

Calvin Christian Middle School

Rooted and Growing Arraigado y Creciendo

“And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow Him. Let your roots grow down into Him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong.” Colossians 2: 6-7 (NLT)

CCMS WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR 11/30/23

Verses of the Week

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done." 1 Chronicles 16:8

One morning this week, I found myself having to be in a classroom for a teacher who needed to attend a meeting. This was a first period class so we started off with devotions. This particular morning, I asked the class if anyone had recently heard a devotional thought from church, a teacher, or home that they wanted to share. Nobody seemed eager, so I shared with these students what God has placed on my heart recently...the importance of regular prayer.

As a group, we discussed how we don't go to our Father enough in prayer and it often feels like an afterthought. It was also mentioned that our prayers can often be transactional, where we promise God something if He does something for us in return. Together as a group, we marveled at the fact that God gave us prayer as a way to communicate with Him and as a way for God to use us to accomplish His great plan for the World.

This past Tuesday in chapel, we learned how God is using a local organization, Unknown Nations, to accomplish God's great plan by sending audio Bible to places where the Gospel has gone unheard. To close, he said the best way people can partner with them in this work is to simply pray for the work they are doing and that people receiving the Bible recordings would receive the gospel message.

God has taken numerous moments in my life over the past week to remind me that regular prayer is an important part of being *rooted and growing*. And I'm thankful to be a part of a community that gets to take prayer seriously and have it be a part of our daily rhythms.

In Christ,

Continued Prayers: *Please keep Bill and Susan Haagsma, and their children in your prayers as they navigate Susan's leukemia diagnosis. Specifically, please pray for the chemotherapy to work and send Susan into remission and for Susan to stay in good health during this time to help fight the cancer.*

If you want to follow Susan's journey, a [CaringBridge](#) page has been set up.

Some of you have asked how the Haagsma's can be supported during this time. A [Sign Up Genius](#) with needs has been set up and will be updated as needs arise.

Happy Birthday!

12/1 Annie VanStempvoort
12/1 Rachel VanStempvoort
12/2 Mr. Malefyt
12/2 Mia DeBoer
12/3 Eli Berkenpas
12/4 Oliver Snyder



Upcoming Dates

12/2 City of Grandville Christmas on the Commons (6th grade choir)
12/12 Game Club 2:30-4pm
12/22 - Half day of school, dismiss at 11:30 AM

Yearbook Cover Contest

You could be the next yearbook cover designer! All CCMS students are invited to enter a design in our yearbook cover contest. The winner will have their design featured as the cover of the 23-24 yearbook.



Yearbook Cover Contest

Fri-Yay

Bring your \$1!

Dec. 1 - Orange & Root Beer Floats
Dec. 8 - Chips & Pop
Dec. 15 - Christmas Cookies

Reminder to 6th Grade Parents

This coming Saturday evening, December 2, our choir will present a short outdoor Christmas program from **6-6:30 pm**. This joyous concert *is also required* of our students as part of their learning and serving in our wider community at The Grandville Christmas on the Commons.

Please refer to the 6th Grade Note sent this past Monday for details.

Grandville Calvin Christian After-School Tutoring (CAST) program

WHAT: After-school tutoring for your middle-school student (provided by CCHS students)

WHEN: Mondays, Tuesday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

TIME: 2:40 pm - 3:40 pm each session

FEE: \$10.00 per session paid directly to the high-school student tutor

Parents and families - CCMS provides after-school tutoring (CAST) for students who may need a little extra assistance with a particular subject, guidance with general organizational skills, help with homework, etc. This program is a great way for students to meet high-school students who are outstanding young people, who have a heart and gift of helping others, and can be a student mentor to their younger classmates.

If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, please contact Mr. Jenkins (cjenkins@gccsmi.org) for more information.

CCMS Winter Sport Registration

TOMORROW IS THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP!

Please note: 6th Grade Girls Volleyball event is not yet determined.

CCMS Sports Registration

Develop your basketball skills and learn the value of team play during Calvin Christian's winter basketball clinics!

The clinics focus on skill development, team play, defense, and rebounding. This is a fun opportunity during the winter months to further your child's basketball development! Varsity coaches and players will lead the camp.

More details and signup:

Boys' Camp

Girls' Camp

Helpful Links

**December Hot Lunch
Menu**

**Student Hot Lunch
Account**

CCMS Student-Parent Handbook

Middle School Sports

*All game information is now on the middle school calendar on the website.
The link is below.*

All games are at 4:00 p.m. unless stated otherwise.

8th Grade Boys Basketball

12/1 Game Home vs. Westside - 4:15pm in HS gym

12/4 Practice 6:30-8pm

12/5 Game Home vs. Dutton

12/6 Practice 2:45-4:30pm

12/7 Game Away @ Hudsonville Christian

7th Grade Boys Basketball GREEN

12/4 Practice 2:45 - 4:15pm

12/6 Game Away @ Hudsonville Christian

12/7 Game Away @ Westside Christian

7th Grade Boys Basketball GOLD

12/4 Practice 5-6:30pm

12/5 Game Home vs Dutton Christian- 5:15pm

12/7 Game Away @ Heritage Christian- 5:15pm

Middle School Game Schedule

District Wide Announcements

KEY CARD BOOKS AND BIGGBY COFFEE COUPON BOOKS:

Pick yours up today in the middle or high school offices, or the business office! The Key Card books are \$30 and the Biggby coupon book is \$25. All proceeds go to the Athletic boosters.

Requested Announcements

Wyldlife - The next Wyldlife is Tuesday, December 5, from 7:30-8:30 PM at the Dykstras. Theme: Christmas Club!

Design Position Available - Looking for an interesting, creative full or part-time job? Join the friendly team at DeHaan Tile and Floor Covering as a showroom design consultant!

Design Consultant

Love Your Neighbor offers a Community Christmas Shopping event

for families in Grandville, Jenison, and Hudsonville on December 8 and 9. The parent/guardian pays \$5 per child and gets to shop for 3 gifts per child, plus stocking stuffers. If you could benefit from this, please call their office for a brief intake. The due date for sign-ups is November 29. Click the button for complete information.

Community Christmas Store

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