



May the God of hope fill you  
with all joy and peace as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope  
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Romans 15:13**

## WSCS COMING EVENTS:

April	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 *No busing at 11:30am dismissal
	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

**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!

**GRANDPARENTS DAY:** Please be our guests on Friday, May 10, to celebrate Grandparents'/Grandfriends' Day at WSCS. A special "grand friend" is welcome if a grandparent is unable to attend. Details about this K-8 event can be found [here](#). **Please also note this is a half day with dismissal at 11:30am. Busing will not be available at this time.**

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: May 2024

**Wednesday, May 1:** Turkey and Cheese Sub or Mini Pancakes

**Thursday, May 2:** Chicken Tenders or Strawberry Yogurt Parfait

**Friday, May 3:** Pizza Hut Pizza

**Monday, May 6:** Chicken Tenders or Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal

**Tuesday, May 7:** Dutch Waffles or Pretzel w/ Cheese Sauce

Please contact Nancy Michaels, [nmichaels@grcs.org](mailto:nmichaels@grcs.org) with any questions.

## PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

**Wednesday, May 1:** K. Huffman, P. Buth (Elem); P. Buth (MS)

**Thursday, May 2:** J. Nyenhuis, S. Bloem (Elem); **Volunteer Needed** (MS)

**Friday, May 3:** S. Carroll, S. Burischat (Elem); L. Kauffman (MS)

**Monday, May 6:** S. Herrmann, H. LaVigne (Elem); **Volunteer Needed** (MS)

**Tuesday, May 7:** R. Faber, **Volunteer Needed** (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](mailto:eschab24@gmail.com).

## TECH BYTE

Pinterest Adds New Parental Controls. You can read about it on Protect Young Eyes [website](#) or as an [Instagram](#) post.

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**2024-2025 K-8 ONLINE RE-ENROLLMENT** is due tomorrow, May 1. Please do not hesitate to contact our school office with any questions via [email](#) or by calling 616.453.3925.

**NOURISH AND FLOURISH FUNDRAISER:** TOMORROW your gift cards from the Nourish & Flourish (Sobie & Greenhouse) Gift Card Fundraiser will be sent home with your student(s) if you checked the box on the order form. If you did not check the box, your gift cards will be available for pickup in the office this week. Thank you again for supporting WSCS through this fundraiser! With your efforts we sold over 500 Gift Cards, raising more than \$4000!

**CONGRATULATIONS WEST SIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL!** This past week WSCS was one of eight private schools to receive the 2024 U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School (ED-GRS) award! More information about this award can be found [here](#).

Stewardship Project event! It's happening this Friday, May 3 from 2 pm - 3 pm. The 6th graders are hosting an event to teach as many people as possible about Indian Mill Creek and the watershed that we live in! They have worked hard to prepare for this event and even visited Indian Mill Creek! We would love for you to come and visit us so we can teach you about the place you live in and Indian Mill Creek! We hope to see you there! Written by, Adi Woy, Elena Simons, and Adalyn Myers.

**SCHOOL GARDEN INTERNSHIPS** (Grades 4th- 9th): Let's grow together, nurturing our God-given gifts to serve and glorify Jesus Christ. Explore agriculture and stewardship as we construct our new greenhouse this summer! Students will work collaboratively to grow the school garden as well as be part of specialized teams in marketing, finance, or facility management, tailoring their experience to their passions and skills. We will be meeting weekly on Tuesdays and offer flexible hours from 9 am - 11 pm or 9 am - 2 pm. Use [this link](#) to sign up.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

*The following events or opportunities are shared by our community members*

**GRAND RAPIDS CHRISTIAN SUMMER SPORTS CAMP:** Come join young student-athletes from all over Grand Rapids for fun, skill development, and character formation at Grand Rapids Christian Youth Sports Camps this summer. Camps will be led by GR Christian high school coaches, often assisted by high school players, and will focus on fundamentals and fun. Sign ups will close the Thursday night before each camp starts - register now! Visit the [GR Christian Youth Sports Website](#) to sign up. Email Youth Sports Director Kirk Sundberg with questions ([ksundberg@grcs.org](mailto:ksundberg@grcs.org))

**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/>

**2024 SUMMER CALVIN UNIVERSITY GOLF CAMP AT INDIAN TRAILS GOLF COURSE:** Come join us for Calvin Golf Camp 2024! These camps are for beginning & intermediate golfers and include instruction and on-course competition for boys and girls ages 9-14. For age exception requests please contact Coach Bolt at [brian.bolt@calvin.edu](mailto:brian.bolt@calvin.edu). To Register: <https://golf.calvinsportscamps.com/>.