

## HOME BULLETIN

June 4, 2008

### LAST BLUE NOTE

This is the last Blue Note of the 2007 – 2008 school year. The office staff thanks everyone for their efforts in getting announcements to the office in a timely manner. See you in September.

### THINGS TO DO OVER THE SUMMER

Since this is the last Blue Note for the 2007 – 2008 school year, I thought it might be good to share some “ideas” of important things to do over the summer.

1. Please continue in the school mode. No, this does not mean waking up your children and sending them to school because Mr. Adams will be there☺. Although it does get quiet at school over the summer (and I do actually miss the commotion that comes from having a school filled with children), I think the children need some time away from school. Time away from school is not time away from learning. Please use the library, take time to read, and continue to practice those math facts. If you can do nothing else, just read, read, and then read some more. Readers are our best students.
2. Go to the museum or some other educational destination. Even a trip to your extended family out-of-state can be educational when you share road maps, simple financial planning of meals, and the historical significance of your destination with your children
3. Please, please, please turn off the television, the iPod, the MP3 player, and the computer. Make your child go outside and play. And if your child says he or she is bored - good! Tell them to use their imagination and see what God has hidden in His wonderful world.
4. PLEASE read the attached editorial written by Tom Kuyper and share it with your children. Maybe read it together and discuss the main points. It certainly gives some perspective on athletics in today’s culture.
5. Finally, don’t stop having devotions. Summer is a great time to set up special family devotion time (maybe outside) or set up a devotion time for you to have with each individual child. Although time consuming, devotions with one child at a time, is most rewarding and gives each child a chance to share with you.

### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Although graduation takes place tomorrow evening, we definitely want to take the time to officially congratulate the eighth graders for successfully completing their work at OCS. We pray God blesses each of them as they continue their education in high school. **Please join us as we celebrate the eighth grade graduation tomorrow night at 7:30 PM in the school gym.**

### 2008 – 2009 SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The Student Supply List for the 2008 – 2009 school year is attached to this Blue Note for your summer shopping convenience. PLEASE read the list carefully and purchase the correct items. Some supplies that are sold these days are more for entertainment than for actual school use and do not work well in the classroom. Save your money and buy only the basic items listed. Thank you.

### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

This Friday, June 6, is the last day of school for all students in grades K – 7. **School will dismiss at the Early Release Time of 1:20 PM.** Buses will run at that time.

## THANK YOU

As the year closes, we want to make a special note to thank Dawn DeMaster and Sue Schnelle who have so faithfully prepared the hot lunches all year. Many of you parents also come to help them, and we hope that you know how much it is appreciated by students and parents alike. Be sure to thank them when you see them.

## K-5 MUSICAL DVD'S

Several families have not picked up their ordered DVD's. If you ordered one, please stop in the office to pick it up. The cost is \$11.00, payable to Oostburg Christian School.

## RETURN THOSE MUSIC MATERIALS!!!

ATTN. Jr. High Parents: Please help your kids scour their rooms to find choir and band music, and Seussical CD's and scripts. All music must be returned before Report Cards are given out. Below is a list of students who still have Seussical books and CD's out.

### CD's

Emily	Ian
Morgan	Jake Mullikin
Ricky	Kathryn
Zack Johnson	Caitlin
Heather	Josh G.
Jo-Leigh	Aaron R.
Allison K.	Lizzie
Kory	Sami

### Books

Emily	Sami
Andrew R.	Zach D.
Allison K.	Ricky
Kathryn	Aaron R.
Colleen	Caitlin
Zack Morgen	Matthew
Hollie	Zack Winkel

## HOLLAND FESTIVAL

Oostburg Christian School hopes to participate in the Holland Fest parade. Any students who wish to participate should wear their school t-shirt and plan to meet at the high school before the parade. You can look for the school banner: Go with your Heart, Go with a Christian Education. Check the Lakeshore weekly for more details.

## APPAREL

Wear your t-shirts on vacation! This summer as you are traveling around, please try to wear your school shirts to raise awareness about Oostburg Christian School. **Take a picture** of yourselves wearing school shirts in different places, and share them with us next fall!

A last order for shirts is due (with payment) this Friday, June 6, at noon. There are also several shirts on display in the office that are for 'cash and carry' purchase.

## 4K OPENINGS

There are still openings in our 4K program for the 2008 – 2009 school year. Please call the school office if you are interested. Children must be 4 years of age by September 1 to qualify for our 4K program.

## REGISTRATION FOR 2008 – 2009

Believe it or not, we are already planning for the start of the new school year. Registration will be held Tuesday evening, August 12, 2008. New parents will be invited to register first, beginning at 6:30 PM. Returning parents will be allowed to begin registration starting at 7:00 PM. A registration packet will be sent to you a few weeks before registration. If you know anyone who may be interested in sending their child to OCS, please call the school office so we can contact them. Thank you.

## TUITION PAYMENTS THROUGH THE SUMMER

Please remember that tuition is calculated over 12 monthly payments. This means tuition for June and July must be paid even though school is not in session. Please make sure your summer payments reach the school office by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Tuition payments may be mailed to the school at the following address: Oostburg Christian School, PO Box 700319, Oostburg, WI 53070 or dropped off in the office if staff is present.

### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

The school office will be open from 8:00 AM to noon every Wednesday throughout the summer. Most other weekdays someone will probably be in the office, however, you should call to make sure either Mr. Adams or Mrs. Nyenhuis is in if you want to stop by. Mrs. Nyenhuis is also willing to sell Scrip whenever she is in. Please call ahead to make sure she is in if you want to stop in to buy Scrip.

### **HELP NEEDED FOR OUR TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

*"No child in the area should be denied the opportunity of a Christian education because his or her family cannot afford tuition."*

It is this Board-held belief that has led Oostburg Christian School to establish a Tuition Assistance Program (TAP fund). If you wish to assist those families who truly need help, please send your tax-deductible contribution to Oostburg Christian School and designate it for the TAP fund. Thank you.

### **REPORT CARD PICK UP**

Report Cards will be available for pick up on Tuesday, June 10, between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. All fines, fees, and overdue books must be taken care of before students will be given their report cards.

### **STUDENT ARTWORK AT THE COUNTY FAIR**

If you visit the Sheboygan County Fair over the Labor Day weekend, don't forget to stop in at the School Art Display building. Every one of our K-8 students has at least one piece of artwork on display for that weekend. We thank Curt and Betty Nyenhuis for volunteering to do the work of labeling and transporting the artwork to and from the fair so our students can have their work displayed there.

### **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.

### **RENTAL CUSTODIAN NEEDED**

Oostburg Christian School is seeking a Rental Custodian beginning immediately. Responsibilities are to open and close the building, turning on the heat and lights, etc. for facility rentals. The pay for each opening/closing is \$10.00. Please contact either Mr. Adams or Mrs. Nyenhuis if you are interested or if you have questions. Thank you.

### **OCEF FUNDRAISER**

The Oostburg Community Education Fund has an opportunity to earn \$7,400 through Incredible Events Fundraisers by providing workers for a YMCA picnic on Wednesday, June 25. The shift runs from 3:00 until approximately 9:30 PM on that day. If you are available please call Deb Vander Ploeg at 564-3670.

The OCEF has given over \$18,000 to our school over the past several years for needs such as a sound system for our gym, renovation of our playground, technology hardware and software, choir risers, etc. Please support this wonderful organization by calling to say you'll help out. Thank you.

### **PAINTERS NEEDED**

We are planning on painting the siding and doors at O.C.S. in June. We would appreciate anyone interested in helping out to call. Even if you are able to give us an hour or two, that would be great! The Saturdays we have picked are June 14 and June 21. Please call Carol Vander Waal at 564-3589 to sign up or if you have questions. If there is no answer, please leave a message with your name and phone number. Thanks!

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Bethel OPC will be having a VBS program called "Metamorphosis" on June 23 - 27, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. To register call Lisa Roerdink at 564-2300.

**\*GAME BOY FOUND**

There was a Game Boy found on the sidewalk on the way home from school last week. Please call Beth Modahl at 564-6512 to claim.

**\*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.

**\*SHEBOYGAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BAND CAMP**

Sheboygan Christian School will be holding a band camp for two weeks (Monday to Thursday) beginning on August 4, from 10:30 – 11:30 AM each day. Cost is \$20. You can go to [www.sheboyganchristian.com](http://www.sheboyganchristian.com) for more information.

**\*SHEBOYGAN COUNTY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL GOLF SCRAMBLE**

It is time to dust off your golf clubs and start practicing for the 2008 SCCHS Golf Scramble held on Saturday, August 23. The tournament will take place at Town & Country Golf Club with tee times available from 6:30am to 12:00pm. The team entry fee is \$100 and green fees are \$32/person. The tournament consists of a men's competition and a couple's/women's competition. Prizes will be awarded to winning teams and hole prizes are available on every hole. Special hole in one prizes include \$5000 cash, a Sharp LCD Flat-screen TV, a set of Big Bertha Irons, and roundtrip domestic airline tickets for two. The SCCHS Booster Board sponsors the tournament and all proceeds benefit the educational programs at the school. Team registration forms are available in the school office, at Town & Country golf course, or online at [www.scchs.com](http://www.scchs.com). For more information, please contact Larry Felten at 920-452-7861 or [lafelten@mcleodusa.net](mailto:lafelten@mcleodusa.net)

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

- \*Sign-up sheets for fall football through Oostburg Public School for students entering grades 5-8 in fall.
- \*There is a limited number of family passes in the school office for the Milwaukee Art Museum. Each pass provides free admission to the museum for two adults and up to four children.
- \*Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course on June 24 or June 25 for children 11 years of age or older
- \*Back to Basics Youth Football Camp for players entering 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> 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
- \*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.

# The GRACE Place

**DURING THE SUMMER:**

- Pray for the Auction committee—they will be planning for the November 8<sup>th</sup> event.
- Pray for the Bike Ride committee—they will be meeting and planning for Unity Bike Ride 2009!
- Pray for the GRACE Board—wisdom for decisions on projects and preparation for Registration on August 12.

**SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL IN AUGUST**

Be sure to shop Memorial Mall between August 1st and September 1st. Then take your receipts to the mall office (by September 1) and request your purchases be credited to Oostburg Christian School. The

winning school will receive \$2,500. The second place winner will receive \$1,000 and three runner-up schools will each receive \$500. Let's shop locally and help the school as well. This would be a great head start on our GRACE pledge.

#### **DO YOU NEED BIKING EQUIPMENT?**

The Unity Bike Ride Committee has some certificates and gift cards available for purchase: \$100 certificate from Bicycle Works for sale at \$80, three gift cards to Bike n' Ski with a face value of \$30 each--on sale for \$25 each. Buy them now for your summer biking purchases. If we don't sell them, they will be available in the Scrip Store this summer at face value! Get in on the bargains now--available at these prices until June 11. Call Joyce Eggebeen 564-2678.

#### **COOLERS AND PANS**

There are still coolers and cake pans left from the RJW and Bike Ride weekend. Please stop by school and pick them up. You'll need them this summer!

#### **COMING SOON – SHARE THE HARVEST FARMERS MARKET**

Oostburg Christian School is planning a new outreach ministry called Share the Harvest. If you or someone you know enjoys gardening, working with people, or the joy of serving and ministering to others, you need to join us in this great opportunity. We are in need of vendors for this summer's season, tentatively scheduled to begin July 12. Gardeners may also donate their extra produce and the Share the Harvest volunteers will sell it with 100% of the profits from donations supporting our mission. For more information or questions, contact Patti Duenk at 564-3221, email [pduenk@excel.net](mailto:pduenk@excel.net).

#### **SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL ALL SUMMER WITH THE FOLLOWING:**

TEMPERATURES RISE—PRICES RISE: USE SCRIP!

Be sure to buy your gasoline and grocery store Scrip this summer. These prices are rising, but so can the profits for your tuition account!!!

We are open on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, and Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Also, Barb Nyenhuis will sell it anytime that she is in the office, but be sure to call ahead. Looking forward to serving you this summer

#### **GOOD SEARCH**

Make [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) your default search engine so that Oostburg Christian School can benefit every time you search the internet. Just be sure you type in Oostburg Christian School under the question Who Do You GoodSearch for? You can even check how many others are helping support the school!

#### **SHEBOYGAN PRESS**

Please remember to renew your Sheboygan Press subscription with Oostburg Christian. Ask for the paper renewal (rather than the EZ Pay system) and send/bring your renewal to the school office. Your tuition account benefits as well! Questions? Just ask.

#### **QSP MAGAZINE RENEWAL**

You can subscribe or renew your magazine subscription online and Oostburg Christian GRACE budget gets the benefit! Just go to our website [www.oostburgchristian.com](http://www.oostburgchristian.com), click on GRACE and scroll down to the bottom of the page. By clicking on the logo, you can go to the website and start shopping.

#### **COOKBOOKS**

Our cookbooks are still available in the office: These make great shower, wedding, or birthday presents. Still only \$10.00

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PROJECTS!  
WE WERE ABLE TO RAISE OVER \$111,000 WITH ALL FUND RAISERS.  
THANK YOU FOR LETTING THE LORD USE YOU TO FURTHER  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN OOSTBURG.

**CALENDAR**

June 5	Graduation	<b>7:30 PM</b>	
June 6	Gr. K-7 Last Day of School		
	1:20 PM Dismissal		
June 10	Report Card Pick-Up	10:00 – 2:00	
August 12	Registration		
	New Families		6:30 – 8:30 PM
	Returning Families		7:00 – 8:30 PM
September 2	First Day of School		

**NON-ELECTRONIC ATTACHMENTS TO HOME BULLETIN**

- \*2008/2009 Student School Supply List
- \*July & August Calendars
- \*July & August Interest Wheels
- \*Scrip Form
- \*Kash for Kids Information
- \*"These Things I Wish Upon Youngsters"