



HOME BULLETIN

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

Auction!!!!

See you all on Friday at the Auction! We are looking forward to a fun night!

- 5:30 pm-Doors open and Silent Auction starts
- 6:40 pm-Silent Auction starts to close
- 6:45pm-Dinner is served
- 7:30pm-Live Auction Starts
- If you volunteered to help with set-up on Thursday, March 7, you will receive an email with details on how you can help.
- Please call/text a committee member if you have any questions or have a donation to add. Swandel Ekema, 360-815-7715 or Kelsey Groen, 360-815-7201

Board News:

- Thank you to those ECS families who attended the Society Meeting, last Tuesday, February 27.
 - Our newly elected Board Members are: Casey Anker & Zach Blok
 - Thank you to all those who were willing to have their name on the ballot.
 - Thank you to our outgoing Board Members Andrew Bright and Nathan Smit for their years of serving as leaders of our school.
- Staff has or will receive their contracts or work agreements. Be in prayer for them as they seek the Lord's will for the coming school year.
- A draft budget was proposed and a final budget will be presented at the Summer Society Meeting.
- 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 Sandwich Sale:

See the last page for detailed information about how successful this fundraiser was!

Class Pictures:

Thanks, Jennifer Apps, for taking our class pictures next week Wednesday, March 13! How you can order a picture of your student's class will be coming soon.

Ebenezer Supporters:

Do you have parents, grandparents or friends who want to stay in the know with the happenings around Ebenezer? We would love to add them to our supporters list! Please email the office with their name and address and we will add them to our mailings.

office@ebenezerchristianschool.org. Thanks!

Eagle Boosters:

The next Eagle Boosters meeting is scheduled for this 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.

Archery:

Ebenezer's archery team has been practicing for several months and are gearing up for the state "Wolf Cup" tournament this 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.

ITBS:

The Iowa Test of Basic Skills for grades 3-8 is this week. We encourage you to help your kids prepare for the tests by getting good rest and a healthy breakfast.

Chapel:

This month's Chapel is our Easter Chapel on Wednesday, March 27 at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and worship with us.

School Cleaning:

The next school cleaning is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19, organized by the Norman family. Check the schedule in the back of the Directory for the entire year's schedule. If you have any questions or concerns about your time and service, please contact our janitor, Brenda Sprague.

End of 3rd Quarter:

Friday, March 22 marks the end of our 3rd quarter of school. There is **NO SCHOOL Friday, March 22** for Teacher Prep Day. Report cards will be sent home with students on Wednesday, March 27. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's report card, talk with your student's teacher at conferences which will be on Thursday, March 28.

Spring Conferences:

Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences for grades K-8th are scheduled for **Thursday, March 28 from 12:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.**

A schedule will be sent home with your child as soon as it is made. If your appointed time does not work, please call your child's teacher to make other arrangements. **NOTE: There will be NO school on, Thursday, March 28 or Friday, March 29.**

****Conference Sign Up forms are due back, today, March 4.**

Spring Break:

There will be no school April 1-5 for Spring Break. ☺ We pray that you and your children will have a safe, enjoyable week off from school!

"The Prince and The Pauper":

Our 7th & 8th graders are putting on this play on Friday, April 12, in the Lynden Christian Performing Arts Center. Join us as we enjoy their hard work and talents with this play.

Lynden Youth Sports:

Registration is now open for LYS Spring Baseball (1st - 8thgrades) and also girls Softball (3rd - 8thgrades). Register online at www.lyndenyouthsports.com

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:

Mar 4-8: Grades 3-8 ITBS

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

March 13: Class Pictures

March 19: School Cleaning

March 22: End of 3rd Qtr- NO SCHOOL

March 28: Parent Teacher Conferences- NO SCHOOL

March 29: Good Friday- NO SCHOOL

April 1-5: Spring Break- NO SCHOOL

Sub Sandwich "Wrap Up"

Saturday, February 24, was our big assembly day!

What a fantastic experience to work together with approximately 170 adult and student volunteers to make 16,030 sub sandwiches in 5 hours! God is so faithful and continues to provide for our school.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who bought, sold, prayed, set up, assembled, and delivered the subs! With all your support, an incredible \$33,055 profit was raised all while building community and relationships amongst each other! We hope you were blessed through your service.

Fun facts:

- We assembled 16,030 subs in just 5 hours - that is 1,454 more sub than last year within the 5-hour timeframe! WOW!.
- In 2020 we assembled 10,000 subs with a \$19,380 net profit.
- Four years later, with a 2-year covid break, we assembled 16,030 subs and \$33,055 net profit. That's 6,030 more subs and a \$13,675 profit increase from 2020! God continues to bless Ebenezer year after year!
- This fundraiser was started by the Granny's Club back in the 1990's making 1,000 subs in Jean Kortus' basement. It has steadily grown over the years - our community loves these subs!

We continue to have faithful volunteers who have been helping for MANY, MANY years. Countless parents, grandparents, friends, staff, long time Ebenezer supporters, and even family friends willing to give of their time for the future of our school and kids.

Special thanks to Renee DeJong for her years of organizing the sub fundraiser and coming back this year to wrap subs and provide requested wisdom.

Special thanks to those who donated items: Frank and Marilyn DeVries for use of their reefer truck, Rose at Fairway Café for use of her US Food account to receive cheese and butter at cost, Kelsey Groen for providing gloves at cost, Case Anker, and friend Russ for use of their limousines, Teresa Honcoop for donating totes for sub item storage, Richard Lane for donating custom made table stands raisers.

Thanks to my fellow sub sandwich committee, Amanda Roberts, Becky Henry, Ashton Beanblossom, Tiffany Huartson, Chrissy Brim, Heidi Roberts and Emily Laverman
Praising the Lord for his abundant blessings!

Tonya Lane