

Legacy Link



General Announcements

- **Parent Teacher Conference scheduling will begin today, Oct. 25.** We will be scheduling them online. You will receive an email today, with a link and instructions on how to schedule your conferences. Parent Teacher conferences will be held Tuesday, Nov. 7, and Thursday, Nov. 9, from 5:00-8:00 pm (note times). All conferences are held at the elementary building. All appointments will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis.
 - **Elementary/IPOD**—We ask all parents of PreK-6th grade children schedule a conference with their child's homeroom teacher. Those who do not sign up will be put into the schedule where there are openings. Conferences will be 12 minutes in length. All elementary conferences will be held in your child's classroom. IPOD parents, please schedule with your child's homeroom teacher only. IPOD teachers will be assigned a room to hold conferences in at the elementary building.
 - **7th/8th grade conferences** will be 6 minutes in length and also will be held in the elementary building in the gym. We ask that 7th-8th grade parents schedule a conference with their child's teacher(s). There will be no walk-in conferences, only scheduled. We ask that you do not schedule to see more than three MS teachers.
 - **Please note**—Speech Pathologist, Nicole Bultsma, will be available for conferences on Thursday, Nov. 9.

We know that your time is very precious. Please help us honor that by being prompt for your conference, and by helping us end the appointment on schedule. If additional time is needed to finish a conversation, faculty members are willing to schedule a follow-up meeting at a later date. We encourage you to come and discuss your student's performance and find out more about how teachers and parents can work together!

- **Volunteers Still Desperately NEEDED!** The Apple Pie Workbee is **TOMORROW, Oct. 26**. If you signed up to donate any items, please be sure to have them to the WC office by **TODAY!** If you could spare a few hours on Thursday, we could use more helping hands...especially for the cleanup from 11:30-2:30. Please sign-up TODAY! [Click here for sign up](#)
- **The Craft Sale is NEXT WEEK SATURDAY**, and we still need LOTS of donations and LOTS of volunteers! We are still in need of donations for the Cafe', the Kountry Kitchen and more. We also still need many volunteers to help with set-up on FRIDAY and helping in many ways on the day of the sale. Would you be willing to volunteer your time or item(s) or both? This is a huge fundraiser for our school, but we can't do it without each Legacy family contributing in some way. Please sign up today! [Sign up here](#). Questions? Contact Mandy Tiemeyer - AJTiemeyer@yahoo.com.
- **6th Annual Chicago Bus Trip** - Friday, Nov. 17. Invite your friends and family and join us for a day away to Chicago on a motor coach bus. We will depart from Legacy west campus at 8:00 am, on Friday, Nov. 17, and will be dropped off on Michigan Ave. in downtown Chicago to spend the day doing whatever you want! We will return Friday evening around midnight. The cost is \$42/person. Call or text Sara Northouse (616-914-0962) to reserve your seat and then send your money to the west campus office so we can confirm your seats.
- **SKATING PARTY—Save the Date**—Tuesday, Nov. 14. We will host an all school skating party at the Kentwood Fun Spot! This is a great time for us to come together as a school family and enjoy a great night of fun! We hope you can join us from 6:00-8:00 pm.
- **Please Note**—Class composite picture orders are due this Friday, Oct. 27.

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 25 Parent Teacher Conference Scheduling Begins
27 End of 1st Quarter

NOVEMBER

- 3 Report Cards Distributed
4 LCS Craft Sale at WC
7&9 Parent Teacher Conferences
10 NO SCHOOL
14 LCS Skating Party at Kentwood Fun Spot
17 Chicago Bus Trip
21 All School Combined Thanksgiving Worship

PURPLE OUT THANK YOU

Thank you for all of your support for the South Christian Football Purple Out Game. It was a huge success and an incredible event that was shown by our South Christian community. The coin drive from our feeder schools raised over \$4,500.00! Great job students! The total of the event raised over \$37,000.00, with 100% of the monies donated going directly toward cancer research at the VanAndel Institute here in Grand Rapids.

ELEMENTARY NEWS AND NOTES

- **Weekly Worship**—(Fridays 8:15) **Oct. 27**—All School Small Groups **NEXT WORSHIP: Nov. 3**— Mr. Haagsma
- **Legacy Stay & Play** - Make note on your calendars to join us for our future Stay & Plays held at the elementary building: Nov. 14, Dec. 5, Jan. 16, Feb. 13 and March 20. Times are from 8:45-9:45 am in our Community Room! Topics of discussion will include rhyming and nursery rhymes, music, art ideas, and large and small motor activities.

LITERACY CORNER **Reading 101 continued...**

Did you know that most children acquire a vocabulary of over 10,000 words during the first 5 years of their lives? Most school children learn between 2,000 and 3,600 words or more per year (Reutzel & Cooter, 2011). Vocabulary knowledge affects reading comprehension. Children have four different types of vocabularies: listening vocabulary, speaking vocabulary, reading vocabulary and writing vocabulary. Some ways you can help at home include:

- Expose your child to new vocabulary through conversations.
- Model and use sophisticated words with your child.
- Read to your child. Books provide new words and concepts along with new information and new knowledge.
- Encourage your child to read to themselves at home. New words can be learned indirectly through independent reading.

WEST CAMPUS NEWS AND NOTES

- **IPOD Worship—Oct. 27**— All School Small Groups **Next: Nov. 1**—Mrs. Hoekzema
- **West Campus Worship—Oct. 27**—All School Small Groups **Next: Nov. 1**—Small Groups
- **Legacy Parents: We are having a problem with parents using** the west campus bus loop for turning around after dropping students off at SCHS. Please know that the bus loop is for buses only. Thank you for your help in keeping our kids safe.
- **Basketball clinics for 5th/6th** grade boys and girls will be starting in December. Forms were sent home last week. They are due back by Nov. 7

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Once again this year, the 8th Graders will be organizing Thanksgiving Baskets. Both the elementary and west campus will be collecting food to fill 30 baskets for area families. The baskets include food for a typical Thanksgiving meal along with at least two other meals. Streams of Hope will provide us the names of families for the baskets. Each grade will be assigned food items to bring to school (see list below). There will be tables at both campuses for the donations. The Baskets will be delivered on Tuesday, Nov. 21, by our 8th graders. Thank you for your support again this year! The baskets are an important opportunity for our students to learn to be Kingdom Builders and serve our community. If you have any questions, please contact Elly Ter-Beek at eterbeek@legacycs.org. *FOOD DRIVE ENDS ON NOV. 17.

- Kindergarten/DK – cereal
- 1st Grade – canned corn/canned pears
- 2nd Grade – canned beans/canned peaches
- 3rd and 4th – jam or jelly/Jell-O/ applesauce/ soup
- 5th and 6th – muffin mix/peanut butter/brownies/box potatoes
- 7th Grade – stuffing/Mac n Cheese
- 8th Grade – dinner rolls/bread

As we did last year, we are asking for turkeys and/or large turkey breasts to be donated for the upcoming Thanksgiving Baskets. We would greatly appreciate the donations as they will help offset the cost needed to purchase them for each basket. When they go on sale would you be willing to purchase one for our service project? We will need 30. We will have single people and large families so all sizes of turkeys and turkey breasts will be useful. You can bring the donations to the west campus and we will keep them in the freezers until the 8th graders deliver the baskets. THANK YOU!

**If you are willing to donate a turkey, please hold off on bringing it to the west campus until the week of Nov. 6.

TERRACYCLE

- Thank you so much for all of the TerraCycling you are doing in your homes! We are receiving a lot of items every week! If you have time, we welcome you to sort your items into the bins at the elementary. The bins are clearly labeled, but if you just aren't sure about a particular item, feel free to place it in the rollout. We have a limited amount of upcycled TerraCycle bags that are available to take home and use. Please take one home, fill it up and bring it back to school. Either sort your items OR place the entire filled bag into the rollout and grab another bag to take home. (Please do not dump your bag out into the rollout - This is a huge help to our sorters.) If you don't have a TC bag, feel free to use any plastic bag you may have at home. Plastic grocery bags work great!
- Do you sew? We have the materials to make more TC bags and easy instructions to follow. Our program is growing and we need more bags! If you are interested in helping make some bags please email Vickie at zylstravickie@gmail.com.
- Please remember that we do NOT recycle any kind of candy wrappers - not individual wrappers or the bags they come in. Please do NOT send in any candy wrappers. Thank you!

MOMS IN PRAYER

Prayer requests can always be sent to gsolle44@yahoo.com or heidi.vander@comcast.net or put in the MIP mailbox in either office. Upcoming dates: Friday, 11/3-8:45 am, Monday, 11/6-7:00 pm, Friday, 11/17-8:45 am and Monday 11/20-7:00 pm.

TRASH FOR CASH

Please turn in ALL labels this week. I will make this year's first submission this weekend.

Every little bit adds up and helps the PTO meet their yearly budget goals! The PTO does a great job supporting our staff and school. Saving labels is an easy way to help make that happen! Spread the word and snag those labels wherever you can.

For more details, see reference sheets found at either office.

TRIP

Dates to make note of—Cash & Carry will be closed for the following dates:

- November 23—Thanksgiving
- December 28—Christmas

If you want information on how TRIP works or how to sign up for TRIP, please contact Melody Newhouse (243-6472) or email legacytrip@sbcglobal.net. You can find a copy of the TRIP order form on the Legacy website under "Current Parents" heading, then click on "TRIP".

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The South Christian boys basketball coaches** will once again be offering clinics at the high school on the Saturday mornings in Nov. The 5th/6th graders will go from 8:30 am - 9:45 am, and the 7th/8th graders will go from 9:45 am - 11:00 am. The cost is only \$20 and you can just bring the money the first week. Here is a link to the [Clinic registration](#). It really helps us prepare if you sign up, but you can just show up if plans change.
- **South Christian Music Boosters Pancake Breakfast!** Everyone is invited to the South Christian High School Music Boosters Pancake Breakfast! Join us for a great cause, great food, and great fun on Saturday, Nov. 11, from 8:30 am – 10:30 am, at Peppino's in Kentwood. Minimum suggested donation is \$5 per person. Peppino's Pizzeria & Sports Grille will donate 100% of the profits to the South Christian 2018 New York City choir trip. Spread the word and see you there!
- **Join us for the SCHS Kalamazoo Campus "Tailgate and Tour"** on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 4:00 - 6:30 pm. The South Christian High School community is invited to take a walking tour of the Kalamazoo Campus construction site, enjoy great food, and celebrate God's goodness. Please plan to attend this FREE, open house style event! Please RSVP the number attending at 455-3210 or follow this link: [Click Here](#)
- **"How We Love" Marriage Conference**—Providence Christian Reformed church is hosting the "How We Love" Marriage Conference Nov. 10 (7:00 pm-9:00 pm) and Nov. 11 (9:00 am-5:00 pm). Married or engaged couples, join us to learn about God's wonderful and sometimes challenging gift of marriage from speakers Aaron and Glori Goodrich, and Mark and Stephanie TeSlaa. Deadline to sign up is Oct. 29, and cost is \$60 per couple which includes a catered lunch, and copy of the book How We Love, by Milan and Kay Yerkovich. For more information and/or to sign up [Click here](#) OR email Lisa Boone at slboone22@gmail.com.
- **Administrative Assistant Job Posting**—Matthysse Kuiper DeGraaf Funeral Directors is searching for an Administrative Assistant to work for our family owned company. We have multiple locations that need assistance in the office. Job candidate must be willing to work between our different locations for approximately 20-32 hours per week along with being on call every other weekend. All interested applicants should email their resume to admin@mkdfuneralhome.com.
- **Second Byron CRC's Thrive** youth will be bringing a production by Master Arts Theater to our Fellowship Hall on Nov. 16, at 6:00 pm. Cost for tickets is \$25/person and includes dinner. The travelling Troupe will present "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten". Invite your friends and neighbors for a fun night of fellowship and to help raise funds for the youth International SERVE 2018 trip. Childcare is provided. Space is limited, so reserve your tickets soon by calling Marci Woodfield @ 616-730-2199.

FINAL THOUGHTS

I hope that your children enjoyed a nice break from their normal school routine last week Wednesday afternoon through Friday. It certainly was nice weather for them.

While the students were away our teachers participated in various professional development activities. On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Wierenga, Mrs. Vredevoogd, Mrs. Hoekzema, Mr. Leugs and I attended further Teaching for Transformation training. This training continued on Thursday and Friday. As you may remember TtT is a framework that enhances teachers' ability to teach Christianly. Over the next several years our entire faculty will be trained.

The rest of our faculty participated in a different workshop Wednesday afternoon. The topic of this workshop was the effect that trauma can have on children. On Thursday and Friday the rest of our faculty participated in the Christian Educators' Association annual teachers' convention. This year the convention was held at the Holland Christian High School. The theme of the convention, in honor of the 500th anniversary, was the Reformation. Times of worship, main addresses and various sectionals were all well received.

Now that we're past our annual fall in-service days it's on to the end of the first quarter, report cards and parent teacher conferences. This year is well underway!

Have a great week,

Mr. Bonnema