



***"I am the Lord, and I do not change.
Return to me. Then I will return to you."***
Malachi 3:6a and 7B

WSCS COMING EVENTS:

January	3,4&5	No GRPS busing
	10	Hot lunch orders and payment due by 3:30 pm
	11	Group photos - Gekus photographer on site
	11	Kindergarten/Preschool Preview Night 6:30-7:30
	15	No School - Staff professional development
	17	WSCS Spelling Bee 3:30 pm
	19	Recess Bake Sale
February	3	Family Roller Skating Party at Tarry Hall 11-1
	14/15	Parent Teacher Conferences 6-8 pm
	16/19	No School - Winter Break!
	23	Recess Bake Sale

**HOT LUNCH -- 3rd QUARTER ORDERING -- PAYMENT AND ORDERS ARE DUE TOMORROW! Here is the link.
Payment must be received in the office by 3:15 pm on Wednesday, January 10. This payment
will cover lunches served from January 22 – March 23.**

**WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING PAYMENT BEYOND THE JANUARY 10 DEADLINE. If we don't have your check by
3:15 pm on the 10th, your order will be cancelled. Please include your cart number on your check. Late
payments cannot be processed. Third quarter lunches begin on January 22.**

**A confirmation email will be sent to the email address the account was set up with *after we have processed
your payment.* The confirmation email will include the details of your order for quick and easy printing or for
future reviewing.**

HOT LUNCH this week:

Wednesday, January 10, is Sub Sandwich Day

Elementary helpers (11:30): K.Duthler, T. Kosiara, T. Wielhouwer

Middle School (12:05): K. Duthler, T. Kosiara

Thursday, January 11, is Breakfast Burrito Day.

Elementary helpers (11:30): A. Raterink, L. Vermilye, S. Wielhouwer

Middle School (12:05): A. Raterink, S. Wielhouwer

Friday, January 12, is Pizza Day.

Elementary helpers (11:30): J. Alcumbrack, J. Berg, M. Jousma

Middle School (12:45):

Monday, January 15 - No School

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS:

Wed., 1/10 E. Koopmans

Thur., 1/11 J. Hop

Fri., 1/12 J. Kazemier

Mon., 1/15 -- No School

Tues., 1/14 C. Veldhouse

2018 PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW NIGHT -- THIS THURSDAY! Do you have a child who will be entering preschool or kindergarten next fall -- or know someone who does? All parents and future kindergarten and preschool students are invited to come to school on **Thursday evening, January 11, at 6:30 p.m.** We will be hosting our annual Preschool/Kindergarten Preview Night! We are looking forward to an evening full of information, adventure and fun -- a scavenger hunt, Blandford animals, refreshments, meet teachers, and learn about our programs! If you know someone who will be making a school decision for their 3-5 year old, please invite them to attend!

GESKUS GROUP PHOTOS will be taken on Thursday for our yearbook -- sports teams, musical groups, etc. **5th - 8th graders should wear or take their pink WSCS t-shirt on Thursday** for these group pictures.

WSCS SLEDDING HILL -- We are so fortunate at WSCS to have a great hill right on our property to use for sledding. To try and keep all students safe, here are the guidelines for what type of sled is acceptable:

K-3 Plastic or foam roll-up sleds that must fit in the sled bin

4th Roll-up sleds or slightly larger foam sleds

5th grade only can bring larger 2 person foam sleds or roll up sleds

The teachers will use their discretion to make sure sleds are safe and follow the guidelines. Thank you for your support and let the sledding begin!

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES IN FEBRUARY: Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, February 14 & 15. All preschool parents will be expected to schedule a conference with teachers. Spring Parent/Teacher conferences are not mandatory for parents of K-8th students, however, teachers are available to discuss student progress at these times. Scheduling for Preschool - 5th grade parents is done online and can be connected from the home page of our website or just click on the link below. Middle School teachers and special subjects teachers will be available in the gym in an open format to meet with parents between 6 and 8 p.m. Out of respect for parents' time, conferences will be limited to no more than 10 minutes each. If further communication is desired, a separate conference can be scheduled.

THE WSCS LOYALTY DRIVE is our annual campaign asking donors to help fund the day-to-day expenses of our school. These gifts from our generous supporters help reduce the tuition for each student by approximately \$900 per year. This year our goal was \$285,000 and as of year-end, we have reached and exceeded our goal!! WSCS is remarkably blessed by so many people who are willing to give their resources, offer their volunteer hours, and spend time in prayer for our school. It takes hundreds of people with a vast variety of gifts to make our school the excellent Christian school it is now, and has been for 135 years. Thanks be to God! With great appreciation to all those who support WSCS in so many ways,
-- Gord Bylsma (outgoing Development Director) and Dale Burghgraef (incoming Development Director)

ANNUAL WSCS SPELLING BEE: The WSCS Spelling Bee for grades 3-8 will take place next Wednesday, January 17, from 3:30-5:00 in the band room. Students who signed up and have studied their word list, are eligible to participate. Parents, relatives, and friends are welcome to attend the bee. Please make every attempt to be seated by 3:30 p.m.

WANTED: BUS DRIVERS! Looking for part time employment? Do you love kids? If you are interested in learning more about driving a school bus, please contact Nella Kosiara. nkosiara@wschristian.org

DECEMBER BOX TOPS COMPETITION: Mrs. Looman's 1st grade class is hosting the trophy during the month of January. December was a relatively short month, but they collected 219 box tops to earn the top spot. Second place was almost a tie, with Mrs. Koster's 2nd grade at 200 and Mr. Falk's 8th grade at 197. Almost 1,000 box tops were collected over-all. Thank you for saving and sending! Please consider downloading the BOX TOP app

to have bonus box tops sent directly to our school account. It's as easy as taking a picture of your receipt after purchasing qualifying products.

**** Aunt Millie's School Spirit --** WSCS recently received \$61 from this program! Clip the coupons from the bread wrapper and send them in to school! Thank you to those who are supporting our school through this program!

MUSIC NOTES: Three of our middle school orchestra students, Carmen Day, Braedon Veurink and Hallie Kooyer will be performing this Saturday at Christian High in the Middle School Honors Orchestra. This is a great 45 min free concert that showcases students from all over the area. Concert starts at 3p.m.

THANK YOU FROM STOCKING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL! We received a thank you card from Stocking Elementary School for all of the winter outdoor gear that our families donated to them. It was very much appreciated!

COLD WEATHER GUIDELINES:

Parents, please make sure your child comes to school wearing appropriate clothing (gloves, hats, boots, coats, etc.) for keeping warm while outside.

1. Before school – Students may come into the building in the morning before school if either the temperature or the wind chill is -5 degrees or below.
2. Recess/Break/Noon hour – Elementary students are expected to go outside if temperature or wind chill is above -5 degrees. Middle school students may decide, on their own, to go outside or stay inside.
3. Elementary students are required to go outside for recess/noon hour unless there is a written note from the parent indicating a physical condition that does not allow the student to go outside.

SCHOOL CANCELLATION “SNOW DAY” NOTE: When school is cancelled due to weather or other circumstances, all after-school events are also cancelled (i.e. athletic events). Evening event cancellations will be an administrative decision and will depend on the circumstances. Cancellation notices for school and/or evening school-related events will be posted on WOOD TV8 and WZZM TV13 and on our website at www.wscsgr.org.

Note regarding hot lunch: If school is cancelled on a scheduled hot lunch day, that hot lunch item will be served on the following non-hot lunch day.

Requested Announcements

HONEY? WHERE'S MY SUPERSUIT?!?!? Calvin Christian High School Class of 2018 invites you and your family to join them for an INCREDIBLE night of super games, supersuits, super activities, superpower challenges and an “INCREDIBLE” movie!

- Saturday, January 20, 2018 at Grandville Christian School
- Doors open at 5:30 pm for games and activities for families
- Movie starts in the gym at 6:30 pm - bring your own blankets or low beach chairs; snacks provided.
- Dress as a superhero or non-scary villain for the pre-movie parade!
- A \$5/person (or \$20/family) donation covers costs of activities, popcorn, candy and bottled water.
- Pre-movie activities will include: a scavenger hunt, superhero bingo, vanquish the villains game, make & take crafts, super power challenges vs. senior class students, a “Selfie-with-a-Super” photo booth and more.
- It's going to be an INCREDIBLE night! Please join us!
- Questions? Contact Amy Piersma at apiersma@gccsmi.org.

CLC NETWORK ANNUAL AUCTION: Looking for some mid-winter fun for an excellent cause? Bring your family and friends to the CLC Network (also known as Christian Learning Center) Auction on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at Calvary Christian Reformed Church ([3500 Byron Center Ave SW, Wyoming, MI](http://3500ByronCenterAveSWWyomingMI)). The dinner and silent auction start at 4:30, the live auction

begins at 6:00pm. Bid on merchandise, gift certificates, activities, and much more! Your participation helps equip schools and congregations to glorify God through purposeful, innovative inclusion of persons with varied abilities. Learn more at clcnetwork.org.

Grandville Calvin Christian Schools Auction - Saturday, February 10, 2018. You don't want to miss the event of the year at Calvin Christian High School. Our auction is almost here and we have amazing items for you to bid on. Come enjoy the night with us **starting at 5:30 pm with an On the Border catered meal for \$10 per person and the silent auction. Live auction begins at 6:30 pm.** We have Red Wings tickets, Tigers tickets, a Costa Rica Trip, chain saws, hotel stays, art, a Disney vacation, Amazon circle, airline tickets, a baby crib and so much more. Come and join us for a great night of dinner, fellowship and fundraising for Christian education. Any questions or to donate an item, call Joan or Donna in the Calvin Business Office at 616-532-2373. The catalog will be online at <http://www.gosquires.org> about Feb 2.

Camp Geneva brochures are available from the information rack in the school lobby near the office. This is a great Christian summer camp for kids!