

# 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, June 7, 2010

### Tea for Mrs. Szymanski

You are invited to attend the assembly on Friday morning (June 11) and stay for a Farewell Tea for Mrs. Szymanski. The assembly will begin at 8:30 am, and the morning will continue with the Tea immediately afterwards. Please come. ☺

### 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Grade Shakespeare Trip

Several of the EPCS High school students traveled to Toronto, Ontario on Friday afternoon and spent the weekend in that area. The group's trip included attending the Shakespeare play "As You Like It" at the Festival Theatre at Stratford, Ontario, a meal at an Amish restaurant, attending and singing in the worship service at Grace Christian Reformed Church, visiting the Toronto Islands by ferry boat and riding tandem bicycles on the island pathways, spending over-nights at host families, and getting used to one-dollar "Loonies" and two-dollar "Twoonies" coins as well as the multicolored paper money. The group returned safely on Sunday evening. We thank God for blessings of many rich experiences, for gracious Torontonians hosts, for the richness of God's creation, for safe travels, and for much grace!

### EPCS Calendar

#### Monday, June 7, 2010 Day E

Promotion & Enrollment Mtg. - 7pm

#### Tuesday, June 8, Day F

Faculty Meeting 3pm – 3:45 pm  
Education Committee Meeting—4 pm  
Auction Meeting – 8pm (see notice)

#### Wednesday, June 9, 2010 Day A

Collection for World Vision Child—Godfrey  
Hot Lunch

#### Thursday, June 10, 2010 Day B

Last day for Library

#### Friday, June 11, 2010 Day C

Last Official Day for High School  
Assembly and Tea for Mrs. Szymanski  
Yearbooks Distributed  
Pizza Sale

#### And Beyond:

Tuesday, June 22 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation-7:15pm  
June 24-26 Garage Sale @ Vancamps'

#### Regents Schedule

Please take note of the following dates for Regents Exams:

Tuesday, 6/15 – 1:15pm – **Global Studies**  
Wednesday, 6/16 – 1:15 pm – **Living Environ.**  
Thursday, 6/17 – 1:15 pm – **Geometry**  
\*Monday, 6/21 – 9:15am – **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spanish Proficiency Tests**  
Tuesday, June 22, 1:15pm – **Spanish III Regents**  
\* 8<sup>th</sup> grade test

Please be sure your student is present on these days to take these exams. There are no makeup days here at EPCS. Make up tests will need to be rescheduled by you, administered in

August at local high schools, and a fee must then be paid.

Teachers may be available for review in the morning of the days of the exams. I will send you information on review times. Please know that the high schoolers will be unsupervised during the non-review times, and that I would rather they not be at school during those unsupervised times. Remember, the rest of the school is still in session. Thanks. kv

### Garage sale

There will be a garage sale at the VanCamps, June 24-26<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds go toward promoting the school in order to increase enrollment for next year. call Erica 926-0119 if you have items to donate.

### Board News

Enrollment Packets due. Please turn them in ASAP so we can order textbooks and get supplies ordered for next year. Thank you!

### Title I Survey

Please remember to return you surveys. Thank you so those who have already done so. These are kept completely confidential. If you have any questions, please call the office. Thank you. These are due back NO LATER than June 11!!!!!!!

### Yearbook

The **2010 YEARBOOK** will be dedicated and distributed on Friday, June 11 after assembly. If you ordered a yearbook, please bring your \$8.50 at that time. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Ballesty.

### Track & Field Participants

**ALL** uniforms are due back to school by THIS Wednesday (do not have to be washed – just return them). If they are not here by Wednesday, you will be billed for it.

### School Cleaning

**Mon. 6/7** – Need a Family to Clean this day

**T** – Carol Rosati

**W** – Webb Family

**Th** – Fisher Family

**F** – Ennis Family

**M- 6/14** – Paid

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!

### Adopt a Bill

Please look at the list of bills and prayerfully consider if you may be able to help in any way.

Screen Vision Direct - **\$156.00** (monthly item)

Toshiba Copier - **\$165.75** (monthly item)

Time Warner - **\$126.18** (monthly item)

E & V Energy - **\$975.00** (\$190.00 monthly item)

Q's Lawn and Landscape -

(plowing/mowing) **\$750.00 +**

Advertising for Enrollment in area newspapers  
~ **\$75.00 per week.**

Please specify adopt a bill with your donation and remember that all gifts are tax deductible.

If you have any questions, please call the office.

### Library News

The Library will close on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Please return all books and videos to the book and video return boxes. Thank you!

### Kindergarten & Preschool

**Math** – Counting and Number Patterns to 100

**Writing** – Using phonics to attempt writing sentences independently, spacing, and end punctuation.

**Bible** – Jesus' life on Earth

**Social Studies** – Family

**Science** – Plants and growing

Please read the information about our end of the year pizza pool party in the students' home folders, and return the attached information sheet by this Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Reminders:**

- Gym Monday and Thursday
- Show and Tell – 10
- Blank CD for PK/K pictures

### First & Second Grade

**Bible:** We are learning about the Lord's Prayer and how to pray. There will be no memory verse for the rest of the year.

**Math:** The second graders are wrapping up their unit on adding and subtracting three digit numbers. There will be a test tomorrow. Be on the look out for homework today. The first graders are wrapping up their unit on number patterns to 100. They will have a test on Wednesday. Be on the look out for homework.

**Spelling:** This is the last week for spelling units. All groups have a new unit.

### Third & Fourth Grade

**Tissues Needed:** Please send in a box of tissues with your student(s) as we are out! Thank you!

**Reading:** We are reading *On the Banks of Plum Creek*, *James and the Giant Peach*, and *Charlotte's Web*.

**Social Studies:** We will be looking at how communities are started.

Have a great week. ☺

**Science:** Unit test Friday on Natural Resources.

**Math: Grade 3:** Our topics this week are estimating fractional amounts, plotting fractions on a number line, and fractional parts of sets.

**Grade 4:** This week we will look at symmetry, similar and congruent figures, and measuring length.

### Fifth and Sixth Grade

**Pool Party:** We will have our pool party at O'Dells on Thursday, June 17. Students should bring in \$2.00 to help pay for the pizza for lunch. If you would like to join us, drive, or provide other foods, please let me know.

**Math: Grade 5:** We will continue working with fractions and will have a test either Friday or early next week.

**Grade 6:** We will learn about discounts, taxes, percent of increase or decrease, and simple interest. Our test will be either late this week or early next week.

**Bible:** We continue learning about the New Testament and the Birth of Christ.

**History:** We will learn about Islam this week.

**Spelling:** Regular tests this week.

**Reading:** We will work on our book reports in class again tomorrow. After that, students should either finish them at home or during recess/free time. They are due on Friday.

**Spanish:** We meet Tuesday, June 8th. We will play bingo and the ball toss, using all of the nouns learned this year. Students no longer need to bring their folders to class.

**Science:** We will be having a Unit Test on Thursday on Motion, Force & Work.

### Seventh and Eighth Grade

**Bible:** Our Current unit is about Elijah. We will have a test on Thursday. Students should finish their Christian service reports. They are due next week Tuesday, but may be turned in early.

**Spanish 1A (7<sup>th</sup>)** There was a vocabulary quiz on Unit 4, Lesson 2 last week. There will be a grammar quiz on Unit 4, Lesson 2 early this week, then we will move on to lesson 3. This will be the last lesson we will study this year. Then we will review for an oral final exam.

**Spanish 1B (8<sup>th</sup>)** **Students need to be reviewing each night.** The Proficiency exam includes all the material studied since the beginning of 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Students should be reviewing that material. They have review packets to guide them.

### Ninth and Tenth Grade

**Bible:** We will continue learning about the journey to Mt. Sinai and the Promised Land.

**Biology:** "We reap what we sow". As of now, students are NOT taking Regent preparation seriously and putting in nearly enough time to study, read, practice and prepare for the Regents final exam in 1 week. This is a VERY difficult cumulative exam. We still have 1 week to prepare and students cannot "cram" for a couple days and expect to do well on this.

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**Spanish 2:** We will begin review for a final exam. When that will be scheduled is still to be determined.

**Spanish 3:** Sarah continues to work in the Regents prep book doing reading and writing exercises. We are also practicing for the speaking part of the exam.

### Band & Chorus

#### **Lessons this week:**

**Tues.** 8:30 Ben 9:00 Brian 9:30 Jessica 10:00 Kayla, 10:30 Claire, 11:00 Emilee, 11:30 Karen

**Wed.** 8:00 Josiah 8:30 Amanda 8:50 Hannah 9:10 Brianna 9:30 Jonah 10:00 Jaelyn 12:40 4/5 BAND 1:20 Genesis 1:45 Devin 2:10 Michelle

**Thurs.** 8:30 Liam K. 9:00 Instrument try-outs 10:00 Amelia 10:25 Will 10:50 Katie 12:40 Concert Band 1:20 Hunter

**Fri.** *No lessons; Mrs. Cornwell out*

**Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>:** 8:30 Noah 9:00 Kaitlyn 9:30 Drew 10:00 Caitlin, Carolyn, 10:30 Jessica

**Band Camp** sign up sheets are available in the band room. Please return the sheet even if you can't come to camp this summer. Otherwise, I'll call your house to invite you!

**New Band Students** Any new students (4<sup>th</sup> grade next year or older) wishing to begin an instrument should see Mrs. Cornwell for a sign up sheet right away. Tryouts are this Thursday.

**Graduation** The concert band is performing at graduation on Tuesday, June 22. Please plan on

being at the church no later than 6:45. We begin playing at 7:00 p.m. Thanks!

### **Circle News**

**Hot lunch** (Final one for this school year) will be spaghetti, bread, salad and dessert. Workers will be Mrs. Cosh or Mrs. Winslow, Brian Collom and Laura Boss.

### **Donations Wanted**

Do you have scrap metal, old auto, motorcycle or lawnmower batteries or old appliances lying 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. This cash will go towards the school. Please call Edison O'Brien at 331-4622 if you can help out. Thank you!

# AUCTION MEETING

Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 7PM at EPCS

The auction committee only has a few parents on this committee for next year. Many, many people on this committee don't even have kids at EPCS anymore.



Please consider joining this fun committee and helping this very important fundraiser for the school! We meet once a month starting in June and then a couple times in September and October.

Some areas we need to address:

- Chicken barbeque coordinator
- Food tent supervisor
- New ideas for things to auction off!!

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