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## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Book Fair  
Nov. 30 - Dec. 8

ORFF Concert  
December 6

Progress Reports  
December 9

Choir/Band Concert  
December 15

Snowcoming Dance  
December 16

Spirit Week  
December 19 - 22

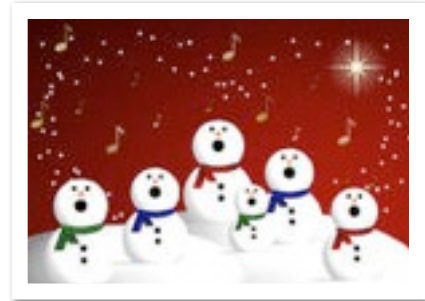
All School Sharing  
December 21

Elem. Ornament Making  
December 22



## CAB's Elementary Winter Concert

**Tuesday, December 6, at 6:30  
p.m. in the auditorium.**



Join our Y5-4th grade students as we welcome in winter with songs, dances and poems.

Students performing in the concert must report to their homeroom at 6:10 p.m.

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## Choir/Band Winter Concert Grades 5-12

**Thursday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the  
auditorium.**

Come and enjoy a music-filled evening. Parents, please remember that our concert seats fill up fast!!! Be sure to arrive in plenty of time to claim your seats.



Students need to arrive at 6:15 p.m.



*It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year...*

It's that time of year again. Time for kids (and some parents) to start waking up early so they can watch the news and listen to the radio in the hopes that they will hear their school's name among those on the list of School Closings. In the event that we do not have school, we will notify the following TV and Radio Stations:

**Radio:** 1270 AM 106 FM 92.1 FM  
1340 AM 96.3 FM 90.5 FM

**TV:** 9 & 10 News  
7 & 4 News

Please leave plenty of time to get to school during the winter months, as slippery roads and inclement weather can make the drive to school take a little longer. Use extra caution in our parking lot when picking up and dropping off students and when using the steps leading to the elementary doors. While we do what we can to keep things free from ice and snow, surfaces can still be slippery.

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## **UPDATE: Red Cross Blood Drive**

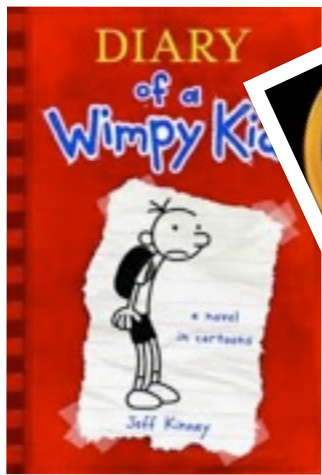


Thank you to everyone who helped make November's blood drive a success. We had 15 appointments scheduled before the drive. Our goal for collection was 27 units. 32 people "presented," or showed up to donate; and there were 25 "productive" donors, so 25 units were collected. There were 6 first-time donors. It is great to think of the number of lives that will be improved and/or extended because of the school's contribution. Our next blood drive is scheduled for May 9, 2012. Please mark it on your calendars.

~Mrs. Mohr

### **And now, the results of our friendly "Quick Draw" blood drive competition...**

Mr. Cole was our official pace setter with a respectable time of 5.42 mins. Miss Hoffman tried giving him a run for his money, but came up a little short with a time of 5.55 mins. Then, Michaela Zimmermann surprised everyone by racing past Mr. Cole's time with a speedy time of 5.2 mins. With congratulations for Michaela still on the lips of fellow competitors, along came Laura Smith, who stole her thunder by ending with a time of 5.04 mins! Since breaking 5.00 minutes is like running a 4 minute mile, we thought we had our winner. That is, until Michael "Pinball" Greenwald came along and shocked everyone by turning in a blazing time of 4.59 mins. The crowd was going wild. This was the fastest time we've ever recorded (especially considering this was our first "official" competition)! Surely, we had our winner now... but, no one ever saw her coming...she slipped in quietly...she waited so patiently...AND THEN Mama Eschedor blew everyone out of the water with a phenomenal time of 4.33 mins!!! Amazing! Thank you and congratulations to all participants!!!



# BOOK FAIR

Hooray  
for  
Books!

The CAB Book Fair is here! Join us through December 8 for some great deals on the latest and most popular books for kids and teens. Daily, the Fair is available from 8:30 until 2:30 in the CAB Library and on the following days, the Fair will remain open until

5:00: 12/6 and 12/7.

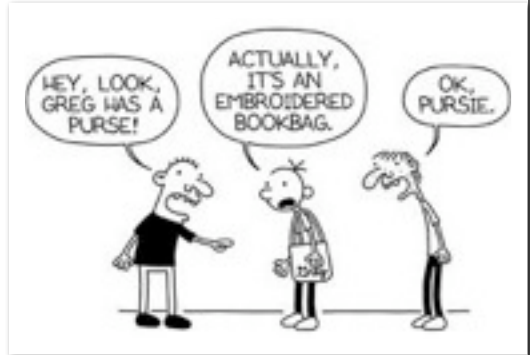
We are very excited to announce that you can also order online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week until December 14th! All orders will arrive in time for the holidays and we still earn the Scholastic dollars from these sales. Just go to our Book Fair homepage link listed below and shop from home!

Should you have any questions, or if you are interested in volunteering to help during the Fair, please contact Lesa Eschedor at [eschedor6@yahoo.com](mailto:eschedor6@yahoo.com) or through the school office.

Thank you for your support!

Book Fair Homepage:

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/concordboyne>



## Candy Cane Decorations

The Young Fives classroom will be selling Christmas Candy decorations before and after the Orff Concert on Tuesday, December 6th. The proceeds will go towards funding a larger fund raiser in the Spring. Any parents who would like to help please contact Cindy Batchelder, Young Fives Teacher. The cost for the Christmas Candy decoration is \$1.50 each and well worth it!





## WANTED:

Christmas fabric and mason jar lids and rings of ANY size for Christmas Ornament projects.

# Get Involved!

Would you like to become more involved in your child's educational experience? Why not join the Parent Teacher Partnership [PTP]? The next meeting will be held on Monday, 12/19 at 3:30 in the CAB library. We hope to see you there!

## AN EASY WAY TO HELP!

Did you know that there is another easy way that you can help our school? In addition to sending in your Box Tops, you can also send in your Campbell's soup labels. Our school will receive money for each label that we turn in! All you need to do is look for the Labels for Education logo, clip it, and send it to your child's teacher. It's that simple! Campbell's is also sponsoring a sweepstakes where they are giving away computers, Smartboards, and more. Please visit their website, [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com) to enter the contest. You can enter everyday. The contest ends 12/31/11. The money that we raise from the Campbell's soup labels will be added to the monies that are raised from the Helping Hands fundraiser, which will be used to purchase new computer equipment in the library. Thank you for your support.



## Helping Hands!

New Prize!!!

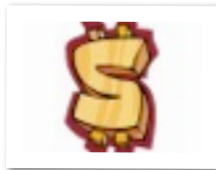
The "Helping Hands" fundraiser deadline has been extended. The student who raises the most money will be awarded 4 water park passes at All School Sharing on December 21! ALL pledge money raised will be used to purchase new computers for our computer lab. If you need additional pledge sheets, they will be located in the office or you may contact Violet Holm. Money/pledge sheets should be turned in by Friday, December 16. Thank you ☺.



## **PENNY WAR! EXTENDED!!!**

Just a reminder, the Service Learning Club is holding a penny war to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The battle ends Thursday, December 22. Elementary students take their pennies to their classrooms. Middle School and High School students take their pennies to their class advisors. Remember that silver coins counteract pennies and that you can bomb other classrooms! Have fun and join the fight against cancer.

P.S. There is a collection jar in the office for the adults!



# **Free Math Help!**

**Schedule Change**

## **Concord Academy Math Lab (Grades 7-12)**

Now on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** in Miss Blamer's Room from 3:30-4:15.

Work on your homework, bring your questions, improve your skills, and become a math Ace!

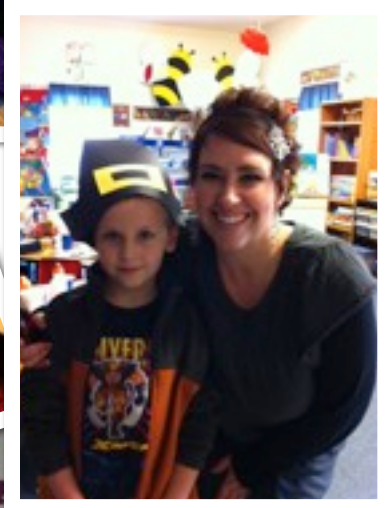


# **After School Dance Instruction**

Attention 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents!!!! Our dance instructor, Mr. Thomson, is offering dance classes to students in grades 3-6.

Classes are held on Thursdays after school from 3:30 to 4:30 pm, unless otherwise noted, for \$10 per session. Money is due at the time of the session.....NO CHARGES!!!! Also, please be sure that you pick your child up promptly at 4:30 pm! If they are not picked up they will be sent down to the after school Kids Club and you will be charged \$5 for after school care. A sign-up sheet is located in the office for anyone interested in taking advantage of this great opportunity.

# CAB GIVES THANKS





## Heart & Soul Defy Logic

Children love to play sports. But when their love of a sport takes over, the outcome can defy logic.

With only one good eye, damaged growth plate in an ankle, and tendonitis in both knees; the last thing you'd expect is an athlete. But that's exactly what you get with 7th grader, Emily Halvorson.

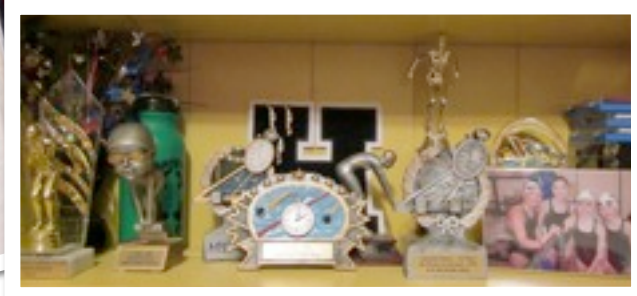
She started swimming for a local team 4yrs ago. She "played" in the water and



brought home numerous trophies, ribbons and medals. Her coach said she had talent and suggested she try USA Swimming. At 11yrs old, USA swimmers must swim a 500m to remain in the program. Last year she had a decision to make, stay in USA swimming or just do Michigan swimming. Emily's broken ankle was still healing, but she didn't want to quit USA. So she decided to try swimming a 500m with her arms only. She began her swim with a dive, paddled to the other side, grabbed the wall and pushed off with her good foot. 7 minutes, 19 seconds and 1640 feet later she remains a USA swimmer. That swim changed her life. Her coach, surgeon and Mother realized that she had more heart and drive for the sport than they ever imagined.

The local team only trains for 6 months a year. They started training in October 2011, but because of another surgery Emily wasn't able to hit the water until November. After the results of her 1<sup>st</sup> USA meet, this season she is ranked 122 in the State of Michigan and 4196 in the United States. She has qualified for Michigan State Finals up to age 18, after which you cannot swim Michigan Swim League. She has also qualified for Prelim Michigan Finals in USA Swimming.

What started out as a love of water has turned into a dream for Rio 2016. She's in the water by 6:30am, attends school and returns for night practice. It's a lot of hard work. You need to maintain an honors level GPA, do community service and be ranked in the top 3000 for scholarship consideration. Many dream of being an Olympic athlete, but with the support of friends, teachers, doctors and even a butcher, a little heart may just turn a dream into reality.



# You Gotta Have Art...



## YOUTH ART EXHIBIT

Select K-12 CAB student artwork, along with artwork from Boyne Falls and Boyne City students, will be on display at the Boyne Arts Collective's youth art exhibit entitled "ART - It's Elementary." There will be a reception with refreshments on Saturday, December 3 from 10 am - 6 pm. The show will be up through December 31 and may be viewed during gallery hours, which are Friday 1-5, Saturday 10-6, and Sunday 12-4. The Boyne Arts Collective is located at 210 S. Lake St. in Boyne City. Stop in and check out some great artwork by our talented young artists.

## ART CLUB - SCHEDULE CHANGE



Students in grades 3-12 once again have the opportunity to express their creativity in Art Club, which will now be meeting on **Wednesdays from 3:20-5:00 p.m.** This open art studio time can be used to catch up on Art projects we are working on in class or to just put that extra time and effort into your artwork! It's also a chance to develop your own art activities, explore different art media, and just have fun making art! No need to commit to attending every week - just sign up on the sheet posted outside the art room on weeks when you want to come or need to in order to get caught up in Art. You don't need to be a current Art student to attend. Make sure you have a reliable ride you can depend on to be at school to pick you up by 5 pm. Contact Mr. Rosteck with questions: [mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org](mailto:mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org). See you in Art Club!



## Attention Young Filmmakers!

Are you a movie lover? An aspiring actor or director? An animator? Maybe you are interested in using your new iPad to try your hand at movie making. Well, the Northern Michigan Youth Film Festival is a new film festival that will be held on February 24, 2012 at Concord Academy Petoskey, and anyone ages 8-25 may enter their own film by January 10, 2012. The festival will be juried, and the winner will receive entry into the Chicago Film Festival. If you are interested or have questions, contact Mr. Rosteck. [mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org](mailto:mrosteck@concordacademyboyne.org)





## Notes from the Nurse...

Dear CAB Parents:

It is certainly no secret that school systems across the country face serious and continuing challenges in terms of ongoing funding for nearly all areas of their operations. In particular, one casualty of these challenges has been the school nurse - an endangered species on the verge of extinction. **Charlevoix Area Hospital** would like to proudly announce the implementation of its **School Nurse Program** within the Charlevoix County Schools. We believe that healthy children are successful learners.

We are happy to introduce to your school Chris Signs-Warstler RN, who will have a multi-faceted role, one that supports the physical, mental, emotional and social health of students and their success in the learning process. She will provide leadership and direction on the Coordinated Wellness Plan for staff and students. This will include committee work on health education and healthy food choices using the *Michigan Model* and the *Michigan Health Education Standards*.

Chris will be dividing her time between four Charlevoix County Schools. **The general schedule will have her at CAB on Tuesdays.** We at Charlevoix Area Hospital are very excited to provide this service. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kathy Jacobsen RN, MPA  
Director of Community Health Education  
Charlevoix Area Hospital  
(231) 547-8906 [kjacobson@cah.org](mailto:kjacobsen@cah.org)





## Concord Academy Boyne

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### Student Apple iPad 60/40 Purchase Program

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Purpose:** The purpose of this program is to provide resources to students to help them achieve academic success.

**Agreement:** I hereby agree to purchase through CAB a basic model Apple iPad on the following terms and conditions:

- **Eligibility.** Student must be officially enrolled in grades 9-12 at CAB, and be counted on the September, 2011 Pupil Membership Count Day for public schools in the State of Michigan. Participation in this Program is limited to students with no previous iPad purchase through CAB.
- **Purchase Price.** The base price is established from time to time on the Education Price List published by Apple, Inc., currently \$499.00. I agree to pay CAB for 60% of this price.
- **Timing.** My full payment and this agreement must be delivered to CAB by December 16, 2011. CAB will order the device by December 22, 2011.
- **Ownership.** I will own the device upon delivery & receipt, and be responsible for its possession.
- **Maintenance, repair and replacement.** All maintenance, repair and replacement of the device will be my responsibility, at my cost.
- **Accessories and additional applications.** Purchase of accessories and additional apps will be my responsibility, at my cost.
- **Use.** My use of the device shall be in accordance with the Acceptable Use Policy of CAB.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## Concord Academy Boyne

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# HOCKEY NEWS!

**From: Barry Cole, Commissioner of Lunchtime Hockey**  
**Re: 2012 Flat Stanley Cup, The Big Stick**



If you are a student or staff member at Concord Academy Boyne who loves to play hockey, then your hero today is Kindergartner Keaton Matelski! He is the brave young soul who, under prodding from Mrs. Shumaker (who will be admonished to employ greater discretion in the future), this morning accosted me in my office and performed the annual ritual, enabling the official start of Concord hockey. He was followed closely by fellow classmate Mason Balch, performing the same ritual. So, I got double-whammied before my day even started.

Hockey at CAB is steeped in tradition, and no tradition is more revered than the one to launch the season. For this reason, League officials in 2007 created an award to recognize such bravery and the resultant state of euphoria it creates. We call it, The Big Stick, presented annually to that youngster who is cunning enough to learn the unwritten custom and daring enough to carry it out [or subservient enough to follow the prodding of an indiscreet staff member].

The trophy, a vintage Lovell hockey stick on display at league headquarters, will be emblazoned with the name of this year's recipient, adding to the list of previous winners. The Big Stick will also receive special recognition at the Hockey Awards Banquet.

As a reminder, players are permitted to bring their own hockey sticks to school, but not their own pucks. No play is permitted before or after school. All games must be supervised by the Commissioner or his designee.

The race to the Cup is begun! See you at the rink.



## Great Holiday Gift Idea

These are VERY nice, expensive, and large Petoskey stone wine, olive oil, dish soap (if you put it in a glass bottle) bottle toppers. They'll add a bit of charm and local flair to your countertop!!! They were donated by Mr. Petersen and the cost is \$40/per stopper. We only have 4, so first come first serve. We are using the money to purchase a Kindle for the third grade room! Funds raised will allow us to purchase one right away! THANKS! and THANKS to Mr. Petersen!

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## Box Tops for Education

This year, CAB is once again collecting Box Top coupons to raise money for our school. Did you know that some local schools raise thousands of dollars for their schools each year, just from clipping and submitting Box Tops?



Clip Box Top coupons from hundreds of participating products and send them to school. Box Tops coupons are worth **10¢ each** when our school redeems them from Box Tops for Education. All you need to do is cut them off of the box they are on and attach them to the handy collection sheet (available in the office or on our school website) with glue or double stick tape.

We will be collecting Box Tops all year long, but our next submission deadline is **December 16**. Each completed sheet of 25 Box Tops coupons will give your child one entry into the drawing for prizes. The first drawing was held on October 31 for free pizzas, movie passes and many other prizes. Other drawings will be held December 16, February 17, and April 20. Turn your completed sheet into your child's teacher. Be sure to fill in your child's name and their grade for the drawings. Additional sheets are available in the office, or you may visit the school's website to print one.

**Thank you for choosing to support CAB by collecting Box Tops!**