

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

****September's theme:** Attentive, we want to be listening with our ears, eyes, and heart to God's Word

Memory verse: Proverbs 4:20, 21 "My son, pay close attention to what I say; listen closely to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart."

Prayer:

"Father, your extravagance is all around us in the abundance the fields, and gardens have grown! Lord, how foolish of us to strain in vain, as if our weak efforts would somehow mysteriously produce luscious fruit in our lives. The fruit we try to bear- love, joy, peace, patience, goodness- can only come from you. To be living letters we need you, Father, to prune away every dead and useless branch in us: every bad habit, every negative attitude, and every belief contrary to your Word. Prune away our straggling limbs and lift up our struggling ones. Only in you can we be living letters for you.

HOT LUNCH MENU

THURSDAY, September 24, Pizza pockets, green beans, pears, s'more bars and milk

FRIDAY, September 25, Bacon cheeseburgers, tator tots, applesauce, cookie and milk

MONDAY, September 28, Pizza dippers, green beans, pears, bread and milk

TUESDAY, September 29, Hot ham & cheese buns, hashbrowns, pineapple, choc. mint dessert and milk

WEDNESDAY, September 30, Turkey, mashed potatoes, corn, bread and milk

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TONIGHT, Wed. Sept. 23, 7 o'clock- Auxiliary kick-off meeting, see info. below

Thursday, Sept. 24- 8:15-9:15 Mom's In Touch meet in the ICS library for prayer. Anyone available and committed to praying for our school during this specific time is welcome.

Friday, Sept. 25-Comm. Health Partners will be here to administer influenza shots for 6th - 8th grades. A form was sent home to parents of 6th-8th grades. If you want your child to participate that form NEEDS TO BE FILLED OUT SIGNED AND RETURNED. A \$12.00 DONATION IS SUGGESTED

Friday, Sept. 25- 5th grade band begins, remember your instruments and music
Monday, Sept. 28- Western Cross Country (optional) at Rolling Hills Golf Course 4:00, find own ride

Saturday, Sept. 26- Rally Day Sale, 5:00

lunch 6:30 sale begins. Reminder to room mothers: you are in charge of the class theme baskets. Kindergartners theme is "Legos". The 1st grade basket theme is "girly basket"(hair pretties, nail polish, purses, combs, etc.). 2nd grade basket theme is "movie basket"(popcorn, movies, snacks, bowls etc.) 3rd and 4th grades basket theme is "Decorating for Fall". 5th and 6th grades theme is "Nascar".

Thursday and Friday, Oct 1 & 2- Heartland Teachers Conferences, no school

Monday, Oct 5-3rd and 4th visit Pumpkin Land, 9:00-11:30

Monday, Oct 5-volleyball home vs. Inwood, 4:00

Thursday, Oct 8-volleyball home vs. Hull Protestant, 4:00

Tuesday, Oct. 13- K-6th go to Northwestern play, 12:00pm-1:45pm

Friday, Oct 16- All school chapel 8:30

Monday, Oct. 19- Piano & Speech Interscholastic Contest in Rock Valley

Oct 19-23- school bus safety week

Friday, Oct 23- School pictures 8:30(begin with preschool)

Oct. 23-31- Red Ribbon Week

Friday Oct. 30- End of 1st Qtr. Dismiss at 11:30

REMINDER:

PLEASE ENDORSE AND SEND YOUR BUSING CHECKS TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE. THANK YOU!

AUXILIARY MEETING ICS moms, associate members and friends of ICS, sign-up now to attend the ICS auxiliary kick-off meeting tonight, Wed. Sept. 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Stacey Johnson, Stamp-n-Up representative, will be at the meeting helping us do a make-and-take project. We will then have our regular business meeting.

Please **sign-up** at one of the following emails or via phone if you plan to attend so there will be enough product available for everyone to do a make-and-take.

The auxiliary officers will be serving ice cream sundaes after the meeting.

(Note the change in the kick-off meeting, we will not be having a meal and speaker, therefore you do not need to take anything to the meeting, just please sign-up to attend). Thank you

Call or email Mandy Bonnema at 278-2332 or bonnemab@premieronline.net

Or Gail Dorhout at 441-6917 or dorhout5@frontiernet.net

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To order any on hand inventory call Donna at #278-2506 (home) or #278-2105 (work).

AUXILIARY SCHOOL APPAREL FOR SALE

ICS SCHOOL APPAREL ORDERS DUE

Reminder to anyone placing an apparel order that the orders are due in the school office by this Friday (Sept 25) at 3:30. We will leave the samples up at school through the Rally Day Sale on Saturday if you haven't had a chance to see them yet. There will also be a box there for you to turn your orders in that night. We plan on going through the items and placing the order by early next week. Thanks!

BAND INFO

CONGRATULATIONS to Cody Gradert, Madison Dorhout, and Travis Viet, who were nominated to audition for the Iowa Middle School Honor Band!

5th grade band will begin this Friday, September, 25! Parents, please help your students remember to take their instruments and music every Friday from now on.

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM PLAYGROUND

Kids of the Kingdom preschool is excited about having purchased a new playground unit for the preschoolers and the kids at ICS. We are planning on assembling it on Tuesday Oct 6. We are looking for interested volunteers to help us that morning. The Miracle playground rep will be here at 8am and is requesting we have 10-12 people ready to assemble the unit that morning. He said with enough help it will only take 4-6 hours. If you are interested in helping out please contact Mandy Bonnema at 278-2332 as soon as possible. Thanks in advance.

TRIP NEWS The next ICS TRIP order date is Oct. 5 by 9:00 AM. We will be ordering every two weeks starting in October through our December order. Hopefully, this will make it easier for you to use TRIP for all your holiday shopping.

Remember Pizza Fresco out of Sioux Center (take & bake pizzas) has joined our program. It is available in \$10/\$20 with 10% discount. Check out their website for more information on what they have.

SAVE THOSE BOXTOPS

Boxtop Collectors: Do you know that we have 42 families representing ICS? Did you know that only 13 out of these 42 families have handed in their boxtops to give us a GREAT start of \$186 towards our \$900 goal? Just think how much we could earn if EVERYONE participated!! You have until Oct. 16 to collect as many boxtops as you can from friends and family. There will be a winner from each class. We also have a SUPER BONUS BOXTOP COMPETITION! For every 25 boxtops each family hands in by Oct. 16, the names of each child in that family will go into a drawing for a chance to win a \$25 Pizza Ranch gift card. If your family hands in 50 boxtops, each child's name will go in twice! Let's see which family will get to enjoy a free supper! Happy Collecting! Judy

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND:

KOK Preschool will be selling Pizza Ranch certificates from September 16- September 30. If interested, please contact a preschool family or Christina Obbink (540-1812)

Large (single or multiple topping) is \$13.00

8 pc. Chicken Bucket with potato wedges is \$12.00

Small Cactus Bread is \$5.00

Thank you for supporting KOK in our current and future needs!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION by

becoming a Foundation Member? The board would like to invite anyone to help promote Ireton Christian School. For a yearly fee of \$25 or a Lifetime membership of \$500, you can become an Ireton Christian School Foundation member. Please visit the school office or mail \$25 or \$500 to Ireton Christian School and you will be added to the membership list! All proceeds will be placed in our Endowment Fund. The money raised will help defray the cost of major repairs and educational expenses encountered throughout the year, as well as helping keep the cost of education at a minimum. Thanks in advance for your support!

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NICSTO DONORS NEEDED!

We have many families that could use financial support from our society members and friends. PLEASE prayerfully consider a contribution or donation to Ireton Christian School through the NICSTO program. It has GREAT TAX BENEFITS for you, the donor! We are approaching the end of the 2009 year and with that comes the end of giving towards NICSTO (Northwest Iowa Christian Schools Tuition Organization). You may download a copy of the NICSTO form off our website link at (www.iretonchristianschool.com) or ask for a copy from the office. We need your continued support to ensure all families may have a choice of letting the children attend Ireton Christian School. Dec. 23 is the deadline for your contributions. Thanks again for your consideration and financial assistance!

JUST A REMINDER

We are again collecting used cell phones and recycling them.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Ireton Christian Reformed Church will be sponsoring Cadets, starting in a couple of weeks for 3rd-8th grade boys. More information will be coming in next week's newsletter. If you have any questions call Tim Bonnema at 278-2235.

PARENTS OF 5TH -8TH GRADERS

For your information...This year the 5th-8th graders will be quizzed on the words of the hymns of the month in a fill in the blank quiz. This will take place each month on the last music class of the month, Sept. 24 for the 6th and 7th, Sept. 29 for the 5th and 8th. We work on this in choir and each student received words to study on their own. I try to update the music page on the website weekly, please check it out often to see what's happening in music. Mrs. M. Byker

FLU BUSTERS

It seems the flu season is upon us.

Taking some very important precautions will make a difference.

- Get adequate Zzzz's, drink lots of H₂O, make healthy food choices
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, throw the tissue in the trash.
- Washing hands often with soap and running water (for as long as it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song twice).
- If soap and water are not available, alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective. Having one at your desk or work area is a good idea.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Get a flu shot. Vaccine against the seasonal flu is available. Vaccine against H1N1 flu is being produced and will be available.
- With flu like symptoms stay home. Rest, drink lots of fluids. Stay home for at least 24 hrs. after fever is gone.
- Put on the armor of prayer, a defensive protective covering for our school against the nasty flu viruses.

*Rally Day Sale work schedule and food assignments on back

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5 RALLY DAY SALE SEPT. 26

WORK SCHEDULE

4:45-6:15 Shiela Dekkers and Nancy Gradert

(Cut pies and desserts, serve desserts and dish ice cream)

4:45-6:15 Joan Punt and Chris Van Beek (serve meat)

6:15-7:45 Amy Ten Napel and Bonnie Bonnema

(keep tables full)

7:45-end Jennifer Miedema and Angie Zomermaand

(keep tables full and clean up)

PLEASE TAKE TWO PIES OR ONE 9X13 DESSERT-at school by 4:00

Gail Dorhout

Leah Schoonhoven

Cheryl Van Wyk

Mandy Viet

Angie Liston

Jill Vander Windt

Leanne Bonnema

Denise Endrulat

Christa Mulder

Deb Mueller

Judy Dorhout (diabetic)

ONE BUCKET OF ICE CREAM

Rena Calkhoven

Amy Noyes

Dale Hennings

TWO FAMILY SIZE PLAIN POTATO CHIPS OR 30OZ. TOTAL

Tammy Sieck

Nicole Wieda

Pam Fedders

TAVERN 5lbs.- PLEASE

BRING TO SCHOOL HOT

BY 4:00

TAVERN RECIPE

Brenda Johnson

5lbs. hamburger-browned & drained

Cindy Davelaar

2 cups ketchup

Linda Engeltjes

3 tsp. mustard

Mandy Bonnema

2 tsp. chili powder

Lori Bonnema

2 med onions

2 cups water

*Add ingredients to browned hamburger.

Simmer

2-40oz. bottles of ketchup

Heather Feekes

1-20oz. bottle mustard

Margaret Van Donkelaar

2 jars pickles-Audrey Broek