



***"But my righteousness will last forever –  
my salvation through all generations."***

Isaiah 51:8

**WSCS COMING EVENTS:**

<b>May</b>	19	Grandparents Day
	22	Spring Music Concert (5th - 8th grade) 7:00 p.m.
	25	Protect Young Eyes -- Technology Awareness presentation (see announcement)
	26	4th grade Recorder Concert at 2;30 in the band room
	29	No School - Memorial Day
	30 - 6/2	6th grade camp at Grace Adventures
<b>June</b>	1	Elementary Awards Assembly 2:30
	6	Middle School Honors Assembly 1:00
	7	8th grade Graduation -- 7:30 pm at Westend CRC
	8	Last day for students / dismiss at noon
	9	WSCS Golf Outing at The Mines (see announcement)

**Link to next year's school calendar:**

[http://www.wscsgr.org/images/WSCS/PDFs/Calendar\\_2017-18.pdf](http://www.wscsgr.org/images/WSCS/PDFs/Calendar_2017-18.pdf)

**HOT LUNCH**

**Wednesday, May 17, is Spaghetti Day.**

Elementary helpers (11:30): J. Augustyn, C. Evenhouse, M. Reyers, Q. Eageltail

Middle School (12:45): J. Augustyn, G. Gaastra

**\*\*\*PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE\*\*\* There will be no hot lunch this Friday, May 19, due to Grandparents Day. Please pack a lunch for your students!** (This date is not on the hot lunch calendar.)

**Monday, May 22, is Arby's Day.**

Elementary helpers (11:30): A. Kobza, T. Jonker

Middle School (12:45): A. Kobza, T. Jonker

**PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS:** Please sign-in in the office before going out on the playground.

<b>Wednesday, 5/17</b>	M. Adema
<b>Thursday, 5/18</b>	M. DeKock
<b>Friday, 5/19</b>	J. Hop
<b>Monday, 5/22</b>	M. Smith
<b>Tues., 5/23</b>	S. Groggel

**T.R.I.P.** - TRIP orders for this week are due today by 4 p.m. Emails will be sent out when the orders are ready for pickup. If you would like to get started in this tuition-saving program, stop in the office for information. Remember, there are several vendors available for purchase from the office.

**LOST AND FOUND TABLES** will be set up in both wings beginning next week Monday, May 22, (after Grandparents Day) and will remain until the end of the school year. Parents are welcome to look them over and claim what is yours or encourage your kids to do the same.

**GRANDPARENTS DAY IS THIS FRIDAY!** The WSCS staff, students, PTA, and Foundation members are all looking forward to a great Grandparents' Day on May 19, from 10:00 - 12:45. Please join us as we pray for a positive experience for all who attend and participate. The WSCS Foundation is happy to underwrite the costs for this event and they would like to express their thanks to some very special donors and all who help make this special day happen.

**GREENHOUSE GIFT CARDS for sale!!** If you will be planting in the next few weeks, please consider supporting our school by buying gift cards from our school office! We have Motman's and Countryside Greenhouse gift cards available for purchase from the office! Countryside (\$50) and Motman's (\$25 and \$50). **17-20%** of all purchases go directly to our school! It's planting season!

**GIRLS ON THE RUN POP CAN DRIVE:** This year the WSCS Girls On The Run team is doing a community outreach project to help the homeless. We are hoping that you might be willing to help us out by donating your pop cans! With the pop cans from the West Side Christian community, we hope to purchase much needed socks for our local homeless shelters. If you have cans to donate, please bring them or send them to school, or give them to someone you know on the team. There is a brightly colored can receptacle near the main office. We have already begun collecting and **will continue our collection through tomorrow, May 17**. Thanks for your interest and help in achieving our goal of helping the greater community!

**WSCS SPRING MUSIC CONCERT NEXT MONDAY, May 22 --** Our 2017 WSCS Spring Music Concert will be held on Monday, May 22. 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade bands, orchestras, and choirs will be participating. 5th and 6th grade groups will perform at 7:00pm and 7th and 8th grade groups will perform at 8:00pm, with an intermission between. These students are anxious to perform for relatives and friends! All welcome!

**WSCS PTA has a desperate need for moms who are willing to be on our PTA BOARD.** This important group of 9 WSCS parents works closely with our teachers and administration to arrange and make decisions about our fundraisers. This group does a tremendous service for our school! We are coming up short for parents who are willing to be part of the PTA. We are specifically looking for someone to step up for the position of incoming president and incoming treasurer. These positions are for a three year term – the first year to observe, the second year to train, and the third year to lead. It's a great way to work with an awesome team of parents and to earn your required PTA points. For more information about what the requirements, call Sue Staal 540-2868 or email [smstaal@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smstaal@sbcglobal.net) .

**PROTECT YOUNG EYES -- Parent Event on Thursday, May 25, at WSCS!**

**"What's the right age to give my kid a social media account?"** This is a great question that parents of elementary and middle school students often have. Age is important (the law says age 13 is the minimum!), but what other factors should parents consider? Our friends at Protect Young Eyes have [written a well-researched blog post that answers these questions and many others](#). Check it out! For specific tech questions, email them to Chris McKenna at [protectyouneyes@gmail.com](mailto:protectyouneyes@gmail.com)

Are you a parent who is concerned about internet safety? **Chris McKenna, the founder of Protect Young Eyes, is coming to our school on Thursday, May 25, at 7 p.m.** to talk about technology awareness and safety for parents and students surrounding this issue. This evening is geared for parents of children of all ages. We will also discuss the WSCS technology plan and how we plan to roll it out. We hope you can join us for an informative dialogue. Mark your calendar!

**29<sup>th</sup> Annual WSCS Foundation - 2017 Boersma/Alcumbrack Family Golf Outing** - We'd love to have you join us on the greens on Friday, June 9. Grab some friends and your clubs, then meet up at Mines Golf Course for 18 holes, refreshments on the course, and a delicious steak and ribs dinner. It'll be a great afternoon out! Click the link to get details and to register. All proceeds from this event go to the WSCS tuition fund and every student benefits.

<http://www.wscsgr.org/support-wscs/foundation-golf-outing.html>

**Not a golfer? We need a few volunteers** to help at the outing – it's all fun stuff and includes a free dinner!

Contact Vern Groenendyk at [vgroenendyk@wschristian.org](mailto:vgroenendyk@wschristian.org) if interested.

**WSCS PRESCHOOL OPENINGS:** Our fall preschool classes still have openings! If you know of anyone who is considering preschool choices, spread the word about our terrific WSCS Preschool programs!

### **Community News**

**Middle School Service Opportunity:** Last week Mrs. VanHeulen came to MS chapel and shared a community service opportunity available to middle school students for the summer. Her work, Comprehensive Therapy Center, is looking for middle school students to work alongside a child in therapy. The program is called Therapy and Fun. If your middle school student is interested in knowing more, please see Mrs.VW for the information.

**Grand Rapids Christian Schools Cross Country Camp** brochures can be found at [eaglesrunning.com](http://eaglesrunning.com) . **Dates for camp are:** Middle School (grades 5-8) are July 17-20. High school dates are July 23-28.

**Calvin Christian Sports Camps** -- The list of sports camps offered by Calvin Christian High School along with descriptions and registration forms for each, have been compiled and are in the info rack near the office. Feel free to pick one up! Something for all ages!

**Art Van Complex "Summer Slam" Camp June 26 and 27**

**Christian Athletic Complex (CAC) "Summer Skill Series" (5 camps) June and July**

All campers will receive great instruction, a t-shirt, and a Detroit Tigers poster! We will have Baseball Concepts' staff of current and former players from Xavier University, Davenport University, and Hope College along with coaches from area schools delivering dynamic instruction! Camps produce a fun filled atmosphere of cutting-edge drills and skills taught in a creative way! Brochures are in the info racks near the school office. You may sign up online at [www.baseball-concepts.com](http://www.baseball-concepts.com)