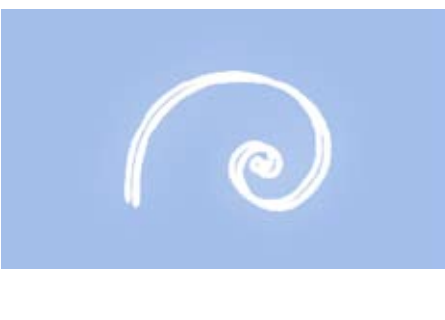




CSE News

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The Board of Trustees is pleased to be extending a contract to Dr. Jayasri Ghosh, who arrived at CSE in January 2008 to assume the role of Interim Head of School. Jayasri will work through December as she continues her exemplary work with us, the teachers, and the organization.

We are all getting ready for the start of the school year and planning great events for the CSE community. We hope the summer months have been enjoyable for you. See you on campus soon!

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President, CSE Board of Trustees

WEEKLY NOTES FROM DR. GHOSH



Dear Friends,

In just over a week we will be welcoming your children back to school. I hope this has been a wonderful summer for you and your families. For us at CSE, we are proud of so many positive changes on our campus and with our programs. Schools should not only be a sanctuary of great ideas that come from great thinkers; it should also be a place where children are encouraged to think of themselves as active contributors and creators of knowledge.

To get us off to a strong start, we have a few requests to make of all families. Some of these may be obvious to good parenting but a set of agreements between the school and parents helps to make sure that we use all the time you give us with your children as well as possible.

1. Involve your children in getting ready for school and make sure they come to school ready to learn. This includes eating a good breakfast, bringing all school materials including a healthy lunch and of course being on time for classes.
2. Enjoy reading all school communications with your children regularly so they know that you are interested not only in their progress but in all school activities.
3. Talk to your children about what happens in school. Children can be reluctant to provide details but the habit of daily conversation helps them to know of your interest in them and assists them in making meaningful connections between home and school.
4. Let them know how and when you will volunteer at the school. Children love to see their parents share their talents in classes and in other school activities.
5. Take interest in their social relationships. Reward them for being kind, thoughtful and generous. Speak positively and constructively about their involvement in school and inform the teacher promptly if there is a perceived problem.
6. Provide a special place for homework and make sure that homework does not dominate but compliments your activities at home. Make reading a daily habit.

Please mark your calendar to join us at the **Parent Orientation on Tuesday, August 26th at 6:00 PM** to meet new and returning staff, faculty, and families.

Let's also celebrate ground breaking for the new building – a wonderful symbol of promising new beginnings with you.

We welcome you to the new school year!

Dr. Jayasri Ghosh
Interim Head of School

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE UPDATES

Woooooo Hooooooo!

The new building's foundation has begun and in about two weeks the framing will start. See pictures of the new building development below.

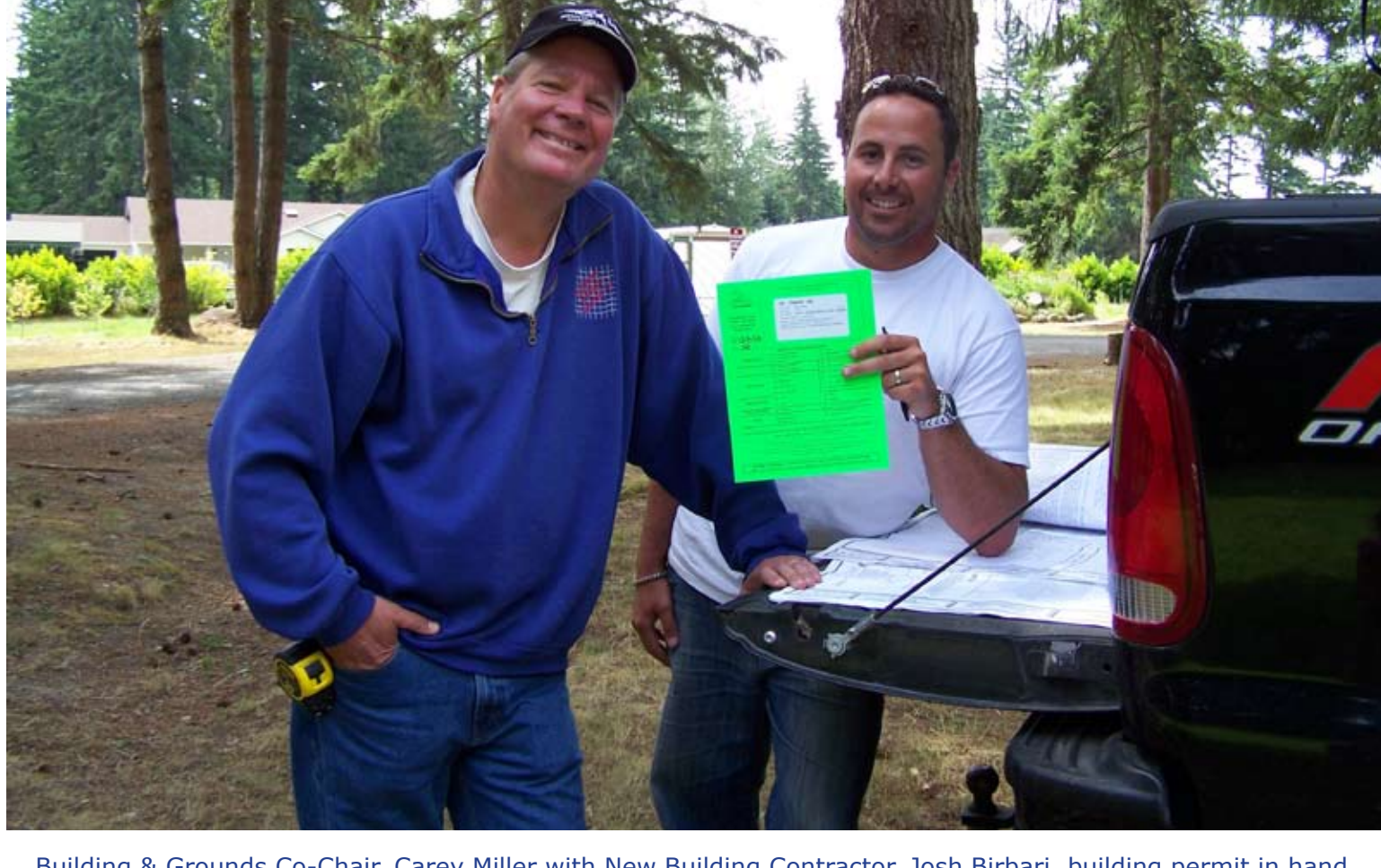
Special thanks to Carey Miller and Josh & Karen Birbari for their steadfast work on getting the new building into action.

More improvements

Even MORE new upgrades to classrooms are still underway to greatly enhance the children's learning environment. These improvements include fresh new coats of interior paint, new windows, new storage cabinets, and new computer tables. Some of the rooms will also be getting new cubbies and folding walls. The additional windows will improve the air quality and allow more natural light into the rooms. The beautiful new flooring will improve the cleanliness and hygienic conditions in the classrooms. And thanks again, to Rob Viterito for the wonderful new exterior painting which uplifts the campus and also adds longevity to each structure by protecting it from the elements.

Thanks,

Carey Miller & Karla Broschinski
Building & Grounds Committee Heads



Building & Grounds Co-Chair, Carey Miller with New Building Contractor, Josh Birbari, building permit in hand.



August 12th - **Ground Breaking**



August 22nd - **The New Building Foundation**

NOTES FROM THE CSE OFFICE



Saturday Campus Work Party

Tomorrow, **Saturday, August 23rd from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM**, we would so appreciate your help on campus! Please join us in assisting teachers with preparing classrooms for the new school year – the more hands the merrier!

Class Supply Lists

2008-2009 Class Supply Lists are available online for your convenience. Click here (or copy the link) and scroll down to your child's grade level:

<http://www.cseinfo.com/pdf/CSE%202008-2009%20Supply%20Lists.pdf>

Parent Orientation Picnic

Mark your calendars! We are bringing a wonderful Parent Orientation next **Tuesday, August 26th at 6:00 PM**. Bring the whole family to enjoy the festivities and teacher presentations.

Enrollment Forms

If you have already submitted your enrollment forms – Thank You! If not, please return them to the office as soon as possible so that we may order the correct number of books and materials.

Financial Assistance

For families interested in applying for the Financial Assistance program, please print and fill out the attached forms. Financial Assistance interviews will be held on Wednesday, August 27th and Thursday, August 28th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. In order to qualify, prior year's tuition must be paid in full and prior year's Parent Hours must be fulfilled. Financial Assistance is awarded on a first come-first served basis.

I am here in the office to schedule appointments or answer any questions, Monday through Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Thank you,

Yvonne LeBron
CSE Office Administrator

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **August 23rd** – Campus Work Party 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- **NEW DATE: August 26th** – Parent Orientation at 6:00 PM
- **September 2nd** – First Day School
- **September 3rd** – Board meeting at 6:30 PM
- **September 10th** – Parent Committee meeting at 6:00 PM
- **September 13th** – All School Work Party
- **October 1st** – Board meeting at 6:30 PM
- **October 8th** – Parent Committee meeting at 6:00 PM
- **October 10th** – Teacher in service date - No school
- **October 11th** – All School Work Party
- **October 22nd to 24th** – School break

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“TREAT PEOPLE AS IF THEY WERE WHAT THEY OUGHT TO BE AND YOU HELP THEM TO BECOME WHAT THEY ARE CAPABLE OF BEING.”

–Goethe

SHARE YOUR IDEAS

If you have suggestions for future issues of the CSE newsletter (content or story ideas) or comments about the web site, please contact us. We want to make your experience as a member of the CSE community as satisfying as possible!

Have a wonderful week!

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