

# IRETON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## Weekly School Note

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### PRAYER CORNER



**\*\*Year's Theme: "Armor of God"**

**\*\*February Theme: Shield of Faith**

**Memory verse: Ephesians 6: 16 "In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can distinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one."**

#### Prayer:

*Dear God, your understanding and spiritual guidance fills my heart and mind completely. Your guiding Holy Spirit directs my every step. In all that I do, I acknowledge your holy presence and give thanks for the wisdom, strength and serenity you give me.*

*You, dear Father, are my Infinite source of Peace, Love and Wisdom. Your Love enfolds me and your light illuminates me.*

*Thank you for always being with me. Amen*

**Prayer Request:** *Pray for Benjy, Nicki, Connor & Ashton Weida as Benjy's mother passed away Monday in Florida. Pray for comfort for the family. Pray for safe travel as Benjy and Nicki fly back home on Saturday night.*

*Pray for Pastor Dave & Lori Heilman and family of Orange City in the sudden death of their oldest daughter, Tina.*

### HOT LUNCH MENU

**THURSDAY, Feb. 16** - Chicken & Rice, peas, kiwi, bread, milk

**FRIDAY, Feb. 17** - Pizza, green beans, pears, Reese PB cookies, milk

**MONDAY, Feb. 20**- NO SCHOOL

**TUESDAY Feb. 21** - Popcorn shrimp, carrots, kiwi, donuts, milk

**WEDNESDAY Feb. 22** -Spaghetti, lettuce, peaches, bread sticks, milk

### SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY, Feb 15** - Ireton Cadets meet 6:30 – 8:00

**FRIDAY, Feb. 17** – All School Chapel (Wear Chapel T-Shirts)

**MONDAY, Feb. 20** – No School – Presidents Day

**Feb. 27 – Mar 2** – Teacher Appreciation Week

**TUESDAY, Feb. 28** – Society/PTA/Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM

**TUESDAY, March 6** – Kindergarten Round-Up

**TUESDAY, March 13** - Choir Festival at Western Christian – Grades 6-8

**BOX TOP COLLECTORS:** Bring in your collected box tops by Friday, Feb. 17, so they can be mailed in by the deadline. Remember to cut them down to the lines and put in small bags of 50. We made \$400 first semester. Let's make a goal of \$600 for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. To make it fun, we will have a competition by classrooms based on percentage of box tops brought in. The winning class will get a popcorn/pop party.

**READING PROGRAM FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY** – Read-A-Million Minutes takes the place of Reading Rodeo (Book It) for the month of February. A different colored sheet will be sent home each week. Each class is required to read a certain amount of minutes for the week, fill out and return the sheet each week to attend the party on March 2. (K –105 min/week, 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> – 140 min/week, 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> – 210 min/week)

#### FEBRUARY IS SPIRIT MONTH:

February 13-17 – Pixie Week

February 24 – "Crazy Hair, Pajamas, Lollipops" Day

March 2 – RAMM party (for all who meet required reading minutes for month of February); "Minute to Win It" & Mystery Dinner.

**SPRING CONCERT PACKETS** should have been turned in on Friday, February 3. **If you have not done so yet, please do as soon as possible.** There is a box in the office that the completed packets can be put in.

**TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK:** The PTA has designated the week of Feb 27-March 2 as our annual teacher/staff appreciation week. It is a time that we can show appreciation to each of the people at ICS for all they do. Each day you are encouraged to show your appreciation. Listed are some suggestions for each day: Monday: Note pad/Stickers; Tuesday: Pens (red)/Dry erase markers; Wednesday: Note of appreciation/Baked goods; Thursday: Beverage (hot or cold)/ Fruit; Friday: Kid's choice – be creative!

**Society/PTA/Auxiliary Meeting** is Tuesday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. PTA guest speaker is Wayne Dykstra, Principal at UCHS. He will discuss preparing for High School and 1:1 technology. The 2012-2013 proposed budget is attached - please take it with you to the meeting.

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### **TRIP IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**Just a reminder when there is a late start or no school do to snow on a TRIP order date – orders need to be in the office as soon as school starts.** There were several orders that were not turned in on time this week – they will be filled with what is available on hand but the rest of the order will not be ordered until our next order date of March 3.

Since the order date was postponed to Tuesday I am not sure if everything will be here by Friday. If the national order comes in I will send home what I have on Friday otherwise the orders will be coming home next Tuesday.

A Lasting Impression Hair Salon has joined the voucher program. They will give a 5% donation. There will be vouchers available on the TRIP link of the website within a few days.

Also during the school year, on hand inventory is now only going to be available on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:15-2:00 at the school office.

**Next TRIP order date is Monday, March 5.** Please have orders and payment to the office by 8:45 that morning.

**MOMS IN PRAYER:** will meet February 23.

**Isaac Van Beek is selling Sioux Center Pizza Ranch coupon booklets.** The value is over \$80. The cost is \$10 made payable to Boys Scouts.

**Teacher Appreciation Week** has been set for the week of Feb. 27 – March 2. To make the week special for the teachers, we would like to have parents volunteer to supervise lunch time for each class. This will give the teachers a much deserved break and the opportunity to enjoy lunch with their fellow teachers! If you are able to come over the noon hour (11:30 – 12:15) please call Cindy D. (441-2063) to set up a day and to ask any questions. Cost for an adult meal is \$2.00.

**Ireton Cadets** will be meeting Wed. Feb. 15, 6:30 – 8:00.

**THERE WAS A GLASS PAN** left from Spud Night at school. It it's yours, please come and claim. *Thanks.*

**Found:** a Lexar JumpDrive was found in the milk caps. If it's yours you can claim it at the school office.

### **SPRING CONCERT TIME!!**

That time of the year is here again! The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual I.C.S. Bluegrass Concert will take place on April 21, 2012 at the BJ Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. This year's entertainment will be the "Link Family" and the "Knutson Family" Bands. You will notice that you all have been given extra names to contact this year, due to the committee dividing out Le Roy's contact names. Please remember this is a HUGE part of our school's financial needs!

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE THANK YOU no matter when you decide to send them out. Just remember to do this step! It is vitally important. You don't know how many contributors will mention if they did nor didn't receive a thank you. Your follow-up can make a difference in consistent contributors.

Please **DON'T PROCRASTINATE!** This is an I.C.S. MAJOR FUNDRAISER! It has been very successful because of parents who have a sincere passion for our school and Christian education. But, it takes each and everyone of us! We realize that solicitation can be a scary thing but, the businesses, you're approaching have been involved with this fundraiser before. In a round-a-bout way, most of them are expecting you.

One last note, remember, in your presentation, that you are representing our institution. Be professional and appreciative for whatever is given or not given.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any of the committee members: Le Roy Punt, Leah Schoonhoven, Tammy Sieck, Angela Liston, and Amy Noyes.

**Pixie Week** –Throughout this week students were encouraged to give their "pixie" notes & treats as a way of showing kindness and love toward one another. On Friday, Feb. 17 they will find out who their secret "Pixie" was. On Thursday bring a candy item and on Friday – 1 snack item and 1 drink item for the "Pixie" party.

**Calvin CRC will host it's Eighth Annual Praise Band Fest** on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 7PM. Longing to hear some live contemporary Christian music? Come and hear four worship bands from NW College, Dordt College, Hawarden CRC and Calvin church from LeMars each play and sing their favorite music for twenty minutes. All are invited to join in worship as they are led. To conclude the evening, members of all four groups will join together in a mass number. Please come enjoy an enjoyable evening of praise to glorify our awesome God at Calvin CRC, on the corner of Fourth Ave. and Seventh ST SE in LeMars. A free will offering will be given to the Youth Asylum in LeMars. Refreshments will be served.