

# Crusader Chronicles



**OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

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**November 17, 2023**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 17	KK-8th Fall Music Program
Nov. 17	No BB Practice
Nov. 20	Girls BB home game vs. Newton, 4:30
Nov. 21	8th Graders visit Pella Christian High
Nov. 21	Girls BB Practice 3:30-5:30
Nov. 22	Noon Dismissal, no Osky buses all day
Nov. 23-24	Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 27	No School for Teacher Professional Learning
Nov. 28	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
Nov. 29	2:15 Dismissal with Osky Buses
Nov. 29 & 30	Hearing Tests for SONshine, KK, 1st, 2nd, 5th
Nov. 30	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
Dec. 1	Cookie Decorating, 9:00 a.m.
Dec. 1	No BB Practice
Dec. 2	Willing Workers Bake Sale/Vendor Fair
Dec. 2	Pick up Poinsettia orders
Dec. 4	Girls BB Practice 3:30-5:30
Dec. 5	Girls BB home game vs. Osky, 4:30
Dec. 6	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Dec. 7	Girls BB game at Ankeny Christian, 4:00
Dec. 8	Praise & Worship Time, 8:15-8:50
Dec. 8	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30



**Our all-school FALL MUSIC PROGRAM** celebrating the Fruit of the Spirit is TONIGHT! ALL students –Transitional Kindergarten through eighth grade- are required to participate in the program. The program will include performances by the middle school band, KK-4th and 5th – 8th choirs, and our all school theme song.

These are the times students need to be at school tonight:

•**Jr High Band Students** should be at school in the music room by 6:30 p.m.

•**Piano Prelude Students** should be in the little music room by 6:40 p.m.

•**Middle School Non-Band Students** should report to the eighth grade room by 6:50 p.m.

•**Fifth Grade Students** should report to their room by 6:50 p.m.

•**KK-4 Students** should report to their classrooms between 6:45-7:00 p.m.

•Students will stay together with their class in their rooms for the parts of the program when they are not performing.

All students should be dressed in our school theme shirts (Be Fruitful) and nice pants.

***Celebrate as community an evening of music and fruitful praise of our God!***

## REMINDERS



•**Thanksgiving Break** will begin on Wednesday, November 22 with a noon dismissal. There will be no morning or afternoon Osky buses, so please provide transportation for your children for that entire day. On Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 we will have no school for Thanksgiving Break. On Monday, November 27 we will have no school for Teacher Professional Learning.

•**Due to the short week of school** for Thanksgiving break, there will be no Crusader Chronicles printed next week. Any communication to parents that is needed next week will be done by email.

•**Report cards** were emailed on Wednesday to parents of 1st-8th graders. Please let us know if you did not receive yours. Kinder Kids will receive report cards before Christmas break.

•**Thanks to everyone who has signed up for our Willing Workers Christmas Bake Sale!** Please pick up the packaging supplies for your items from your oldest child's classroom TONIGHT following the Music Program. Thanks to everyone for your help in making this year's bake sale a success!

•**Attention families who live outside the Oskaloosa School District:** Information was emailed to you earlier this week about how you can be reimbursed for mileage for providing your child's transportation to school. Just bring completed forms to your residing school district by December 1. Extra forms are in our school office if needed and can be sent home by contacting Patti.

•**Hearing Tests** will be administered by the local AEA on November 29 and 30 for students in SONshine, KK, 1, 2, and 5. If you have a hearing concern for your child who is not in these grades, please call or email the school office so that he/she can be tested also.

•**Parents, just a reminder** that any students who are attending our home basketball games are expected to be in the gym watching the game, and not roaming the hallways. Thank you for your cooperation.

**BAKE SALE/VENDOR FAIR!** Come to our Willing Workers Christmas Bake Sale and Vendor Fair December 2 from 8 am-1pm in the gym. A flyer with more information will be attached to today's parent email. Feel free to share it!



**Cookie Decorating at Oskaloosa Christian!** Mark your calendars to join the Christmas Cookie Committee for a fun morning of decorating cookies on Friday,

December 1. We will begin at 9:00 in the gym. We will not be able to offer childcare again this year. All skill levels are welcome; you do not need to know how to frost cookies. We need people willing to sprinkle, sort cookies, and organize cookies as well! Please come out for some great fellowship as we work together to help make this fundraiser a blessing for our school!

### **BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!**

- Wednesday, Nov. 22: Noon dismissal, no Osky buses all day
- Wednesday, Nov. 29: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Dec. 6: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Dec. 13: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lila Clingan	November 18
Henry Steinbach	November 19
Claire Swope	November 19
Mrs. Leah Stam	November 19
Elijah Watts	November 19
Carter Hook	November 20
Amara Bowen	November 23
Jonathan Stam	November 25
Louise Vermeulen	November 30

## TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)

**TRIP orders are due by Noon in the office on these dates,** and can be picked up on Fridays of the same week.

**Upcoming order dates:** Nov. 28 (Tuesday due to no school on Monday), Dec. 4, 11, Jan. 8

**•We will be doing 2 national orders per month this year.** Order dates will be published in the Crusader Chronicles.

And remember that TRIP cards make a great gift as you think about your Christmas giving this year! •Cash and Carry cards can sell fast during the holiday season. Place an order to guarantee you will receive the cards you need! December 11 will be the last day or place an order for Christmas!

### ADVANCE NOTICE! Christmas Dinner!

Parents, save the date for our annual Christmas Dinner. You will all be invited to join your children and the staff for our Christmas Dinner and Chapel in the gym. This will be held Friday, December 15 at 11:00. Reserve the date to join us! More details will be coming December 1.



### Wilhelmina Dutch Peppermints are for sale!

The price is \$3.00 per box or you can buy a whole show box of 12 for \$36.00! They make great stocking stuffers and thank you gifts! They sell fast, so contact any 8th grader or stop by the school office to purchase yours soon. A BIG THANK YOU to all those who faithfully support this 8th grade fundraiser every year!



## Legacy of Grace

SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION

One of the means for us to bless families to have access to a quality Christian education is through the Legacy of Grace School Tuition Organization (LOG-STO). This state program allows for individuals and businesses to donate money to help families with tuition at a private school, receiving a 75% state tax credit of the donation. As an example, if you donate one hundred dollars to the LOG-STO, you will receive a state tax credit of \$75, which reduces your state tax liability. In other words, you can dictate where some of your state tax money will go by making a donation to LOG-STO.

Our LOG-STO can raise a total of \$552,935 to help families who desire to send their children to a Christian school. A donation of any size would help us to move closer to our goal. Would you please prayerfully consider a gift to the LOG-STO to help a family access Christian education for their children? Please visit the website, [www.logsto.org](http://www.logsto.org), for more information and a donation form. Thank you.

## HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



Nov. 20-Dec. 1

Monday: Chili Soup, Carrots, Peaches, WG Cinnamon Roll  
 Tuesday: Chicken Patty on a WG Bun, French Fries, Pears, Bar  
 Wednesday: Noon dismissal, no school lunch  
 Thursday: Mom's Turkey!  
 Friday: Mom's Turkey Leftovers!

### Week of November 27:

Monday: No School  
 Tuesday: Hamburger/Cheeseburger on WG Bun, French Fries, Pineapple, Pudding  
 Wednesday: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll  
 Thursday: Mac-n-Cheese w/Ham, Broccoli, Mandarin Oranges, WG Cinnamon Squares  
 Friday: Bosco Sticks w/marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Pears, Yogurt



Thank You!

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to lunch ladies Carol and Linda, who prepared and served a delicious Thanksgiving feast for us yesterday. **We are thankful for you!**

**Thanksgiving Rotations:** On Wednesday, November 22 all students will participate in several Thanksgiving activities. These activities are to help focus our hearts on being grateful for what God has done for us. Some of the activities include Thanksgiving bowling, bingo, charades, Thanksgiving trivia, Turkey grams, and Turkey Run movement. This is a wonderful community building activity for our students! A Thanksgiving Chapel hosted by the teachers will begin at 11:00. All parents and friends are invited to join us!

**A Lost and Found table is set up by the office.** Parents and students are welcome to check it at any time for items your family may be missing. All unclaimed items will be boxed up right after Christmas break and donated to a local charity.



### SONshine this year is going to do a Cranberry Stone Bakery

**Cupcake Fundraiser!** They are a delicious bakery out of Pella! Cranberry Stone says their cupcakes freeze well so keep that in mind for future events. Our Fundraiser this year will be going toward Religious Instructions and Gifts to families of SONshine. The order forms are due back to the OCSI front desk or SONshine room on January 17th and the cupcakes will be in on January 24th. Pick up place and time will be determined later. Payment is due the time of dropping off your order form. Please make checks payable to SONshine Preschool.

A few things to keep in mind when placing your order. The cupcakes must be ordered in increments of 6. You can mix any combination of cupcakes in that six. Whether it be 6 different cupcakes, 2 of each or 6 of one kind of cupcake.

Order forms are available in the school office and will also be attached to today's parent email.

If you have any questions please contact me at [samvee12@gmail.com](mailto:samvee12@gmail.com) or 641-204-1484. Thank you for all the support!

-Sami De Bruin, SONshine Board Member

*"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful."* -Colossians 3:15

