

Crusader Chronicles



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 16	Pajama Dress-up Day
Oct. 17	Color Wars Dress-up Day (see more info below)
Oct. 18	Tourist/Vacation Dress-up Day
Oct. 18	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 19	School Spirit Dress-up Day
Oct. 19	Noon dismissal with Osky buses, no school lunch
Oct. 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00
Oct. 19	Book Fair 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Oct. 20	No School, PT Conferences 8:30-noon
Oct. 20	Book Fair 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Oct. 24	Girls Basketball Practice, 3:30-5:30 - 1st day!
Oct. 25	KK-8 attend Mary Poppins at PCHS
Oct. 25	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 26	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
Oct. 27	Chapel Groups activity, 8:15 am
Oct. 27	Picture Retakes
Oct. 27, 30, 31	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
Oct. 30	Poinsettia/Planter Orders are due
Nov. 1	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Nov. 2, 3, 6	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
Nov. 7	Girls Basketball game at Grandview, 4:15
Nov. 8	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Nov. 9	Middle School Music Festival



THEME SHIRTS!!

Order forms for chapel theme shirts will be available during parent-teacher conferences next Thursday and Friday.

Sizes available: youth small through adult 3XL.

Colors: royal blue, navy blue, maroon, red, orange, Kelly green, military green, purple, gold, turquoise, light pink, and desert pink.

Prices: youth-adult xl are \$10, 2xl-larger are \$15

Checks can be made out to OSCI.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Tiffany Roozeboom (roozeboomt@oskaloosachristian.net) or Joy Mitchell (mitchellj@oskaloosachristian.net).

SPIRIT WEEK! October 16-19

Next week we will have school-wide dress-up days!

Monday - Pajama Day

Tuesday - Color Wars (8th-blue, 7th-yellow, 6th-purple, 5th-orange, 4th-pink, 3rd-green, 2nd-red, 1st-gray, KK-brown, staff-black)

Wednesday - Tourist/Vacation Day

Thursday - School Spirit

A reminder to sign up for our Willing Workers Christmas Bake Sale! We are asking each school family to donate at least one Christmas treat to sell at our upcoming sale on December 2. The sign-up link will be included in today's parent email.

REMINDERS



•**Parent/Teacher Conferences are next week** for all grades, KK through 8th, on Thursday, October 19 from 1:00-8:00 pm and Friday, October 20 from 8:30 am - noon. Schedules will be emailed from teachers to parents early next week. We will be keeping a strict schedule, so please do not be late for the time you signed up for. The DIBELS reading assessment and MAP testing results will be shared during conferences. We ask that students not attend conferences unless requested by their teacher. **We look forward to connecting with all of our parents for our fall conferences!**

•**Next Thursday, October 19 we will dismiss at noon** for parent/teacher conferences. There will be Osky buses for our dismissal and no school lunch will be served. There will be **no school at all next Friday, October 20.**

•**Advance Notice:** All KK-8th students will be attending Pella Christian High School's performance of Mary Poppins during the school day of Wednesday, October 25. More details next week.

•**Parents, be sure to check the lost and found table** that will be set up during conferences next week. Anything unclaimed will be donated to a local charity!

•**School Directories** were sent home this week with students who are the oldest child in their family. Please check the information for your family and let Patti know if anything is incorrect. Thank you!

The Willing Workers are selling Poinsettias and Spruce Tip Planters again this year!



Both items will be coming from De Jong's Greenhouse. The poinsettias are in red, white, and ice crystal colors and come in a 6.5" wrapped pot for \$15.00. Poinsettia colors are limited so order EARLY! The spruce tip planters come in a 12 inch pot, are approximately 2-3 feet tall and cost \$40.00. To order, please fill out the google form online (google link will be included in today's parent email), or stop by the school office. Order forms were also sent home with all students today. All orders and payments must be turned in at the school office **by October 30.** Pre-ordered plants can be picked up from school on Friday, December 1 from 3:00-5:30pm or on Saturday, Dec. 2 at the Christmas Vendor Fair/Bake Sale from 8:00am - 9:00am. Please contact Leah Bruxvoort at 641-295-6190 with questions.



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Believe Kids fundraiser. All orders have been sent to the company and we should be finalizing a delivery date within the next week. Be watching for that date to be announced soon. It will be sometime in mid-November. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kristin Van Zee at vanzeek@oskaloosachristian.net.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, Oct. 18: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Thursday, Oct. 19: Noon dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Oct. 25: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Clara De Boef	October 14
Addilyn Steinbach	October 14
Mrs. Shawna Goemaat	October 15
Natalie Boender	October 18
Carter Younger	October 19

HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



Oct. 16-20

Monday: Crisпитos, Nachos with cheese, Broccoli, Peaches, WG Dinner Roll
 Tuesday: Chicken Patty on WG Bun, Green Beans, Applesauce, Bar
 Wednesday: Beef-n-Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll
 Thursday: No Lunch - Noon dismissal
 Friday: No Lunch - No School

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: Oct. 23, Nov. 14, 28 (Tuesdays due to no school on those Mondays)

•We will be doing 2 national orders per month this year.

Order dates will be published in the Crusader Chronicles.

•REGISTER! If you have not registered for TRIP for this school year please do so as soon as possible in the school office. The forms need to be filled out EVERY year!

Did you know your TRIP credit can be used for hot lunch payments and after school care costs? TRIP credits are deposited into school family accounts in May and can be used the following year.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Kristin Plate at trip@oskaloosachristian.net or 641-670-0583.

ADVANCE NOTICE! Christmas Dinner!

Parents, the date has been set 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 later.



SCHOOL PICTURES were sent home with students earlier this week. Retake day is scheduled for the morning of Friday, October 27. If you would like your child's picture retaken, please return the entire picture package on retake day or before. If your child was absent for our first picture day, extra order forms are available in the office if needed, or you can order online at www.bcschoolpictures.com. If you have any questions, feel free to call Connie at B & C School Pictures at 641-682-6357 or email bcschoolpictures@pcsia.net.

BOOK FAIR! We will once again have a Book Fair this year during our Parent/Teacher Conferences. This year our book fair will be through PaperPie with Jenessa Kaisand as our Educational Representative. We will carry books primarily for grades PreK-5th grade, but offer titles for toddlers through junior high, too! It will be held in the gym on Thursday, October 19 from 12:00pm - 8:00pm, and on Friday, October 20 from 8:00 am- 12:00pm. You can order in person or online using this link: <https://d6532.paperpie.com/Event/2570331>

Deadline for ordering will be Wednesday, October 25.



Oskaloosa Christian is always striving to find ways to be more efficient in our administrative services. As a school we have recently purchased and begun the process of implementing the FACTS SIS (Student Information System). This online portal uses innovative software to streamline processes within the school for administrators, teachers and families.

Currently FACTS is being used for Tuition Management and Grant & Aid applications. This includes LOG-STO assistance, but not ESA Funding. Once a month we will be highlighting the other things FACTS will do for us such as: School Lunch Tracking, Online Registration, Student Grade Reports, Scheduling and Parent Alerts. If you have not already set up your portal, please do it soon! Contact Anne for support at bookkeeper@oskaloosachristian.net.

October Chapel

Fruit of the Spirit: SELF-CONTROL

Thanks to the 4th & 5th graders for hosting!



"The K-8 students learned about self-control today. Pastor Doug Vander Pol talked about The Temptation of Jesus, and the 4th and 5th graders reminded us that God gives us the power to say "NO!" when we are tempted."