



HOME BULLETIN

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Board News:

- Thank you to our families and the graciousness extended in dealing with the bus maintenance issues. Thanks also to Len Honcoop and Chris Honcoop (The Barn Youth Center) for the bus loan.
- Ground work has been prepared for cement to be poured hopefully this week! New basketball hoops are on order and the sport court should be wrapped up in the next couple weeks.
- The Board is looking for a volunteer(s) who would be willing to build some storage shelves in the gym storage room. Please talk to Mr. Buss or Simon Petree with any questions and consider if this is something you would be able to help with.

Substitute Bus Driver: For those families whose students ride Mr. Jim Vanden Berg's bus, we are informing you that Pastor Chuck Kleinhesselink will be subbing for Mr. Vanden Berg through Wednesday, Oct. 18. Pastor Chuck's cell number is 360-319-5909 if parents need to contact him regarding the bus route on those days. We're thankful to Pastor Chuck for subbing for Mr. VB while he's away on vacation.

Calendars: Good work on the calendar sales! The Long Range Fundraising Committee would like to congratulate the top sellers: 1st place: Bennett Roorda, 6th grade; 2nd place: Jennie Haak, 4th grade, 3rd place, with a tie: Coleson Roberts, Kindergarten and Sienna Van Wingerden, 4th grade. Thanks to all the students for doing an outstanding job! We still have calendars left, so if you would like to purchase one you can do so at the school office, Ace Hardware or all Edaleen Dairy locations for \$8.00 each. Any questions? Call Gene or Lillian Van Beek at 354-2292.

School Pictures: LifeTouch Studios will be here to take individual student pictures next Wednesday, October 18. **Order forms are going home TODAY.** All students will be photographed, but you are not obligated to purchase a picture packet. Younger siblings not attending school can have their pictures taken as well; please have them to school by 8:30a.m.

Needed: 1 more helper/mom to help the photographers during picture taking. Extra forms will be available.

Soccer: Our soccer season is well under way! We encourage any of you who are able to come on out and root for our team! Bring a lawn chair. Home games are played at Bender Fields.

Games are as follows:

Thursday, October 12, Cornerstone v. Ebenezer at Bender Fields at 3:30p.m.

Thursday, October 19, Ebenezer v. Bellingham at Bender Fields at 4:00p.m.

Thursday, October 26, Ebenezer v. Skagit at Bender Fields at 3:30p.m.

Wreath & Bake Sale: Our annual Wreath & Bake Sale will be here before you know it!! You received a half sheet notice last week letting you know that preparations will begin next week for almond sticks. These have been a longstanding tradition at the sale and one of the best sellers. There is still a need for helpers:

- Tuesday, October 17: 1 person to help with preparations.

(this will be done at the home of Trischa Blok, 296 E. Wiser Lake Rd., beginning at 9:00a.m.)

- Wednesday, October 18: 6 people for assembling
- Wednesday, October 25: 1 person for assembling

(We will be using the kitchen at Mt. View Church, 6678 Old Guide Rd., off of Pole Rd., beginning around 9:00a.m. each Wednesday morning, with lunch provided.)

No experience needed and this is a great time of fellowship. Please call Trischa Blok if you have questions or to sign up: 354-3929.

School Cleaning: School cleaning night is set for Tuesday, October 17. The Basart and Van Berkum families are organizing that night. Please check the back of the directory for the school cleaning schedule for your designated time. Thank you to all our parents who come to these cleanings! We appreciate your service to the school!

Book Fair: ECS will be hosting a Book Fair with Scholastic books again this year! Books will be available for purchase on Monday, October 30 through Wednesday, November 1. Parents can purchase on Thursday, November 2, during the Parent/Teacher Conferences. Books will be available for immediate purchase and students will be encouraged to make a 'wish list' so parents can purchase for Christmas gifts. Questions.... call Karla Roorda at 815-2019.

Chapel: Our next chapel will be, Wednesday, October 25, at 9:00a.m., hosted by the 4th & 6th grade classes. We will focus on the school theme "To God Be The Glory". Come sing and worship with us!

Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences: An informational/sign-up sheet for Fall Conferences went home yesterday with the 1st-8th grade students and today with the Kindergarteners. Please take note and read it carefully as it contains important information on how conferences are done. Conferences are held for **one day only** (Thursday, November 2) starting at noon for the afternoon session. Teachers will have a break then will resume again at 5:00p.m. for the evening session. If at all possible try to sign up for the afternoon session. Please note that with the increase of class sizes conferences will be limited to 10 minutes this year. If you feel this is inadequate for your student, please contact your teacher. If you have any questions regarding conferences, please feel free to give Mr. Buss a call.

No School: There will be no school on Thursday, November 2 for Parent/Teacher Conferences or the following day, Friday, November 3. Enjoy that planned long weekend with your family!

No School on Friday, November 10, in observance of Veteran's Day.

Moms-In-Prayer: Moms can make the difference as they reach out to God in prayer - moms just like you! Begin the school week with Ebenezer's own Moms-In-Prayer group as we pray for the staff, students, and families at Ebenezer. We plan to meet on select Mondays each month beginning at 8:45a.m. in the school kitchen. October Mondays will be October 16 & 30. No experience is necessary and younger siblings are welcome to join us even if there is no child care; though, child care can be arranged, if desired. Interested in stepping out in faith but need more details? Feel free to email Julie Falcone at falconemomma@gmail.com or visit <http://momsinprayer.org/> We look forward to praying with you for our school.

Barnabas Foundation: Do you need help with your Will and Estate Planning? Did you know you can get free confidential estate planning advice? As a member of the Barnabas Foundation, families at Ebenezer Christian have access to some of the best Christian stewardship advice and planning services. Mr. Bob Zeilenga, an estate attorney from the Barnabas Foundation, will return to Lynden October 23-26 to provide for you his knowledge and help. Over the past years, he has helped hundreds of families set up wise estate plans that make sure your estate is distributed to the people and charities you desire. If you have not yet met with him, now is the time to take advantage of this valuable service. We are partnering with Lynden Christian for this service, so please call LC's Central Office at 318-9525 and ask for Kim Powell or email her at kpowell@lynchs.org to set up an appointment. If you have any questions beforehand, please feel free to call and talk to Mr. Buss, or you can go to their website at www.barnabasfoundation.com.

Upcoming Calendar Reminders:

October 16: Moms-In-Prayer, 8:45a.m. in the Art Room

October 17: School Cleaning

October 18: Individual Pictures Day

October 25: Chapel hosted by the 4th & 6th grade classes, in the gym at 9:00a.m.

October 30: Moms-In-Prayer, 8:45a.m. in the Art Room



“Thus far has the Lord helped us”

1 Samuel 7:12