

Good evening, Charles H. Parker Students and Families! This is Ms. Range, proud principal of Charles H. Parker Academic Center. I hope everyone is enjoying the long weekend. Just as a reminder, there is no school for students on Monday, November 11. Please celebrate and honor our Veterans! This message will be posted on our website and our Facebook account. Please remember that the school is here to support you. If you have any needs or need any support, please let us know. The office is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM until 5:30 PM.

It's a quiet week at the Hive! There is no school on Monday. We will have Electives for our 3, 4, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders on Thursday afternoon. If you are picking your child up early, please remember that they will be throughout the building and it will take time to track them, have them get their belongings, and get to the door. On Friday, our 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be visiting UNCC to learn more about college life and preparing for college.

Our PTA Direct Giving Campaign is underway. This is the PTA's only fundraiser, and all funds go to support our amazing teachers and staff and provide educational and enrichment opportunities for our kids. We would love 100% participation this year! No gift is too small, and all gifts are tax-deductible. Parents, grandparents, teachers, community supporters, and anyone that loves Parker are all invited to support our fantastic school! You can donate online at <https://bit.ly/DGPAC2425> Don't forget that many companies will match your donation! If you need additional information, please let us know.

Before you know it, Spring will be here and with spring comes our Springfest 2025! This is a wonderful time for our families and our community and so much fun! We are looking for parents to join the planning committee. We need help to make this the best event ever!! Please contact Ms. Alpern if you are interested at [naomi.alpern@hotmail.com](mailto:naomi.alpern@hotmail.com)

As temperatures continue to fluctuate throughout the day, we are finding jackets, hats, gloves, etc. all around the building. Please have your child check the Lost and Found. You are also welcome to sign in and check the lost and found. We have coats, jackets, sweatshirts, water bottles, lunch boxes, etc. It is overflowing.

Finally, it is Science Fair time!! Please start talking with your child to determine if s/he would like to participate in our Science Fair. The Science Fair is for students in grades 3-5. If your child has not received a packet, please reach out to Ms. Range. Projects are completed at home and brought in for the competition. This year, projects will be due on January 7. We will then have judges determine the top projects and who will move on to the regional competition.

Please reach out if you have any questions or have any needs. Thank you for all of your support, understanding and dedication to Charles H. Parker! Have a wonderful evening!