12/01 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/01 5th Grade Art Club, 8:30-9:20 am

12/01 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/02-12/04 Special Olympics State Bowling Championship, Orlando Pro Shop

12/02 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/02 Special Parts Music, 8:30-9:20 am

12/02 Student of the Month, 2:40 pm

12/06 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/06 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/06 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/08 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/08 5th Grade Art Club, 8:30-9:20 am

12/08 Hour of Code w/Parents, 8:30-9:30 am

12/08 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/09 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/09 Special Parts Music, 8:30-9:20 am

12/09 Special Olympics County Central/West BB Skills, LLHS

12/09 Special Olympics PeeWee & Jr. Team BB, Pine View Middle School

12/12-12/16 Quaver Music w/parents

12/12-12/16 PTA Holiday House, 9:00-9:45 am

12/12 PTA Meeting, 4:15 pm

12/13 Bldg. 6 Knights of Columbus Holiday Party Trip

12/13 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/13 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/13 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/13 PTA Cookies & Milk w/Santa, 5:00-7:00 pm

12/13 PTA Holiday House, 5:00-7:00 pm

12/13 Winter Concert, 7:00-8:00 pm

12/15 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/15 5th Grade Art Club, 8:30-9:20 am

12/15 Student Group Activities Pictures, 10:00 am

12/15 5th Grade “Chemical Change Café w/Parents

12/15 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/15 Special Olympics Holiday Party, 5:30-7:45 pm

12/16-12/22 PE Reindeer Run w/Parents

12/16 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/16 Parents Evening Out~Child Care, 6:00-10:00 pm (See flyer to RSVP)

12/20 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

12/20 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

12/20 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/20 Lightning Chorus, Madison Pointe Nursing Home, 6:45-7:30 pm

12/21 Bldg. 6 Visit Santa at Forest Glen, 10:15-11:30 am

12/22 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/22 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am



Cotee River Lightning Flash Newsletter

Sharon Slusser Dan Wolfe

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# December 01, 2016

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***Happy Holidays to our CRES Families & Happy New Year!***

**Lunch With Students –** When parents/family members come eat lunch with their child, in order for a student to invite a friend to join them the parent/family member must be an approved volunteer. The friend joining them must eat the food from the cafeteria. There are picnic benches available on the opposite side of the media center (in the shade).

**12/23-01/08 Winter Break – No School**

01/10 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/10 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/10 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

01/10 Chick-fil-A Family Night, 5:00-7:00 pm

01/12 Special Olympics Area Basketball – Unified Jr/Pwee, Mitchell High, SSMS

01/12 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/12 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

12/16 Parent Night Out For Holiday Shopping – Parent Evening, 6:00-10:00 pm (See Flyer to RSVP)

01/13 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/17 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/17 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/17 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

01/19 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/19 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 p

01/20 Special Parts Music, 8:30-9:20 am

01/23 PTA Meeting, 4:15-5:00 pm

01/24 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/24 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/24 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

01/24 FSA Parent Night Grades 3-5 (A Flyer will be sent home with additional information)

01/26 Grades 1-2 Thunder Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/26 Bolt Power Hour, 8:45-9:30 am

01/26 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

01/26 SAC Meeting, 4:15-4:45 pm

01/27 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/27 Special Parts Music, 8:30-9:20 am

01/27 Student of the Month, 2:40 pm (December and January Combined: Character Trait is Caring)

01/27 Bolt Tastic Dance (Theme-Wild Wild West), 4:00-5:30 pm

01/31 5th Grade Math Extended Day, 8:15-9:15 am

01/31 Grade 3-5 Lightning Chorus, 8:30-9:20 am

01/31 3rd Grade Reading Extended Day, 4:00-5:00 pm

Cotee River Elementary Business/Community Partners

* All Children’s Hospital
* Chick-fil-A, Little Rd.
* Horace Mann Insurance
* Kwanis of Greater West Pasco
* Marjorie’s Hope
* Martial Smart,
* McDonald’s-HMCC Inc.
* Publix, River Crossing
* State Farm Insurance
* Target, Little Rd.
* The Rotary Club
* Timber Green Helping Hands
* US Marine Corp.
* Walgreens #06886

Thank you for supporting our school!

To become a CRES Business/Community Partner please stop in the Main office or give a call to Ms. O’Brien and she will get you all the information that you will need.

727-774-3002

**Box Tops for Education –** CRES continues to participate in both the Box Tops and Campbell Soup Labels for Education Programs. Through these programs, we collect box tops and Campbell soup labels UPC codes from participating products to earn money from Box Tops and points from labels. Students can turn in what they have collected in the front office on Wednesday or Friday’s.

**Art News –** Friday, December 2nd is the New Port Richey Winter Art Show, from 6-8 p.m.  CRES will have artwork on display.  Students who will be represented in the show have received a notice from Mrs. Parris or Mrs. Bridges, but everyone is welcome to attend!  Please visit Citynpr.org for more details, or call Mrs. Parris.  Note:  Event will be cancelled if there is imminent inclement weather.

\*The last day for 5th grade Art Club is Thursday, December 15th.  We will have a breakfast party!

4th grade Art Club will start up in January.  In early December, information and applications will go home for interested students.  Application deadline will be Friday, December 16th, and students who are accepted will be notified prior to winter break.

Congratulations to our winners of the Yearbook Cover Contest- Kailee Kreidler won first place and her artwork will be featured on the front cover.  Taylor Bicknell won second place and her artwork will be featured on the back cover.  Thanks to all of our talented 5th grade artists who submitted an entry!

**Square One Art product** orders are expected to arrive in early December.  Products will be sent home with students as soon as I can get them distributed!  Thanks to all who supported our Art program through their purchase.

**Music News –** Our Winter Concert date for Lightning and Thunder Chorus is Tuesday, December 13, 2016, 7 pm, here at Cotee River.

The Lightning Chorus will also be singing at Madison Pointe Nursing Home on Tuesday, December 20th, 2016, 7 pm.

If your child was not able to join chorus for the fall, we will open up membership again for the 2nd semester. The Thunder and Lightning Choruses will present  Disney's "Annie KIDS!" on May 16, 2017. Information will be sent home in January 2017 or please email or call Mrs. Kelberlau: [ekelberl@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:ekelberl@pasco.k12.fl.us)   (727) 774-3000

**Paper Recycling –** Did you know that CRES has a green dumpster (located at the front of the school along the loop, by the PLACE turn off) where you can donate ANY kind of paper good for for recycling? Help us to help the environment by saving all the paper trash including newspaper, cardboard, and packaging. By placing these items in our green dumpster, you also help CRES earn $$$$! Every little bit helps. Also we have battery recycling drop off next to the dumpster and at the front enterence of the office. We appreciate your support.

**Pennies for Patience (Pasta) -** Olive Garden Pennies for Patients (Pasta) is a service and philanthropy program that gives students a unique experience making a difference through teamwork—working together to aid hundreds of **Suncoast Chapter** children in the fight blood cancers.  Mrs. Quinn’s class won the pasta meal again this year. Thank you everyone for your support.

**Cotee River Spirit Day –** Every Friday CRES has a Spirit Day and we ask for students to wear their Cotee River t-shirts. If you would like to purchase a school t-shirt for $10.00, please stop in the main office and see Mrs. Glover.

**Car Loop Friendly Reminder –** When dropping students off in the mornings they will be unloading cars at 9:15 am when adult staff are out. Please do not to block the lanes so that vehicles can still drive through the loop and get to the PLACE parking. In the afternoon parents are able to pick students up until 3:15 pm, please try not to arrive prior to this time so that parents may do so without having an issue getting through the car loop. If you arrive after 3:15 to pick up a student you will have to park in the parking lot and walk in the office. Another option is to park in the side parking lot in order to avoid the afternoon car loop. Afternoon buses begin to arrive around 3:15 pm.

**Important Reading Event**-  Parents do your kids come home and tell you they are a green reader or red reader?  What does that mean?  Come out on January 12th from 5-6:30 pm and learn all about your child’s independent reading level.  We will provide a quick and easy pizza meal and get down to learning! These learning sessions are incredibly important to help support your child as a reader at home. Flyers will be coming home after Winter Break and you must RSVP for the IRLA event.