HOME BULLETIN #5  
September 26, 2017

Spiritual Theme: “Cultivating Community”  
Hymn/Theme Song for 2017-18 School Year: Build Your Kingdom Here  
August/September Hymn: Reformation Hymn

Verse: “For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.” Romans 12:4 & 5  
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MOMS’ IN PRAYER!  
Moms in Prayer will join with the students and staff at 8:45 on Wednesday morning for See You at the Pole. Following that, we will meet in the conference room until 9:45 focusing on "God as the Builder" - Now I commit ________ to you God and to the word of your grace, which can build him/her up and give him/her an inheritance among all those who are sanctified (from Acts 20:32). All ladies are welcomed to join us. Please note: childcare will NOT be available this week (Sept. 26). It will be offered again next week.

FUN NIGHT "THANK YOU!"  
On behalf of the Middle School students and teachers, we would like to thank all those who helped make the 2017 FUN NIGHT an enjoyable success! It was a great evening! A BIG thank you to everyone who helped with the clean up. The classrooms and gym were picked up and left in the condition before Fun Night began. Very much appreciated! ~ Mr. Kroese

Silage Pile!  
We want to say THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with the silage piles last week on Thursday and Saturday. Over the two days, we had volunteers help cover four different piles. We had a great turnout! Also we want to thank everyone who brought food for the workers. We appreciate the time everyone put into this fundraiser!

See You At The Pole: On Wednesday, September 27, OCCS will be participating in the ‘See You At The Pole’ time of prayer. This is a time for students, teachers, and parents to gather around the school flag pole for a time of prayer. We will be joining thousands of others at schools across the country in praying for our world, nation, state, and local area. We will begin at 8:45 a.m. and conclude at approximately 9:00 am.

Congratulations to the following students for their designs for the Parent Directory contest. Cover, Carson Noteboom, 6th; Inside front cover, Maddie Wolgen, 8th; inside back cover, Brielle Reitsma, 6th; and back cover, Jaelye Woudstra, 5th. There were a number of quality designs making the final decision a challenge. Thank you to all participants for your hard work. Every home should have received a Parent Directory. If you did not receive a copy home with one of your children, please stop in the office.

Mid Term Progress Reports!  
Report cards are completed for students each nine weeks during the school year. We also use a mid term report that teachers can use to communicate student’s progress to students and parents. The mid term progress reports are given to every student after the first 5-6 weeks of school so students and parents receive some information about student’s progress prior to the first nine week report card. Please look for your child’s mid term progress report on Wednesday, September 27. Many of these may be e-mailed to you. After the first nine weeks, mid term progress reports are used by teachers only when needed and not necessarily for every child.

Hot Lunch Accounts!
Please be prompt in making your Food Service payments. Do not let your hot lunch account run a negative balance. If you have questions or need assistance concerning this, please stop by the school office. You can check your family’s account balance online under the parent link on the school website. If you have problems signing with your username and password, please let the office know.

Tuition Statements!
We appreciate prompt payment on your tuition payments! If you are on a 10 or 12 month payment plan, your payment should be to the OCCS office by the end of the month. If you have any questions concerning your tuition statement, please call the school office (737-2274).

Advance Notice!  
Thursday and Friday, October 5 & 6, the annual Heartland Teachers Institute will be held at Dordt College. There will be NO school on these days. Christian school teachers from Iowa, Minnesota, and South Dakota gather together to share and learn more about Christian education.

Monica Cookie Walk!
The Cookie Walk Buyout deadline is September 29. A buyout form (attached to this Home Bulletin) & payment must be filled out & brought to the school office by Friday, Sept. 29. The Cookie Walk is Saturday, December 2 and each OCCS family is responsible for bringing 8 dozen festive cookies (unless you choose the buy-out). If you have any questions please contact: Rebecca Huizenga, Janeen Klompien or Diane Vollink.
TRIP!

- Dutch Mill - As of November 1, Dutch Mill will **no longer be part of our program** and they will not accept the TRIP Green Cash certificates.
- Sept 23 - 29: No PrestoPay fees this week!
- Bonus: Shutterfly - 3% bonus (12%) through Sept. 29
- New business: Renew Message (Amy Vanden Hull). Punchcards are available to purchase. They are good for 6 visits and cost $360.00 with a 16.67% rebate. The rebate is equal to one visit.