



HOME BULLETIN

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A blessed New Year to all! We hope everyone enjoyed the time spent with their family during the Christmas Break. We've had a wonderful first half of the school year celebrating God's goodness and faithfulness to us. Please continue to pray for God's blessings on the students and staff as we work together through the rest of the year.

Sub Sandwich Sale: Our annual Sub Sale is here! Order forms will be coming home with your youngest child **THIS Friday, January 11.** If you do not receive your packet for some reason, please call Renee DeJong @ 354-0238 and she will take care of you. (Be sure to check backpacks first! ☺) You will have 2 weeks to sell these handy, filling sandwiches, and the deadline for sending order forms back to school is **Friday, January 25.** To be eligible for prizes, students **must** have their order forms turned in by the end of that school day. Please include the checks/cash when returning your order forms.

The sandwiches will be made on Saturday, February 23 and will be ready for pick up in the gym between 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. Parents—mark your calendars!! We also need 80+ adult volunteers on that Saturday morning to help make the subs. (starting time 8:30 a.m.) Dads-Moms-Grandparents—refreshments and fun are included! ☺ Please consider giving a few hours of your time and give Renee DeJong a call @ 354-0238 or e-mail thedejongfam@gmail.com if you are willing to help. This is the only item Eagle Boosters is asking all students to sell this year, so we are really hoping all of our families will participate in this fundraiser and sell lots & lots of delicious sub sandwiches! Last year we made a record 7413 subs, with \$14,300 profit to support our school. If every student met a goal of selling 50, we would have a successful sale! For our families who are new this year, here's what we're selling: each individually wrapped buttered sub roll will be filled with ham, turkey, 2 kinds of 100% cheese slices, and sells for \$3. They freeze well and are great to have on hand for lunches and meals on-the-go! Also delicious toasted in the oven and served as melts. On behalf of Eagle Boosters, THANK YOU for supporting our Ebenezer kids.

Renee DeJong, Becky Henry, and Lori Molendyk

NEEDED: We are currently collecting short stackable sturdy boxes to be used for sub sandwich sale. Produce boxes such strawberry, tomato, grape, peppers, mushrooms, etc. work best (**example picture on last page**) so if you have any on hand or see any as you are shopping, please collect and bring them to the school kitchen. Many are needed, so please continue to do so over the next month or so. Thank you for your help!!

Milk Program: The end of the 2nd quarter also marks the end of our milk program for the first half of the school year. Order forms are attached to this home bulletin for those of you who would like to reorder and are **due back this Friday, January 11**. Cost remained the same as first semester. For those of you who paid for the whole school year your student will automatically be put on the second semester list. If you're not sure you chose this option you can call we will gladly check the list. Also, now is the time to switch flavors if desired; please contact Mrs. Tjoelker or Mrs. Van Beek in the office.

Hot Lunch: Our wonderful Wednesday Hot Lunch program continues this month with pizza for lunch. Please be watching for the next order form to come home soon.

8th grade Hot Lunch Fundraiser: Reminder, if you signed up to support the 8th grade class by purchasing hot lunch on Fridays for the month of January, they begin this week.

Jr. High Basketball: Our basketball teams have been hard at work and ready for their first game tomorrow! **Please note:** Ebenezer will once again be hosting our home games. While we are excited to host, this will have a few challenges. Seating will be very limited with only one side of the gym with chairs for spectators. Be prepared to be standing. While we encourage many to come out to cheer on our teams, home games this year might be the best place for just immediate family and grandparents to attend. Thanks for your understanding. Game schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, January 8: Cornerstone vs. Ebenezer, 3:30 - Away game

Monday, January 14: Ebenezer vs. Bellingham, 4:00 - Home game

Thursday, January 24: Skagit vs. Ebenezer, 3:30 - Away game

Thursday, January 31: Ebenezer vs. Cornerstone, 4:00 - Home game

Tuesday, February 5: Bellingham vs. Ebenezer, 3:30 - Away game

Thursday, February 14: Ebenezer vs. Skagit, 4:00 - Home game

We hope many of you will be able to attend some games and help root for our Eagles!

School Cleaning: This month's cleaning is being organized by the DeJong family and is scheduled for next Tuesday evening, January 15. All parents should review the schedule in the back of the directory for the months they are assigned to help clean the school. If you have any questions or concerns about your time and service on these dates, please contact Mr. Buss. Thanks!

Geography Bee: We will be having our 4th-8th grade Geography Bee on Friday, January 18 in the school gym at 2:00p.m. We welcome any parents to come and watch.

The end of our Second Quarter of school is Friday, January 18. Report cards will be sent home with students the next Friday, January 25. There are no conferences scheduled this quarter, but if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

Reminder: No School on Monday, January 21 in honor of Martin Luther King Day.

Chapel: Our next chapel will be Wednesday, January 30 at 9:00a.m., hosted by the 4th & 8th grade classes. Come sing and worship with us!

Society Meeting: Plan now to attend our next Society Meeting on Tuesday, February 19 at 7:00p.m. in the school gym. At this very important meeting you'll hear updates on committee work, elect new Board members and the 2019-2020 draft budget will be presented. Plan now to attend!

The Rachel Vekved Memorial Scholarship was established to provide our community with a lasting memorial of Rachel Vekved, a bright and God-gifted student, who was called home to be with Jesus on January 27, 2009 following a tragic automobile accident. Rachel was on her way to Ebenezer Christian School where she was attending second grade.

This memorial scholarship provides community, friends and family an opportunity to remember Rachel through contribution into the memorial fund. The memorial fund receipts are prudently invested with the annual investment proceeds being gifted to those families who have a student entering the second grade at Ebenezer Christian School. This gift of a tuition scholarship in the name of Rachel Vekved will be in the amount of the annual investment proceeds, being equally distributed to each second-grade student's family.

The Ebenezer Christian School Endowment Foundation Board of Directors manages the memorial fund account.

Those who desire to give towards this **Memorial Scholarship** should make checks payable to: **ECSEF-Rachel Vekved Memorial Scholarship** account at 9390 Guide Meridian Rd. Lynden, WA 98264

Those who wish to give in Rachel's memory to the **Foundation** should make checks payable to **Ebenezer Endowment Fund** at 9390 Guide Meridian Rd. Lynden, WA 98264.

(Contributions to the Ebenezer Endowment are invested and investment proceeds are annually distributed to the school to benefit the schools overall operation needs and assist in tuition reduction for all families)

Moms-In-Prayer: Moms can make the difference as they reach out to God in prayer - moms just like you! Begin the school week with Ebenezer's own Moms-In-Prayer group as we pray for the staff, students, and families at Ebenezer. We plan to meet on select Mondays each month beginning at 8:45a.m. in the art room. **The January Mondays are January 14 & 28.** No experience is necessary and younger siblings are welcome to join us even if there is no child care; though, child care can be arranged, if desired. Feel free to email Julie Falcone at falconemomma@gmail.com or visit <http://momsinprayer.org/> We look forward to praying with you for our school.

School Yearbook: If you have an interest in photography, digital layout and design, and preserving precious memories, the school yearbook may be an area to use those gifts. We are looking for one or two people to help preserve memories for our students to enjoy. If you might be interested or have any questions, please talk to Mr. Buss.

Calendars: ECS families are once again asked to save their God's Creation calendars that we as a school sell. Instead of throwing out your 2018 God's Creation calendar after the first of the year; bring them to the school office to be made into beautiful wall hangings for an orphanage in Haiti through Starfish Ministries. There will be a group leaving for that orphanage this Thursday, January 10, so if you are able, bring them to school ASAP. If not they will be saved for next year.

Inclement Weather: If weather dictates we close school, please listen to local radio station KWPZ (106.5 FM) or go to www.kgmi.com for listings of school closures. KGMI no longer broadcasts school closures for smaller private schools in the county due to the sheer number of them. We will also have updates posted on our school website's home page, www.ebenezerchristianschool.org prior to any announcements made over the radio. If you check our webpage often, don't forget to hit the "refresh" button on your browser to make sure you're getting the most updated information!

Upcoming Calendar Reminders:

January 15: School Cleaning

January 18: Geography Bee, 2:00p.m., in the gym

January 21: Martin Luther King Day, no school

January 25: Report Cards come home

January 30: Chapel hosted by 4th & 8th grade, in the school gym at 9:00a.m.



Pictured is the type of box to be collected for the Sub Sandwich making day.

“Thus far has the Lord helped us”

1 Samuel 7:12