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Congratulations to CSMH

Once again, the Charter School of Morgan Hill participated in the Hometown Holidays tree decorating contest sponsored by the Rotary Club of Morgan Hill. The trees are located in the courtyard at the Community Center. Be sure to take a stroll through the area and enjoy the beautifully decorated trees. The theme this



year was Holiday Celebrations Around the World. All of the 2nd through 8th grade art students created paper dolls representing twelve different countries. The McElroy and Santos girls recorded "It's a Small World," which will be playing at our tree. The trees were judged according to the theme and we are proud to announce that CSMH's tree won first place!! The school will receive a prize of \$500 that will go to our art program. Many thanks go to Ms. Lashbrook and Mrs. Mosher for coordinating the making of the ornaments and the decorating details. Thank you to all the families who helped get our tree ready last Saturday!!

Budget Advisory Committee

The CSMH Board of Directors is once again forming a budget advisory committee. Each year, the school is required to vote on an annual budget by June 15th. The Board begins reviewing different budget scenarios during their April and May meetings. With all the budget cuts last year, an advisory committee was formed that included board members, parents and staff. This committee reviewed the budget and examined areas to increase revenue and decrease expenses. Everyone felt that the work this committee did was very worthwhile.

The committee will begin to meet in late January or early February after we receive all the "happy" predictions from the state about the upcoming budget. The committee will meet two to three times depending on the need. If you are interested in serving on this group, please e-mail me at pcisewski@csmh.org.

Cheetah Sports

Congratulations to both our girl's middle school basketball teams and boy's middle school soccer team on their winning seasons. Coach Steffani and the 8th grade girls had a winning season. We had many beginning players that learned that they had strong basketball skills! The 7th grade girl's team was coached by Charter School alum, Tim Smedlund. This team was put together at the last minute and had the opportunity to participate in four scrimmage games. They will be ready for league domination next year.

The 7th and 8th grade boy's soccer team had four wins and two ties. They placed second in the league. They were led by coaches Christine Kelley and Martha Baughman. The boys were quick on the field and scored multiple goals against their opponents while the Charter goalies let almost nothing by them. Thank you to all the athletes for their participation and Charter School sportsmanship. A huge thanks to the coaches – we could not have these great teams without you. Special thanks, once again, to our Athletic Director – Laura Hagiperos.

Lost and Found

There are some very nice sweatshirts, jackets, lunch boxes and various other items that are waiting to be picked up. These items will be packed up and donated next Friday!!



E-Waste Fundraiser Coming Soon!

Before we know it spring will be here and our 8th graders will be off to Washington D.C. Help support them and get rid of your old electronics at the same time. The following is important information about the e-waste fundraiser:

- It will be on Jan. 30th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in Morgan Hill Presbyterian Church's parking lot on DeWitt and Dunne!
- We hope to get businesses involved in our recycling event. Please talk to your employer to see if they are willing to recycle their excess hardware with us!
- We make the most off of computer monitors, computers, and televisions. (See list on flyer for all that is accepted).
- Keep us in mind after Christmas. Don't throw away that old electronic equipment, but save it for our recycling event!
- See the flyer in the Friday Folder for more detailed information.

**Don't forget the middle school social
is tonight from 6:00 to 9:00!!**

Upcoming Dates to Remember

December 14 th	Academic Chess
December 16 th	1 st and 5 th on field trip 2 nd and 6 th on field trip
December 18 th	Spirit Day - Pajama Day
December 21 st	Start of Holiday Break
December 30 th	Order Hot Lunch by 5:00 pm
January 4 th	School Resumes 5 th graders on field trip Academic Chess
January 6 th	2 nd graders on field trip Order Hot Lunch by 5:00 pm
January 8 th	Spirit Day - CSMH wear
January 11 th	Academic Chess
January 13 th	Minimum Day - Staff Development Order Hot Lunch by 5:00 pm

