

Hull Protestant Reformed Christian School

SCHOOL NEWS

May 2023



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School Board Notes

Meeting Held May 3, 2023

1. President Dan Poppema reads from Galatians 4:1-6 and opens with prayer.
2. Treasurer's Report is received
3. The draft 2023-2024 Budget is received
4. Scrip Report is received
5. Tuition Report is received
6. Building Fund Report is received
7. Transportation Committee gives verbal report
8. Technology Committee gives verbal report
9. Principal's Report is received
10. The Education Committee will meet on May 31, 2023
11. The annual society meeting will be held on June 19, 2023
12. Teacher visit reports are received
13. The song "In Christ Alone" is approved for 8th grade graduation
14. Parental Pickup Policy is adopted
15. Principal Evaluation Summary is completed and approved
16. An insurance committee is formed
17. The Guild committees are approved
18. Brian Van Maanen closes in prayer.

Next Meeting Scheduled for June 7, 2023



Cash and Carry Scrip is available every school day in the school office. Scrip will be available this summer! Please contact Tonia @ 460-0072

Church Collection Report

Received YTD: \$263,213.24
Budgeted YTD: \$304,700.00
Difference YTD: **(\$41,486.78)**

Ladies Guild Notes

May is an exciting and busy time for everyone! Farmers are busy planting their fields, seniors are graduating, 8th graders are moving to the next phase in their education, and evenings are filled with time spent outdoors.

The Annual End-of-the-Year Field Day has been moved to Thursday, May 25, 2023. Be sure to keep checking the memo for details!

A special thank you to those who ordered Flyboy Donuts and attended the Interscholastics events. Your support in donation and/or presence is sincerely appreciated!

If you are wondering what some of the funds that Ladies Guild raised this year were used for, here is a list that gives some idea. Pizza Party to the entire school at Christmas, Christmas gifts to staff and bus drivers, building/grounds-related items, education materials, technology items, replaced the coffee pot for the staff, some library expenses, laminating expenses, kitchen supplies, Interscholastic judging, teacher appreciation costs. This is just a sampling of what the Ladies Guild raises funds for each year! So, without the ongoing efforts of Ladies Guild, tuition costs would undoubtedly rise. If you are not a Ladies Guild member, be sure to attend the next meeting!

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

"And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us."

1 John 3:23-24

School Calendar

- MAY**
- 17: Trailblazer track meet (5th-8th)
 - 17: ALL library books due
 - 18: Informal grade school band concert at 2:30
 - 24: K and 8th graduation at 7 PM at HPRC
 - 25: Last day of school/ end of school year field day/noon dismissal
 - 31: Ed committee meeting
- JUNE**
- 7: School board meeting
 - 19: Annual society meeting

Principal's Corner

By Mr. Gritters

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Another school year is drawing to a close. There are only **nine days of school left until the** students will be dismissed for the summer. Six of our nine grades are still looking forward to their class trips in these last two weeks of the school year. Our 5th-8th graders will be participating in a track meet in Sioux Center on **May 17**. On Thursday, **May 18** we will be having an informal band program at school. This program will feature our 5th-8th grade band members. Finally, our school's 47th graduation exercise is scheduled for Wednesday evening, **May 24** at 7:00 in the Hull Protestant Reformed Church with Rev. Regnerus giving the graduation address. The theme of this year's graduating class is "**Christ our Strength**", and their class text is from Philipians 4:13. Everyone is invited to attend the graduation exercise and celebrate the evening with this year's graduating class. The 13 members of the graduating class of 2023 are: Amos Andringa, Danica Blankespoor, Joshua Boonstra, Boyd Groeneweg, Keely Groeneweg, Kierra Heynen, Tyce Klein,

Bryce Uittenbogaard, Skyler Van Bommel, Ali Van Der Brink, Brendan Van Maanen, Landon Van Meeteren, and Colton Westra.

Congratulations to the graduates! I wish them the Lord's blessings as they leave our school to continue their education at the high school. It is my prayer that the graduates will, by God's grace, submit to His will and pray for spiritual strength in the paths He has prepared for them in His eternal counsel. My prayer is that they continue to grow in the wisdom and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ throughout all the days of their lives. Thanks be to God for providing them with this covenant education.

The Board and staff of our school would like to take this time to thank all those who have made the daily operation of our school possible again this year. We also want to thank you for all the support shown to our school, the Board, and the staff throughout the school year. It was another exciting year with much intellectual and spiritual growth seen in our students. We thank God for blessing us with this covenant school to educate His children in the fear of His name. Have a wonderful summer!

Fourth Grade Final Finishes

By: Mrs. Brenda Regnerus

The month of May has zoomed in, and the end of the year is near! The fourth graders remain dedicated in their zeal during the final weeks. In Bible we continue our study of Israel's early history- from Genesis to Judges. We have seen how our sinful nature is just like the Israelites- stubborn and prone to complaining! Listening to our classmates or teacher is always a struggle for us—we want to promote ourselves. We also see how easy it is to become friends with the world around us, but it can be a challenge to maintain friendships with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

A new curriculum in Math has brought changes. We no longer need to copy our problems on a loose-leaf paper; but instead we can just tear a page out of our disposable booklets. We do more analyzing and discussing in work groups. The amount of work required each day has increased. We continue to monitor our growth as we use this new math series.

Reading helped us travel to places all over the United States and the world. These stories have aided us in our social studies and science curriculums. We read about Lewis and Clark, Jim Thorpe, Yosemite National Park, arroyos, cloudbursts, encantados, tornadoes, hurricanes, and South American rain forests. We even flew to Antarctica and to Egypt- with Napoleon and The Rosetta Stone. The students learned to appreciate many



different cultures and genres. Hopefully, their reading horizon has expanded to many new fields of interest.

Nearing the finish line in our social studies journey across the United States, we are in our last chapter, "The West". Through this journey we have seen the similarities and diversities found in each geographical section of our country. We live in an amazing land- from the redwood forests to the Outer Banks, from the Mesabi Range to the Gulf Stream waters. We have marveled at God's beauty and power! We are especially thankful for the terrific soil found in the Middle West!

God's creation of the lesser light has been our focus in Science. Our class has been charting our daily sightings of the moon since the "New Moon". We noticed the growing (waxing) changes until suddenly we have a "full moon" of light. But soon the waning phases will begin.

These are just a few of the highlights of studies in our final finish in fourth grade. May God bless you in the summer months!