

SEPTEMBER 2021



# CHEATHAM NEWS

Principal: Kristi Pashley

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September 8th  
**HALF DAY**

**\$1 DRESS DOWN**

**FACEBOOK READ  
ALOUD**

**PETER PIPER PIZZA  
& BOOSTER**

September 22nd  
**HALF DAY**

**\$1 DRESS DOWN**

**FACEBOOK READ  
ALOUD**

September 29th  
**WORLD SCHOOL  
MILK DAY**



Kindergarten student shows off huge grin on his first day of school.

## Cheatham Celebrates a Successful Return to School

**STUDENTS AND STAFF EAGAR FOR A NEW YEAR**

After an unpredictable year, everyone was ready for a more typical start to school. On August 2nd, students filled the campus with smiles and hugs as friends and staff reunited, some for the first time in over a year.

With your help, we have been able to have a successful first month back on campus. Over 300 students were able to meet their teachers before the first day. Parents of kindergarteners were able to walk their child to class on their very first day of school. Specials are being held in their own rooms. We have even been able to assess every student to determine each child's specific academic need.

While the year still isn't "normal" by previous standards, Cheatham is working hard to bring our students the very best education. We appreciate your partnership in continuing to demonstrate best practices when it comes to safety. It definitely takes a team and we are glad you are part of ours.

- Your Principal, Kristi Pashley



# Cheatham Welcomes Playworks

## LEARNING THE BENEFITS OF PLAY

Everyone knows play is fun, but did you know its benefits reach far beyond amusement? P.E. teacher, Ms. Johnson does! As a result, she has worked hard to secure Playworks at Cheatham. Playworks is a program that helps schools build a culture of play that enables kids to feel a real sense of belonging and have the opportunity to contribute on the playground, in the classroom, and into their communities.

According to the Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University, play is one of the most important ways in which children learn. Not only do children discover the joy of physical activity, they learn the social and emotional skills they will use in the classroom, in the workplace, and in life.

Playworks focuses on 6 key principles that support opportunity, inclusion, conflict resolution, and trust. These principles will turn our playground and recess into a time where students play together in a positive and safe manner.

Students are now involved in games such as King of the Court, volleyball, kickball, four square, tetherball, and tag.



# Building Community Partners

This month we are thanking Home Depot for their generous donation of buckets. These 35 buckets support the new drumming class offered by our music teacher, Mr. Hoylman. Students in 6th-8th grade are taught the basics of drumming rudiments and how to keep a beat. They then try to follow the beats of popular music.

Thank you, Home Depot for your support of the arts in unique and applicable ways.



Interested in becoming a community partner? Please contact Brittney Downs at [bdowns@laveneld.org](mailto:bdowns@laveneld.org)



# WHAT'S NEW?



## AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

*Beginning September 7th*

After-School clubs begin next week. Student Council, creative writing, sign language, and more. Permission slips must be signed before participating. Late bus is available for regular riders. Ask your teacher for more information.



## STORY TIME WITH CHEATHAM

Live on Facebook @ 6:30pm

Facebook story time is back! Every half-day Wednesday at 6:30pm, Cheatham will go live on their Facebook account to read you an exciting story. You do not need an account to listen. Join us at [www.facebook.com/CheathamSchool](http://www.facebook.com/CheathamSchool)



## PETER PIPER PIZZA & BOOSTER

*Support Cheatham*

Come eat pizza, raise money, and build community. On Wednesday, September 8th, we will host our first fundraising event at Peter Piper Pizza. While you are there, we invite you to join our first Booster meeting of the year at 5:30pm. It is a great way to be informed, share ideas, and support Cheatham.





# RAISE SOME *dough*

Join the Cheatham community for a night of pizza and fun while supporting our school. Be sure to mention Cheatham at check out to send 15% of your sale back to our school.

**Wednesday, September 8th**

**4:00pm-8:00pm**

While you're there, we invite you to our first Booster meeting at 5:30pm.

