

Through Our School Door

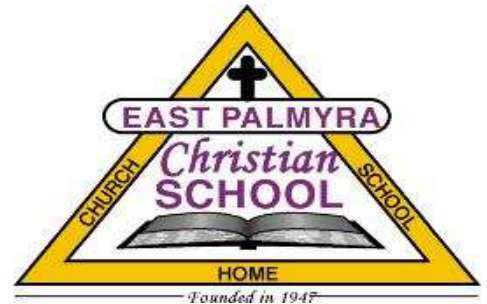
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EPCS School Theme 2009-2010:

"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, November 23, 2009

Knox Volleyball Tournament

The Girls Modified Volleyball team traveled to Bowmanville, Ontario Canada for a volleyball tournament with Coach Vanderzwan and Mrs. Cramer. The team joined 700 other students from Canada and New York. There were 62 middle school teams represented and approximately 380 volleyball games were played over two days.

So...why go all the way to Canada for a volleyball tournament? Tradition? Twelve years of participation? That's probably part of it, but more importantly it's watching the girls giggle, talk with and learn about girls from another country. It is two days of playing volleyball and renewing friendships. Although we did not bring home any trophies, we did bring home a lot of good memories. One of the Canadian coaches mentioned to us that our girls changed the way their team viewed Americans. Their perception of Americans was that they were loud, rude and not very friendly. Over the past few years our two teams have played for the championships, had pictures taken with each other, exchanged e-mails/addresses, etc. They no longer think that all Americans are rude and unfriendly, and looked forward to getting together with our girls again this year.

We enjoyed the hospitality of the Fayer family again. They let us stay in their finished basement and provided breakfast on Saturday morning. Thank you! We did miss getting to stop and see Mrs. Vanderzwan. It was always a highlight of our trip.

Isn't it great to know that when we gather as Christians, we can fellowship in Him, no matter what country we're from or what language we speak?

-Brenda Cramer

Parent -Teacher Conferences

Parent -Teacher Conferences will be held this Tuesday from 3:30pm – 8:30pm (dinner break from 5:10 – 6:30pm), and Wednesday, from 9am – 11:30am. If you turned in a slip or called the office you should have received your conference times. **Please note:** Mr. Vanderzwan has cancelled all of his Tuesday conferences due to illness. As of now, Wednesday conferences with Mr. V are still on. You will be notified if they need to be cancelled.

Two EPCS Christmas Programs

Please mark your calendar for these two exciting dates: **EPCS Christmas Program, Friday, December 4, 7:15 pm**, an all-school Christmas program featuring the choirs and bands of East Palmyra Christian School and High School, including Jazz and Concert Band, and EPCS Choir. Also, **EPCS High School—Service of Lessons and Carols, Thursday, December 17**, a tranquil, intimate evening of Scripture reading, carol singing, and quiet reflection.

Both programs will have a free-will offering. Please plan to attend both these wonderful evenings as we offer praise to Christ, the newborn King!

EPCS Calendar

Monday, November 23, 2009, Day E

No VB Practice

Tuesday, November 24, 2009 Day F

Full day of School

No VB Practice

Parent Teacher Conference begin at 3:30pm

Wednesday, November 25, 2009, Day B

No School for Students

Parent Teacher Conferences 9am-11:30am

Thursday/Friday, November 26-27, 2009

NO School – Thanksgiving Holiday Recess

Monday, November 30, 2009, Day C

School Resumes at 8:15 am

JV Volleyball Practice until 4:45pm

And Beyond:

Friday, Dec. 4 EPCS Christmas Program
Friday, Dec. 11 JV Volleyball Tournament
Thursday, Dec. 17 Service of Lessons in Carols

EPCS Website

Especially middle and high school students/families, feel free to check out the EPCS website, and click on "Teachers"!

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to everyone who took the time to pack up a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. Thanks also to Mr. & Mrs. Hutt for delivering our boxes to a distribution site.

School Cleaning

M – Kellogg Family

T- Butterfield Family

Mon. 11/30 – Kellogg Family

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

Student Council

The Student council is sponsoring a food drive for the local food pantries. They ask that the EPCS community bring nonperishable foods and toiletry items to the Christmas program on Dec. 4.

Mark Your Calendars

The date for the **Progressive Dinner** is Saturday, January 23rd. Appetizers at the Morgan's, Soup and Salad at the VanCamp's, Main Entree' at the school hosted by the Butterfield's and Julie O'Dell and Dessert at the Priem's. Please call Julie O'Dell (1-315-548-2483) to make reservations. Thanks!

Kindergarten & Preschool

Wishing all of you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving!

First & Second Grade

Bible: We are going to continue to read about Nehemiah and the rebuilding of Jerusalem. There will be no memory verse this week.

Spelling: There will be no spelling unit this week.

Math: The second graders are continuing to learn about money. The first graders are starting a unit on addition strategies.

Social Studies: We are continuing to learn about Thanksgiving and why we celebrate the holiday.

Science: We are continuing to learn about healthy choices.

Reminders: We have parent/ teacher conferences this week. I look forward to meeting with everyone. Report cards went home last Thursday. Please return them at or before your conference.

Third & Fourth Grade

Spelling: No spelling test this week due to a short week.

I am looking forward to seeing and meeting you at conferences. I hope you all have a blessed Thanksgiving. ☺

Fifth & Sixth Grade

I'm looking forward to seeing the parents of my students at conferences. The PowerPoint projects we have been working on will be available for viewing on the laptop outside the classroom. Our book report projects will also be outside the classroom for you to enjoy.

I hope your family has a wonderful Thanksgiving break.

Spanish 5/6 ¡Feliz Día de Dar Gracias!

We meet Tuesday, November 24th. We will review the nouns that were introduced in the last session and then learn ten new nouns. Students should bring their folders and a writing instrument to class.

Seventh & Eighth Grades

Spanish 7/8: ¡Feliz Día de Dar Gracias!

Spanish 1A (7th) We will be talking about the weather and the seasons. This is the last lesson in Unidad Uno. We will then review for a unit test. Unit tests have five parts: vocabulary, grammar, listening, speaking, and writing.

Spanish 1B (8th) We are reviewing and taking a unit test on unit five. Unit tests have five parts: vocabulary, grammar, listening, speaking, and writing. This will continue after Thanksgiving.

Ninth Grade

Spanish 2 (9th) ¡Feliz Día de Dar Gracias!

We are reviewing and taking a unit test on unit one. Unit tests have five parts: vocabulary, grammar, listening, speaking, and writing. This will continue after Thanksgiving.

Tenth Grade

Spanish 3 (10th) ¡Feliz Día de Dar Gracias!

We are reviewing and taking a unit test on unit one. Unit tests have five parts: vocabulary, grammar, listening, speaking, and writing. This will continue after Thanksgiving.

Band/Chorus

Band lessons this week:

Tues. 8:30 Garrett 9:00 Kayla 9:30 Claire
10:00 Karen, Jessica 12:40 Hannah Sn.

Next Mon. 11/30 8:30 Drew 9:00 Amelia
9:30 Josiah 10:00 Emilee

Christmas Program: Singers who are joining us for “Joyful, joyful” can come rehearse with the group during our daytime rehearsals on Tues. 11/24 at 11:00 or Thurs., 12/3 at 11:00. Thank you!

Instrumentalists joining with the band for “I’ll be Home for Christmas” can practice before the evening performance on Dec. 4th, at 6:40 p.m. We’re looking forward to a great musical offering!

Circle News

Hot Lunch: There will be **NO** Hot Lunch this week!

Stevco: You can still order EPCS t-shirts through the office (\$7 each). It will have an eagle logo along with the school name. Logo sample is hanging in the hall at school. Sizes Adult and children S-XL. Call Lisa Butterfield if you have questions. 331-8157

EPCS Logo Items

EPCS Logo items that were available at the auction are still available. T-shirts, hats, mouse pads, window stickers, car door magnets, tote bags, etc. Please see Erica VanCamp for details. She can be reached at 926-0119.