

DCS MATTERS

DEARBORN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

MAY 6, 2009

“...the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:28

DCS K-8 FIELD DAY

WHEN: Friday, May 8

TIME: 9:15 a.m.

WHERE: Edison Park and DCS grounds

WHO: K-8 students will participate with their Friendship Team which will be led by the eighth graders.

DETAILS: Bring your own lunch and snacks – students, volunteers and spectators. The day will be scheduled around the normal recess, snack and lunch times. **DON'T FORGET WATER BOTTLES!**

WOW!! What great signup support! We are looking forward to a terrific day!
Field Day will take place, rain or shine!

*Are you ready
for an Evening
on the High Seas?
Friday, May 15 5:30 p.m.*

Tickets go on sale now - always available for purchase from Deanne Wesseling, Preschool teacher or from Nancy Harmon, Tuesdays and Fridays, after school.

Only \$20

This is sure to be a fun and fellowship filled night, with a silent auction, dinner and live auction.

Sign-up sheet is attached to help prepare for this event!





7 ~ Thursday
National Day of Prayer

8 ~ Friday
Field Day
Prayer Vigil through Saturday

11 ~ Monday
Band Concert and Preschool
Program

12 Wednesday
Smokehouse visit

14 ~ Thursday
Gr. 3&4 to McGuffy School

15 ~ Friday
5/6 U of M trip
Auction

16 ~ Saturday
Happy Birthday Mrs. Wesseling

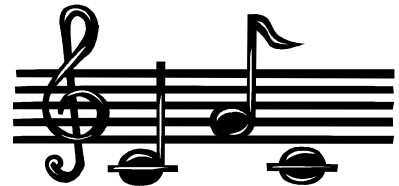
21 ~ Thursday
Teacher Appreciation Lunch

22 – 25 ~ Friday – Monday
No School

24 ~ Sunday
Happy Birthday Mr. Houser
25 ~ Monday
March in the Memorial Day
Parade with DCS!

BAND CONCERT and PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

All are welcome to attend our band concert on Monday May 11 at 7:00 p.m. Along with their performance, the preschoolers will be presenting their program! Refreshments provided.



24 Hour Prayer Vigil

Mark your calendars for a pivotal event: DCS is having its first 24-hour prayer vigil from 7PM on Friday, May 8 through 7PM on Saturday, May 9. Call, or stop by the school office to reserve your 30-minute time slot(s), and see the attached flyer for more information. Remember, "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16.

We ask that you be in prayer for the enrollment period at DCS. Please pray for 86 students. We will be offering open houses every Friday. Please pray for wisdom for promotions. Please pray for all who are affected by our current economic times.

Thank you – Lisa Devins

HEALTH ALERT

Please read over the latest notification from the Center for Disease Control regarding the H1N1 influenza virus.

FROM FAMILY MATTERS

Can you believe that the school year is winding down? My heart has been touched this year by the "Fruit of the Spirit" that I've witnessed in many students, and I pray that the Holy Spirit has worked in the hearts of you and your family, too. There are a lot of fun activities in the weeks to come and I hope that you will enjoy the Christian fellowship time with your children and school family.

One important note: I NEED PARENT HOURS TURNED IN IMMEDIATELY. When June 5 rolls around, we would like to complete

tabulating parent hours, so it doesn't stretch into summer vacation. I've attached the current parent hours tabulation sheet. Please update it! If you are still in need of parent hours, we need you to help with Field Day, the Flower Sales, the Auction, the Memorial Day parade or Graduation.

And with that in mind, please see the attached sheet for information about the picnic/hot dog roast on the last day of school. Weather permitting, we will set up the sprinkler again because the kids loved it last year. The parking lot will be closed off for most cars again, so kids/parents can play basketball, roller blade, skateboard or bike ride. Everyone seemed to enjoy the addition of salads/chips/desserts last year, so we will do that again. Back by popular demand is the cotton candy machine. Also, if you have a 10 x 10 pop-up tent that we can borrow for the day, please let me know a.s.a.p. Thanks so much for everything you do to make DCS an incredible place for our children.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We welcome Sherry Kollien, Laurel Lambert and Tim Metcalf to the School Board. We thank Amy Metcalf, Lisa Westra and Bret Abdullah for their terms of service!



WELCOME TO THE NEW OSHESKY

Incase you did not receive the email notice, Holly, Dan and Ivy Oshesky welcomed Liam Morgan into their family on Friday, April 10th. He was 7lbs, 14 oz and 21 inches long. He is in Oakwood Hospital NICU for now.

PRAYER...

AMERICA'S HOPE CONCERT OF PRAYER

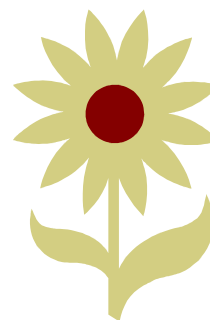
“May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you.” Psalm 33:22

Dearborn National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 7, 2009 7:00pm
Ford Field Park, Dearborn, MI

www.nationaldayofprayer.org

FLOWER SALE

Thank you to those who ordered flowers through the DCS flower sale. We will be at DCS on Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9 from 10-5 to sell beautiful hanging baskets (think Mother's Day!)



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE – Please sign up soon, we are trying to determine if there is enough interest to be a part of the parade!

Yes! Once again we are marching in the Memorial Day Parade. What a wonderful and fun opportunity to make DCS known to the community. Have you had an occasion to be in a parade, a city parade? Here is your opportunity to be in one and make certain your child/ren have the experience as well. Also, sign up outside the school office. Contact Nydia Ducharme for questions or comments! Thank you!

TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCH

The teachers are looking forward to their final lunch coordinated by the room mothers on May 21st. Lisa Crawford will be coordinating with Dawn Schotanus, Lisa Westra and Susan Lloyd



WELCOME TO OUR NEW FAMILY

We welcome to DCS the Rudolph family. Please include the following in your directory:

Penny & Kevin Rudolph
11134 N. Dixie
S. Rockwood, MI 48179

313-790-3196

kandprodulph@juno.com

Nathan Grade 2 Aryanna Grade 4 John Grade 5

TEACHING POSITIONS

We have had a favorable response for the open teaching positions. Thank you for your prayers. Please continue to ask for God's wisdom and guidance while the applications & resumes are reviewed. Thank you, Mr. DeRoo

VOLUNTARY SUMMER SCHOOL

Parents interested in helping their child become more successful in school can register now for the Dearborn Public Schools 2009 Voluntary Elementary Summer School Program. Information may be found at the district's website, www.dearbornschools.org.

AVAILABLE INK JET CARTRIDGES - Ink jet cartridges in the following numbers are available – HP 56 and HP 23.

Knitting will be at KJane's May 18th 7:00pm. Wagner Ct. and Morley Ave.

COMFORT GARDENING

One benefit of the current job climate is the opportunity to pursue other dreams. Due to the loss of her job, Laurie Jeffery is redirecting her career towards customized gardening services. Her goal is to help those who have a garden, want to learn how to grow one's own vegetables, create and maintain one's garden. Her services include:

- Gardening lessons for adults and/or children
- Planning and preparation
- Planting, mulching, weeding
- Watering (All season or short term)
- Trimming and pruning of shrubs
- End of Summer clean-up and preparation for winter
- Raking Leaves

Contact her at 313-600-3037 or www.wowway.com/ljojeff



Money Matters

*A newsletter from the Assistant Treasurer
Nancy Harmon*

I am the assistant treasurer for the 08/09 year. I am better known for my resources than for money management. If you need fabric or yarn I have it. If you need old house windows I have them. I have a wonderful mangle I retrieved from the trash that is used by my neighbors... well you get the idea. I realize that anyone reading this is also a resource. That means you.

As schools close around us we are aware of God's purpose for the school. Especially after the 50th anniversary, where we experienced the awesomeness of what our students have done with their lives and how DCS was apart of it.

I am asking for your help.

- We need students. We know through our surveys that **Word of Mouth** and by "**Walk the Walk**" have been our best advertisements. Please let your friends, families and church members know about Dearborn Christian School.
- We need help with finding grants. We are aware of some grants available to us. You may be aware of other grants. Please let DCS know about them.
- We need help with writing grants. The demography of the school has changed; two family incomes are needed to meet the tuition. If you are willing to write a grant, please let us know, we will supply you with the information.

We were able to apply for three grants this year; our goal would be five to ten. A few years ago we were able to receive money for the computer room. Any funding will enhance our academics. If you find that you want to help, call the school and we can get you started.

Help yourself or other families by linking your Kroger Plus Card to the school. Contact Lisa Westra with any questions.

A very special thank you to Susan Lloyd who for many years overseen our Box Tops program. We are so grateful for her faithfulness with this program. We recently received a check for \$387 from them.

Kroger Cards – as mentioned recently, logging on to Kroger's Community Rewards website or taking in our barcode will designate DCS as the recipient for your rebates (instead of Scrip). You can check the bottom of your receipt to make sure you are linked to the school. At the bottom it will say "Dearborn Christian School".

Nancy Harmon