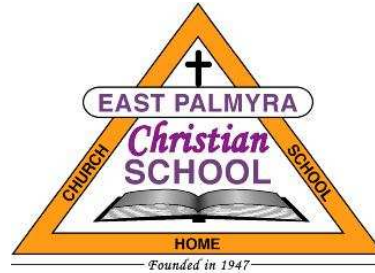


Through Our School Door

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EPCS School Theme 2008-2009:
"The earth is the Lord's and everything in it."
Psalm 24:1a

EPCS Mission statement: *To offer a Christian educational alternative that integrates faith and learning through a Biblical worldview. We strive to equip our students to develop their gifts, to become discerning disciples, and to joyfully serve God in their life's calling in their community and world.*

October 20, 2008

No Teacher's Conference

The EPCS faculty has decided not to attend this year's Ontario Christian School Teachers Association (OCSTA) conference. Costs for the conference and lack of workshop selection opportunities led to this decision. Faculty will hope to have an in-house speaker during the professional development day in January instead!

Due to this, school will be in session on Thursday, but not on Friday: Friday will be designated for faculty development and workday.

Pictures at EPCS

Tuesday (tomorrow) will be picture day at EPCS. Please be sure your student is prepared for this event! ☺

EPCS Calendar

Monday, October 20, 2008

Soccer Practice until 4:45 pm

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

Picture Day at EPCS—Dress Up!!!
Soccer Game vs Greece Christian—Home 4 pm

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

Faculty Devotions—7:35 am
Hot Lunch--Noon

Thursday, October 23, 2008

Pizza for Lunch today
Soccer Practice until 4:45 pm

Friday, October 24, 2008

Professional Dev. Day—No School

Monday, October 27

Soccer Game at Webster Christian—Away 4 pm

And Beyond....

Tuesday, Nov 4 Election Day—Vote!!
Tuesday, Nov 11 Veterans Day—No School
Fri & Sat, Nov 14, 15 Knox VB Tournament
Wed – Fri, Nov 19 – 21 Spruce Lake Retreat

EPCS Eagles 2008 Soccer Schedule

All games begin at 4 pm

Tuesday, October 28 Practice**
Thursday, October 30 St. Paul Lutheran at EPCS
**Homeschool matches have been canceled

~ Ladies Night Out ~

Ladies Night Out Monday 27th, 7pm at Flaherty's call Maggie.

~ Progressive Dinner ~

Hosts are needed for the soup and salad round. The dinner is Saturday, November 8th.

Please call Julie O'Dell at 548-2483 or Sue Fagner at 573-7404.

~ History Day ~

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 29th. We will meet from 2:45 to 3:45 in Miss Feinour's room.

~ Ham Dinner ~

Reservations now being taken for the Ham Dinner on November 14th. The dinner is from 5 – 7:30pm. Tickets are \$8.00. Please call the office to reserve your dinner today.

~ Treasurers Report ~

We ended last year on a down turn with a deficit of -22,203.22. So far this year we are holding our own but we are now entering into the winter months and this means increased cost. I first wish to thank everyone on the great effort to get the tuition payments in on time. This helps us tremendously, but it does not cover everything. So second I wish to present a list of monthly bills and ask that you consider adopting one or more for a period of your choosing. It is truly through the dedicated efforts of every family that we are able to continue year after year.

~ Adopt – A – Bill ~

- Casella – refuse - \$85.43
 - DeLage Landen- Copier maintenance – \$134.84
 - E & V Energy – fuel oil - \$350.00
 - Usherwood – copier lease – \$197.00
 - Verizon – phones - \$112.94
- Please state adopt a bill on your check and remember that we are always in a state of need for copier paper and stamps.

~ School Cleaning ~

Please make arrangements if you need keys to clean after hours. Remember to initial the calendar in the janitor's closet after you finish. Thank you!

This week

- Mon. ~ Paid
- Tues. ~ LaPoint
- Wed. ~ LaPoint
- Thurs. ~ LaPoint
- Friday ~ LaPoint

Next week

- Mon. ~ Paid
- Tues. ~ Fagnor
- Wed. ~ Doud
- Thurs. ~ Hernandez
- Fri. ~ Cramer

~ Volunteer needed ~

Someone to organize the supply room. Please contact Cheri at 986-4240 or 597-4400 (Wed,Thurs & Fri.)

~ Operation Christmas Child ~

The students and extended community of EPCS will be packing shoeboxes for needy children

around the world this year. Students have already received their information packets, but extra materials may be picked up either in the office or from me. Please have your shoeboxes at EPCS by Wed., Nov. 12.

~ Preschool ~

There will be preschool on Thursday afternoon this week. Show and Tell Thursday: Gg. We have opportunity to give gifts to needy people with the Operation Shoebox Christmas project! If you would like this to be a way to teach your child about sharing gifts with a child in a third world country, ask me about details. For now, wrap a shoebox (the lid should be wrapped separately) in Christmas paper....glue works good to secure it in place. Choose to buy gifts for a boy or a girl, and enclose \$7 in an envelope for shipping the gift. Gg...I'm growing! Grandparents love to see me grow! We'll be reminded of trusting in God and God's care as David stood up for what he believed and fought Goliath.

~ Kindergarten ~

Tomorrow: Picture day. Thursday: there is school, and Show & Tell. Friday, no school. Mm and Nn Next week Friday at the end of our Oo & Pp week, we'll have a popcorn & pajama day. The students have been talking about this for weeks! Our school does not celebrate Halloween, so this will be a fun day for the children. Please put the information regarding Christmas Shoe Boxes in a place where you and your child can pray and prepare for this special event.

~ First and Second Grade ~

Bible: We are learning about God's test for Abraham this week. The memory verse is Genesis 22:17a. We will also be tested on our memory verses up to this point.

Spelling: The second graders will be working on a new unit. Be on the look out for homework. The first graders are working with ending consonant sounds and the vowel sounds for words.

Math: Both groups are working on subtraction.

Reading: Please read with your child each night for 15 minutes.

Note: Don't forget that we will have school this Thursday. There is still no school on Friday.

If your child gets thirsty a lot during the day you can send in a water bottle with them, this will cut down on the trips to the water fountain. I ask that you send in a bottle with a pop-top or a straw. Please don't send the bottles with just the screw off lids, these spill easily and end up flooding papers. I

will make sure they are emptied each night and that they come home on Fridays to be washed.

Make sure that you send in inside shoes with your child. We are starting to change out shoes for school. Outside shoes are worn to school and whenever we go outside the school. Inside shoes are worn just inside the school. This cuts down on the mud, leaves, slush and other stuff that can be tracked in on our shoes and helps to keep our school clean.

~ Third and Fourth Grade~

Social Studies: We will be finishing our presentations and begin learning about the New York's early History

Spelling: There will be no spelling test this week

Reading: We will be finishing *Freckle Juice* this week.

Bible: We will be finishing up our unit on Moses in the next 2 weeks. I would like everyone to have his or her memory verses memorized by 10/31.

Math: Third graders will work with adding and subtracting two and three digit numbers using mental math strategies.

Fourth graders will continue working with estimation and adding and subtracting three and four digit numbers

~ Fifth and Sixth Grade ~

Reminder: Because the teachers are NOT going to the convention, there will be school on Thursday. Students won't have classes on Friday, but teachers will be at school for meetings and preparation.

Pictures: Pictures will be taken tomorrow, so please encourage your child to dress appropriately for individual, class, and school pictures. If you wish to order pictures but have not yet sent in your order form, please do so tomorrow.

Reading: Your child should be close to finishing his/her biography this week. Book report forms will go home either Wednesday or Thursday.

Math: Fifth graders continue reviewing multiplication and division of large numbers. Sixth graders are starting a unit reviewing multiplication and long division.

Social Studies: Our new topic for study is the early inhabitants of North America.

Spelling: Practice test on Tuesday, final test on Thursday.

Spanish 5/6: We continue our study of command forms. Students are able to give or follow the commands: Stand up, walk to the door, open the door, close the door, walk to the desk, sit down. Also: open/close the window, jump, turn around.

We are fine-tuning the commands to include full sentences.

~ Seventh and Eighth Grade ~

Bible: There will be a quiz on Wednesday over what we have covered so far. All notes are available in my digital locker on goggle.

American History: Commercials will be presented today. Over the next few weeks we will be looking at everyday life in the colonies.

Spanish 7: Today, Monday, is a quiz on the basics of telling time. We will expand on these basics this week and then move on to dates: days, months, and also seasons.

The 7th graders have been working very hard with their Buddies, teaching them the Spanish alphabet. It has been a joy to supervise them in this endeavor. All students have been actively engaged in learning throughout the time they spend together. Give your 7th grader an extra hug this week, and let them know how proud you are of him/her. They are doing a terrific job!

Spanish 8: We are starting Unidad 6. This will include review of object pronouns, introduction of stem-changing verbs, learning to give opinions, and being able to talk and write about various sports and pastimes

~ Ninth Grade~

Global Studies: We will be working on an Ancient Egypt project. The Chapter Assessment is due on 10/31. Our field trip will be on 10/30 to the art museum in Rochester. I will be sending home information on all of these things by Wednesday.

Spanish 9: We have completed Unidad 1. We will finish Unidad 2 before we have a Unit test. We have been reviewing vocabulary and grammatical concepts from last year, and I decided to wait until all the review was finished to give a test. There will be quizzes given, however.

~Band Lessons~

Tues. 10:00 Carolyn 10:30 Caitlin 12:40 Brian

Wed. 12:40 Noah B.

Thurs. 9:05 Drew 10:00 Molly 10:30 Garrett
12:40 Hunter

Next Mon. 9:05 Alyssa 9:30 Amber 10:00
Shannon 11:15 Amanda

Music donations: If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one, consider donating some music to the band or choir. Please let the office know if you can donate any of these pieces for the Christmas concert:

Band:	Winter Wonderland	\$50
	We Five Kings	\$44
	Away in a Manger	\$50
Choir:	Pavane for a Silent Night	\$35

La Loo La Low (girls' choir)	\$25
Gaudeamus Hodie	\$35

~ Spanish ~

Assignment sheet: All 7/8/9 students have an assignment sheet that covers all of October! This sheet also indicates when quizzes and tests will be given. Students are responsible for making any changes needed on the assignment sheet. I also plan to have the assignment sheets available in my locker on Gaggle for November.

Spanish Dictionary and Study Guides: These have arrived Here are the totals: Ballesty: \$9.66; Buttaccio: \$19.27; Cramer: \$13.49; Doud: \$9.66; Lamar: \$5.78. Totals include tax. I was able to get free shipping, plus I used my B&N Membership and got 10% off! Please make out checks to Janet A Brusso. Thank you!

Spanish Buddies: We will alternate weeks between Grades 1/2 and Grades 3/4 . Grades 1/2 will meet with their 7th grade Buddies Friday, Oct 31st . Grades 3/4 will not meet with their 8th grade Buddies again until Friday, November 7th. This year we will study the alphabet, the colors, and parts of the body.

Make ups and extra help: I am available after school on Tuesdays and Fridays on a walk-in basis, and Thursdays by appointment only. I am also available during recess, except on Tuesdays.

Several students have quizzes to make up, and these must be done by October 31st!

~ Circle News ~

Hot Lunch News: French toast, sausage, applesauce and dessert made by Linda Kellogg. Helpers are Linda Kellogg, Laura Boss and Maggie Cosh.

Breen's and Tops Cards are available in the office if you'd like to purchase them. They are like having a prepaid gift card. The school gets 5% back on these sales.

Box tops and Labels are still being saved throughout the year. Please save the Campbell Soup (entire label – especially the UPC code) labels and the Box Tops for Education labels from selected products. Thanks!

Zap-a-snack Folders sent home with each child today. Thanks for participating!

Old Cell Phones, Empty Ink Cartridges and Rinsed Pop Cans are still being collected. This is an easy way to raise \$\$ for the school.

Buy-A-Brick If you've been thinking about purchasing a brick to honor, or in memory of a loved one, please contact Sue Priem at 597-5420 for information.