

The Growing Edge

Your Midland Christian School Weekly News Source
Friday, November 30, 2007

- ⇒ **BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:** The MCS Basketball Schedule has had a few changes since it was distributed two weeks ago so an updated copy has been attached to today's Growing Edge. Athletic schedules are also available online at www.MidlandChristianSchool-mi.org.
- ⇒ **CHRISTMAS MUSICAL:** This year's Christmas Musical is entitled, "Mystery of the Manger," and it is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11th, at 7:00 p.m. in the MCS Gymnasium. Preschool and Kindergarten children need to wear their Christmas best for the program. First through sixth graders should wear a plain white top, plain black pants, and black socks. Your child will not be wearing shoes on stage. If your child needs a special costume, a note was sent home last week. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Heather Bourdon at the school, 835-9881, if you have any questions.
- ⇒ **MCS SWEATSHIRT ORDERS:** If you want to order an MCS Sweatshirt or T-shirt before Christmas, orders must be turned into the office first thing Monday morning (Dec. 3rd). An order form is attached.
- ⇒ **COUGH DROPS NEEDED:** The school office would appreciate donations of cough drops this winter. Here are some suggestions: Ricola Natural (with cough suppressant) or Halls honey-lemon or cherry flavors. Thank you!
- ⇒ **COLD AND FLU SEASON REMINDER:** The cold weather is upon us, so please send a warm coat, hat, and mittens each day, and boots and snow pants when the snow begins to fly. With the cold weather comes illness so, when your child is sick, please call the office first thing in the morning to let us know they will be absent that day. Thank you for your help!
- ⇒ **HOMEWORK REQUESTS:** When students are going to be absent from school, parents may request their homework when they call the school office in the morning. Homework will be available at 2:30 p.m. in the office. Please remember that secondary students (grades 7-12) have a block schedule of classes that occur every other day (except for blocks 7 & 8 which occur Tue-Fri). For blocks 1 - 6, Wednesday's homework will be due on Friday, and Tuesday's homework is due on Thursday. So when picking up assignments, please get the books needed to complete assignments for the day on which they will return to school and those they missed the day they were ill. Teachers are happy to give an extra day to catch up when a student misses a class, but when students fail to come prepared for classes in which they did not miss, teachers are less understanding. Thanks for your help!

- ⇒ ***ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS PROJECT AND CELEBRATION:*** Elementary students are collecting money this Christmas to purchase a dairy animal for a needy family sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. The money for the animal is due to their teachers by Wed., Dec. 19th. Then, they will have a "Happy Birthday, Jesus" party together on Thursday, Dec. 20th at 1:00 p.m. in Mrs. Bourdon's room (Rm.8) to celebrate the gift they will give and to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas. Parents are invited to join them.
- ⇒ ***SECONDARY CHRISTMAS PROJECT AND CELEBRATION:*** The Student Council has selected a needy family through the Salvation Army's Adopt-A-Family project. Students in **grades 7-12** are helping raise money to get the family through the Christmas season and to buy gifts for their two children. Collection jars have been placed in each secondary classroom and in the school office marked "Adopt-A-Family donations". On Thursday, Dec. 20th, the secondary students will enjoy their annual **Talent, No Talent Show** at 1:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Parents, grandparents, and alumni are invited to join the fun.
- ⇒ ***PUBLICITY AND RETENTION MEETING:*** There will be a Publicity and Retention Committee meeting on Monday, Dec. 3rd, at 12:00 noon in Room 8. If you have a desire to help MCS grow, you are encouraged to attend this meeting. We have a great thing going at MCS for the Kingdom of God, and we need to attract more Crusaders for Christ. See you there!
- ⇒ ***TIP OFF BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:*** Our MCS boy's basketball team will be participating in a round robin tournament in the MCS gymnasium starting at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1st. Three teams are participating. The games will consist of two 10-minute halves with a running clock. There will also be a free throw shooting contest and a three point shooting contest. A tournament schedule is attached.
- ⇒ ***PARENT AUXILIARY NEWS:*** The next meeting of the Parent Auxiliary will be Thursday, Dec. 6th, at 1:15 p.m. in Room 8. Please join them if you are looking for a way to get involved at school. The Parent Auxiliary would like to start a Kids Bazaar next year for kids to buy small Christmas gifts for their family at a low price. They would like to begin now taking donations of Christmas items or crafts, gift wrap, gift bags, and tissue paper. Please bring any items you would like to donate to the marked box outside the school office.