

Through Our School Door

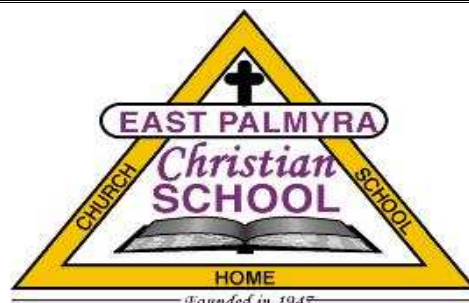
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EPCS School Theme 2008-2009:

"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 calling in their community and world.

Monday, January 26, 2009

As many of us are beginning preparations for the 2009-2010 school year—calculating budget items and numbers, polling parents regarding student attendance, organizing an Open House (February 26), planning logistics regarding classrooms, preparation of 10th grade curriculum, and advertising EPCS—please continue to keep our EPCS school community in your prayers. We thank you for your support and we give thanks to Almighty God for God's grace and faithfulness.

EPCS Calendar

Monday, January 19, 2009

Boys basketball Practice till 4:45 pm

Tuesday, January 27, 2009

Boys BB—Roch Sch/Deaf at EPCS 4 pm Home
EPCS Circle meeting @ 7:30 pm Rice Library

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

Staff Devotions—7:40 am
Hot Lunch—12 noon

Thursday, January 29, 2009

Boys BB—Roch School/Deaf at EPCS 4pm Home

Friday, January 30, 2009

School Nurse—Vision/Hearing 11:30 am
Pizza for Lunch
Distribution of Report Cards
7/8 Vocal All-county Festival

Saturday, January 31, 2009

7/8 Vocal All-county Festival—Ben C, Alyssa M,
Catherine B—at Sodus HS—2 pm.
Tickets available at the door

Monday, February 2, 2009

BB Practice till 4:45 pm

And Beyond...

Friday, February 13 7th/8th/9th Grade Spaghetti Dinner
Mon-Fri, February 16 – 20 Winter Break No School
Thursday, February 26 EPCS Open House 6-8 pm
Fri-Sat, March 20, 21 Middle School Band Festival
Thursday, March 26 End of Term 3
Friday, March 27 GRACE Conference—No School
Wed – Fri, April 1 – 3 EPCS Young Artists Festival

~ Treasurer's Report ~

We would like to officially welcome Holly Gardner as the new Treasurer. Any questions for this department are to be directed to her. You can reach her most afternoons at the school or at 585-289-8926 or email: epcsfinancial@rochester.rr.com.

~ School Board Candidates ~

Please prayerfully consider your participation at EPCS as a member of the School Board, for next year. School Board members' terms are for three years. Members attend monthly meetings and act as a liaison from other committees.

Board members also help get to know the new families applying to the school during the home visits. Please pray about this opportunity and call

with any questions to Gary Butterfield, EPCS School Board President at 331-8157.

~ Circle Meeting ~

The will be a meeting on Tuesday, January 27th, at 7:30 pm in the Library. All are welcome. Thank you for all who turned in box tops. We just received a check for \$367.50.

~ Candy Bars ~

Please turn in all candy bars and/or money you may still have. There are people willing to sell more if you turn some in. Thank you.

~ Open House ~

We will be hosting an Open House on Thursday, February 26th, from 6-8 p.m. For families interested in learning more about enrolling in our school for the 09-10 school year. Please invite your friends with school age children, and your pastor.

~ Recycle ~

Please bring in any scrap metal or batteries that you may have. Ed O'Brien takes it to recycling and collects the money for the school.

~ Adopt – A – Bill ~

Casella	81.24
E & V Energy	400.00
NYSEG	1403.54
Q's Lawn Care	1420.00
Usherwood	241.10
Verizon	157.68

~ 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	Next week
Mon. ~ No School	Mon. ~ Paid
Tues. ~ Fisher	Tues. ~ Fisher
Wed. ~ Bates	Wed. ~ Beckens
Thurs. ~ Mousso	Thurs. ~ Mousso
Friday ~ Webb	Fri. ~ Beckens

~ Basketball Schedule ~

Parents needed to drive to games each week, please call the office or Barry @ 359-9003. All games start at 4 pm.

Tuesday, Jan. 20th ~ St. Pauls @ EPCS
Thursday, Jan. 22nd ~ EPCS @ Destiny
Tuesday, Jan. 27th ~ RSD @ EPCS
Thursday, Jan. 29th ~ EPCS @ St. Pauls
Tuesday, Feb. 3rd ~ St. Pauls @ EPCS
Thursday, Feb. 5th ~ RSD @ EPCS

~New Staff Emails~

Please note that staff members have new emails. You can still reach each teacher at present email addresses, but here are the new ones:

jrachow@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com
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aszymanski@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com
keith@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com
tfernaays@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com

for (in proper order) Mrs. Rachow, Maestra, Ms. Feinour, Mrs. Starkenburg, Mrs. Cornwell, Mrs. Szymanski, Mr. Vanderzwan, and Mrs. Fernaaays. Give us a try at these emails!

~ Preschool ~

For your calendar: Preschool Enrollment / Open House on Feb. 12th, 6 - 8pm.

Please personally invite others. Pass these dates along to folks in your church and play groups. Also, let folks know that they can visit the school by appointment.

Thank you to each and every person who made possible the wonderful luncheon last Tuesday, the Circle, mom, grandmas, grandpas, and friends of EPCS. Special thanks to Maggie Cosh for coordinating so much throughout the year, and to Laura Boss for spending time with the preschoolers so I could enjoy the luncheon!

Qq is our Thursday Show and Tell for preschoolers. Qq is for questions four year olds ask each day! Thank God for curious minds! Our children are such gifts from the Lord! This week we'll ask how many pennies make a quarter, how many nickels make a quarter, and do some counting and sorting of coins. If you have enough of the change at home, you can do this activity at home as well!

Quilt patterns, and q-tip painting will be part of our focus. We'll talk about the quiet of winter and the quilt of snow that God uses to cover the ground. Ice cover over lakes, and the dark quiet of the waters under the ice.

~ Kindergarten ~

For your Calendar: Kindergarten Enrollment Night on March 10th, 6 – 8pm.

Kindergarten students did a great job singing and reciting Bible verses and all months of the year for last Friday's assembly!

We are busy in our class learning words with short vowel sounds, and learning to recognize numbers to 100. We'll again work on learning our coins and simple addition with nickels and pennies.

Thank you to Nate's mom, Holly Gardener, for all the math manipulatives donated to our class! Thursday SHOW & TELL are the letters Jj, Kk and Ll. Jesus is kind and loving and He wants us to be kind and loving, too.

For your calendars, two dates: Preschool Enrollment / Open House on Feb. 12, 6 – 8. Kindergarten Enrollment Night on March 10, 6 – 8. Please personally invite others. Pass these dates along to folks in your church and play groups.

~ First and Second Grade ~

Bible: We are going to be talking about Moses and the plagues of Egypt this week. Our memory verse is the same as last week.

Spelling: Both grades are starting a new unit this week. Be on the look out for homework.

Math: The second graders are going to have a test on Wednesday. Be on the look out for review homework. The rest of the week they will be learning about adding and subtracting two digit numbers. The first graders are going to be starting fractions this week.

Social Studies: We are going to be learning about the national holidays and why we celebrate them. Talk about celebrations that happen in your family.

Reading: Please have your child read to you for 15 minutes every night.

Spanish Buddies: We will meet again at 10:45 on Friday, January 23rd. We have now studied all of the 30 letters in the Spanish alphabet. We will play alphabet bingo.

~ Third and Fourth Grade ~

Spelling: There will not be spelling test this week.

Bible: we will continue to look at Moses and the journey through the desert with the Israelites.

Reading: We will be continuing literature circle books. We will finish the reading this week and we will be working on dioramas next week.

Social Studies: We will be looking at New York during the colonial period.

Math 3 & 4: Both grades are working on units about telling time and graphing.

Spanish Buddies: Our next meeting in January will be at 11:25 on the 30th. We have studied 20 of the 30 letters in the Spanish alphabet. When the students have learned all 30 letters in the Spanish alphabet, we will play alphabet bingo.

~ Fifth and Sixth Grade ~

Math: Both grades are starting units about fractions. Fifth graders will working with concepts and sixth graders will learn about computation of fractions.

Social Studies: Our topic for this week is English colonies in North America.

Reading: The next book report will be from the fantasy genre.

Spelling: Regular tests this week.

Bible: Our memory work is I Cor. 11:23-26. We continue looking at the week leading up to the Crucifixion.

Spanish: Students did very well on their alphabet quiz. We are in the process of deciding what to study next. Students may possibly learn the vocabulary to put on several skits depicting various situations in a restaurant, or learn to tell time in Spanish.

~ Seventh and Eighth Grade ~

Bible: Students are presenting PowerPoints about various locations mentioned in the New Testament.

History: History Day We will be meeting on Thursday after school until 4pm to work on our History Day projects.

We will be working on chapter reviews and timelines of the Revolutionary War in class this week. Chapter reviews are due on Friday and the timelines are due on Monday.

Spanish 7: We have started learning interrogative words: who, what, where, when, why, how. Students will be able to form questions with the interrogative words and also be able to answer them using the correct point of view. We will also complete the list of subject pronouns this week and the verb forms that go with them. There will be a quiz on the subject pronouns (I, you, he, she, it, we, you, they) and the –ar verb forms on Thursday.

Spanish 8: We have continued our study of clothing, adding demonstrative adjectives (that sweater) to the mix. There will be a quiz on Unit 7, Lesson 2, on Wednesday.

~ Ninth Grade ~

Global Studies: We will finish Ancient Greece this week and the test will be on Monday.

Spanish 9: We will study the –er and –ir verb forms in the preterite, or simple past tense.

~ Band ~

Thurs. 9:05 Amber 10:00 Ben 10:30 Brian 12:40 Shannon

Fri. 8:45 Molly 9:15 Noah 10:00 Garrett 10:30 Hunter 11:00 Drew 11:30 Kaitlyn 12:40 Mara, Ciara 1:10 Jessica 1:40 Andrew 2:10 Emily

Mon. (1/26) 9:05 Shannon 9:30 Amanda 10:00 Alyssa 2:00 Amber

A Solo Festival reminder: Solo festival is on Sat., Feb. 7th, less than 3 weeks from now. If your young

musicians have not been practicing almost every day to prepare, please encourage them to do so.

4/5 band: American Patrol	\$38
Ancient Hunters	\$40
6-9 band: Air for Band	\$48
Patriotic Snippets	\$46
Proud Mary	\$45

~ Circle News ~

Hot Lunch News: Sloppy Joes, Tater tots, salad and dessert. Helpers are Maggie Cosh, Julie O'Dell and Ester Hutt.

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!

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