

Through Our School Door

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EPCS School Theme 2009-2010:

"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer." Psalm 19:14

EPCS Mission statement: To offer a Christian educational alternative that integrates faith and learning through a Biblical worldview. We strive to equip our students to develop their gifts, to become discerning disciples, and to joyfully serve God in their calling in their community and world.

Monday, October 19, 2009

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our EPCS Harvest Festival and Auction was a Great Success!

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make this possible.

Thanks to the Auction Committee, Auctioneer, Henry Kuperus, and Mike and Amy Davis for doing the chicken BBQ.

We praise God for a beautiful day and a wonderful time of fun, food and fellowship.

More information and news is enclosed in this School Door.

Our Sympathies go out to Mr. Vanderzwan and his family. His mother went home to be with the Lord on Sunday afternoon. Please pray for the Lord's comfort and strength for them at this time. Calling hours and the funeral will be held at 10am tomorrow in Canada. Thank you to Mrs. Deb Thompson for filling in this week.

EPCS Website

Please feel free to log onto the EPCS Website: www.eastpalmyrachristianschool.com. Things have been updated and, if you click on the "TEACHERS" link, you will notice that each teacher's web page is being updated as well with pictures and information. Check us out! You will also be able to see the latest version of the *School Door* on a regular basis. This year, the *School Door* is updated on the website each week on the day it is published.

EPCS Calendar

Monday, October 19, 2009, Day A

NO soccer practice

Tuesday, October 20, 2009 Day B

EPCS host Knights - 4pm

Wednesday, October 21, 2009 Day C

Hot Lunch

Thursday, October 22, 2009 Day D

K-8th grades – Pajama Day
EPCS Soccer at Destiny - 4 pm

Friday, October 23, 2009 Day E

Noon Pizza Sale

And Beyond...

Wed. Oct 28 – HS Vocal All County Auditions
Oct 29-30 OCSTA Convention No school
Sat. Nov. 7 Progressive Dinner
Wed- Fri, Nov 11–13 7th/8th Grade to Spruce Lake

Progressive Dinner

Our Annual Progressive Dinner is set for Saturday, November 7 at 6pm. Please join us for a night of food, fun and fellowship. We are looking for families to host in the following areas: Appetizers, Soup & Salad, Entrée and Dessert. If you can help out, or team up with someone to host, please call Julie O'Dell. Please call the office to sign up to attend the dinner. Thank you.

EPCS Directory

Our apologies to **AMY** Fisher, who is one of our Board members, and was listed as Julie Fisher. Our apologies AMY!

Operation Christmas Child

EPCS will once again be participating in the shoebox project. If you would like to join us in providing a shoe-box full of gifts and hope to children living in poverty around the world, please pick up a brochure in the office. Students who normally bring home the School Door should have brought home brochures already. The boxes should be returned to EPCS by November 6.

School Cleaning

M – Kellogg Family

T – Terry Family

W - Boss Family

TH – Paid

F – Winslow Family

Mon. 10/26 – Kellogg

If you need keys to clean after hours, please let the office know so that we can make arrangements for you to get keys.

Also...if you have not yet signed up to clean, please do so ASAP. Thank you!

Kindergarten & Preschool

Math – Counting, reading, and writing numbers 4 and 5, reading and writing 0, and comparing numbers 0-5

ELA – Letters K & L, apples and apple farming

Health – We continue with our making healthy choices (nutrition, exercise, etc.) theme.

Science – We will learn all about fire safety.

Bible – We will continue our mini unit on F.R.O.G. ~ Fully Rely on God!

Our **field trip** to the Morgan Apple Farm has been rescheduled for Friday, October 23! We will need drivers to help transport us – leaving around 8:50 and returning to school around 11:10. Also, as a reminder, car seats are required!

First & Second Grade

Bible: We will continue to learn about the kings and prophets. Our memory verse is still Jeremiah 10:11-13.

Math: The first graders will continue to learn about adding and counting. The second graders will be learning about using tens and ones.

Science: We will be learning about how we grow and change.

Social Studies: We are continuing to learn about jobs in our community.

Spelling: Both grades will be starting spelling test this week. Be on the look out for homework.

Thank you to all who helped with the class basket and to all who participated in the auction.

Third & Fourth Grade

Spelling: Spelling list 5 will be sent home today.

Bible: We will be discussing Adam and Eve this week

Social Studies: We will be looking at world communities this week. Have a great week! ☺

Math: Grade 3: This week we will start adding two and three digit numbers.

Grade 4: We will work on adding numbers through the ten thousands, adding columns of numbers, and possibly start with subtraction of large numbers.

Fifth & Sixth Grade

Auction Basket: Thanks to all who contributed to our basket, and a special thank you to Mrs. Snelling who organized and put together a lovely basket.

Computer Lab: Students are creating a PowerPoint presentation about themselves. They will need pictures of their family members, friends and themselves. The easiest way to do this would

be for them to save picture files on their memory sticks, but digital pictures may also be emailed to me (jrachow@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com) or saved to a DVD. Prints of pictures may also be sent in and I will scan them on the copier.

Bible: Our new memory work is the Books of the Bible in order.

Reading: Students will start a new book for a book report. This month's genre is fantasy.

History: We will finish our study of the early civilizations. The test will be next week.

Spelling: Regular tests this week.

Math: Grade 5: We will take a practice test today and the "real" test tomorrow. Our next unit is multiplying three digit numbers.

Grade 6: We will take a practice test today and the "real" test tomorrow. Our next unit will be working with decimals and scientific notation.

Wish List: Curtains for the classroom (please see/call me first)

Paint and/or painters to touch up the student's desks

Seventh & Eighth Grades

History We will be starting the "Wild West".

Life Science: We have just finished the first unit on Living things, and will be having an exam this week on that material. Next week starts the unit on Viruses and Bacteria.

Spanish 7/8: There are plans being finalized for a visit to the Beckenses' apple orchards to talk with the Hispanic workers there. Any parent who is available in the afternoon and can help out with transportation, please let me know by emailing me at maestra@eastpalmyrachristianschool.com. At least one or two parents with a van would be very helpful! More details as they become available.

Spanish 1A (7th) There will be a quiz on the numbers on Tuesday. Then we will start learning how to tell time.

Spanish 1B (8th) There will be a quiz on Tuesday on the verb decir, the ordinal numbers, and the possessive adjectives. Then we will move on to review direct object pronouns and indirect object pronouns. Students will also be assigned a project to illustrate the vocabulary that deals with rooms in a house and some common items found in those rooms. This is a major project, and will be due before the end of the marking period. More details to follow.

Bible: Bible: Journal entries are due tomorrow. The test over Cain and Abel and the memory work will be on Thursday.

Ninth Grade

Biology: 9/10: We are finishing the chapter on Cells, and your student should have a better understanding and reverence for how complex and detailed the Lord has made each of us.

Geometry 9/10: We have just completed the first unit on Basic Geometry tools. WE are moving onto Reasoning and Proofs, which will likely require more effort during homework.

Spanish 9/10: We had a great time visiting the Mexican grocery store. Many thanks to Mrs. Starkenburg for helping out with the driving.

Spanish 2 (9th) There will be a quiz on Tuesday or Wednesday on the verb tener, expressions with tener, the contractions al and del, the personal 'a', and the construction 'ir a'. Then we will move on to Unidad 1, Lección 4.

Global Studies: We will be finishing up *Luther* this week and starting the "Global Age."

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Tenth Grade

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Spanish 3 (10th) There will be a quiz on Tuesday or Wednesday on the verb tener, expressions with tener, the contractions al and del, the personal 'a', and the construction 'ir a'. Then we will move on to Unidad 1, Lección 4.

Global Studies: We will be finishing up *Luther* this week and starting the "Global Age."

Band

Thanks to the generosity of the De Perna family, another piece of music for our Christmas concert has been paid for! The remaining pieces, which are available to donate in honor or memory of a loved one, are:

Jazz Band Swingle All the Way.....\$40
Rock on Merry Gents.....\$36

Handchimes: Angels We have Heard on High....\$25

Three guitars have been loaned to the music room for use by the 7/8 music class. Thank you so much! We need about ten more, so if you have an acoustic guitar which you could lend to us for a few months, please let Mrs. Cornwell or the office know. Also, if you are a 7/8 grader who owns an acoustic guitar, please ask your parents for permission to bring it to school after the Christmas Concert.

Band lessons this week:

Tues. 8:30 Jessica 9:00 Garrett 9:30 Karen
10:00 Hannah Sn. 10:30 Kayla

Wed. 8:30 Alyssa, Amber, 9:00 Katie, Jaelyn
9:30 Amelia 10:00 Claire

Thurs. 9:00 Genesis, 9:30 Devin
10:00 Jonah 10:30 Hannah St.

Fri. 9:00 Will E. 9:30 Ben, 10:00 Amanda
10:30 Brian, 11:00 Hunter

Computer Support

As EPCS has grown over the last few years, our use of computers in the classroom and administration has grown as well. We are looking to form a small team of individuals to help with the installation and maintenance of the PCs and the EPCS network. If you have experience with Windows setup and installation, networking or PC technical support, contact Gary Butterfield or the office.

Donations Wanted

Do you have scrap metal, old auto, motorcycle or lawnmower batteries or old appliances laying around just looking for a place to call home? EPCS will take them off of your hands, as we can recycle these items for cash, which will go to the school. Please call Edison O'Brien at 331-4622 if you can help out. Thank you.

Circle News

Hot Lunch: This week will be sloppy joes, chips, veggies and dip, and dessert. Workers will be Maggie Cosh, Julie O'Dell and Esther Hutt.

Ladies Night Out: (Note change of date) Monday, October 26th at 7pm at the Corner Restaurant in Newark. Please call Maggie Cosh for reservations.

Box Tops will be redeemed at the end of the month, so if you have some, please bring them in. We will continue to save them throughout the year. Thank you.

Target \$\$\$ for EPCS Did you know that, if you register with the education program at Target, each time you use your Target VISA card at one of their stores, EPCS receives 1% of your purchase price? Also, if you use their card on any other store that accepts VISA, the school receives 1/2% of your purchase price.

Register now to earn dollars for scholars!

St. Pauly Donations Please continue supporting EPCS and the St. Pauly Mission by bringing in your unwanted clothing linens, and stuffed toy items, and dropping them into the dropping them into the drop off shed in the school parking lot. This a great way to help the school with minimal effort involved:

Items accepted:

All clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys.

(Your donations **will not** be cut up or shredded) (Please...**NO** rags, fabric scraps, pillows, toys or household goods; **please understand that the above unwanted items are hardship and expense to dispose of.**

St. Pauly Mission:

St. Pauly is locally owned company and a member of the Better Business Bureau. Their mission is to get USEABLE clothing to people who can use it, here in the U.S. and 3rd World Countries.

** Help us keep your donation clean and dry. **

If possible, please put clothing in plastic bags. Thanks.