

HOME BULLETIN

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"Rooted in Christ" based on Colossians 2:6-7

Board News:

- The Board is looking forward to having our ECS families in attendance for the Society Meeting, next Tuesday, February 27, at 7:00p.m., in the school gym. A draft budget will be presented, new Board members will be elected, and reports from various school committees including the New Gym Committee will be given. Plan now to attend!
 - The Agenda was sent home last week.
 - One item on the agenda will be to elect two new Board Members. This will be done
 at the meeting. The following men have answered the call to be on the ballot.
 Please be praying for the men that God is leading us to vote for.
 - Casey Anker, Zach Blok, Chris Frerichs, Darren McLachlan and Matthew Olin
 - Absentee Ballots will be available at the office if you are unable to attend the meeting.
 - Thank you to our outgoing Board Members Andrew Bright and Nathan Smit for their years of serving as leaders of our school.
- Teachers will have their contracts soon. Be in prayer for them as they seek the Lord's will for the coming school year.
- A Reminder about cell phones and the increasing use of them at school, including smart watches. Thank you in advance for helping us at school with this.

School policy states:

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students are not to use their cell phones/electronic devices during the school day, including (but not limited to) calls, texting, videos, and picture sharing. While we respect parents' wishes for student use, messages for students during the school day should go through the school's office. To avoid disrupting classes, parents are asked to call the school office if they need to contact their student. Cell phones/electronic devices that are used inappropriately will be taken by the classroom teacher and returned to the student at the end of the school day. Multiple infractions will result in the device being held in the office to be picked up by a parent.

In an emergency, students' cell phones/electronic devices may be used to assist school staff during an emergency situation.

Sub Making Day: THIS SATURDAY! Please remember to dress in layers, bring a waterbottle. Snacks will be provided as well as hairnets (yes, everyone has to wear one) and gloves. You may bring a cushion to sit on if you would like. You can contact Ashton Beanblossom or Tonya Lane for more information. **See the last page for more information!

Auction: The 2024 Auction is almost here! Have you RSVP'd? Your reservation to the auction is necessary and needed. You can bring your RSVP to the office or by email at ebenezerauction@gmail.com. Extra invitations are in the office if you would like one for family or friends.

- This is a MAJOR fundraising event for our school, so thank you to all those who have already offered and are helping collect donations. If you have something you would like to donate, please have items or gift certificate to the office by 2/27 (Next Tuesday). The donation box is in the closet. (Or make arrangements with Swandel Ekema 360-815-7715 for pick up or delivery to the EXPO building when we are setting up on March 7)
- Don't forget: Purchase your TUITION RAFFLE TICKETS! Win 1 year FREE tuition by purchasing tickets through the office or via Venmo app @ECSAuction. Cost is \$100 for 1 ticket or \$150 for 2. Deadline for purchasing tickets is next Wednesday, February 28!

Any other questions please contact a committee member: Jenn Apps, Kelsey Groen, Swandel Ekema, Aliecea Postma, Kirsten Postma, and Tory Tjoelker

Chapel:

Join us for Chapel next Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 9am. Our 2nd & 5th grade classes will host this chapel. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship!

Eagle Boosters:

The next Eagle Boosters meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6 at 8:45 a.m. in the art room. We extend a warm welcome and invitation to all parents. This is a great way to get acquainted with other supporters and help the school out at the same time! There is child care provided; please contact Kelsey Groen to reserve a spot for your little one. If you have any questions, please feel free to give Eagle Boosters president Kelsey Groen a call at 360-815-7201.

Recess Duty Openings:

We have a few spots open for playing with the kids! Did your schedule change at work? Do you have some free time to come play? Please let the office know if any of these spots work for you. Thank you in advance!

Mondays: 9:45am - 10:30am 2 spots Mondays: 1:45pm - 2:30pm 1 spot Tuesdays: 10:00am - 10:30am 1 spot Tuesdays: 12:00pm-12:40pm 2 spots

Archery: Ebenezer's archery team has been practicing for several weeks and are gearing up for the state Wolf Cup tournament on Saturday, March 9 in Kennewick, WA. Safe travels to all the families going to the event. Go Eagles! We appreciate Coaches Bill Stinson and Alan Scott for all their time and work with the team.

Mid-Winter Break: An advanced reminder that there will be no school on Thursday & Friday February 29 & March 1 for Mid-Winter break. Enjoy spending quality time with your kids!

ITBS: The Iowa Test of Basic Skills for grades 3-8 are scheduled for March 4-8. Be looking for more information from your child's teacher.

Box Tops for Education:

Please remember to scan your grocery receipts to earn money for our school. It's easy! Here's how it works: 1) Buy Box Tops products. 2) Scan your receipt with the Box Tops app within 14 days of purchase and automatically earn for Ebenezer.

** If you shop online, you can earn with your digital or email receipt too. Have questions? Contact Amy Petree.



Upcoming Calendar Reminders:

Feb 24: Sub Making Day starting at 8:00 am

Feb 29-March 1: No School - Mid-Winter Break

Mar 4-8: Grades 3-8 ITBS

March 8: Bi-Annual Auction, 5:30 pm at the Expo Building



Sub Sandwich Sale Update:

We have 16,116 subs to make between 8:15 at 1:15 on Saturday! Wow! ***A few helpful tips:

- 1) Your order will be packed in boxes. Bring plastic grocery bags along for delivering your subs.
- 2) Save your order sheets for next year so you know who to ask again!
- 3) Please come by 8:15/8:20 unless you have been requested earlier
- 4) Everyone will be wearing HAIR NETS again this year, so please come with your longer hair tied in a bun or braided...or something like that
- 5) Dress in layers gym will only be heated to take the chill off to keep meat and cheese cool.
- 6) Bring a water bottle, cushion, and blanket if you want them.
- 7) <u>If you are not signed up to help, please remember</u> to come at your designated time to pick up your order.

Please pray for a smooth, successful day (including good health for everyone)! If you have any questions, feel free to call/text Tonya Lane @ 360-318-5091.

ORDER PICK UP: Parents, you are responsible for picking up your orders between 1:00 and 1:30pm unless otherwise arranged. If you are NOT working at assembly, please pick up your order by 10:30am. If you are working and would like your order ready for someone else to pick up earlier, contact Tonya Lane at 360-318-5091 or tkaylane@gmail.com ASAP with those requests. Space is limited, so getting orders out the door in a timely manner is helpful.

LAST CHANCE: We should have some surplus sub sandwiches to sell. If you are interested in buying any of those, please let Tonya know and we will put you on a list and set them aside for you if they are available at the end.