

HOME BULLETIN
May 7, 2008

RUN-JOG-WALKATHON PRIZE DEADLINE

Please remember that all Run-Jog-Walkathon and Unity Bike Ride cards and money need to be turned in to the office by **Thursday, May 8 (TOMORROW), at noon** in order to qualify for prizes.

FIFTH DISEASE OUTBREAK

We have experienced a minor outbreak of Fifth Disease here at O.C.S. recently. In most cases this is a very minor viral infection. By the time the symptoms appear (rash) the infected person is no longer contagious and therefore does not need to be excluded from school. You can obtain more information by going to the following website:

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/communicable/factsheets/FifthDisease.htm>

If you have further questions, are pregnant or have an impaired immune function and think you may have been exposed, you should contact your personal physician.

ART TEACHER NEEDED

Oostburg Christian School is seeking an art teacher beginning in the 2008 – 2009 school year. This part-time position consists of teaching art to students in grades 4 – 8. If you are interested in this position or desire more details, please call Mr. Adams at school. The school number is 564-2664. Thank you.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

The week of May 19 – 24 is Teacher Appreciation Week. Parents and friends are asked to pray specifically for our teachers this week. Start with your child's teacher and then please remember all the teachers at OCS. It might be helpful to use the school directory. All the teachers' names are listed on the third page of the directory. Also, if anyone would like to show his or her appreciation with a gift, this would be a great time to do it. A friendly note of encouragement is always a blessing. In addition, OCS has a Teachers' Wish List account from which teachers may withdraw money during the school year to purchase items that will be used to enhance their teaching in the classroom. This account is beginning to run and low and could use an infusion of gifts if you would like to show your appreciation in that way. Thank you, in advance, for your support and prayers for our teachers.

BIKE AND WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

May 12 – 16 has been designated as Bike and Walk to School Week. Sheboygan County hopes to create a more health-minded student population by emphasizing the benefits of walking or riding a bike to school. Friday is set aside specifically as Bike and Walk to School Day. We know some students live far from school and ride either a bus or are driven in a car, but those who live close by could help save some car gas and at the same time begin a healthy life style. Just one item: Please remember to wear a helmet if you do bike. Thank you.

ASSOCIATION MEETING

Please set aside the evening of Tuesday, May 20, for our Annual Association Meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM, and we will be seeking God's will concerning the future of OCS. The meeting activities will consist of election of new board members, approving the General Fund budget and new tuition scale, and the choosing of GRACE Board members. An agenda has been mailed to all families. All parents or guardians with children enrolled at OCS are automatically Association members. All supporters who have paid the Association Dues or donated at least \$100 to the school and filled out an Association Membership application are also members. Only Association members may vote at this meeting. If you need an agenda or an Association Membership Application, please stop by at the school office and pick one up. Please be in prayer for our school in the days leading up to this important meeting. Thank you.

SEUSSICAL NOTES

Tickets now on sale: Tickets for the May 15 and 16 evening performances, or the May 14 matinee performance will be available at the door or can be purchased in advance in the school office. Prices are as follows:

Adults	\$4.00
High School	\$2.50
4 Yrs.-8 th Gr.	\$2.00
Under 4 Yrs.	Free

SEUSSICAL VIDEO TAPING NOT ALLOWED AT PERFORMANCES!! The copyright license covering the performances of “Seussical” prohibit any video-taping of performances of any groups issued licensing rights to present this production. This is similar to copyright licenses that always have affected concerts and plays in other public places, but we have never faced this type of licensing restriction prior to this production. Unfortunately, this means that even family/friends are not allowed to videotape during the performances. (We are not allowed even to make a videotape for a “school copy.”) You will be encouraged, however, to take regular photos on stage following Friday night’s performance. We know you will want to enjoy every minute of this production and TREASURE YOUR GOD-GIVEN MEMORIES, which cannot be controlled by licenses!!

NEW IMMUNIZATION LAWS

Parents, please take special note of the information attached to a recent Blue Note regarding new immunization requirements beginning next school year. Next year, this will directly affect students entering grades K and 6, but will affect all students in the upcoming school years. When your child receives the new required immunizations, please fill it in on the form that was included and we will transfer that information onto their permanent card, which is kept on file in the school office. Thank you.

PROMOTION

The best promotional tool Oostburg Christian School has is the good words of parents who send their children to our school. Parents, keep up the great work! We are currently in contact with new families who are considering OCS for their children. Remember, if you promote our school and a family decides to enroll their child because of the contact they have had with you; you will receive a \$750 credit towards your tuition. You may designate this credit to the new family, share it with the new family, or used it totally on your own tuition. Please join the school board in praying and working so new families can receive Christ-centered, quality education for their children.

4-K REGISTRATION

Now is the time to register your child in our 4K program for next year. At this time we are offering a Monday / Wednesday session along with an optional Friday session for the entire school year. If you are interested in registering your child, or you have any questions regarding our program, please call the school office at 564-2664. Thank you.

HEART FOR EDUCATION AUCTION COMMITTEE

Our Auction committee has started meeting again for next year. Yes, it really is only a few months away. We are looking for a person/couple who would be interested in serving on this committee. This fund-raiser has become one of our largest and most exciting events. By serving on this core committee, you would fulfill your entire GRACE obligation each year. Our needs include serving on the Donation Committee, which collects, numbers and displays all donations that come in. We prefer someone who can commit to a three-year term, but would consider all interested persons. Please talk to Brian & Dawn DeMaster or Steve & Nancy DeJong if you have any questions about serving the Lord in this capacity.

AUCTION PROJECT REQUEST

Are you spring-cleaning and sorting clothes? Do you have any O.C.S. t-shirts that you are no longer using? T-shirts, that are in good condition, from various past O.C.S. events are needed for an auction project. Please contact Judy Ver Velde at 564-2933 if you have any O.C.S. t-shirts to recycle. Thanks for your help.

MOTHER’S DAY

So you don’t know what to get your mother for Mother’s Day? Take a look at our Scrip list. Many mothers and grandmothers don’t need more stuff, but would enjoy a meal out, perhaps help with gasoline, a “pamper yourself” product from Bath & Body Works, flowers or plants from Caan’s, and so forth! STOP IN TODAY!
Another idea: Perhaps she would like some new recipes in our cookbook. These have been very popular again this year, so pick up a nice gift for just \$10.00.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

Parents using our new “Before School Care Program” are reminded to contact the office at least two days in advance of using the program. Parents wanting to use this program on a regular basis must inform the office of the day or days and times they will be regularly bringing their children to school. Cost will be the same as our Afternoon Care

Program (\$2.50 per hour), and pre-paid cards can be purchased in the office. If a parent must cancel due to sickness please call Mrs. Sharon VanderWaal, our care provider, at 564-2762 and also call the school office. If you call the office in the evening or very early morning, please leave a message on the answering machine. Thank you.

AFTERNOON CARE

Oostburg Christian School offers afternoon care during the hours of 11:00 AM to 3:30 PM (or any portion of those hours) each day school is in session. The cost is \$2.50 per hour. Parents may purchase a prepaid card for either 8 hours or 40 hours. If your child does not attend afternoon care on a regular basis, but you would like to take advantage of this program, you can purchase a prepaid card and just call the school office anytime to sign your child up for a particular date. If you have any questions, please call the school office for more information.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SUMMER TUTORING**

Does your student need help in phonics, reading or math to make him/her more successful at the next grade level? Maybe your child needs review of the year's class work. I can work with your child's teacher to provide what your child needs. Tutoring is available. Call Mary Jane Gruett at 564-3788. Reasonable fees. Individualized instruction can make a difference.

***INFORMATION/REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE IN SCHOOL OFFICE**

- *Back to Basics Youth Football Camp for players entering 5th through 8th grades. The Camp will be held Aug. 4-7 on the Cedar Grove-Belgium football practice field.
- *Green Bay Packers Youth Football Camps for those 6-14 years old.
- *Concordia College WCSS Basketball Camps
- *Prevea Titledown 3-on-3 Basketball Tourny in Green Bay on Saturday, May 31.
- *Lakeland College Women's Summer Basketball Camps (June 13-15 for grades 3-8).
- *Summer Reading Skills Programs sponsored by Marquette University and held at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Sheboygan.

SCHOOL CALENDAR	
May 8	R-J-W/Unity Ride Cards & Money due @ NOON to qualify for prizes
May 9	Run-Jog-Walkathon and Spaghetti Dinner
May 10	Unity Ride and Fry
May 13	Gr. 4 & 5 to Milwaukee Public Museum
May 14	Nacho Lunch Seussical Matinee 1:00 PM
May 15 & 16	Seussical 7:00 PM
May 16	Prayer Page 1ra Meet

The GRACE Place

**WE ARE COUNTING DOWN-- 2 (yes, just TWO) DAYS TO THE
25TH ANNUAL RUN JOG WALKATHON AND
FIRST ANNUAL UNITY BIKE RIDE
Won't you join us in prayer for this weekend?**

Pray specifically for:

- **All of this will bring glory to God**
- **Nice weather**
- **Good attendance**
- **Safety for walkers, riders, and workers**
- **Good amount of funds raised for Christian Education**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

We'll announce the winners before the RJW starts on Friday afternoon.

FOOD! FOOD! FOOD!

We will be serving **all-you-can-eat** spaghetti following the Run Jog Walkathon on Friday from 4:00-6:30 p.m. Be sure to bring the whole family, grandpas and grandmas for Dan Gabrielse's famous spaghetti!! Cost: \$5.00 per adult, \$3.00 for children ages 6-14, 5-under—free, and a maximum cost of \$20 for a family! Bring them all for some great food!

We will be serving a Brat/Hamburger Fry on Saturday, May 10, from 11:00-2:00 p.m. A great ala carte menu is available. Even if you are not riding, bring your family for good food, and fun on the playground.

NOT GOING ON THE BIKE RIDE...

We will have the Inflatable Jumping Jupiter on the playground all day, as well as good food and fellowship.

OR YOUR SATURDAY SCHEDULE DOESN'T ALLOW YOU to ride at the time of the mass start? Please feel free to come earlier or later than the scheduled ride. (Just note: all riders must have left the school by 11:00 a.m.)

FAMILY REGISTRATIONS: We are appreciative of families who will be joining us on Saturday for a family ride. Just a reminder--the registration fee for this will not be applied to students' accounts to receive prizes.

PARENTS OF ALL 6-8TH GRADERS WHO ARE RIDING: Please remember, WE MUST HAVE a registration form and fee with the parental signature (found on our website www.oostburgchristian.com/unityride) before they will be allowed to go on the ride.

WORKERS

The list of workers is included below. There have been some updates—be sure you know when you will be working. If you have any questions, please call your chair.

Spaghetti chair: Dan and Nancy Gabrielse,

Brat/Hamburger chair: Teresa VerVelde,

Bike Ride chairs: Jason Alsum and Randy Swihart.

Workers for Run-Jog-Walkathon—Friday, May 9, 2008

Workers to Hand out prizes (date to be determined after RJW)

- 1) Kim Heinen
- 2) Jodi Hilbelink

Spaghetti Supper—serving from 4:00-6:30 p.m.

Chair: Dan and Nancy Gabrielse

Kitchen workers—starting at 2:00 p.m.

Lauren Smies (start at 1:00)

Andrea Eckwielen (call Wendy—can you work for her awhile?)

Angelia Neumann

Dawnmarie O'Donnell

Julie Bergmann

Vicki Meulbroek (start at 1:00)

Rosa Laganowski

Clean up Crew –starting at 5:30 p.m.

Jackie Arnoldi

Lauren Smies

Dave Kaat

The following people should have your cakes (9x13) to school by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9. Thanks so much for your generous offer to bake these.

Georgia Smies
Vicki Meulbroek
Bonnie Van Ess
Bonnie Van Ess
Teresa Ver Velde
Teresa Ver Velde
Annette Wisse
Annette Wisse
Barb Kaat
Lauren Smies
Andrea DuMez
Lisa Roerdink
Lisa Roerdink
Jocelyn Weibe
Maureen Mullikin
Deb Kelley
Tammy Stecker
Gail Niemuth
Lorella Bidwell
Sue Dykstra
Jeri Flipse

Workers for Unity Bike Ride—Friday, May 9, 2008

Core Committee: Jason Alsum, Randy Swihart, Carolyn Morgen, Paul and Beth Modahl, Joyce Eggebeen, Dean Ratajczak.

Registration 3-7 PM

Dan Roerdink
Lisa Roerdink

Workers for Unity Bike Ride—Saturday, May 10, 2008

Registration 6-10AM

Tim Arnoldi
Jodi Hilbelink
Sue Mentink

Hamburger/Brat Fry—Teresa Ver Velde, chair

Serving from 11:00 a.m – 2:00 p.m.

Fryers 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

John Wishman
Matt Smies

Set Up/Kitchen – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Julie Bergmann
Andrea DuMez
Jason Bergmann

Serving/Kitchen – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Debbie Wishman
Ryan Wiebe

Jocelyn Wiebe

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Serving/Clean-up/Cashier 11:00 a.m.--approx. 3:00 p.m or later

Becky Zylstra

Julie Meyer

Lauren Smies

Wayne Dykstra

Debbie Wishman

REST STOP WORKERS: PLEASE KEEP CHECKING YOUR E-MAILS FOR FURTHER UPDATES AND INFORMATION REGARDING REST STOPS.

Rest Stop helpers

Dan Roerdink—Rest Stop 3
 Lisa Roerdink—Rest Stop 3
 Wendell Kappers—Rest Stop 2
 Elaine Kappers—Rest Stop 2
 Josh Kappers—Rest Stop 6
 Georgia Smies—Rest Stop 1
 Shelbi Gesch—Rest Stop 1
 Julie Wisse—Rest Stop 4
 Julie Meyer—Rest Stop 6
 Tim Herr—Rest Stop 5
 Josh Herr—Rest Stop 5
 Todd Heinen—Rest Stop 4
 Dave Van Ess--Rest stop 7
 Bonnie Van Ess--Rest stop

Rest Stops (Please note: times in bold have been changed since last week)

	<u>Leave OCS</u>	<u>Rest Stop Opens</u>	<u>Rest Stop Closes</u> <u>(approx)</u>
Rest Stop 1(Smies Beach)	7:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Rest Stop 2 (Belgium)	7:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
Rest Stop 3 (Pt Wash)	7:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Rest Stop 4 (Twn of Sherman)	6:30 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	11:00 p.m.
Rest Stop 5 (Elkhart Lake)	7:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Rest Stop 6 (New Prospect)	7:15 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m.
Rest Stop 7 (Fredonia)	8:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.

Specific duties will be given to you, but will include setting up a canopy, tables and serving bikers the food that we will provide. Then cleaning up the site before leaving.