

# SCHOOL NEWS



"And bade our fathers teach their sons that they His ways might heed." Psalter 215 stanza 4



## School Board Notes

Meeting Held October 6, 2021

1. President Dan Poppema reads from 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 and opens with prayer.
2. Minutes from the previous Monthly Board meeting are received.
3. Minutes from a special board meeting held October 5, 2021 are received for information.
4. The Treasurer's report is received.
5. The Tuition report is received.
6. The Building report is received.
7. The Transportation report is received.
8. The Foundation report is received.
9. The Technology report is received.
10. The Principal's Report is received.
11. The request to include another student in the Resource room is approved.
12. The Education Committee minutes are received.
13. The classroom schedules are approved.
14. The Resource Room report is approved.
15. Songs for the K-2 Chapel are approved.
16. The school is in need of full-time bus drivers and a part time janitor. If we do not find someone willing to drive a bus on a regular basis, we may need to stop running a second route each week.
17. Darrin Brummel closes with prayer.

Next Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, November 3.

**CASH AND CARRY SCRIP IS AVAILABLE ANY SCHOOL DAY IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE!**



## Church Collection Report

Received YTD: \$75,882.46  
 Budgeted YTD: \$ 97,944.93  
 Difference YTD: (\$22,062.47)

## Ladies Guild Notes

The Ladies Guild would like to thank everyone who purchased Cold Stone Creamery ice cream making that fundraiser a success!

Thank you to Christiana Westra and Kathy Poppema for repainting the paw prints and fun games at school for the kids to play!

We are looking forward to the pig-in-the-blanket fundraiser and are hoping to make them the week of October 25. We will be asking for volunteers for making them so those of you that want to reminisce on when you made them for guild, come on out and join us. These will make a yummy, easy supper during harvest or just on busy nights! Fun fact: the last recorded pig-in-the-blanket fundraiser was held in 1996!

The Interscholastic Preview Program for speech and piano will be held Wednesday, October 13th.

Our 10th annual Stop 'n Shop will be held November 13th. Come to Trinity and have wonderful fellowship while getting some shopping done and enjoying a delicious slice of pie for lunch while you are there.

The Harvest Sale is set for Saturday, November 20th.

Donations can be brought to school the week of the auction.

The next guild meeting will be held Monday, November 8. We welcome visitors and new members! Bridget Postma has closing prayer and Candi Vink has lunch. See you there.

"Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart, wait, I say, on the Lord." Ps. 27:14

## School Calendar

- OCTOBER**
- 12: eye screening 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>
  - 14: 2:30 dismissal
  - 16: Honor Band Auditions
  - 18: Parent-teacher conferences aft/evening
  - 19: noon dismissal P-T conf. noon -1:00
  - 20-22: no school PRTI convention
  - 25: interscholastic speech at RVCS
  - 27: picture day (NOT 9/22!)
  - 28: 2:30 dismissal
  - 29: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> chapel
  - 29: end of first quarter
- NOVEMBER**
- 3: school board meeting
  - 11: 2:30 dismissal

## Harvest

By Mrs. Vi De Boer

Whether actively engaged in farming or not, one cannot ignore the season of harvest in our part of the country. The constant whirring of grain elevators as they run dryers to dry down the grain, the giant ambulating machines which take more than their share of the road, the smell of freshly harvested fields, the sight of fields once green, now brown or bare. Harvest is all around us!

So what does harvest in school look like? You can see harvest colors come to life throughout the school on bulletin boards and fall themed art projects. Obviously, no gigantic machines, yet wonderful harvest moments there are. It's not a specific, limited season, but many, many harvest moments.

The student has a harvest moment when a fellow student is willing to help in the classroom or on the playground. The students experience a harvest moment when the teacher tells the class they all did well on a test or behaved well in a certain situation. A student harvests the result of the labors he put into each assignment every day- a reminder that he who sows sparingly also reaps sparingly, but he who sows bountifully shall also reap bountifully. (II Corinthians 9:6)

Teachers, too, experience harvest moments. They rejoice in the harvest of having students who show respect during times of devotions and listen attentively as they are instructed. Teachers "harvest" when they see that gleam of comprehension suddenly come to life in a student's

### Sunny Days in Second Grade

By Mrs. Sharon Keizer

*From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord's name is to be praised."*

*Psalms 113:3*

This beautiful verse from the Psalms is printed at the top of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade memo each week. I asked the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students what they have most enjoyed doing in school that helps make every day in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade a "sunny day" and they responded with many ideas! Here are a few of them:

- Sponge painting checkered owls for art class.
- Rolling the dice and using those digits to pick a new Psalm number to sing in the morning.
- Using a tape measure to measure how far our crickets moved in two minutes for Science Lab.
- Doing our math assignments carefully each day.
- Playing *Spelling Bump* for Daily Five to practice our spelling words and going to the gym if we pass our trial test.
- Sketching twelve baby animals on our art portfolios. (Parents, be sure to check those out in the hallway when you come for conferences!)

eyes. Often teachers experience harvest moments years later when a former student comes up to them and says, "I remember learning /doing \_\_\_\_\_ in your class". The teacher silently thanks the LORD that He gave the increase. (I Corinthians 3:7) A harvest moment for sure. Harvest is intimately tied up with giving thanks. Students give thanks for faithful parents who enable them to experience their "harvest" moments in our Christian schools. They give thanks for their classmates and teachers; they learn so much from both! They give thanks to their heavenly Father for all His blessings in and through the covenant school. Teachers join the students in giving thanks to the LORD of the harvest who gives them harvest moments in their daily teaching experience. Truly harvest blessings abound in our covenant schools. Give thanks to God- the LORD of the harvest-as we await the final harvest!



- Singing the 2nd Grade theme song for this school year-Psalter 204. We can already sing all the verses. We like singing with the 1st and 3rd Graders.
- Having fun on the jungle gym on the playground and playing in the new gym.
- Playing *Around the World with a Friend* in math class to practice adding and subtracting.
- Going to the computer lab to type and print our spelling words every week.
- Reading one or two verses from the Bible each day for Bible class. There are some really long words to read!
- Following along in our Bibles as our teacher reads for devotions in the morning.
- Reading from The Holy Bible every day in school!

We strive to glorify and praise God's name every day in all the things we say and do in our classroom. Serving God and serving each other makes every day a blessing!

I am happy to hear my students talk about how much they enjoy reading their Bibles throughout the school day. They are great readers! Reading every day is important. Reading out loud every day is more important! Reading from our Bibles every day is the most important!!

