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CONGRATULATIONS!

Our Parent 2 Parent Corner

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The winner of our first drawing for the month of AUGUST was **JANE WILLIAMSON!** She correctly chose letter "D" which was 0.

**PARENT CORNER
S.O.L SOLUTION**

GOAL: Based on the numbers how many students are choosing NOT to attend Central Middle School?



100 5th graders + 100 5th graders + 100 5th graders
= 300 students are going into 6th grade

300 6th graders
+300 7th graders
+300 8th graders
900 Middle School Students



Answer: D. 0
HOORAY!
All the students chose
Central Middle School!



Principal Shannon Royster presents Parent with \$25.00 Food Lion Gift Card



Special Thanks to Food Lion Manager, Charlie Barron for donation and drawing name!

PARENT S.O.L

"Sharing Our Learning"

"Programs and interventions that engage families in supporting their children's learning at home are linked to higher student achievement." - Effective parent involvement comes when a true partnership exists between schools and families. Creating that partnership, especially around academics, is what works for student achievement". - See more at: www.prideandspirit.info

Each month as your Parent Involvement Assistant I will provide a question, survey or activity to help increase awareness of the Virginia Standards of Learning. Last month we held a drawing for a \$25.00 FOOD LION GIFT CARD using math as our topic. This month our focus will be on reading for fun. Special thanks to our \$25.00 GIFT CARD sponsor for SEPTEMBER WELLINGTON HOUSE BOOKSELLERS.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS (#1 of 7)

Students who set goals find it easier to avoid distractions and bad influences. They stay focused because they have their eyes set on their future vision. Let us help our children set a few goals today. **SOURCE BROCHURE:**

7 HABITS OF HIGHLY RESPONSIBLE STUDENTS

2014-15 CGW PARENT COMMUNICATION TOOLS

- ✓ Website: www.Hopewell.k12.va.us/woodson
- ✓ www.facebook.com/PrideandSpirit
- ✓ Blog: www.prideandspirit.info
- ✓ Support Line: **804-601-8729**
- ✓ Email: CGWPrideandSpirit@gmail.com
- ✓ PTO Meetings
- ✓ Conference Calls
- ✓ Principal's Breakfast Chats

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SEPTEMBER PTO MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thanks to all of the activity support last year, the new sound system in the multipurpose room was purchased at the end of the school year! The incredible motivational speaker ROHAN MURPHY was brought to the school with his message "**ACCEPT NO EXCUSES!**" He was the amazing key note speaker at the September 25 Title 1 District Wide Parent Meeting. See www.prideandspirit.info for video and details!

Please come out and support the activities of the CGW PTO this month!

OCTOBER HOPEWELL HAPPENINGS

School Board Regular Monthly Meeting, Thursday, October 16th, 2014 5:30 p.m. Early Meeting 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting. The meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of each month unless noted otherwise. Office located at 103 North 12th Avenue.

City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. on October 14th. [2nd Tuesday of each Month] City Council Chambers are at 300 North Main Street.

SCHOOL SUPPORT

During the year the staff and students would appreciate your support in any way that you can!

GREAT AMERICA FALL FUNDRAISER

Our fall fundraising program launched this month and helps support the PAWS store that benefit our students. Please take time to help our students do their best in raising much needed funds. Every order counts!

BOX TOPS PROGRAM



Find Box Tops on hundreds of food products. Clip Box Tops from each package. Send the Box Tops to Carter G. Woodson Middle School. Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for our school! Please save your box tops from specially packaged foods. They can be turned in to the PARENT CORNER box in the front office. This year's goal: \$1,000.00

KELLOGGS FAMILY REWARDS

Through KFR Giving, your points can become a cash donation to Carter G. Woodson. From providing books and teaching tools to new technologies and art supplies – your donation can make a big difference. Begin to accumulate points at www.kelloggsfamilyrewards.com

THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

READING SUPPORT

2014-15 GUIDED READING PROGRAM

This year's SCHOOL COMPACT asks for each parent to read 20 minutes with his or her student. Please ask your student how they are focusing this year on how to improve reading skills in the classroom. For three days a week each reading class is divided up into 4 different rotating small groups working on various skills either one on one with the teacher or independently.

PARENT-STUDENT READING BOOK CLUBS?

Studies show that when children see ADULTS read it has a positive impact on their own interest and ability. Can we form a few small groups to read a book of your choice and win some nice prizes? This week ONLY ALL CARTER G. WOODSON FAMILIES are being offered 10% off of selected books at local Wellington House Booksellers. There is a meeting space in the store where families can schedule and hold a weekly or monthly BOOK CLUB NIGHT. Prizes will be offered to the first 10 clubs formed! Clubs can be two or more people. Sign up online or right in the store.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 1-OCTOBER 31-STUDENT COUNCIL ASSOCIATION (SCA) "**SOCK-TOBER DRIVE**" seeks to collect as many socks as possible to donate to needy families for the Mercy Mall. They will be giving a prize for the winning class! Please help your student participate in this worthwhile community project.

OCTOBER 9- PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES (EARLY RELEASE)

This is a great opportunity to check in to see how a little bit of home support can make the difference in student performance in the classroom. Be sure to ask about the results of your child's STAR ONLINE TEST taken in September.

NOVEMBER 11- At 6:30 p.m. CGW Choir Students will perform a special **VETERANS' DAY CONCERT**. As a treat, each family is asked to share a tribute to the veterans in your family tree. A patriotic display table will be set up to showcase photos in frames...memorabilia...(no weapons) Additional information will be in the November newsletter.

OTHER FUTURE PLANS

February 19-SOL NIGHT/PARENT WORKSHOP
March 19-SOL NIGHT/MATH NIGHT AT FOOD LION

YOUR INPUT IS ALWAYS WELCOME!