

IRETON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Weekly School Note

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PRAYER CORNER



****Year's Theme: We are Living Letters "You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everybody." II Cor. 3:2**

****March's theme: Obedience-We will do what we are told to do with a happy, submissive spirit.**

Memory verses: Hebrews 13:17"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you."
James 1:22 "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

Prayer

"Thank you father for the many times you have caught each one of us on the way down or picked us up after a fall! Gently, You've brushed away the tears and set us on solid ground again. We can do no less for another. Give us tender hearts to be used by You, loving others right where they are at."

HOT LUNCH MENU

THURSDAY, February 25, Popcorn shrimp, mashed potatoes, corn, bread and milk

FRIDAY, February 26, Taco in a bag, lettuce, juice, churro's and milk

MONDAY, March 1, Fish sticks, mashed potatoes, juice, bread and milk

TUESDAY, March 2, Potato bake, peas, pears, cinn. roll and milk

WEDNESDAY, March 3, Mystery dinner

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, March 4 – 8:15-9:15 Moms in Touch meet in ICS library for prayer. Anyone available and committed to praying for our school during this specific time is welcome. If you have any prayer concerns moms in touch would love to pray for you when we meet. Everything we pray for is kept confidential.

FRIDAY, February 26- Gum, hats and shades day

FRIDAY, February 26- 8:30 chapel

MONDAY & TUESDAY, March 1 & 2-KOK Parent Teacher Conf.

WEDNESDAY, March 3-"Olympics" Read-A-Million Minutes party, 2:30pm

MONDAY, March 8 –Society/PTA/Auxiliary meeting at 6:30- All parents encouraged to attend-imp. up date on Iowa Core Curriculum will be presented and proposed budget for 2010-2011 school year

WEDNESDAY, March 10- KOK Board meeting

MONDAY, March 15- 2010-2011 Preschool registration

TUESDAY, March 16-KOK Snow make up day

TUESDAY, March 16 -Junior High Choir Festival at Dordt College-leave shortly after lunch

TUESDAY, March 16- 6th grade math bee at Boyden

WEDNESDAY, March 17-Milkshakes with Mom

THURSDAY, March 18- Pre-4th Drama at 1pm "The Velveteen Rabbit" at Unity Chr.

FRIDAY, March 19- Grandparent's Day 9:00am (dismiss at 12:30 pm), end of 3rd quarter

TUESDAY, March 23- Interscholastics Art/Creative Writing/Poetry, grades 3-8 due

FRIDAY, March 26- 7th grade math bee/Interscholastics Creative Writing/Art grades 3-8 due

THURSDAY, April 1- Makeup day, we will be having school for grades PK-8, (Preschool & Kindergartners will have school also).

FRIDAY & MONDAY, April 1 & 5-Easter break

THURSDAY, April 15- Kindergarten roundup

TUESDAY, April 20- Interscholastics solo/ensemble at Sioux Center Christian

MONDAY, April 26- Piano recital, 3:45

FEBRUARY IS SPIRIT MONTH and READ-A-MILLION MINUTES(takes place of Book It for February): Friday, February 26 is gum, hats and shades day.

For Read a Million Minutes a different colored sheet will be sent home each week. Each class is required to read a certain amount of minutes for the week, Fill out all of them and return each week to be able to attend party on March 3.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR "BUILDING TOWARD THE FUTURE" CAMPAIGN, prayerfully consider your gift.

All current families with students at ICS, are strongly encouraged to give towards the campaign to help for needed school improvement. We still need to raise a little over \$25,000 to reach our goal.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FINAL FOUR!

Great job on collecting the boxtops everyone! We collected right around \$400 this time. We did not meet our goal of \$900, but we got close! Thanks so much. The winners of the "Final Four" are as follows: The Greg Van Beek family, Scott Meidema family, Rick Schouten family, and the Bryan Bonnema family. Each of these families will be receiving a \$10 Pizza Ranch certificate. Quinton Dorhout won the overall competition for the year. He had over 800 boxtops, and will receive a \$25 gift card from a business of his choice. Way to go ALL of you that participated! It takes ALL of us to be successful, no matter how many you collect. This may be the last competition for the year, but we have all summer to save. Find out in September who the "Super Summer Saver" will be. It could be you! Happy Collecting! Judy Dorhout

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T.R.I.P. NEWS-

Upcoming TRIP order dates are: March 15, Tuesday - April 6 and April 19. I will be figuring out the payout for this year after the April 19 order date. Keep working hard these last few orders toward earning money for your tuition accounts. Wouldn't it be great to earn a month or two or more of free tuition? If you earn more than your tuition account for this year it will be carried over for the next year. If your last child is graduating from ICS this spring, let me know if you are going to have extra TRIP credit that you would like held over for UCH.

INTERSCHOLASTICS SOLO/ENSEMBLE:

Interscholastics solo/ ensemble will be held April 20 at Sioux Center Christian. Any 6-8 students interested in either a vocal solo or an ensemble, see Mrs. Byker. It's a great experience!

INTERSCHOLASTICS ART/CREATIVE WRITING/POETRY-due March 23

SPRING CONCERT TIME!

That time of the year is here again! The 12th Annual I.C.S. Bluegrass Concert will take place on April 10, 2010 at the BJ Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. You should have all received your packets. They were sent home with your son or daughter this past Friday. If you haven't seen it, please check the back packs!

Just a little about the packets: They will contain – 1) tickets, 2) a sample letter to either take with you or send prior to your phone call or visit. This letter explains the giving levels and the specific information on the concert, 3) a copy of last year's actual program inside page. If they would like to see how things are laid out, you can show this, 4) Helpful Hints, and lastly, 5) a sample thank you letter. I usually sent this out with the tickets enclosed. PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE THANK YOU no matter when you decide to send them out. Just remember to do this step! It is vitally important. You don't know how many contributors will mention if they did nor didn't receive a thank you. Your follow-up can make a difference in consistent contributors.

Please, don't procrastinate! This is I.C.S. major fundraiser! It has been very successful because of parents who have a sincere passion for our school and Christian education. But, it takes each and everyone of us! We realize that solicitation can be a scary thing but, the businesses you're approaching have been involved with this fundraiser before. In a round-a-bout way, most of them are expecting you.

One last note, remember, in your presentation, that you are representing our institution. Be professional and appreciative for whatever is given or not given.

Completed packets can be brought to the office by March 8. There will be a box labeled "Concert Items". On the outside of your packets note what each business is donating and if there is a check in the envelope or if it's being sent to the school. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact any of the committee members: LeRoy Punt, Jill Vander Windt, Nancy Gradert, Leah Schoonhoven or Sharla Gradert.

KOK FUNDRAISER

Kids of the Kingdom Preschool is having a Little Caesar's and Pizza Fresco fundraiser until March 8, with a delivery date of March 24.

If interested, please contact a preschool family.

CADET SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, March 3, 6:30-7:45
Wednesday, March 17, 6:30-7:45
Wednesday, April 7, 6:30-7:45
Wednesday, April 21, 6:30-7:45
Wednesday, May 5, closing night

"There are no stars----only starters who never quit."

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