

# Canty Newsletter

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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" . . . Nelson Mandela



## Message from the Principal

The school year is moving quickly. November is a very busy month with many days off for students. Please, follow the Canty calendar for scheduled days off. We would like to suggest that students read, write and practice math facts while not at school.

November 16<sup>th</sup> is the first quarter Report Card Pick-up day. You will have an opportunity to meet with teachers and discuss the progress of your children. Do not miss this great opportunity! The hours are 12:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I would like to thank all of you, Canty staff, students, parents and community, for your great support for our school and administration. Have a great Thanksgiving Holiday with your family and friends!

Please, join us for the November 9<sup>th</sup> Community Forum at 6:00 p.m. We will discuss school progress, goals for the school year, as well as the Common Core State Standards and College and Career Readiness to help you understand the new State and CPS initiatives.

I have an open door policy. If you would like to contact me, email me at [lemirowska@cps.edu](mailto:lemirowska@cps.edu) or come to the school.

For all news and information check our webpage: [www.cantyschool.org](http://www.cantyschool.org)

*Dr. Lucja Mirowska-Kopec*



## BILINGUAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

All parents whose children are in our bilingual program are welcome to attend the meeting on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.



## PARENT PORTAL

If you do not have your child's pin number you may get it from your child's homeroom teacher. You must have the pin number and your child's student ID number to get complete access to parent portal. Even though there is a notes option on the portal, please email the classroom teacher, call to set up an appointment with them if you have any concerns. If you are having trouble with access please see Ms. Laurencell.



## REPORT CARD PICK UP

Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> is 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report Card Pick-up.  
Teachers will be in their classrooms to meet with you from:  
**12:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.** and again from **4:00 – 6:00 p.m.**



## YEARBOOKS

2011-2012 Yearbooks can be purchased by sending \$23.00 in an envelope to Mr. Mavridis in Room 205. Yearbooks contain classroom pictures as well as sports teams, clubs and special event pictures taken throughout the year. Purchase a book full of memories today. A table will also be set up during report card pick-up night for those who would like to make a purchase.



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

We will be having our annual Scholastic Book Fair the week of November 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. On Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, the book fair will be located in the gym for parents.



## STUDENT COUNCIL DANCE & MOVIE EVENT

November 17<sup>th</sup>, we will have our "Fall Dance" for grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> and a movie event for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. The dance attendees will enter and exit through the gym doors and the movie attendees will enter and exit through the auditorium doors. Both programs will end at 8 p.m. Parents please remember that Chicago curfew is now 8:30 p.m.



## PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Thank you for your support during the Pizza Fundraiser; we raised over \$955.55. This money will go towards updating technology equipment. Special thank you to Canty staff and parents who helped out with the deliveries. This was a great community building activity!



## TURKEY TROT

Canty's Annual Turkey Trot around the school will take place on November 24<sup>th</sup>. Students pay a \$2 entry fee by the 18<sup>th</sup> of November to participate. Students will be asked to seek pledges for how many times they walk around the school. Pledge money is to be turned in by December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The entry fee will go towards the purchase of technology while the pledge money will go towards your children's individual classroom teachers wish list of items they're planning to purchase. Thank you for supporting our school.



## HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

8<sup>th</sup> Graders and parents, it is important to start filling out your applications for High School. Should you have any questions about high school applications, see Ms. Laurencell in room 108 or email her at [cdlaurencell@cps.edu](mailto:cdlaurencell@cps.edu)



## PICTURE RETAKE DAY

If you would like to retake your class picture or you were absent the retake day is set for December 2<sup>nd</sup> in the auditorium. Pictures will be taken between 9 and 10:30.



## KEY DATES

November 2<sup>nd</sup> – CPTC Meeting @ 5:30 in room 102  
November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Market Day Pick-up 5:45  
November 2<sup>nd</sup> – BAC Parent Meeting @6:30 in room 108  
November 9<sup>th</sup> – LSC Community Forum @6:00 in Auditorium  
November 10<sup>th</sup> – Staff Development Day – No School for Students – End of Quarter  
November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Day – No School  
November 16<sup>th</sup> – Report Card Pick Up Day  
November 17<sup>th</sup> – Student Council Dance and Movie Night  
November 18<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day – No School for Students  
November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Turkey Trot Day  
November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Break – No School



## 2011 - 2012 CANTY LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL

**Parent Representatives:** John Rice – Chairman, Wojciech Wloch – Secretary, Ryan Forbes, Francesco Paolucci, Javier Silva, Wayne Wiberg

**Community Representatives:** Mary Anselmo, Blaire English

**Teacher Representatives:** Catherine Laduzinsky, Ronald Yak

**Staff Representative:** Cynthia Mavridis

**Principal:** Dr. Lucja Mirowska-Kopec

### Meetings Schedule for 201-2012

All meetings are located in room 108 and take place on Wednesdays at 8 a.m. unless stated differently  
November 9, 2010 ~ Community Forum 6 p.m.

December 14, 2010	January 11, 2011	February 8, 2011
March 14, 2011	April 11, 2011 ~	Community Forum 6 p.m.
May 9, 2011	June 13, 2011	July 11, 2011



## ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN NOTIFICATION

This is to notify you in accordance with Illinois and Federal Asbestos Regulations, that a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is available at each school during school hours by appointment. Requests to review the Asbestos Management Plan must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Also, please be advised that CPS conducts asbestos inspections of all schools every three years. The last inspection was completed in 2010. Asbestos surveillances are conducted every six months.



## PLAYGROUND

The play lot is for Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade only. **Because of the playground being smaller we can no longer play bounce the ball off the building.** We do not want any children or adults to get hurt. Also, balls of any kind can only be used on the grass field.



## BEFORE AND AFTERSCHOOL PICK-UP SAFETY

Parents we need your help! To keep everyone safe before and after school we need to do the following:

- Due to the safety of all children we cannot have dogs on the playground.
- Do not block the cross walks with your cars while you are waiting for your children.
- Please cross the street at crosswalks. Children follow what adults do.
- When pulling away, once you have collected your children, please watch out for the other students who are walking home.
- At Addison location please do not drive around the busses it is illegal.
- **DO NOT DOUBLE PARK** because you may be ticketed by Chicago Police Department.



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

When the weather is 40 degrees or below, or it is raining, children are allowed into the building **after 8:40 a.m.** Please do not drop off your children before this time as there is no supervision. In the main building kindergartners will continue to come in through the main doors. **ALL other grades** must come in through the playground doors off Paris. This will be the only door open for students to sign up for lunch and then go to their designated locations. Kindergarten parents we ask that you just drop off your children. Waiting becomes a hazard. Both modular's have an adult opening the doors after 8:40 a.m.

