

August 22, 2022



# News Notes

## Prayer Kids



### Monday

Ava M. & Maddox N.

### Tuesday

Kaia O. & Reggie S.

### Wednesday

Charli T. & Hannah W.

### Thursday

Jackson C. & Brooklyn E.

### Friday

Grayson E. & Dayanara E.

## Project Share

Every year Chico Oaks helps sponsor an elementary school child from Guatemala with our monthly offerings collected. Our student's name is Yaretzy Soto. Yaretzy is 13 years old and in the sixth grade at Liceo Dieguez Olaverri School in Huehue, Guatemala. Her favorite subject is English, favorite sport is basketball and her favorite Bible text is Proverbs 22:6. Yaretzy wants to be a baker when she grows up.



Hot lunch is available for purchase every Wednesday starting September. Cost of hot lunch is \$5.00 per meal and will be applied to your FACTS tuition account. Look for hot lunch menus on your monthly calendars and every Monday in this box.

## *This and That*

Good Morning,

Thanks for a great first week of school. It was wonderful having all of our kids back on campus. Hopefully this week it won't be so hot.

Please make sure that you are reading the Newsnotes each week. Besides knowing what is happening in your child's classroom, there is important information about our new volunteer procedures, calendar changes, and other important dates to note. We also have a new Instagram page. Please follow us at [chicooaksadventistschool](https://www.instagram.com/chicooaksadventistschool).

If you are new to our school I hope you have felt welcomed! We are so happy that you have joined our school family. If there is anything we can do to help with this transition time to our school please let your child's teacher or myself know how we can help. One of the best ways for parents to get to know each other is to get involved with our school activities. Please reach out to Sarah Blofsky or Stacey Hubbard if you would like to be part of their teams.

Have a great week!

Blessings,

Mrs. Bartsch

## Update - Annual Calendar

Please make the following date changes on your annual calendar found in your Orientation Packet:

Christmas program - **December 9**

## School Directory

Please remember to turn in your school directory information sheet as soon as possible. Carina would like to have the directories published and in your hands no later than late September; however the sooner she receives your info the sooner she can publish it. Thank you.

## Home and School

Hi COAS Families,

My name is Sarah Blofsky, and I am so excited to step into the role of Home and School Coordinator I wanted to take some time to let you know a little bit more about me and plans for the year.

I grew up in Campbell, CA and moved to Chico in 2004 to attend Chico State. I met my husband, Eric, in the dorms freshman year and we have been married for 14 years! We have a 5-year-old named Brooklyn who is attending kindergarten here at COAS, an almost 1 year old named Keira and can't leave out our black lab Abby who is 12! We are lucky enough to have two nephews who are also attending COAS – Nolan (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) & Toby (Kindergarten). I worked at Enloe for the last 14 years, most recently in Labor and Delivery. After having our last daughter, I made the move to be able to stay home with our girls full-time. My husband and I love planning gatherings, hosting friends/family, traveling to favorite places and exploring new ones.

This year we have some fun plans for your kids, and I would love some help from any of you! I will be getting together a sign-up sheet so that you can choose specific events that you would like to take part in. Keep your eye out in Newnotes for how to sign-up and what events are up and coming. The next big event to mark on your calendars is Fall Festival! We will be having a spirit day in October as well and the date is TBD.

**10/30** – Fall Festival at Paradise Adventist Elementary

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions, suggestions or want to be involved. It is going to be a GREAT year at COAS!

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Home & School Coordinator  
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## Pathfinders Club

The Chico/Paradise Pathfinder Club will have registrations for kids 9 1/2 years old and up on Wednesday, August 24 at the Paradise Academy Gym starting at 6:30pm. For questions or registration forms, please contact Terry Parsons at 530-514-2298

## Make A Difference



## Updated Volunteer Information

As mentioned in the Parent Orientation meeting, our volunteer process and requirements have changed as of August 15, 2022. Please disregard the volunteer packet that was included in your orientation folder and replace with the packets that were emailed to you on Friday. (Printed packets are also available at the school office). Please read through each volunteer description and requirements and select the one that best fits you and your availability to volunteer.

To help with this NEW process, we have hired a mobile Livescan for fingerprints to come on campus on the days listed below. Please note, Livescan is only required for REGULAR Volunteers. Appointment not required, just show up during these time frames with your form filled out and photo ID.

**August 23 - 2:30pm to 4:00pm (at pick-up)**

**August 24 - 7:00am to 9:00am (at drop-off)**

If these days and times do not work for you, you can also get a Livescan done by visiting The UPS Store, Sheriff's Dept. or Police Dept. Chico Oaks will reimburse you or pay for this fee if ALL requirements are met. Your FACTS account will be billed for the Livescan if ALL requirements are not met. Thank you!

# Plan Ahead!

Please check the "Plan Ahead" section each week as the calendar is subject to change. Thank you.

Labor Day – NO SCHOOL – Sept. 5

School Picture Day – Sept. 7

School Board Meeting - Sept. 8

7th/8th Grade Wagon Trip/Outdoor Ed – Sept. 11-16

MAP Test Weeks – Sept. 19-30

Community Service Day - Oct. 7

School Board Meeting – Oct. 13

End of 1<sup>st</sup> Period (48 days) – Oct. 21

Professional Enrichment Day - No School - Oct. 24

Picture Make-Up Day - Oct 27

Fall Festival at PAE/PAA – Oct. 30 - Attendance Day

## Homework & Class Information---

### Music - Eli Rolfe August 22 - August 26

Students in grades 6-8 who have played an instrument before, must have their instruments this week.

Students who are new to Chico Oaks and in grades 6-8 will work with me in deciding what instrument they would like to play.

For beginning band students (Grade 5), I will be introducing the instruments and will be asking them to choose one by the end of this week. I ask that the beginning band students have their instruments as soon as possible after they have chosen so that we can get started. To ensure your kids have the best learning experience, please don't buy an instrument without consulting me first, NO Amazon instruments. Music Connection here in Chico rents out quality instruments (note it has moved to a downtown address).

As we start playing together in the ensembles, it is important that the students begin practicing. It is expected that they practice 100 minutes per week.

If you would like to contact me, my email is [elijahrolfe@gmail.com](mailto:elijahrolfe@gmail.com). (MY EMAIL WAS MISSING THE "J" IN THE LAST NEWSNOTES) I am honored to have been chosen to help, and I am looking forward to teaching your children.

### Mrs. Moon – Kindergarten August 22 - August 26

We had a great first week! The kids all did exceptionally well. Thank you for being so supportive and fantastic parents.

Our Bible story this week is about Jonah. We will learn that God loves us and always gives us second chances. We will also be talking about respect and what it means to be a respectful person.

**ABC Boot Camp:** For the next 26 days, we will learn about a letter daily. This week is the letters a-e. We will be practicing letter formation and enjoying crafts to go along with the letter of the day.

**Math:** We are learning numbers 1-5 and how to write them.

**Writing:** We will be learning the art of storytelling.

**Show and Tell:** Finn, Asher, Tobias, Lucia, Ava.

### Mrs. Miceli – Grades 1 & 2 August 22 - August 26

We had a wonderful first week of school! The students have been so eager to learn. We have been talking about friendship and getting to know each other. Many have said they have made new friends already. We all have enjoyed reading the story of Frog and Toad Together.

**Memory Verse:** "Do to others what you would have them do to you." Matthew 7:12 Please practice saying the verse with your child so they will be able to recite it on Monday.

**Volunteers:** Thank you to everyone who was able to sign up as a volunteer this year. We will begin groups during the first week of September on Tuesday the 6th. Please check with Ms. Carina about the paperwork, background check, etc. needed. Our room mothers this year will be Mindy Honea and Michelle Enos.

**Reading A-Z:** This week I will set up our new roster and passwords for Raz-Kids. We will start with assignments during the first week of September. Your child may start their home weekly reading with books of their choice. Please refer to the last page of the Parent Orientation packet, as it gives some ideas for reading "Just Right" books.

**"All About Me" Poster:** This Friday Noah and Nolan will share their posters with the class. Next week will be Aiden and Elliot.

Look for a "Classroom Schedule" Handout in your child's Take Home Folder today (Monday).

### **Mrs. Bartsch & Mr. Selby – Grades 3 & 4 August 22 - August 26**

**Memory Verse** - *"Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all the strategies of the devil."* Ephesians 6:11 NLT

**\*Learning their memory verse is part of their weekly homework. They need to come to school on Friday prepared to tell us their memory verse.**

#### **Spelling**

Level C - test, lift, Monday, chill, chest, pick, held, body, berry, began, answer, gift, visit, list, puppy

Level D - brand, dust, flock, ridge, blood, swept, sink, fist, shove, past, self, trust, hung, dock, branch, reptile, touch, pebble

Level E - latch, aspect, accent, acid, adapt, camera, gram, mass, batch, banana, banner, atlas, Canada, athlete, Montana, planet, California, panic, cavern, cavity

Our spelling test will be on Friday. We will wait one more week to start our spelling sentences. Last week and continuing this week, we will be working on writing complete sentences. Last week we spent quite a bit of time learning about fragment vs. complete sentences.

**Yellow Book** - Lessons 1.4 and 1.5

**Orange Book** - Lessons 1.3 and 1.4

**Science/Social Studies** - Chapter 1 of Social Studies and Science happens to focus on the same topic; continents and oceans. Thursday, students will have a quiz over the 7 continents and 5 oceans. They will be coming home with a study guide tonight, and we will be continuing to review all week in class. A word bank will be provided.

### **Handwriting - Lesson 2**

\*We are still in need of parents to volunteer in the classroom. Please let us know if you would like to help. We are also looking for room parents (2).

We are looking forward to a great year with your children. If you need to contact us outside of school you can email us at [bselby@chicooaks.org](mailto:bselby@chicooaks.org) or [lbartsch@chicooaks.org](mailto:lbartsch@chicooaks.org)

### **Mr. Raj – Grades 5 & 6 August 22 - August 26**

**Science:** Alongside practicing note-taking, we will begin diving into the book, Chapter 11.

**Bible:** This week will have us diving into the topic of Salvation in greater depth.

**Memory Verse:** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come 2nd Corinthians 5:17

**Math, 6th:** Lessons 1.3 and 1.4. We will start class with any questions of prior homework.

**Math 5th:** Lessons 1.3 & 1.4.

**ELA:** Unit 1 of Vocabulary this week, test on Friday. Students need to know the spelling, definition, root, & meaning for the tests. They will not be tested on origins until 3rd quarter. They will have an 'UBER' test at the end of 1st quarter covering lessons 1-7. We will be working on writing this year, focusing on a variety of types of writing. We will start with diary or journal writing which matches with the style of book we are reading in class, Al Capone Does My Shirts.

**AR:** Just a reminder that AR is 20% of their ELA grade. Please encourage them to get started reading early and to read often!

**Social Studies:** We are starting the year off learning about the role of a historian and how to research history. This week they will complete an in-class research activity on Thursday.

**Mrs. Lauderdale – Grades 7 & 8**  
**August 22 - August 26**

**Welcome back! I am so happy to have all of you. This first week was a blur, but hopefully your child got an idea for what school will be like this year. I have included some basics for those of you who missed the Parent Orientation Monday evening.**

**Google Classroom** – We will have Google Classroom. It will have a variety of assignments on it, as well as supplemental materials for studying – think vocabulary words & world maps (countries this year!). Students can login from home (or a cell phone) and get started. We should be getting Chromebooks this week if you do not have computer access at home. The Class Code is: **zuswbor**

**Cell Phones:** We will not be having cell phones in backpacks this year. Students will turn them in to a box in the morning, labeled with their names, and kept in a secure location. They will pick them up at the end of the day. Smart Watches are just like cell phones. If your child is using their watch to text, look at sites, or anything else other than checking the time, they will be treated like cell phones and placed in the box in the morning.

**Field Trips:** I am working on planning more field trips for this year. Please make sure to get the updated volunteer requirements completed so you can participate.

**Classroom volunteers:** During our reading time on Tuesday & Thursday morning is a great way to get involved in the classroom with your student. Please contact me for more information.

**Wagon Trip:** I know this is coming up quickly, but I hope everyone is excited! We will be leaving on September 11 (Sunday) and returning on September 16 (Friday). I will get details out to you as soon as possible. Please follow the packing list closely and contact me if you have any questions.

**Bible:** Beginning our study of The Gospel of Mark

**ELA:** Vocabulary Unit 1. Pretest is Today. Everyone will do flash cards, due Tuesday. Sentences for those who did not pass the pretest are due Wednesday, Test is Friday – if you pass the pretest you get out of sentences and the test on Friday! UBER test for Q1 is October 20, lessons 1-7. We are also starting to read 2 books in preparation for the Wagon Trip, The Adventurous Children of the Donner Party & Mr. Tucket. Students will be practicing the diary/journal type of writing to go along with their reading.

**AR:** We will be doing AR this year. As before, it is 20% of their ELA grade. Please encourage your child to start reading early. I do have a large selection of books in my classroom, but they will stay in the classroom. I am always looking for donations, so if you have books you want to get rid of or your child is done reading, I'd love to have them!

**Social Studies:** Chapter 14 Lessons 1-3. Rise of Islam. Students have mapping, video lessons, and other activities to support this lesson. End of Quarter test will be on Thursday October 20, covering chapters 14, 16, & 17

**Science:** We will begin getting into the textbook, Chapter 8

**Math:**

Green Book: Lessons 1.3 & 1.4

Red Book: Lessons 1.2-1.3; Quiz Friday

Blue Book: Lesson 1.2 and 1.3 try its