

Hull Protestant Reformed Christian School

SCHOOL NEWS

November 2022



"O, ye His saints, sing to the LORD, with thanks His holiness record." Psalter 78



School Board Notes

Meeting Held November 2, 2022

1. President Dan Poppema reads from II Corinthians 13:1-14, and opens with prayer.
2. The song "A Round of Thanks" is approved for the NWIPRS Thanksgiving program.
3. Treasurer's Report is received.
4. Tuition Report is received.
5. Building Fund Report is received.
6. A new vacuum will be purchased for the janitors.
7. Transportation Committee Report is received.
8. Technology Committee Report is received.
9. A mobile PA system will be purchased for the school.
10. Scrip Report is received.
11. Principal's Report is received.
12. Mrs. Rochelle Gritters will coach the girls' basketball team.
13. Mr. Kyle Brummel will coach the boys' basketball team.
14. The basketball schedule is approved.
15. Classroom visit reports are received.
16. Zach Van Ginkel closes in prayer.

The Hull PRC School Board thanks our supporters for their donations during our fall drive. To date we have received over \$139,000 to be applied to the building project loan. We appreciate your prayers and support for our school. To God be the glory!

Next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2022.



Cash and Carry Scrip is available every school day in the school office. Please see Vi/Tonia if you are new to SCRIP and would like more information!

Church Collection Report

Received YTD: \$83,412
Budgeted YTD: \$135,500
Difference YTD: **(\$52,088)**

Ladies Guild Notes

The Ladies Guild would like to extend a thank you to all the students who participated in the Interscholastic Preview night and attended the Interscholastic Event. A thank you, as well, to the judges for their advice and help. The supporters who attended and encouraged the students are also extended a warm "thank you".

There are 600 dozen pig-in-the-blankets tucked away in freezers or already devoured! A big thank you to all who supported the Pig-in-the-Blanket fundraiser with their time, monetary and ingredient donations. The support for our school is a reason for Thanksgiving, indeed!

Mark November 12, 2022, on your calendars! Make plans to attend the 11th annual Stop n Shop! Grab a friend or a neighbor and come to Trinity with empty shopping bags and stomachs. Be sure to check out the Ladies Guild bake sale table. A bowl of steamy soup and a slice of your favorite pie will have you satisfied! Take out containers will be available for those who want to deliver yummy goodness to a friend or family member at home or in the field.

Be sure to join Ladies Guild if you haven't already! It is a great way to interact with people who support Christian education. And, a good way for busy moms to get adult conversation. Join us at our next meeting, Monday, November 14, in the 7th grade classroom. Kerri Van Der Brink has prayer. See you there!

"For all things are for sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God." 2 Corinthians 4:15

School Calendar

November

16: Picture retakes
21: Doon/Hull Jr high program
23: Noon dismissal
24-25: Thanksgiving break/No School

28: 7th/8th Science Fair
30: Ed Committee Mtg.

December

2: 3rd/4th Chapel
7: School board meeting
8: 2:30 dismissal
21: Noon dismissal
22-Jan 2: Christmas break

Principal's Corner

By Mr. Gritters

The teachers' convention is one of the many highlights of the school year for our teachers. This year marked the 67th Protestant Reformed Teachers' Convention. Teachers and administrators from Michigan, Iowa, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Colorado, California, South Dakota, and Canada gathered for about a day and a half to attend this convention on October 20 – 21 at Hope Protestant Reformed Christian School in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

After the initial coffee time and singing, Professor Doug Kuiper delivered the keynote speech on Thursday morning based on Deuteronomy 20: 1 - 4. His speech was entitled "**Encouraging our Covenant Soldiers**" and his three main points dealt with intimidating enemies, foundational principles, and soldiers encouraging soldiers.

We are in an age-old battle in the capacity of teachers, parents, and church members. Our schools help us train our children/students for the battles they fight. Prof. Kuiper warned us that our enemies are intimidating because they are more in number than we are. They are promoting a blatant disregard in today's society for the Law of God and for the truth of the Scriptures. There is an attack on family, marriage, and education itself. A person's sex identity, homosexuality, and acceptance of many other sins are being pushed in education as being "normal" and not sinful. Satan wants to make us afraid. Therefore, we as teachers and parents need encouragement in this fight. This encouragement comes first of all from God. Jehovah is the only true God and He is with us in His love, faithfulness, and power. Jehovah fights for us!

The Gift of our School

By Mrs. Jacque Van Maanen

What a treasure our school is! The older I get, the more I see this! God has richly blessed us; let us always give thanks to God for this precious place of learning!

Have you thought and prayed for our school lately? We covet your prayers every day! We love to see you walk in school to bring in a lunch pail or homework that was left at home, or serve hot lunch, or come to see a grandchild play in a game. We are so glad so many drive our buses and clean our school! We love it! Thank you on behalf of all at HPRCS for all the prayers you render for us.

Well, let's talk about what we are doing in first grade; we are busy working hard! We are in a routine and have all the sleepy summer thoughts awakened. We are reading and doing some serious subtraction in math each day. Sometimes it can be hard for us, but we need to believe that we can do our work and do it well! In reading, we read about many different things each week. This week we are going to be reading about children with special needs. Last week we read about kindness. Our reading text is beginning to get a little more involved, but we are handling it well. We are thankful Mrs. Westra comes to help us each week. A great bunch of readers is emerging once again! Bible class is the greatest class ever! We are

Nothing is too great for our God. He told us to not be afraid. He will deliver us from the power of sin, Satan, and our own sinful desires. He has placed His Spirit in our hearts and has given us the grace to uphold us against our enemies. We need to encourage each other in this battle as well. God works marvelously and amazingly in the hearts of His people. Teachers need to show the students the glory of our God in all our lessons. We, as teachers, need to pray to God for the strength to fight and to prepare our souls for each day. God uses weak means such as teachers to fulfill His will. The keynote was highly motivating to us as teachers in our classrooms. Pray that He keeps us faithful in our calling to educate His covenant seed. May we as teachers show our love for God's Word which He has placed in our hearts, bringing it to the students with joy and excitement every day.

The convention was again very worthwhile and the teachers received much encouragement and practical knowledge from the keynote speech, the sectionals attended, and the fellowship experienced with all the other teachers of our schools. We would like to thank the Board and constituents for making it possible for us to attend the convention. We also thank God for the spiritual encouragement we received through the teachers' convention and pray that God will continue to bless our covenant schools. The faculty and staff at HPRCS give thanks to God for all He has done for us and wish each of you a blessed Thanksgiving.



learning about Jacob right now and WOW! The stories we learn are amazing! God's word teaches us so many things: we learn about our sinful nature, we learn how God forgives when we ask for forgiveness, and meekness is one thing we try to remind ourselves of each day. God's word is a lifetime of learning, and we are growing in that knowledge each day!

There are so many other things we like to do during the day. We have music with Micah's Mom, PE with Mr. Brummel, we get to listen to the Millers when we work on our handwriting. We have cooking class, and Mrs. Westra comes and helps us with that. We have made pizza, moo moo milkshakes, and rainbow toast. Monkey bread is next on the menu. We have phonics lessons, art and library too. We have busy days and go hard all day long. We really like to go to school and do such great work!

So, you see why our school is so precious to us all? Please keep us in your prayers and especially at this time of year, give thanks to God for giving us our Christian day school!

"It is a GOOD thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High!" Psalm 92:1

Make today amazing!

Mrs. Van Maanen 😊