

General Announcements

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Legacy Link



- **WAJAT—ARE YOU READY??** Friday is coming quickly! Don't forget to ask for those last minute WAJAT pledges! Lots of fun stuff is planned for you! Students are encouraged to wear Legacy gear and feel free to add silly socks, wigs, crazy hats/hair, tutus, etc. Parents can dress up too and walk with their students or help out. The walk begins at 2:00 pm. See the sign-up genius link to volunteer <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4aa4a72ca1fb6-2016>. All money raised will go towards updating some electronic needs and additional technology. We will be walking in the neighborhood behind school again this year and have some fun activities planned along the route.
- **A big thank you to everyone who came** out to our Legacy bus party last weekend! It was a fun night of building our Legacy Christian community and showing support for our school.
- **Hot lunch forms are coming home** today! **They are due back by Tuesday, May 23.** Please take note of your student(s) fieldtrips so we don't have lunches waiting for them in the hot lunch line!
- **Parent Night for current 4th-5th grade parents** to learn about 2017-2018 IPOD plans, will be held next Wednesday, May 24, at 7 pm in the west campus music room.
- **Enrollment packets for the 2017-2018 school year** were mailed last week. We will again be partnering with SMART Tuition for the collection of tuition which will enable you to have 24/7 online access to your tuition account and a variety of payment options. Please read over all the enrollment materials carefully and submit the enrollment form and related paperwork to either school office by Thursday, June 1, 2017. Thank you for partnering with Legacy Christian.
- **Our school will soon be working** on next year's class assignments. Parents who want to provide input in this process are invited to pick up a Parent Communication form from either school office. When making class assignments our teachers use their knowledge and experience to suggest groups that provide an excellent learning environment for all our students. We ask that this input be made no later than May 19. Thanks for your support!
- **Retirement Open House:** Please mark your calendars and save the date! LCS has a tradition of honoring employees who retire after 10 or more years of service. This year's retirement open house will take place from 2:00 - 4:00 pm, at the west campus gym, on Sunday, May 21. At this time we know that Mrs. Louanne Winkle and Mrs. Muriel Walters will be honored at this event.
- **PLEASE TAKE TIME TO SIGN UP FOR A SHIFT AT THE NEW LIFE THRIFT STORE!** June & July are Legacy's months to cover shifts at the Store. We are responsible for filling at least 30 shifts. Thank you to those of you who have taken a shift! Use this link to see the available shifts for June & July! Please note that this is for the Wyoming location only, the Byron Center location has been closed. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0945a9a928a0f58-volunteers>
- **It's time to show your school spirit!** Cutlerville Days will be here soon and we need your help! Would you and your family like to walk with us in parade with the Legacy Christian float? Would you be willing to donate non-melting candy to give out at the parade? The parade takes place on Saturday, June 10. Please sign up today if you are willing to help us in any way www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0D44A8AA2BA13-cutlerville3

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

MAY

- 19 LCS Walk-A-Jog-A-Thon Fundraiser
- 21 Retirement Open House – WC (2:00-4:00 pm)
- 23 Hot Lunch Forms due
- 24 4th/5th grade parent mtg at WC (7 pm)
- 25 WC POPS Concert (1:30 pm)
- 25/26 **Last Days of Prek Classes**
- 29 **NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day**
- 30 8th Grade Class Trip to Cedar Point
- 31 No class for 8th Graders
- 31 Kindergarten Year End Program—Elem Gym (7:00 pm)

JUNE

- 1 **Enrollment Due for 2017-18**

ELEMENTARY NEWS AND NOTES

- **Weekly Worship**—(8:15) **May 19**—3V, 3/4DH, 4VW leading **Next: May 26**—All school combined small groups
- **Students should return all library books by Friday, May 26.** Please search your home and vehicle to find all the books that your child has checked out. You may want to make a trip to the public library to get some books for your child to read during the last few weeks of school.
- **Please check the Lost & Found table** near the office. There are many items that need to be “found” before the end of the year. All items left will be donated.
- **Elementary Field Day 2017** will be held on Wednesday, June 7, and we will need volunteers to help run the different events that will take place. We need your energy! Activities will begin after lunch, approximately 12:00-2:30 pm. If interested in volunteering, please email Elly TerBeek at eterbeek@legacycs.org or call the elementary office at 455-0310.
- **All incoming Kindergarten, DK and Preschool parents for 2017-18,** please remember to have a green health form filled out over the summer with your doctor’s stamp or signature on it. There was a form included in your enrollment packet. A new form is required every year for the “early childhood” classes. PLEASE NOTE—If your child has an immunization waiver you will need to make an appointment with the Kent County Health Dept. We can no longer supply necessary paperwork out of the school office. All health forms will need to be turned in to school office before your student can begin classes in the fall. School starts on Aug. 28, 2017.

WEST CAMPUS NEWS AND NOTES

- **IPOD Worship: May 26—All School small groups at elementary NEXT: June 9**—End of year all school worship
- **West Campus Worship: May 26- All School small groups NEXT: May 31**—Mrs. Hoekzema leading
- **Upcoming music events and dates:** Our annual Pops Concert (west campus performs for the elementary students) is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, at 1:30 pm, at the west campus.
- **The 7th/8th grade choir has been invited to sing at South Christian's** groundbreaking ceremony tomorrow, morning, May 18. Choir students have been asked to wear their "Sailor crew" shirts for this event.
- **8th grade choir/band/orchestra students** are asked to turn in their white LCS shirts. Please do not use bleach when washing these.
- **8th Grade “Kingdom Builder” Project Geography Open House** - The 8th graders will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, May 24, from 10:00 am-11:00 am, in the gym at the west campus. The 8th graders are busy working on the “Kingdom Builder” Project. For the project, the 8th graders had to pick a world issue (i.e. - hunger), a country impacted, a charity to support, plan and implement a fundraiser to raise money for that charity. The students will showcase their project with a visual they created with their information about their topics and work. Everyone is welcome! Please come and see how the 8th graders are showing what it means to be a “Christ-follower and a Kingdom Builder.”
- **If you have a son or daughter interested in participating in Cross Country this fall (Grades 5-7)** please fill out the form available in the WC office, and return it to your school’s office by May 16. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kori VanderKooi at 581-1588 (koriglen1993@gmail.com).
- **8th grade class trip to Cedar Point is Tuesday, May 30.** All students need to be at the west campus by 5:45 am. The bus leaves promptly at 6:00 am. Students can be picked up at 12:00 am. There is NO SCHOOL for 8th graders on Wed., May 31.
- **End of year information for the Middle School**—Here are dates and information for the last weeks of school for 7th-8th graders:
 - The 8th graders will begin their year end project on Thursday, June 1.
 - The 7th graders will have exams Tuesday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 7. Both days will have an 11:22 dismissal for 7th graders. Please remember there will be no busing at that time.
 - 8th Grade Graduation Rehearsal will be Tuesday, June 6, from 9:00-11:30 am. Students need to be at school by 9:00 am and will be bused to and from the church.

LITERACY CORNER

What are some things I can say to my child when they come to a word they don’t know in reading?

- Go back and read it again.
- Check the picture to see what happens.
- Does it make sense?
- Does it look right?
- Work on it. Don’t give up.
- I like the way you tried to help yourself. I saw you checking the picture with the world.

TRIP NEWS

Here is the schedule for TRIP Cash & Carry this summer (7:45 to 10:00 AM):

- June 1, 8, 22
 - July 6, 20
 - August 3, 17, 31
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- If you order online (using PrestoPay) for pickup at school, orders are due by 10 AM the Thursday before the next Cash & Carry date (June 15 and 29, July 13 and 27, August 10 and 24).
 - I will not be checking the TRIP boxes outside the school offices in the summer, so please don't drop off orders there.

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

TERRACYCLE

Right now there are THREE TerraCycle contests going on that can bring extra MONEY to Legacy.

- 1) Cereal Bag Brigade:** The top collector wins \$500! Prizes are awarded to the top 20 collectors. What can we send in? Plastic cereal bags and plastic cereal box liners - any size or brand. This brigade also takes the plastic bags from brownie and cake mixes, frozen waffles, cracker boxes and graham crackers. This contest just started in May and lasts through July. We just sent off three boxes of cereal bags on Friday.
- 2) Cleaning and Air Care Brigade:** The top collector of these combined brigades win \$100, second place through 30th place are also rewarded. Currently we are in the #14 spot! What can we send in? Pumps, caps, triggers, pouches and flexible cleaner product packaging of ALL brands and ALL types of cleaning products. Please note: for this brigade the actual bottle CANNOT be terracycled - please recycle those. This brigade only collects the top, trigger or sprayer. We can even take the plastic top off of aerosol products (like Endust or Pledge). Air freshener products and packaging: air freshener cartridges, plugs, packaging - including the glass plugins, air freshener plastic trigger heads and aerosol bathroom spray cans (Febreze). So the next time you empty your dish washing liquid, clothes detergent, window cleaner, bathroom cleaner or use the last disinfecting wipe, make sure to terracycle the top! (Examples: Tide, Downy, Fantastic, Windex, Tilex, Dawn, etc.)
- 3) The Colgate/Meijer playground challenge.** We can win up to \$750 in Meijer gift cards. What can we send in? ANY and ALL brands of toothpaste tubes and caps, toothbrushes, toothbrush and toothpaste tube outer packaging, floss containers, floss picks and mouthwash bottles. And please VOTE for Legacy in the Colgate/Meijer playground give-away. We are starting to slide off the leaderboard. You can vote once a day per email address and each oral care item we TerraCycle during the contest also counts as a vote. <http://www.terracycle.com/en-US/contests/2017meijercolgateplayground>

TRASH FOR CASH

The end of the year is fast approaching please remember to turn in your labels! Continue to save over the summer! Year end totals are coming soon! Thanks for all of your support with this program. It adds up! Questions? Please contact Sheri Albrecht at kuiip13@hotmail.com.

MOMS IN PRAYER

This week we gather to pray for our staff, our school and board leaders, school events and those in our community fighting for health. This week we will specifically be praying for Sandra Vroon, Mary VanWingerden and Melody Newhouse. You are always welcome to join us Friday mornings at 8:45 am.

As we near the end of the school year, we have been talking about next year and will be praying for the ways God will continue to grow Legacy Moms in Prayer. If you have thought about coming to see what it is all about, know you are welcome anytime, welcome to observe, and not feel obligated to pray aloud. We begin with prayer through a characteristic or attribute of God using scripture verses, then pray through the specific praises and requests of our school and staff and then we have the opportunity to share in praying for our own children. It is truly a blessing to share this with other moms who want to pray for school and each others kids in a group setting. As we look ahead, we will be considering days and times for the fall and the possibility of trying to provide childcare if there is a desire. Any preferences or questions can

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Summer TENNIS Camp!** Sailor Youth Tennis camp will again be available for kids exiting grades K-8. The sessions are June 12-16 OR July 10-14 at the Sports Park. Details, contact and registration info is available either in paper form at your school office or print a form online at southchristiansports.com. Go to Programs & Camps and scroll down to Tennis. Contact Jayne Boerman with questions: jboerman@legacycs.org.
- **Students entering 5th-8th grade next year**, as well as current 8th graders—Join us in the WC art room for 2D or 3D art camp! There are a few spots available. 3D art: \$80, July 24-28, and 2D art: \$75, July 31-Aug 4. Both camps are 10:00 am-1:30 pm with lunch break! Sign up for both and they are only \$65 each. Email Mrs. Sinnema to sign up and join the fun at Jsinnema@legacycs.org!
- **Sailor Youth Football Program** sign up for fall 2017 football season for boys entering grades 3rd-8th. Sailor Youth football draws players from Byron Center, Dutton, Legacy, Moline Chr. schools and area charter schools. Signups will be available online beginning May 15 at www.sailoryouthfootball.com. We will also have a uniform fitting day, Tuesday, July 18, from 5:00-7:00 pm at SportingU (160-84th St, Suite 4, Byron Center). Visit our website for more info and like us on Facebook at Sailor Youth Football.
- **SCHS Groundbreaking, Thursday, May 18, at 9:00 am.** You are invited to the official groundbreaking for the new South Christian High School facility at the Kalamazoo Ave. campus (7979 Kalamazoo Ave. SE). Please plan to attend this celebration of God's providence. Onsite parking is limited; shuttle service will be provided from Cornerstone UMC. Bring your own chair (optional).
- **SCHS Summer Football Camp (Grades K-8):** The SCHS football camp will take place this summer on June 12-15. This camp is perfect for those who already play football and would like to improve their skills or for those who have never played before. Regardless of your experience level, we would love to see you there. Click the link to the brochure for details or contact Josh Rozema with any questions. His email is jrozema@schs.org and his cell number is 616-405-8277. Click this link to the online brochure: <http://s3.amazonaws.com/vnn-aws-sites/76/files/2014/02/f59e17d69942c9c6-Brochure3.pdf>
- **South Christian High School needs input** to better meet its mission of equipping students to live Christ-centered lives and serve God to their greatest potential. To help us prepare, we will be conducting a survey of all families in our community. The week of May 22 you will receive one email to ask for your help in this survey. Your email address will not be shared with anyone but GraceWorks Ministries. If you would like to opt out of this survey, please feel free to email Sherri DeVries (sdevries@schs.org) by May 15 and she will remove your name from this survey list. We are excited to have you help plan for a better South Christian High School by identifying concerns, needs, and ideas as we work to fulfill our Mission.
- **Rod VanDyke Memorial Golf Outing** -Monday, June 19, Railside Golf Club. COST-Before June 1: 4 Person Scramble: \$175 per golfer. After June 1: 4 Person Scramble: \$200 per golfer. \$70 for Teachers/Coaches/Students
Fee includes: 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, gift, practice range, hole contests, leader prizes, raffle, door prizes, on-course snacks and beverages. Please visit <http://southchristiansports.com/hq/rod-vandyke-memorial-golf-outing/> for registration and sponsorship information.

FINAL THOUGHTS

At last night's school board meeting one of the members led opening devotions. A Psalm was shared and we all were encouraged to think about the many ways that God has blessed LCS this year.

One of those ways has been through financial support. We have many amazing supporters of our school. God has used them to bless us again and again during the past 12 months.

Just one short year ago we were beginning a financial drive that raised \$200,000 for our Spanish Immersion program and our general fund. Just last fall our mini-golf outing and the PTO fall bazaar each realized record earnings. With three record events of this nature I'll be honest with you, I was wondering how our year-end financial drive would go. What little faith I had. The year-end drive went just fine.

Several weeks ago our school received over \$52,000 as a result of our annual auction. And, just this past Saturday night we were gifted by over \$20,000 at our "bus party".

All of this money has been most welcome and has been or is being used responsibly in a number of different areas. But you know what? Along the way we have also been greatly blessed by the volunteers that made each of these events possible and by the connections that have been formed through working and socializing together. It really isn't just about the money.

Financial support has been wonderful, but it is really only one of the reasons we have to be thankful for our school this year. How has your family been blessed?

Have a great week,

Mr. Bonnema