

# Through Our School Door

## East Palmyra Christian School

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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, December 14, 2009

### EPCS JV Volleyball

Thank you for all your prayers and support for the EPCHS JV Volleyball trip. The team had a wonderful time, played well, were safe, and praised God!

### Service of Lessons and Carols

Please plan to attend the **EPC High School Service of Lessons and Carols, Thursday, December 17**, at 7:15pm, an intimate evening of Scripture reading, carol singing, and quiet reflection.

There will be a free-will offering.

## EPCS Calendar

### Monday, December 14, 2009, Day E

Boys BB Practice till 4:30 pm

### Tuesday, December 15, 2009 Day F

Boys BB Practice till 4:30 pm

EPCS Board Meeting 7 pm

### Wednesday, December 16, 2009, Day A

Hot Lunch

### Thursday, December 17, 2009, Day B

Stevco Food Pickup between 2 and 4 pm only

EPCHS Service of Lessons and Carols 7:15 pm

### Friday, December 18, 2009 Day C

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Get-together at McKaigs

### Monday, December 21, 2009, Day D

Boys BB practice until 4:45 pm

### Tuesday, December 22, 2009, Day E

Boys BB practice until 4:45 pm

### Wednesday, December 23, 2009 Day F

All School Caroling at DeMay Center

Noon Dismissal

### And Beyond:

Wednesday, Dec 23 Noon Dismissal

Monday, Jan 4 Back to school—full day

Friday, Jan 8 Geography Bee

### Boy's BB Game Schedule

Will be revised and available as soon as possible.

First game is the Thursday after Christmas break.

### For our Service of Lessons and Carols

We are in need of several floor lamps (or table lamps). If you can lend yours, please let us know by calling the office. Please bring them to school no later than Thursday morning, as set up will be in the afternoon. Thank you.

**Stevco Foods Pick-up will be Thursday, Dec. 17 between 2pm and 4pm only!!** You must pick up your items as we do not have the freezer space to keep them here at school. We also need a few people to help distribute items from 2-4. Please let us know if you can help. Call Lisa Butterfield at 331-8157. Thanks.

## **All School Caroling**

The whole school will be traveling to the DeMay living center on Wed. 12/23 to perform for the residents there and to carol throughout the building. **Drivers are needed.** We will load up at 9:40, sing and carol, and be back at school by 11:00. Please call the office if you can drive that morning. Thanks!

## **EPCS Website**

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

## **School Cleaning**

**M** – Paid

**T**- Julie O'Dell

**W**- Wieber Family

**T** – Brennan Family

**F** – Gerken Family

**Mon. 12/21** - Parmele

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!

## **Geography Bee**

The 5-8 graders of EPCS will participate in a geography bee again this year. The actual bee will occur the afternoon of January 8, but it would be very helpful if students start preparing now. Two useful websites are:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geographybee/>

[http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/web\\_games.htm](http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/web_games.htm)

## **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**

**Math** – We finish up our chapter by comparing numbers through 31, applying numbers to a calendar, and a few other activities with counting, reading and writing numbers through 31.

**ELA** – Letters Y & Z. We continue with our Zoo-Phonics program to help us learn the letter sounds. The students are picking up on this very quickly! We also will be practicing our listening comprehension, our new sight words and rhyming.

**Bible** –Joseph

**Social Studies** –We will finish up our unit on Communities

**Science** – We continue with water experiments.

## **Reminders:**

-Gym Monday & Thursday

-Y & Z Show and Tell Wednesday

**Website:** I have been working on a website (one I will link to my webpage on the school's website). I hope to have it up and running by January. It will have our calendar, pictures and more!

## **First & Second Grade**

**Bible:** We are going to finish learning the Christmas Story. Our memory verse this week is Luke 2: 8-20. I will send home the part that we are going to memorize this week.

**Spelling:** There will be spelling test this week. Be on the look out for spelling homework.

**Math:** The first graders are continuing to learn addition strategies. The second graders are learning to subtract tens and ones this week.

**Social Studies:** We are going to learn about Christmas in pioneer days and during the colonial period.

**Field Trip:** We are going to the George Eastman House tomorrow. If you did not send in your money today **please send in \$3.00** tomorrow. **Do not forget to send in a car seat if your child is under the age of 8.** If your child does not have a car seat he or she will not be able to go.

## **Third & Fourth Grade**

**Spelling:** List 11 is being sent home today. Test will be on Friday.

**Bible:** We will be continuing to learn about Abraham and God's promises

**Social Studies:** We will be continuing to look at people moving into communities and their customs.

Have a great week! ☺

**Math: Grade 3:** Test on Wednesday over adding and subtracting three digit numbers. Our next topic will be over telling time.

**Grade 4:** We will continue reviewing multiplication facts. This week we will also start on division.

## **Fifth & Sixth Grade**

**Christmas Party:** We will have a small party next week, Wednesday. If you would like to contribute snacks, please let Anne Snelling or me know.

**Bible:** Our new memory work is Psalm 8. This week we will look at the praise psalms.

**Reading:** We will start a new unit in our readers this week.

**History:** Egypt reports are due on Friday. We will finish up our study of ancient Egypt and will have a test next week, Tuesday.

**Spelling:** Regular spelling tests this week. We are doing Unit Eleven this week. It may be viewed on my page on the school's website.

**Math. Grade 5:** We are learning about long division.

**Grade 6:** We have started a unit over fractions and decimals. This week, we will look at prime and composite number, least common multiple, and greatest common factors.

**Spanish 5/6** We meet Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be a quiz on the 20 nouns that have been introduced. We will also talk about Christmas customs in Hispanic countries. Students should bring their folders and a writing instrument to class.

### Seventh & Eighth Grades

**Music:** The 7/8 music class needs guitars this week.

**Art:** 7th--10th grade art class will be making "gingerbread" creations on Friday from 12:40--2:00. Parents of these students please send in something sweet to share, which can be used, in this edible artwork: graham crackers, oreos, striped gum, gum drops, choc. chips, coconut, mini marshmallows, etc. Please let Mrs. Cornwell know what you are sending in so we don't have too much of one thing. Help is needed for this fun class, so let Mrs. C know if you can come in and help. Thank you!

**Life Science:** We will have our first quiz on Plants later this week. Please encourage your student to study a little bit each day, as it will make the quizzes and future exams much easier.

**Bible:** Our test over Deborah and is Matthew 11:28-30 is tomorrow. The journal entry is also due tomorrow. It is posted on my page on the website.

**History:** We will be continuing to discuss the Progressive Era.

**Spanish 1A (7<sup>th</sup>)** Students are continuing to work on their unit exam. We will also talk about Christmas customs in Hispanic countries.

**Spanish 1B (8<sup>th</sup>)** We have started work on Unit 6, Lesson 2. There will be a quiz on the verb jugar on Wednesday, and a quiz on Lesson 2 on Friday. We will also talk about Christmas customs in Hispanic countries. The composition is due today, Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Ninth Grade

**Global Studies:** We will be starting to look at the Enlightenment.

**Bible:** We will continue a study of the Toledoth of Terah. This week we will study more about the Abrahamic Covenant.

**Biology:** We are starting the unit on human physiological systems. This week we are studying the nervous system. This is a great opportunity to

understand better how we are "...fearfully and wonderfully made..." Please have your student look over the material each day to help with quizzes and exams.

### Spanish 9/10

**Spanish 2:** The Spanish 2s have begun study of Unit 2, Lesson 1. This week we will be working on job descriptions, and we will also talk about Christmas customs in Hispanic countries.

**Spanish 3:** Sarah will be reviewing the preterite and imperfect tenses. There will be a quiz on the regular and irregular verbs in each tense before Christmas vacation.

### Tenth Grade

**Global Studies:** We will be starting to look at the Enlightenment.

**Bible:** We will continue a study of the Toledoth of Terah. This week we will study more about the Abrahamic Covenant.

**Geometry:** Unfortunately we are moving forward at a VERY slow pace. To help us keep moving forward, please have your student take time every day and do the homework and study the theorems. This week we are starting properties of triangles.

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### Band/Chorus

#### **Band lessons this week:**

**Tues.** 8:30 Noah 9:00 Jessica 9:30 Jonah 10:00 Garrett 10:30 Kayla 10:55 Hannah Sn.

**Wed.** 8:30 Hannah St. 9:00 Katie 9:30 Michelle 10:00 Jaelyn 1:20 Karen 1:50 Claire

**Thurs.** 8:30 Caitlin & Carolyn 9:00 Brian 9:30 Devin 10:00 Genesis 10:30 Ben

**Friday** 8:30 Hunter 9:00 Amanda & Cathryn 9:30 Alyssa 10:00 Amber 2:00 Will

**Next Mon.** 8:30 Ben 9:00 Hunter 9:30 Kaitlyn 10:00 Drew

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### **Circle News**

**Hot Lunch** this week will be hot meatball subs with macaroni and cheese, salad and dessert. Workers will be Maggie Cosh, Esther Hutt and Julie O'Dell

**Candy Bars:** If you need additional boxes, they are in the office. Please remember to sign your boxes out before taking them home.

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**Ladies Night Out:** Because everyone's December is so busy, we have changed the date our next Ladies' Night Out to Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 7pm at the Corner Restaurant in Newark. Please call Lisa Butterfield (331-8157) to make your reservation.

### **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. Ask about them in the office.