

Crusader Chronicles



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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October 4, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 4	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 4	Deadline for Believe Kids Fundraiser
Oct. 5 & 6	No School for Professional Development
Oct. 11	PT Conferences Signup Deadline
Oct. 11	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 13	K-8th Chapel, 8:15 a.m.
Oct. 18	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
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, 30, 31	Girls BB Practice, 3:30-5:30
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

REMINDERS



•Our teachers will be attending Professional Development this week on October 5 and 6 in Pella. There will be no school on those two days. Today we will have our normal 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses.

•Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held 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. Sign-up is again being handled through a link to signupgenius.com. This link was emailed on Tuesday to all school parents who have two or more children in KK-8th. This allows them to sign up for more than one teacher for back-to-back conferences. It was also emailed to our parents who have a SONshine Preschool student so that they can also sign up for back to back conferences with the SONshine teachers. On **Friday, October 6** the link will be emailed to all parents. **We are asking ALL families to sign up** so that Dibels and Map Testing results can be reviewed. Signup deadline is Wednesday, October 11.

•The 2023 Christmas Bake Sale/Vendor Event will be held Saturday, December 2nd from 8am to 1pm. If you own a home-based business or are a crafter, you may purchase a designated spot to sell your goods. Please contact Mary Beth Jackson at 777-4635 or Kristi Jabaay at 319-899-8342.

•Everyone is invited to our next KK-8th chapel on Friday, October 13. The 4th and 5th grade classes will be hosting on the theme of self-control. Chapel will begin at 8:15 in the gym. Visitors are welcome to use the south door to attend chapel and do not need to sign in at the office. Students, remember to wear your theme shirts for chapel days!

•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 to come.



Thank you for all of your support for our Believe Kids fundraiser. All packets should have been turned in today.

If you have not turned yours in yet, please make arrangements to get them to Kristin Van Zee before noon on Thursday as the final order will be faxed to the company shortly after that. Be watching for the delivery date that will be sometime in mid-November. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kristin Van Zee at vanzeeek@oskaloosachristian.net or 641-672-9723.



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.

A link to this year's first edition of *The Highlights* will be emailed to parents on Monday. We would like it to be available to as many people as possible, so please share it with grandparents, friends and anyone else who may be interested in our school and its mission. The Highlights will also be emailed to the churches who financially support our school, and will be posted on our school's website where anyone else can access it.

This year's Highlights is primarily the work of our Advancement Committee, specifically Mary Beth Jackson and Janel Campbell. We thank them for all their work. A winter and spring issue will also be published during this school year.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, Oct. 4: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Oct. 11: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- 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

Kate De Bruin	October 6
Sara De Boef	October 6
Mrs. Tracy Klucas	October 9
Mrs. Rebecca Hoksbergen	October 9
David Haman	October 11
Elizabeth Jabaay	October 11

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. 9 & 23, Nov. 14, 28 (Tuesdays due to no school on those Mondays)

•**There will be no national orders** processed the first week of October due to no school October 5 and 6.

•**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.

HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



Oct. 9-13

Monday: Maidrite on WG Bun, French Fries, Mixed Fruit, Bar

Tuesday: Tacos, Lettuce, Cheese, Corn, Peaches, WG Dinner Roll

Wednesday: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Pears, WG Roll

Thursday: Mac-n-Cheese with Ham, Carrots, Blueberries, WG Cinnamon Squares

Friday: Mozzarella Cheese Sticks, Baked Beans, Mixed Fruit, Yogurt

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.



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.



Have a wonderful long weekend!!