

**February 4, 2009**

**GOING OUT TO EAT THIS WEEKEND?**

Be sure to stop in at the Charger Shootout sometime this weekend and eat here, even if you don't watch any basketball. We appreciated your support last weekend—let's do the same! The ladies' alumni game will be held Saturday, at 12:55. Come have some lunch and enjoy the game.

**ACCREDITATION**

Our accreditation process continues to move forward. The Steering Committee has met and is reviewing the materials from various parent, Board and faculty committees. Please pray for the ongoing work in preparation for our site visit on April 6, 7, 8, 2009.

**CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Our junior high students will be attending the Christian School Basketball Tournament in Randolph and Waupun next Friday and Saturday, Feb. 13 & 14. Jr. High Parents: Your student should have brought home information regarding this tournament and a permission/driver info./meal order form that is due back to school TOMORROW.

**REPORT CARDS**

Report cards were sent home last Friday. Please sign and return your child's Report Card as soon as possible. Thank you.

**CHANGES IN BASKETBALL SCHEDULE**

The 7/8 boys' game which was re-scheduled for Feb. 9 at 6:00 PM has been cancelled.

The 5/6 boys' team has a re-scheduled game set for Monday February 9 vs SJB-G at OCS @ 6:00 PM.

**EARLY RELEASE REMINDER**

Wednesday, February 18, 2009 is the third Wednesday of the month. Students will be dismissed at 1:20. Busses will be running at that time.

**YEARBOOK**

Orders are due this week. The cost is \$12.50 for each COLOR copy. Use the order form that was sent home with a previous Blue Note, or include payment in a regular envelope with your child(s) name on the outside. Please order at this time. It is important for us to have payment and quantity when we place our order to Lifetouch. Thank you very much to everyone who has already ordered. If you have any questions, please call Wendy Urban at 564-4181.

**CHRISTMAS GIFT PROJECT UPDATE**

We have collected over \$1700 so far for our continuing project to help fund an orphanage and water project in Thailand. Thank you to everyone who has so generously given to this project. We will continue to collect for this through the end of the school year.

**MUSIC NOTES**

The K-5<sup>th</sup> grade musical, "Are We There Yet" will take place on Thursday, March 12, at 6:30 PM in the O.C.S. gym. All students in grades K-5 will participate. Costumes for all students will consist of black bottoms and black t-shirts. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. De Master.

The Jr. High Mini Music Festival will take place here at O.C.S. on Thursday, April 30, at 6:30 PM. All Jr. High students will participate. The Music Festival at Brookfield Christian School will be held on Friday, May 8. This is an all-day event for all Jr. High students.

## **SCHOOL BOARD PRAYER REQUEST**

The school board is currently looking at the budget for the 2009 – 2010 school year. Please pray for our Board members as they seek God's will concerning the future of Oostburg Christian School.

## **CLOTHING ITEMS**

Oostburg Christian School has been given a surplus of select new clothing items that are available to any families who can use them. Some of the items are socks, underclothing, mittens, hat, scarves and even a very nice size Youth XL used winter jacket. PLEASE feel free to check out these items which are kept in the health room, or ask Mrs. Nyenhuis in the office if you could use any of these items.

## **WINTER WEATHER CLOSINGS**

Parents and guardians are reminded that students should have an emergency plan in case we dismiss early or if school is cancelled. With winter around the corner the possibility of weather related closings is very real. Students will be allowed to make emergency phone calls, and school will stay open until transportation arrives for all students. Parents and guardians are asked to notify the school office if someone other than themselves will be providing transportation for the children. Please listen to WHBL radio (1330 on your AM dial) for closing information due to weather. Or, you can also go to their website at [www.whbl.com](http://www.whbl.com) for a listing of current cancellations. Remember, if Oostburg Public Schools close due to inclement weather, so do we (bussing).

## **CABIN FEVER RELIEVER**

Tomorrow is the date of our next Cabin Fever Reliever. Energetic children and their caregivers are invited to join in playtime in our gymnasium from 8:30 – 10:00 AM. Everyone is invited to attend, whether pre-school, home school, public school, or Christian school. You are also welcome to walk through our school at this time as well. For more information on this Cabin Fever Reliever, you can call the school office at 564-2664. Future Cabin Fever Reliever dates are 2/19, 3/19, 4/2, and 4/16.

## **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **LITTLE ROCKETS BASKETBALL**

Information is available in the school office or in the brochure rack outside of the office for this program designed for children 4 years of age through grade 2. Registration deadline is THIS Friday, February 6.

### **RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S TRAINING COURSE**

The Sheboygan County Chapter of the Red Cross is offering a Babysitter's Training Course on Saturday, February 21, from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. This course is designed for children 11 years of age or older. Registration forms are available in the school office. Class size is limited, so early registration is recommended.

### **"THE MIKADO" TO BE PERFORMED AT THE WEILL CENTER**

The Weill Center invites students to experience professional theater at its finest when the Los Angeles Professional Tour of "The Mikado" comes to the Weill Center. Student discount ticket price is \$20 (regular prices are \$40 and \$45). Call 920-208-3243 and ask for the Student Ticket Special.

### **GREEN BAY PACKERS YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP**

Please check out [www.packerscamps.com](http://www.packerscamps.com) for information on community-based non-contact football camps for kids ages 6 to 14 featuring Green Bay Packers heroes and professional educators.

### **NICARAGUA SPRING BREAK WORK TEAM FUNDRAISER**

The Nicaragua Team is selling party cakes to raise funds for ministries in Nicaragua. Interested in a Super Bowl Cake, Valentines Cake, or any occasion? Call Doris Hendrikse at 564-2460 to place your order. Some cakes will be available at the Charger Shootout this weekend; or you can order a cake anytime until March 15.

#### PIZZA RANCH FUNDRAISER FOR LEVI DU MEZ

Friends of the John and Julie Du Mez family will be holding a fundraiser at the Pizza Ranch on Friday, Feb. 20, to raise funds to help pay for the medical expenses of their son, Levi. Levi was recently diagnosed with Leukemia. The event will be held from 4:00 PM until closing. If you are unable to attend this event, you can make a donation through Oostburg State Bank. Just write a check to John and Julie Du Mez with Levi's name in the memo section and mail it to Oostburg State Bank, P.O. Box 700198, Oostburg, WI 53070

#### MOMS IN TOUCH

Attention, Moms! What's the best thing you can do for your child? How about pray? You are invited to join a new Moms In Touch International (MITI) prayer group. We are meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month (10:30 - 11:45 a.m.) at Oostburg Christian School library. All area moms are welcome! Infant childcare will be provided at the 1<sup>st</sup> CRC church nursery and preschool childcare provided in the gym at OCS. Questions please call Sue Dykstra 564-4212 or [susandykstra@wi.rr.com](mailto:susandykstra@wi.rr.com).

Are you interested in supporting a local prayer ministry? A group of moms are meeting twice a month to pray for their children, Oostburg Christian School and Moms In Touch International (MITI). A fund was started with \$100. \$34.32 went toward advertising costs and each week we pay \$20.00 for childcare. We presently have \$45.68 left in our MITI fund. If you would be willing to make a donation to our MITI fund, please talk to Sue Dykstra 564-4212. Thank you! "Pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to him for the lives of your children..." Lamentations 2:19

#### OOSTBURG PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FAMILY FUN FAIR

Oostburg Public Elementary School has invited O.C.S. families to their Family Fun Fair on Friday, February 13, from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. The night includes games, food, a raffle, photo booth, Hair Hut, Trading Post, etc. All are welcome – see you there!

#### GERMAN CLASS

Parents: Take a class with your middle school student. LTC's Community Outreach Classes include German for Travelers, a 4-week introduction to the language and culture. Classes meet Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:45 at the Oostburg High School February 19 through March 12. The cost is \$32.50 per person. Call LTC at 1-888 GO TO LTC or visit [gotoltc.edu](http://gotoltc.edu) and register for class number 15123.

# The GRACE Place

#### SCRIP

Scrip will be on sale this weekend during the Charger Shoot-out: Thursday night as regularly scheduled until 5:30, Friday evening, and all day Saturday during the games—so stop in to pick up the certificates and cards that you need.

## CHARGER SHOOTOUT

**Congratulations to our boys in taking second place last weekend. A good time was had by all!**

**And now the girls' tournament is here!** This week Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 5, 6, and 7, 2009 is the Girls' Tournament. There will be a lot of great basketball, great food, and great fellowship. Check online for the exact time of games – they are posted at [www.oostburgchristian.com](http://www.oostburgchristian.com). Click on Calendar and then choose Charger Shootout Girls weekend on any of the three dates and you will have the information. It is also available on the Athletic Tournaments/Charger Shoot-out page. It is included in this Blue Note as well.

Please pray: That all teams, families and friends will have safe travel, be kept free of injury, and show good sportsmanship. Pray that God will be glorified in all our dealings throughout both weekends and that we will be able to realize a good profit for the school.

Another reminder: Please remember that OCS students who are not on the team will need to pay \$1.00 admission and while students in grades 5-8 may attend alone, we ask that all students in Grade 4 and below be accompanied by an adult. The volunteers here have work to do and cannot be responsible for children in the building who are unsupervised. It doesn't work well for older siblings to be responsible either as they prefer to "hang" with their friends. Thank you for helping us make this an enjoyable and safe event for all to attend.

If you are still interested in playing in the Women's Alumni and Friends Basketball game, scheduled for 12:45 on Saturday, call Paul or Beth Modahl at 564-6512 or e-mail them at [pbmodahl@verizon.net](mailto:pbmodahl@verizon.net).

### CALENDAR

February 5	Cabin Fever Reliever 8:30 – 10:00 AM B-Ball 5/6 Girls @ SJB 5:00 5/6 Boys @ HF 5:30
February 5-7	Girls' Charger Shootout
February 10	B-Ball 7/8 Girls vs CCA 5:00 7/8 Boys @ SJB 7:00 County Spelling Bee @ Acuity Baked Potato Lunch
February 11	B-Ball 5/6 Girls vs SM 6:00
February 12	5/6 Boys @ SJB 7:00
February 13 & 14	Christian School Basketball Tournament at Randolph & Waupun

