



# Oostburg Christian Sci

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Mr. Robert Adams, Administrator

"He is like a tree, planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season..."  
Psalm 1:3

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## HOME BULLETIN December 8, 2010

### O.C.S. CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Next Thursday, December 16, is our all-school Christmas concert. The concert will begin at 6:30 PM and will feature praises to our Savior being sung by all our students. Students in grades K – 8 should wear concert attire – black bottoms and white tops. Our 4K students should wear black bottoms – a shirt will be provided for them. Please lend and borrow from other families to outfit your children. Call Mrs. DeMaster at 918-5401 with any questions.

### EARLY DISMISSALS IN DECEMBER

Next Wednesday, December 15, is our monthly early-dismissal date. School will dismiss at 1:20 PM and busses will run at that time. There will be no Afternoon Care beyond 1:20 that day. Also please plan for our noon dismissal on Thursday, December 23. This is the beginning of our Christmas break. There will be no Afternoon Care on December 23. School will resume Monday, January 3, 2011.

### JANUARY HOT LUNCH ORDERS

The January order form is attached to this Home Bulletin. Please fill it out, attach payment, and return it to school NO LATER THAN Wednesday, December 22. Thank You!

### BUDGET TIME

As a school system, Oostburg Christian School is working on the budget already for next year. One of the key factors in making up our budget is the number of students we have in school. The more students we have, the easier it is to budget and keep tuition numbers down. Please pray for the Finance Committee and full Board as they work through the budget for the 2011 – 2012 school year.

### PROMOTION

The best way Oostburg Christian has found to promote our school is to have you, as parents, grandparents, and friends share information with people in the community. We are excited about the new families who joined our school this past year and look forward to providing a Christian education for more families next year. If you have any suggestions on how to reach out into the community, please let us know by either contacting Bob Adams (email [bobadams@wi.rr.com](mailto:bobadams@wi.rr.com)) or Joyce Eggebeen ([jeggebeen@wi.rr.com](mailto:jeggebeen@wi.rr.com)).

### JANITORIAL POSITION

Oostburg Christian School is in immediate need of a janitor. If you would like more information concerning this paid position please call Mr. Adams at school (564-2664) or email him at [bobadams@wi.rr.com](mailto:bobadams@wi.rr.com).

### CAMPUS LIFE THANK YOU

The following Thank You note was received from Campus Life after our food collection during our Grandparents' Day Chapel. *"Thank you very much for collecting food for our food pantry. It is all appreciated and very much needed. We had 127 families go through our food pantry in November. Thanks again for your donation during this season of giving."*

*The mission of Oostburg Christian School is to provide a distinctly Christian quality education which will equip God's children to function as Christians in society, church, and home.*

### PARENT HELPERS NEEDED

Many of you remember helping out in 4K in the past. Our current 4K is in need of some parent helpers on Mondays and Wednesdays. We have 12 wonderful children who are all at different levels socially, emotionally, academically, and physically☺. Another set of eyes would be the perfect way of helping our children grow. We know many parents work out of the home and it is very difficult to sign up for a specific day each week. However, if you can help once in awhile it would be greatly appreciated. All we need is one helper each day. Please call the school office (564-2664) or Miss Gantner (1-262-853-9061) if you can help. We will confirm the day(s) that works for you. Thank you for your help.

### **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. You can also get closing information on their website at [www.whbl.com](http://www.whbl.com). Go to "Quick Links" listed on the right side of the home page and select "Cancellations". Parents may also tune into Channel 4 and 12 on their TV for closing information. Remember, if Oostburg Public Schools close due to inclement weather, so do we (bussing). There is no aftercare if school closes due to inclement weather.

### **CHRISTMAS PROJECT AT O.C.S.**

This year's Christmas project is actually a continuation of a project we began last year and are undertaking all year long. Our Unity Groups have committed to "sponsoring" children for one year at the Tesoros de Dios ministry. Tesoros de Dios, translated *Treasures of God*, is located in Managua, Nicaragua. This ministry, directed by O.C.S. alumna, Michelle Adams, provides children with developmental disabilities and their families with the basic tools necessary for life-long growth. It does this through programs in personal health, special needs education, and Christ-centered spiritual growth. The Unity Groups at O.C.S. have formed into pairs to share the cost of the sponsorship of a child. It costs \$25 per month or \$300 per year to sponsor a child. This means each Unity Group is responsible for raising \$12.50 each month for their child. Since we have twenty Unity Groups we have the opportunity to be a blessing to ten needy children in Nicaragua. Last year our Unity Groups actually exceeded the goal set for them. We pray God will again use us to help meet the needs of these children.

### **WINTER WEAR**

There is a supply of hats, mittens/gloves, jackets at school from a previous holiday clothing drive. If your child is in need of any of these items, please stop in the office and we will direct you to them.

### **PINE HAVEN CAROLING**

On Wednesday, December 22, our 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be traveling to Pine Haven, Oostburg, to share Christmas music with the residents there. We would like to extend an invitation to other senior citizens in our community to join us there from 1:15 to 2:00 PM for a time of singing Christmas carols together. If you know of any senior citizens who would enjoy this time, and they are able to get there, please invite them. Thank you.

### **TUITION DURING THE HOLIDAYS**

The holidays are a wonderful time of celebrations and giving gifts. Please do not allow the activities of the season to cause you to fall behind in tuition payments. Remember, tuition is due the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thank you.

### **SCRIP**

Do you need your Scrip today? Stop in the office and have Barb get it for you. Do you want it waiting for you? Just go to our website at [www.oostburgchristian.com](http://www.oostburgchristian.com) and click on Scrip, then Scrip online order form, and let us know what you need. Your order will be waiting for you. Just stop by, pay for it and be on your way this busy season!

### **SCRIP WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW....**

that Scrip will be available at two ballgames December 7 & 14, and at the Christmas concert on December 16. Pick up the certificates that you need and get those names checked off your list

## **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING?**

Start with Scrip---everyone loves gift cards—they are just the right size, color, and there's no need to dust, display or store them!

- Grandparents who will be heading south for the winter—gas cards, restaurants, hotels, etc.
- Hunters would appreciate Daane Ace Hardware, Meisfeld's Market, Gander Mountain
- Out-of town relatives will appreciate local stores that can be purchased here and easily put in an envelope or in their carry-on for their flight. Just check online at [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) and click on Retailer List on the left sidebar.

## **TREES**

Thank you for your support of the Teacher Wish List. If you want to get something extra for your child or grandchild's teacher, please stop by and take a look at the items that are still available. You can select an item, pay for it in the school office, and we will take care of ordering it.

## **AUCTION ITEMS**

Check out the display case for any quick pick-up items for Christmas. Golf clubs and a grill are still available. Just contact Joyce Eggebeen (564-2678) or [jeggebeen@wi.rr.com](mailto:jeggebeen@wi.rr.com)

## **YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

"I'll Be Home for Christmas" Tour of Homes, sponsored by Oostburg Christian School to be held **TODAY**, December 8, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Tickets will be sold for \$5 which includes a tour of the homes and dessert in the school Student Center. Walk-ins are welcome. Tickets, shoe covers, and directions will be available all day today. We have five homes: Jim and Doris Hendrikse, Tim & Annette Wisse, Jeff & Kim Heinen, Brad & Julie Bulkow and Todd & Heather Johnson. We are grateful for their offers to host this event in their homes. All proceeds will go to the TAP fund.

## **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*ABRAKADOODLE EARLY RELEASE DAY ART PROGRAM**

Decorate for Christmas Chihuly Style! Join us as we learn about the famous glass sculptures of Dale Chihuly, have fun with experimental drawing and create a truly unique Christmas Centerpiece. With plastic as our glass, we'll create a sculpture in the colors of Christmas to decorate your home or to give as that special gift that can't be found anywhere else!

Wednesday, December 15th

1:30—3:30

Oostburg Christian School Art Room

Tuition: \$20 (includes all materials)

or

Sign-up with a friend for \$15 each!

Register On-line at [www.abrakadoodle.com/wi03](http://www.abrakadoodle.com/wi03) or by calling Pam Rautmann at 564-6540

Pre-registration Required. Minimum of 5 students enrolled for class to run.

### **\*COUPON FOR FREE BOWLING**

There are coupons for a free game of bowling at Lakeshore Lanes available in the school office. Stop in during office hours to pick them up.

### **\*MOPS REQUEST**

There are numerous moms in the MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) group in Sheboygan who do not own a Bible or have not yet accepted Christ. MOPS is a non-profit group that helps out all moms in the area. The group has grown and they would like to give a devotional bible to every mom. If you would like to give a donation to help provide these Bibles, you can send it to Lauren Smies at 2105 N. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Sheboygan, WI 53081.

## **FREE ATHLETIC PASSES!**

It's basketball season at Christian High! If you would like to receive FREE Athletic Passes for your students for home games at SCCHS, please contact Melanie Wisse at [mwise@scchs.com](mailto:mwise@scchs.com). Please write "athletic passes" in the subject line of your email and list the name(s) and grade(s) of your child/children

to have passes sent to you. Children 5 and under get in free to SCCHS events. If you have any questions, please call the school at 920-458-9981.

**NEEDED: A FRIENDLY WELCOME AND A WARM PLACE TO SLEEP**

The Dordt College Concert Choir's winter tour includes a stop in Sheboygan on Friday, January 7. Could you house a few students for the night? If so, please contact Chuck Adams ([ckadams5@gmail.com](mailto:ckadams5@gmail.com) or 208-0918). We need space for 52 students. Also, if you are willing to help with other details, including a meal for the choir before their concert, please contact Chuck.

**CALENDAR**

December 9	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade to SCCHS Visiting Day B-Ball Girls5/6 vs SCS @ SCCHS 6:30 Boys5/6 vs SCS @ SCCHS 7:30
December 13	B-Ball Girls7/8 @ OMS 4:00
December 14	B-Ball Boys7/8 vs SCS 5:00 Girls7/8 vs SCS 6:00
December 15	Pizza Lunch 1:20 PM Dismissal
December 16	Christmas Concert 6:30 PM
December 17	Progress Reports

