

Absence Hotline
208-855-4355
Call by 9AM

Donnell Tidbits

Please remember to call in an absence before 9AM!

If your child is dropped off after 9:10AM, you MUST escort them into the building and sign them in at the office!

A reminder that students will not be called out of class for appointments until you arrive at school. This allows your child to receive the most amount of instruction time as possible.

Teachers available before school by appointment only. This is their planning time. Notes, treats, homework, etc. can be left in the office to be delivered to the classroom.

Please call the office no later than 3:00 PM to report a change in the way your child will get home from school that day. If your child knows of the change when they arrive at school, please do not call just to remind them.



Notes from Mrs. Leipf

Dear CDSA Families,

A big **thank you** to all who participated in our **CDSA STEAM Carnival!** Our creative PTA, positive community support, generous donations, and hours of volunteer time from staff members and the community are so appreciated. Some feedback about which presentations you and your children like the most will help with planning for future years. Students who attended the Carnival were given a short paper survey at school, however if you have additional information for ways to make next year better, you may send me a quick email (leipf.joni@westada.org) to answer the following questions:

1. What was your favorite CDSA STEAM event?
2. What is one thing that you think would make this STEAM event better?
3. Would you be willing to volunteer at CDSA's STEAM event next year?

April and May are scheduled full: state testing, Jog-a-thon, performances, and the CDSA Arts Fair are just a few of the ways that students can "show off" their learning. Pay special attention to new letters and invitations to be sure not to miss celebrating your child's accomplishments with them.

As partners in education, parents are asked to consider school attendance when planning family activities. School absences are sometimes unavoidable. Please keep in mind that when your child misses school, even when make-up work is completed, that there is no way to replicate the classroom learning experience. For those unavoidable absences, the office has Absence Notification forms that allow parents to efficiently communicate with the classroom teachers and notify the office for taking attendance. Work may or may not be given ahead of the absence, depending upon the units that the students are engaged in at the time of absence. Please check the Elementary and/or Middle School Student Handbook for any further clarification of district policy.

And another thank you in closing. I appreciate all of the families who took the High Reliability Schools survey. We have a review date coming up later this month. Your input helps us know in which areas of practice we still need to grow and in which areas can we celebrate what we do well. Just like our students, we are always learning!

Sincerely,
Joni Leipf

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DONNELL!

April 1-31

- 1st – School Resumes
- 3rd – Opera Idaho Assembly
- 4th – Book Assembly
- 4th – PTA Meeting
- 9th – 4th-6th Grade Choir to Festival
- 15th – Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser
- 18th – Kindergarten Registration
- 23rd – Early Release 1:15 PM
- 24th – Integrity Assembly

From the Library

- ❖ Upcoming book fair May 16-27

PTA News

Thank you to all of our volunteers, staff, and families for making STEAM Carnival a great success. We would also like to thank those from our community who donated over \$100 in product, service, or tickets:

- *Winco
- *Culver's Custard, Meridian
- *Ballet Idaho
- *Boise Ranch Golf
- *Body Design Center (Julie Morgan)
- *Beauties by Sierra (Lashes)
- *BSU Athletics
- *Cascade Raft & Kayak
- *Bricks & Minifigs, Boise
- *Bridgetown Orthodontics
- *Rea-Define Beauty (Microblading)

Kids Rule! at



*Check out
the fun
we're having!*

Christine Donnell School of the Arts
FUNDRAISER NIGHT

Monday, April 15th

Present this flyer and Texas Roadhouse
will donate 10% of your food purchase to your school!

**Come see your CDSA teachers
do Texas line dancing!!**

Doors open at 4:00pm



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CHRISTINE DONNELL SCHOOL OF THE ARTS



2018 - 2019

Yearbook Order Form

We are asking that you fill out one order form for each yearbook.

If you are a family ordering multiple yearbooks please complete an order form for each yearbook. (One check per family is fine. Please attach multiple order forms to the one check.)



In addition to pictures of students, staff, and various groups, the yearbook will include selected artwork that has been displayed at school throughout the year.



Front and back covers will feature original art chosen from student submissions.



The yearbook will be an 8.5"x 11", soft covered book, in color.



Once yearbooks are sold out, we cannot order any more for this year.

The cost is \$20.00

CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR CASHIER CHECK ONLY (no cash please)

Please make checks payable to CDSA.

Please return checks and order forms to your child's teacher.

(Order is not valid unless payment is included.)

Student Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

Any check returned for insufficient funds will incur an additional fee of \$25.00

For Office use:

Date Received: _____ Amount: _____ Ck# _____

Dear CDSA Families,

Starting on Monday, CDSA will be participating in The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Pennies for Patients program; a service-learning program that gives students the unique experience of working together to help raise awareness and funds in honor of thousands of children and adults fighting against blood cancers!

We are asking that everyone (students, faculty, parents, alumni, etc.) at CDSA join in this effort of raising awareness and collecting funds to benefit the mission of LLS: to find cures for blood cancers and to improve the quality of life for patient and their families.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Every 3 minutes someone is diagnosed with a blood cancer and every 9 minutes someone loses their battle. Thanks to the support of people like you, doctors are getting closer to finding a cure every day! In 1964, the five-year survival rate for children with the most commonly diagnosed form of leukemia was 3%. Today, it's approximately 90%.

Your Support Helps Kids Like Logan!



**Logan, Age 6
Leukemia Survivor**

Just before her 3rd birthday, Logan was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL). For 2 ½ years, Logan endured bone marrow aspirations, spinal taps, blood transfusions, aggressive chemotherapy, fevers, hair loss and emotional ups and downs. Logan was too young to understand what she was going through or the enormous pain that she endured, but through it all Logan continued to smile. Thanks to LLS supporters like you, today, Logan is 6 years old and is officially cancer-free!

CLICK LINK TO DONATE NOW: <https://events.lls.org/pages/oswim/ChristineDonnellSchool-Arts-2019>

Thank you so much for supporting LLS and CDSA's participation in the Pennies program!
For more information on Pennies for Patients or other LLS Student Series Programs, please visit: <http://www.studentseries.org>.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out and contact me.

Sincerely,
Ms. Torp-CDSA Counselor, Mrs. Duthie and CDSA Student Council

SAFETY in a DIGITAL WORLD



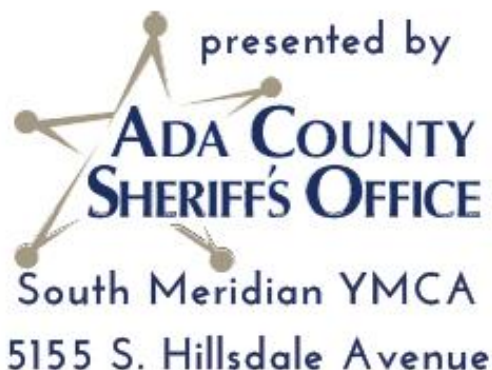
A series about keeping kids safer online

4/4: How to be safe online

4/18: Screen time & brain development

5/2: Healthy internet use

5/16: Tools for families



Registration required on EventBrite.com by searching Safety in Digital World
Questions? Contact Nicole Carr at (208)577-3775 or ncarr@adacounty.id.gov

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Meridian Schools Clinic Dental Day for Christine Donnell

Hello Parents/Guardians,
For those of you who are not aware, the Meridian school's clinic offers free dental cleanings to children in the West Ada School District who do not have Medicaid or private dental insurance. The clinic is located on the Meridian Elementary School campus. On Friday, April 12, the Meridian Schools Clinic has reserved appointments for Christine Donnell students and two other schools in the district. If you would like to schedule a no cost dental cleaning for your student, please contact the Meridian Schools Clinic at 514-2527. The clinic fills up fast, so take this wonderful opportunity and make your appointment right away. If have any questions, please contact Meredith Malan at 855-4355.



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JOG-a-THON

GET READY FOR OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR,
THE ANNUAL CDSA JOG-a-THON FUNDRAISER!

MUSIC DANCING RUNNING SNACKS FUN!!

WHEN: FRIDAY MAY 3RD

WHAT WE NEED YOU TO DO:

STUDENTS WILL COLLECT PLEDGE DONATIONS TOWARDS THEIR PARTICIPATION
IN THE JOG-a-THON. FAMILY AND FRIENDS CAN SPONSOR STUDENTS WITH
FLAT RATE DONATIONS.

ANY STUDENT RAISING OVER \$100 WINS POPSICLES & EXTRA RECESS

THE TOP 2 FUNDRAISING CLASSES WIN A PARTY!

INDIVIDUAL FUNDRAISING PRIZES INCLUDE: HOVERBOARD, BIKE, & MORE!

IF WE CAN RAISE \$10,000 AS A SCHOOL

WE WILL HAVE A BLOW UP OBSTACLE COURSE AS PART OF THE EVENT!

Proceeds to benefit the Artist in Residency Programs