

# Cherry Street Intermediate



Students Today ■ Leaders Tomorrow

## From the Principal's

At this time of the year it always seems that the school year is moving very quickly. With the coming of the Christmas Holiday the end of the first semester looms before us. We have gotten off to a great start and there are many good things happening here at Cherry Street Intermediate School.

The **Cherry Street** staff strives to serve all students in a variety of ways. Our instructional program allows for individual differences and strives to raise the academic levels of all children. We are now providing **math interventions** to help all students. Our new **Afterschool** program is serving almost half of the school student body. Our new **PowerSchool** program continues to allow all parents an opportunity to view their students' academic progress from their home computer. **Our on-going Monday Morning Meetings have been changed to End of the Month meetings that usually take place on or about the last Friday of the month. With our new format we have much more student involvement, more time for lessons and a greater ability to celebrate our students and their success.** Many parents are now attending these meetings. Please call the school for the date and time of the next meeting if you would like to attend.

While there are many challenges before us I believe that this school has taken big steps to provide the type of educational program that will have positive results for all. And finally, I have come into contact with many wonderful students and parents here at Cherry Street. Please know that you are always welcome to stop in and visit me at any time..... **Merry Christmas** and **Have a Happy New Year.**

**Greg Webster, Principal**

## CSI November Students of the Month



Back Row L-R Alexandria Nicklyn, Logan Finch, Austin Bluer, Front Row L-R Samantha Michelin, Kaitlyn Farrar Not Pictured Jesse Strait & Chloe Smith

December 2011

## Dates to Remember

- Dec . 15 Coffee and Donuts with the Principal
- Dec. 22 School Meeting 2:00 p.m.
- Dec. 23 Winter Break Begins No School
- Jan . 3 School Resumes
- Jan . 25 Coffee and Donuts with the Principal 8:00 a.m.
- Jan.19- 20 Half day for students 11:10 Dismissal



## Vision Statement

It is the vision of the Cherry Street Intermediate School to create an instructional program that strengthens and equalizes the learning potential for all students.

## Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Cherry Street Intermediate School to educate all students to their fullest potential. The school staff will use effective instructional techniques, assessments and appropriate intervention to help each student achieve grade level expectations at their own rate of learning.

## PowerSchool for Parents

*If you would like to go on line and see what your student is doing academically from home please contact the office and get your child's log-in and password. Either Mrs. Woodruff or I can give this information to you.*

**TO CONTACT STAFF MEMBERS:**

[gwebster@kpschools.com](mailto:gwebster@kpschools.com)

**STAFF TEACHERS:**

**Fourth Grade**

Ann Chappel -  
Andrew McCarty  
Erin Raymond

**Fifth Grade**

Carrie Baic  
Barb Crambell  
Richard Hilts  
Kathy Liverance

**Special Teachers**

Deanna Hixson – PE  
Betsy Neelly – Library  
Ginny Yost – Music  
Pat Smolinski – Art  
Carol Whiteford – Special Education  
Gay Kasza – Title

**Greg Webster, Principal**

*If you would like your newsletter emailed to you please email the school office [gwebster@kpschools.com](mailto:gwebster@kpschools.com).*

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!**  
**I know that there were more than are listed here....we Thank All of You!**

Thank you Book Fair Volunteers

- Tabitha Carlisle
- Carla Sieting
- Karie Luton

Thank You Santa Secret Shop Helpers:

- Corrine Horner
- Bonnie Iott
- Carla Sieting
- Karie Luton
- Jennifer Price
- Amanda Conner
- Marci Kennedy

The students really enjoyed both of these events.

**PTO**

We would also like to say Thank you to the PTO for all they do for Cherry Street Staff and students.

**MONEY MACHINE**

Congratulations to the two top sellers at Cherry Street Intermediate for the Fall fundraiser. They got the chance to go in the MONEY MACHINE and grab up to \$1000.00 in cash. They each had 1 minute to grab as much money as they could and they did very well, Logan Finch grabbed \$41.00 dollars and Alexis Day grabbed \$123.00.



**District Accreditation**

The Kalkaska School District is moving towards District Accreditation with **NCA/AdvancEd**. In March of 2012 a team of educators from around the nation will be visiting our school district and evaluating our schools. We look forward to putting our best foot forward in this evaluation process. More will be reported.

**Coffee With The Principal**

We have had two **Coffee With The Principal** meetings this year and while the attendance has been small we have had some very good conversations. Our next date to get together will be on Thursday, December 15, 2011. We will meet in the library beginning at 8:00 a.m. Please think about coming. I really do enjoy hearing your thoughts. These conversations help in understanding what you think is important and making those changes in our school that can be of significance to you. Hope to see you next week!

**Helping Our Families**

As we all know these are hard times for many people here in Northern Michigan. We find students every day that have no boots, coats or snow pants. We do the best we can to find these clothing items. They are given to students in need; no questions asked. Our concern is that students can stay warm when outside.

If you have extra winter clothing that you could donate to school I am sure it can be put to good use. We always like to have several extra items in stock at all times. Every once in a while we run out. So if you have any extra winter clothing please consider donating it to school. If you could wash coats, pants, hats, etc., and send them to the school office it will be greatly appreciated.



**Snowboards and Sleds**

Cherry Street has a number of sleds and saucers available to classrooms for use at recess. It is not necessary for students to bring sleds, saucers and boards to school. When students bring these items to school it causes a variety of problems. First, we have no place to store them and second they can get lost or stolen. Please help us out and see these items are not brought to school.

Thank you.



