

## **Urgent News**

We want to welcome all new and returning students to our school. The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful school and staff to teach our children. We pray for the Lord's protection throughout the year and above all pray that He will graciously work among us with His Spirit to the honor and glory of His worthy name. We, also, cover your prayers for the school.

**Psalter Selection:** Next week's psalter selection is #325 verse 1.

Forms: Thank you to those who have turned in all their forms. There are still a few families that have not turned them in. Please fill out all the forms that were sent to you and return them to the school no later than Monday, September 10. We would appreciate receiving cell phone numbers on the emergency form, because they enable us to contact a parent who is not at home in the event of an emergency at school. Returning the forms in a timely manner enables us to update our crisis manual as soon as possible. In addition, hot lunch forms, field trip permission, parental safety, school closing, and website permission forms were sent and need to be returned by Monday, September 10. Thank you!

**Junior High Field Trip:** Please note that the junior high field trip has been scheduled for September 12 and 13.

**Vision Screening:** The Kalamazoo County Health Department will do vision screening for all students in grades 1-9 on September 19. Please be sure if your child wears glasses or contacts, that they wear them on that day.

## General News

Reminder: Parents, when picking up your children, please use the church parking lot. School ends at 3:00 p.m., and your children will be eagerly awaiting your arrival at that time. In addition, students should not be arriving at school prior to 7:45 a.m. without special permission. Please remember that it is important to respect the planning time of the teachers, so they will be better equipped to teach your children during the day. When the weather is nice, students in K-5 will wait outside under supervision before school starts, and the junior high will meet in the gym.

**Hot Lunch:** There will be **no** hot lunch next week.

Weekly Communication: Please be sure you are reading the weekly teacher memos as they contain important information. In junior high, grades will be e-mailed to you through Grade Book Wizard. In the event of a minor discipline issue, an e-mail will also be sent.

Yearbooks Ordered: If you ordered a yearbook, please pick up your copy tonight at the school picnic. If you have not ordered your yearbook, you can buy one tonight or contact the office, and we will reserve one for you. There is a limited supply of these, so give us a call soon. The cost is \$20.00.

Chocolate Sale: Parent's United hopes to run the World's Finest chocolate sale beginning next Friday, September 14 through Tuesday, October 2. Students will again have the opportunity to sign up for selling in front of local stores. Look for information on this that will be sent home next Friday, Lord willing.

## General News Continued

**Student Council:** Elections will be held Tuesday, September 18, and those chosen will play a vital role in raising money for field trips as well as looking for outlets to affect our community though mission endeavors and other service projects.

Parent Informational Meeting: On Thursday, September 20, at 7 p.m. we have a meeting for parents scheduled. The administration and board would like to share updates we have made to policies, review results from the homework survey sent out this past summer, and add clarity to old policies and procedures at school that need to be addressed. Please plan on coming for an informational evening and fellowship as we begin a new school year.

Parents United Meeting: Parents United hopes to have their annual fall meeting on October 4, at 8 a.m. instead of the usual 9 a.m. Please note the change in time.

Grandparents Day: Grandparents day will be on October 10. Please note the change in the date! Invitations will be sent home in the next week or so. This will allow you and your child(ren) to mail or personally deliver the invitations. Please feel free to include "adopted" grandparents and older friends of the family.

We need your help! Due to the fact that we do not have a janitor on staff, it is imperative that we all clean up after ourselves. If you use the school after hours, please be sure that all floors are swept and mopped, garbage is taken out, and the kitchen is clean. A checklist will be given to the person requesting to use the school. Children are to be kept out of all classrooms.

Office Hours: Char Schipper will be in the school office on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 7:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you call at other times, you will reach the answering machine. We will listen regularly to messages that are left. If you would like to email the school, please send your email to <a href="mailto:pcs.office78@gmail.com">pcs.office78@gmail.com</a>. If you need to speak to someone immediately, it would be best to contact that teacher via email or cell phone.

## School Picnic Games Notice:

\*From 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. a variety of games and activities will be available.

\*Two treasure hunts! One will start at 6:00 p.m. and the other at 6:30 p.m. All kids welcome! Please meet on the playground if you want to play.

\*Attention Moms and Dads! There will be a wheelbarrow/3 legged race competition after the treasure hunt at 7:00 p.m. Bring a child to the soccer field for a chance to win a \$75 gift card for a family night at Airway Lanes! The signup sheet at the picnic; please sign up when you arrive.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

**Bridal Shower:** On September 27, 2018, at 7:30 p.m. we hope to have a shower at school for Leah DeVries who hopes to marry Jerry Van Lagen. She is registered at Bed Bath and Beyond.