

2023-2024 Cottage School Program

Weekly News--Week of October 16

Walk with me for a while, my friend - you in my shoes, I in yours - and then let us talk.

~ Richelle E. Goodrich

How often do we misjudge someone simply because we do not know them...their history, their hardships, their path in life? Understanding a person means recognizing that we are not all that different from one another. When we are able to put aside our natural tendency to make assumptions about others, we are more inclined to respond with kindness and compassion. By doing so, we can then more willingly accept these same actions in return. The result is more meaningful relationships and ultimately strengthened community, essential elements of what it means to share the human experience.

Welcome back from Fall Break! We hope the pause from school was restful!

In Partnership,

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Announcements

NEW and STILL IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. THIS WEEK! PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY is on Tuesday, October 17th, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. This is the only opportunity for re-takes. If your TUESDAY students needs pictures/retakes, please communicate this with your child's teacher. All other students needing retakes can be walked into the school by a parent during the two-hour window.

2. PARENT SPALDING CLASSES are being offered on the evening of Thursday, October 26th, and Thursday, November 2nd. See below flyer for more information. (Live link [here](#).)

3. PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES will take place the week of October 30th during your child(ren)'s regularly scheduled school day. There will be no CSP classes on campus for students this week. Links to sign up for conferences will be coming from grade level teachers THIS WEEK!

4. Coming Soon to TCA Cottage School...a fundraiser with heART! We are partnering with SilverGraphics to celebrate creativity and raise needed funds for our school! Your child has been working hard on an art project at school. We're opening a private **Online Art Shop** for you to view your child's art and order personalized products such as journals, magnets, ceramic mugs, canvas totes, and ornaments. You'll be able to upload additional art and favorite photos from home too! Art keepsakes make great mementos and unique gifts for family and friends! Watch for Order Catalogs coming soon...

5. October Lunch Menu can be found [here](#).

6. The newest issue of the **Palmarium** can be found [here](#).

7. TCA Athletic Game Safety – All Elementary and Junior High students who attend TCA athletic events must sit with an adult during the event for supervision purposes. Unfortunately, we have noticed types of behavior that could lead to injury or students getting in trouble. We desire to promote a safe atmosphere for all spectators; thus, no personal sporting or toy ball of any kind will be allowed into events. We thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

8. Looking for ways to bless our staff? Food is always welcome! We have a "Sunshine Cabinet" in the Staff Lounge that we like to keep stocked with snacks and goodies for staff members to enjoy throughout the week. If ever you want to contribute a treat to the cabinet (whether store bought or homemade, savory or sweet), items can be dropped off in the CSP/CP office.

Spalding for Parents Class

Thursday Evenings
October 26th and November 2nd
5 pm – 8 pm
TCA Central Campus
1655 Springs Crest Road

During this two-session class, you will learn phonograms, spelling rules, comprehension strategies, and ways to support your child in reading and writing.

The cost for the class is \$10. Please register at TCA's Pay School Events by October 20th.

<https://tinyurl.com/TCA-Parent-Spalding-Class> or



If fewer than 10 participants have registered for the class by October 20th, the class will be cancelled, and all money refunded.

Typing Pal Log-In Instructions (Grades 3-6 Only)

Typing Pal is a learn-to-type program that we offer at no charge to all of our upper elementary students. There is no requirement to participate; it's simply something families may use as part of their home school curricula if students desire to learn/master basic typing skills. Log-in instructions are below.

1. Go to <https://clascott.typingpal.com>
2. Each student's **user name** is the first letter of his/her first name (as given in Infinite Campus; not a nickname) followed by the student's last name (i.e. shille would be the username for Stefani Hille).
3. The **password** is identical for each student—*titans*—UNLESS a student was with us previously and changed his/her account to a unique password. Once students are logged in, they may change their password to something unique to them.
4. Questions or trouble logging in? Contact Stef Hille at shille@asd20.org.



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