



Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.
They are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

WSCS COMING EVENTS:

April	22-26	Fine Arts Week
	25	Fine Arts Night
	25	Nourish and Flourish Gift Card Orders Due to the Office
	29	MS Skating Party
	30	BUDS 2:15-3:00pm in the gym
May	1	Nourish and Flourish Gift Cards Picked Up after 2:30pm
	4	8th Grade Class Party
	6-10	Staff Appreciation Week
	8	Bike Day
	9	BUDS 11:30am-12:00pm in the playscape
	10	Grandparents and Grandfriends Day
	14	5th-8th Spring Concert
	15	All School End of Year Chapel
	20-21	8th Grade Class Trip
	22	Middle School Honors Assembly
	23	8th Grade Graduation
	27	Memorial Day - No School
	28-31	6th Grade Camp
	30	Kindergarten Last Day of School
	31	Last Day of School for 1st-7th Grade - Dismissal at 11:30am
31	WSCS Educational Foundation Annual Golf Outing	

WEST SIDE CHRISTIAN FINE ARTS WEEK is this week! The Fine Arts Open House will be this Thursday, April 25 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM with visual art throughout the school from students in K - 8th grade, and student performances in the gym at 6:10, 6:40, and 7:10. Look for more information coming soon!

CELEBRATION FOR OUR RETIREES: Please join us in celebrating our wonderful staff members retiring after this school year: Lori Pett (2nd Grade), Karen Vander Alker (Choir Accompanist, Band Assistant, and 5th

gymnasium. This celebration will be open house style with cake. We hope you can join us in thanking and honoring them for their years of service.

SAVE THE DATE: BIKE DAY ON MAY 8! Gear up, everyone! Join us as we celebrate the joy of active travel and eco-friendly commuting. It's time to dust off those handlebars, inflate those tires, and get ready to pedal your way to school! Stay tuned for more details and information as we rev up the excitement for Bike Day. Let's make memories on two wheels!

WSCS SUMMER CAMPS run June 3-6 from 9:00-11:30am and 12:30-3:00pm. Make sure to [register](#) now and claim your spot (or two!) for this summer's camp fun!

TRIP

TRIP orders for the week are due on Mondays by 4pm. Emails will be sent out when the orders are ready for pickup. Remember, there are several vendors available for purchase from the office at any time.

HOT LUNCH

The monthly hot lunch calendars can be found here: April 2024

Wednesday, April 24: Popcorn Chicken Bowl or Mini Pancakes

Thursday, April 25: Macaroni and Cheese or Strawberry Yogurt Parfait

Friday, April 26: Pizza Hut Pizza

Monday, April 29: Mini Corn Dogs or Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal

Tuesday, April 30: Pancakes or Pretzel w/ Cheese Sauce

Please contact Nancy Michaels, nmichaels@grcs.org with any questions.

HOT LUNCH NEGATIVE BALANCES: We are asking parents to catch up on their student's negative balances. All positive balances roll over to the next school year. If you have a student graduating we will transfer their balance to a sibling's account or a designated person you want to gift them with. You can make a deposit at grchristian.familyportal.cloud, there is no charge to make a payment with a credit or debit card. Questions, please email Jill at jzondag@grcs.org. Thank you for participating in our food service program.

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

Wednesday, April 24: K. Faber, M. VanderHyde (Elem); Volunteer Needed (MS)

Thursday, April 25: E. Geerlings, R. Faber (Elem); P. Buth (MS)

Friday, April 26: M. Scholten, A. Bruin (Elem); M. Scholten (MS)

Monday, April 29: S. Herrmann, H. LaVigne (Elem); Volunteer Needed (MS)

Tuesday, April 30: R. Faber, B. Byma (Elem); Volunteer Needed (MS)

Additional playground volunteers are needed! If you are not able to help out monthly please sign up to help on specific days [here](#) or contact Emily at eschab24@gmail.com.

TECH BYTE

Roblox added AI translation to its in-game chat. Users can chat with anyone instantly in 16 languages. This increases the number of people who can communicate with anyone. Be very careful with Roblox.

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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2024-2025 K-8 ONLINE RE-ENROLLMENT is currently underway. Our enrollment process is similar to last year using our online student information system, PowerSchool. The information that you shared with us last year has been saved. Please do not hesitate to contact our school office with any questions or through this process via [email](#) or by calling 616.453.3925.

SUMMER TUTORING will be offered the week of June 10th - week of August 5th with 4th of July week off. Tutors can work with your child on math or ELA skills. When signing up you are committing to six sessions out of the eight weeks. One hour a week for 6 sessions will cost \$210 and two hours a week will cost \$375. To sign up use the following [link](#). For more information please contact Jordan Peless at jpeless@wschristian.org.

NOURISH AND FLOURISH FUNDRAISER: Keep selling those Gift Cards! Orders for our Nourish & Flourish (Sobie Greenhouse) Gift Card Fundraiser are due THURSDAY! Please either check the box to have gift cards sent home with your child(ren) or put a note on your calendar to pick your gift cards up from the office beginning at 2:30pm on May 1. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer for Sobie (jennifer.vanstrien@gmail.com, 269-760-4450) or Toni for Greenhouse (tjhoustra5@gmail.com, 616-490-0097).

COMMUNITY NEWS

The following events or opportunities are shared by our community members

NEW THIS SUMMER! MUSICAL THEATER CAMP will take place at Unity Christian High School June 3-6 from 3-5pm for 5th – 8th grade guys and girls! Learn musical songs and how to sing in parts while being expressive, acting and blocking skills that will help you in future Unity auditions and productions, and common dance moves from Unity and Broadway shows. Sign up on Unity's [website](#) under (www.unitychristian.org/Parent Resources). Registration is open until May 17. Payment can be made online via credit or debit card. No prior musical or theater experience required!

BOYS BASKETBALL OPPORTUNITIES AT CALVIN CHRISTIAN: If you are looking for some basketball camps or basketball training for the summer, please take some time to look at the opportunities below that are being offered at Calvin Christian High School. Boys Basketball coach, Matt Veltema, will be hosting a basketball camp the week of June 10 as well as 1 hour basketball training throughout the summer. See the links below for more information! Boys Basketball Camp June 10 -13: [CLICK HERE](#), Boys Basketball Training throughout the summer: [CLICK HERE](#) Or visit: <https://www.gosquires.org/camps/>