



Oostburg Christian School

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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

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"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 the home."

WELCOME BACK

Please join me in praising God for the opportunity to once again open the doors of Oostburg Christian School so children in our area may receive a Christ-centered education. Our school theme verse this year is Philippians 3:14 which says, "I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

HOME BULLETIN / BLUE NOTE

For families new to our school, there may be questions about this newsletter. The *Home Bulletin*, or as many call it, *The Blue Note*, is our school's weekly bulletin to our families and friends. The Blue Note will contain information about school events, prayer requests, and information about GRACE Board projects as well as assorted news about happenings in our school. The Blue Note will be sent to every family as a hard copy this week and electronically via email attachment beginning next week. However, if you desire a hard copy, please let us know. We will be happy to oblige and will send a copy of the Blue Note home with your youngest child. We are always willing to send hard copies of our weekly bulletin to any churches requesting them; so if your church would like copies just call the office and let us know. The Blue Note can also be accessed (without paper attachments) on our web site www.oostburgchristian.com. Please remember, all announcements that need to be placed in the bulletin must be written or typed out and to the school office by noon each Tuesday.

OUR PARKING LOT - DRIVE CAREFULLY

Please drive **very** carefully when entering and exiting our school parking lot. The lot is full of students being dropped off or picked up, there are other students walking across the lot, and finally the east end of the lot is used by students who are playing basketball or "four square." Cars may use 7th Street to drop off their students, but please drive carefully. Thank you.

ILLNESSES / ABSENCES

Please call the school office by 9:00 AM if your child will miss school on a certain day. If we do not hear

from you, and your child does not show up for school, we will be calling your home to make sure your child is safe.

DRESS CODE POLICY

One of the ways young people witness to those around them about the relationship they have with Jesus is through the way they dress. Please remind your children to dress properly. All clothing should be modest and appropriate for school. This may mean that some favorite "summer outfits" must be put away or used only on weekends. We hope and pray that home, school, and church can all work together to help our young people be lights who shine brightly for Jesus in our society.

REGISTRATION MATERIALS

If you have not yet handed in your registration materials (e.g. Current Health Information Sheet, Immunization information, Physical Exam Forms, Volunteer Form, Emergency Card, and etc.) please do so by the end of next week. Thank you. Parents, please be certain that your student's Emergency Contact Information Card is current so we are able to contact you quickly in the case of an emergency.

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BIBLES FOR SALE IN OFFICE

NIV Bibles are for sale in the school office. The price is \$7.50.

HOT LUNCH ORDERS

The deadline for turning in September hot lunch orders is today. If you did not get yours in, you may do so by 9:00 AM tomorrow (Friday). No orders will be accepted after that time as the order will have been submitted for supplies. Thank you.

LUNCH BEVERAGES

Please do not send soda to school with your child to drink at lunch or as a snack. Milk will be available for all students. An order form is included in this Blue Note. Please fill out the form and return it by Friday, September 16. All students will be allowed to drink milk until that time. After September 17 only students who have signed up for milk will be allowed to have any.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

If you or anyone you know would like to be added to our substitute teacher list, please contact the school office. The only requirement is a teaching degree (and it does not have to be current) and a love for our Lord and children. Please pass this news around, because our sub list is short. Thank you.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Students who are participating in interscholastic sports at OCS are required to have a sports physical or sports physical waiver form on file in the school office. These forms must be on file in the school office before your child's can play in the first game. Thank you.

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION FEES

Funds are needed to run our interscholastic athletic programs at OCS. Money brought in through participation fees is used for payment of referees, league fees, tournament fees, purchasing athletic equipment, and purchasing uniforms. The following fee schedule has been set by the administration of OCS:

6 th - 8 th Boys' Soccer (September)	\$10.00
6 th - 8 th Girls' Volleyball (September)	\$20.00
5 th - 6 th Girls' Basketball (November)	\$20.00
5 th - 6 th Boys' Basketball (November)	\$20.00
7 th - 8 th Girls' Basketball (November)	\$25.00
7 th - 8 th Boys' Basketball (November)	\$25.00

Note: the maximum yearly fee for any one family is \$50.00. The soccer and volleyball fees are due September 15.

8TH GRADE RETREAT

A retreat for 8th grade students will be held at Terry Andrae State Park during the school day on Friday, September 9. Jr. High Parents please note: Only 8th graders will be participating, not 6th or 7th graders.

CTI (CARPENTER TOOLS INTERNATIONAL)

CTI will be leading a chapel for our 5th through 8th grade students on Thursday, September 8, from 12:30 to 1:08 PM. Headquartered in Willman, Minnesota, this ministry is dedicated to preaching and praising Christ through music. Parents, grandparents, friends, etc. are invited to join us for this chapel.

YEAR END GRACE FOR 2010-11

We praise God that we were able to pay our entire pledge of \$76,500 and even exceed it for a total of \$79,882.96 to support the General Fund and keep your tuition lower! We praise God for providing many helping hands in EACH of you and the time and effort put into our school fundraising projects.

HERITAGE DAY & GOLF OUTING

Thank you to the Tom and Leila VerVelde family for their work at the Heritage Day stand and selling Tacos on the Run! We were able to realize approx. \$600 on this project, the first of this school year.

The Christian Schools Golf Committee members would like to thank all of those who sponsored, donated to or participated in our event which was held Saturday, August 20, at the Town and Country Golf Club. Due to your incredible support we were able to raise nearly \$6,100 which will be divided between Oostburg Christian School and Sheboygan County Christian High School.

We would also like to let you know that we have set the date for next years' event. Town and Country Golf Club will be host to the 2nd Annual Christian Schools Golf Outing on **August 18, 2012**. Please put this date on your calendars, so you can come out and help support our schools on that day.

Our sincere thanks to Paul and Nicole Mentink and Becky and Justin Zylstra for being willing to co-chair this project so successfully this year.

FUNDS FOR TAP

Remember, if you bring your aluminum cans to Carl Nyhof Trucking for cash, and you indicate that the money will be for Oostburg Christian School, they will automatically donate another \$.05 per pound extra. This cash will again be used for our TAP fund this year! Thanks so much.

SCRIP ANYWHERE

Do you know anyone who has children or grandchildren who live outside of the Oostburg area. You can buy Scrip here to help them. The idea is simple: you can buy Scrip here and once a year, we will send your accumulated discount to any Christian school in the U.S., including Sheboygan Christian and Christian High. You will need to fill out a registration form for this. Spread the word among grandparents who would like to help their families in other areas. Any questions, just call Melanie Wisse (564-6031) or Brenda Lammers (564-2310)

SAVE THE DATE

Open House will be held September 20, 2011. Teachers will be available in their rooms from 6:00-7:30 p.m

OCS BANKS

A little bit can go a long ways! Just 10 cents a day x 365 days x 200 families who have banks--that is \$7,300! Do you have a school bank? If not, would you consider picking up one in the office and putting in a dime a day? If you have one, just put in your change once a week and it will fill up fast! What an easy project and what a great profit to be earned!

During the next few weeks, we will be collecting the banks. If you have one at home and can drop it in the school office, we would greatly appreciate it. It will save our volunteers' time as we will be collecting these. If you do bring it in the office, please be sure that you sign your name on the sheet so that we know about it. We thank you in advance.

UPCOMING PROJECTS/DATES

Here are some of the upcoming dates for GRACE projects. Be sure to check if you have signed up for these:

- Volleyball Tournament: September 22, 23, 24, 2011
 - We are already working on this important annual fall event. If you know of a team that would like to play, have them contact Michele Rondeau at 467-2945.

- Pizza Sale: October 11, 2011
 - They're back! We are going to make our own, delicious **homemade** pizzas AGAIN this year. Spread the word. Order forms will be sent home and available in the office as well.
 - We would like each family to sell at least NINE pizzas. That's only 5-6 for your family and a few for the neighbor or grandparent. Thanks for supporting this event. Any questions, call Michelle Epping at 564-6494.
 - And, thank you for taking them to your work places and collecting orders there!

● Heart for Education Auction- November 5, 2011

- We are already planning and preparing for the auction this year. We would like to have our families donate homemade items or services. Please think about how you can participate— donate a service: prepare a meal, dessert, bake cookies, rake leaves, wash windows, offer to give a knitting or crocheting lesson, etc. Or donate some handmade item or craft that you like to do: wall hanging, purses, scarves, etc.
- Thank you for thinking about how you can contribute to this most important fund raiser.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

OOSTBURG MOPS SEASON KICKOFF!!

Join us on Thursday September 8

at the First Reformed Church in Oostburg

from 9:00am-11:15am

All moms with children birth to 18 are welcome!

Contact Lauren Smies at oostburgmops.com or (920) 207-7200

Oostburg MOPS is hosing it's 3rd annual Vendor Fair

and we are looking for vendors!

Where: Oostburg Christian School

When: Oct 29 from 9-1pm

Contact Lauren Smies at oostburgmops.com or (920) 207-7200

CALENDAR

September 5	Labor Day - No School
September 7	Pizza Lunch
September 8	CTL Chapel 12:30
September 9	8 th Gr. Retreat @ Terry Andrae

MILK ORDERS FORM

Parents, please fill in the order form below and return it to school (with payment) **no later than Friday, September 16**. Please be sure to indicate what flavor milk each of your students will be taking. Milk will be provided at no charge for kindergarten students on the third Wednesday of each month when they will be dismissed at the early release time of 1:20 PM instead of at noon. Kdgn. parents should still indicate on the form below if their child will be taking milk on the early release day, and what flavor. Parents of children in 4K or Aftercare may order milk also. This milk must be ordered now, at the beginning of the year, for the entire year. Aftercare and 4K students have the option of ordering 3 cartons or less per week for \$6.00 or 4 or more cartons per week for \$12.00.

**Milk Order Form
 2011/2012**

<u>Student's Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Flavor of Milk</u>	<u>Cost</u>
		(circle one)	
_____	_____	White or Chocolate	\$12.00
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_____	_____	White or Chocolate	\$12.00
_____	_____	White or Chocolate	\$12.00
_____	4K/Aftercare	White or Chocolate	
		3 Cartons or Less/Wk	\$6.00
		4 or More Cartons/Wk	\$12.00
_____	Kdgn./3 rd Wed.	White or Chocolate	No Chg.

Please return to school with payment no later than September 16.

