lessen social media usage and threatening messages. We have an active safety committee and have partnered with Safe Schools and are beginning to train teachers and staff in a new anonymous reporting system, "Say Something". Teachers are trained to speak with their students as to where to go, or what to do, in the event of an emergency situation or evacuation. Our Athletic Directors have a prepared Safety Plan for classes and events which occur in the gymnasium. In the need of an evacuation, it is imperative for the fire lane to be remain open and free. Recently, Mr. Kukielski sent a message to all community members to refrain from parking in the fire lanes in the front of the school, specifically, to allow the lane to remain free for any such emergency. In any organization which encompasses, students, teachers, staff, parents, and substitutes, you will have communications of truth and of non-truth. It is most important to base decisions involving the welfare of our students upon fact. While we cannot prevent all situations which may bring harm to our students we can certainly prepare and take action when appropriate. Our parent/student handbook states the following under Safety Concerns, page 24, "Carolina International School does not support any threat, behavior, comment, action, or harassment that impacts a person's emotional well-being and /or success in school. These behaviors include but are not limited to; assault, physical or verbal abuse, bullying or regular intimidation; whether in person, written, or electronically transmitted." With the roll forward of an anonymous reporting system, "Say

Something", we should find ourselves better connected with a number of triage and local officials to assist in threats, or other situations which may bring potential harm to our students. Please review the attachment parent information. The school administration has been preparing for the roll forward for several months. Our teachers will receive training on December 11, and our students will be trained over the following 2 weeks.



Congratulations to the following homeroom Spelling Bee winners who have been invited to compete in the CIS Spelling Bee on Monday, December 16th at 9:00 a.m.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Student Name</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>Gavin Ivery</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>Kennedy Baucom</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>Nolan Williamson</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Aayan Ali</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Bethany Chellaraj</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Gianni Gbemudu</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>Anna Overcash</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Janiya Holloway</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Omar Alothman</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Jannah El Sabban</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Prathik Veermachaneni</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Liam Hasselman</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>Venancia Fragapane</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Ayla Oyaró</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Adit Kumar</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>Akshith Byreddy</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>Isabella Trejos</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>Tate White</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>Lauren Mora-Ortiz</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>Abdi Kani Abshir</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>Ashton Bradley</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>Landon Rollins</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>Jasmine Thompson</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>Asif Ali</u>
<u>8</u>	<u>Asmaa Alothman</u>



Visit the Annual PTSO Holiday Store - Friday, December 13 from 7:30 - 6:00 p.m.



Our CIS Uniform Dress code does not include hats, ornate headbands (ears), or scarves other than for religious purposes. Parents, please assist us your student's uniform. Sweatshirts or hoodies should be navy, red, or white (and may have a small logo). Team sweatshirts from sports, band, chorus, or "senior apparel" are permitted. Khaki or navy jumpers, dresses, or pants are to be worn.

Important Upcoming Dates -

December 14 - New date for Saturday School

December 16 - HS Exams Block 1

December 17 - HS Exams Block 2, 3rd grade FT Discovery Place

December 18 - HS Exams Block 3

December 19 - HS Exams Block 4

December 20 - Holiday Sweater Day, HS Exams (make ups) Early Dismissal at 12 noon

Donna Harkey, CIS Principal