# HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen." II Peter 3:18

# **SONG OF THE WEEK**

**Psalter # 410** 

Praise ye the Lord, ye saints below, And in His courts His goodness show; Praise ye the Lord, he host above, In heav'n adore His boundless love. Praise ye the Lord; all creatures, sing The praises of your God and King; Let all that breathe, His praise proclaim And glorify His holy Name.

# **HOT LUNCH**

March 14 - Arby's

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM - Alicia, Audra, and Hannah Gritters, Erin Gunnink

March 21 - Burger King

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Nicole Hanemaayer, Katie Hassevoort, Rochelle Heyboer, Jill Holstege

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 19

Solo & Ensemble Festival at Hope PR School

March 28

Hearing Screening (K,2,4)

March 31

Vision Screening (1,3,5,7)

April 4-11

**Spring Break** 

April 18 **Walkathon** (rain date 5/2)

April 25

Kindergarten Program

#### SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless otherwise noted

## **Boys Volleyball**

Tm1 Th 3/13 vs Adams (H) Tm2 Th 3/13 vs Legacy (A) Tm1 T 3/18 Quad (H) Tm2 T 3/18 at Jenison Chr vs Dutton1 (A)

## SCHOOL NEWS

Public bus riders – the public schools have an early release day this week Friday, March 14. There will be no busing in the afternoon that day.

Walk-A-Thon 2025-envelopes will be sent home this Friday! Please review all the information in the envelope. Read the flyer attached for more details about the day. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you on April 18!

Fundraisers will vote on a proposal of over \$10,000 at the next meeting. We meet next week Thursday, March 20 at 10 AM at Hudsonville PRC. Nursery is provided.

This week is the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks for grades K-2. Report cards will go home next week Friday.

Spelling Bee Final: The PR Grade School Spelling Bee Final was held last week. The Traveling Trophy is staying with

us at Heritage this year. Congratulations to our own Brendan Vink who finished as the top speller from the area PR grade schools!!

Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are selling Bob's Butcher Block subs again! Subs are for sale for \$3.25 a piece, or \$35 per dozen. Subs will arrive on Wednesday, April 2. Orders are due by March 24. Please contact a 7<sup>th</sup> grader or the office to order.

An Appreciation Breakfast is being planned for all our valuable volunteers! We appreciate so much your help and as our way of saying thanks we invite you to come fill your plate while breakfast is served in the elementary gym on Wednesday, March 26. Warm breakfast will be available for you between 7:15 and 8:30 a.m., and you may visit after 8:30 as long as you wish! We are looking forward to seeing you there!

8<sup>th</sup> grade parents – an email was sent out 2 weeks ago regarding graduation gowns and pictures (it's time to start thinking about that already!!). We are waiting for 17 replies!

Also for 8th grade Parents: Mr. Rick Noorman has met with the 8th grade students and distributed a packet of information to each of them about registering for high school. Please return the required papers from the packet in the manila envelope to the school office by Friday, March 21. Covenant will host a meeting for 8th grade parents regarding the high school program and how to choose courses <u>next Tuesday, March 18 at 7 pm</u> in the Covenant library. Parents are encouraged to attend but this is not a required meeting. This meeting is designed to help answer questions about the process.

Reminder: Planned absence forms are required for all students in grades 6-8 taking any days taken off from school. Students may get one from the main office. Please also let the office know if you have children in grades K-5 leaving for a planned absence.

**Heritage Christian School is currently scheduling for Kindergarten** readiness testing. If your child did not attend Genesis Christian Preschool and you would like to schedule your child for this but have not gotten a phone call please call the office at 669-1773.

Did you sign up yet for the  $6^{th}-8^{th}$  grade Children's Choir for the  $100^{th}$  Anniversary?? Please do it today if you haven't.

 As you may know, the 100th Anniversary celebration of the Protestant Reformed Churches is quickly approaching (June 2-6, 2025). Mrs. Lauren Dykstra, who teaches music at Adams Christian School, was asked to assemble a children's mass choir to perform two songs to accent the Monday

- evening speech at Calvary Church (June 2, 2025). We don't believe this has ever been done and it will be really special.
- Because the PRCA anniversary celebration will take place almost immediately after school gets out the summer of 2025, we are teaching the kids the 2 songs that they would be singing for the children's choir right now already. The students will have no extra work at home.
- Please copy and paste the following link to Sign-up Genius so that you as parents can sign your child(ren) up so that we

have a solid number on how many children will be participating. We can fit approximately 500 students on the stage so this opportunity is open to the 6-8 grade kids. Please fill this form out for your children asap if they are able to join us at this speech.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F48ADAC2FA2FD0-50861914-prca

## AREA PR SCHOOLS

Advance notice: Eastside Christian School is planning to host art camp for K-8th graders again this summer. Save the date: July 7-9 (evenings).

Redeemer's 3rd Annual Auction is in the works! If you're able to donate to our online auction this spring please call or text Kate

Bleyenberg 616-437-6288 for pick up or email your pledge to us at <u>auction@redeemerchrschool.com</u> Auction details to come. Thanks for your consideration!

## REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Providence PRC Young Peoples are selling cookie dough in 32 oz** tubs which make about 3 dozen cookies. Chocolate Chip or Peanut Butter for \$15 and White Chocolate Macadamia Nut for \$22. Contact a Providence young person or Kim Westing-Kuiper at 616-581-9484 (call or text) by March 21.

From the Georgetown Public Library: We have a life-size Candyland adventure coming up this week Saturday. (See the attached a pdf). We will also have events over the week of Spring Break, April 7-12, when we will be having some special events for those having a "staycation". They will include a Scavenger Hunt for children here at the library, as well as a family "Historic Georgetown" scavenger hunt that will kick-off March 26th, when the Jenison Historical Society relaunches the book Bend in the River. Then there is Summer Reading...it will be here before we know it!

BYRON CENTER PRC YP'S MEAT SALE: Thank you to all who ordered meat to support our young people, it is greatly appreciated! Just a reminder that the pickup date for your order is next Monday, March 17 from 3:45 to 5:00 at church. It is important that you make other arrangements with Sara at 616-217-1119 or Tressa at 616-238-6716 if you cannot make the pickup time as the meat will be delivered frozen to us.

Providence PRC Young People are selling homemade cookie dough to raise funds for the PRC Convention. Choose from 3 flavors: Chocolate Chip-\$15, Peanut Butter-\$15 and White Chocolate Macadamia Nut-\$22. They come in 38 oz tubs. Please contact a Providence young person or text Cynthia Koole at 616-298-9131. The sale will go through March 21st.

The Faith YP invite you to an evening of fellowship and food on Saturday, March 22 from 5:00-6:30pm at Faith PRC. Our young people will be serving a delicious Mexican supper: beef & chicken tacos with a variety of toppings. Grab a side of chips & queso and don't forget about an ice cream sundae for dessert.

**Southwest PRC Young People's Softball Tournament:** Sign your team up now to play in our annual softball tournament on May 24, 2025 at Whistle Stop Park in Byron Center, MI. We are looking for coed youth (ages 14-18) and mens teams to participate. Cost is \$125 for co-ed and \$300 for mens. Deadline to sign up is April 21,2025. Email <a href="mailto:southwestsoftball@gmail.com">southwestsoftball@gmail.com</a> to sign up or contact Kathleen Kuiper at 616-446-4737 with any questions. We are looking for sponsors for the tournament. If you would like to sponsor, please email <a href="mailto:mantozak@hotmail.com">mantozak@hotmail.com</a>.