

East Martin Christian School



Knight's News

May 12, 2022

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School Calendar

May 13—8th Grader Trip
May 17—MS Field Trip
May 24-26—MS Exams
May 27 -- EMCS Field Day
May 30—Memorial Day/Off
June 02—Graduation 7pm
June 03—Half Day/Last Day
(11am dismissal)

No Bus Dates

June 1 and 2—PM

Hot Lunch

Friday, May 13
Sloppy Joe / Chips

Wednesday, May 18
Walking Taco

Friday, May 20
Pizza

Wednesday, May 22
Chicken Patty & Chips

Friday, May 27
Pizza

NO HOT LUNCHES IN JUNE

Band Practice Sheet

Sunday, May 15 @ 3pm
EXTRA CREDIT Concert
May 13-20: Yellow
May 20-27: Salmon
May 27-June 3: Blue
Summer: Bright Pink

Newsletter Information

Deadline is 7pm Tuesdays
Send submissions to
Newsletter@EastMartin.org
East Martin Christian
School
269-672-5722

School Society Minutes

The School Society of EMCS meeting took place on April 19 with the following discussions and results on the issues:

1. Proposed budget for the 2022-23 school year was approved.
2. The budget approval included an additional preschool classroom for the rapidly-growing Discovery Christian Child Development Center. There will now be classrooms for infants, toddlers, 3-year olds, and 4-year olds. This will also allow a more targeted preparation for kindergarten in the 4-year old classroom.
3. With the proposed expansion of the preschool program, a report was given about the need for additional space. The School Board is in discussion with East Martin Christian Church about utilizing classrooms in the Anchor (former High School facility) for the middle school students. More details will be following.
4. Proposed changes to the Society bylaws were adopted.
5. The following new school board members were elected: Chase DeMaagd, Phil Miller, and Jesse Tucker.
6. Thanks was given to the board members whose terms are expiring (Wayne Leep, Kristie Tuinstra, and Scott Tuinstra) for their service on behalf of the children of EMCS.
7. Information was provided about the *Let MI Kids Learn* petition drive.



Butterfly Exhibit Field Trip

On April 27 the Kindergarten through 4th grade classes enjoyed a day out to the Meijer Garden's Butterfly Exhibit. The Kindergarten through 2nd graders attended "*Modeling Metamorphosis*" where they learned about the 4 stages of the butterfly life cycle. The students then recreated those stages by using different pasta noodles. The 3rd and 4th graders attended "*Examining Adaptations: Wings*".



They were taught about the various colors and patterns on butterfly wings and the important role they play for their survival. The students also spent time outside viewing the Sculpture and Children's Gardens.

Thank you to all the parents who provided transportation and supervision. A great time was had by all!



Walk-A-Thon Results



"Most Pledges" —Carsen DeMaagd

The annual Walk-A-Thon was held inside the gym due to rain, but spirits were not dampened one bit! The children raised \$6,000 in pledges (which was way over the \$4,000 goal) and they met the "\$15 each" challenge for the \$1,000 gift donation. This makes a grand total of \$7,000 in funds for the school's math curriculum and science supplies!

Carsen DeMaagd won the first choice of prizes for raising the most pledges (way to go Carsen!).

Henry VandeBunte walked 198 laps to win the elementary age "Most Laps" award and Jacob DeYoung took the middle school age bracket with 139.

Thank you to organizers Lori Schipper and Ruth Altman, and to volunteer helpers for making this a great event!

An Extraordinary Night of Sound and Light

The Spring Music and Science Fair was held on May 5. This special night highlighted the middle schooler's science projects, the band's progress, and the recorder and choir songs learned in music classes.

Teachers Julie Wubben and Rachel Clark, as well as the children, worked hard to make the program a success. Thank you to all attenders for taking the time to make the event extraordinary indeed!



Middle School Field Trips



The 8th Grade class will be leaving on Friday, May 13 for their traditional Cedar Point adventure. Students should be prepared to leave at 6am (pack a sack lunch) and will return at 9pm. Please pray for a safe and fun day for them.

The 5th through 8th graders will be taking a field trip day to Outdoor Discovery Center's Cultural History Center in Holland on Tuesday, May 17. The students will be leaving school at 8:15am and arriving back at 5:00pm. Parents please make sure permission slips and the \$8 fee is turned in promptly. Students should bring a snack and sack lunch for the day (coolers will be provided).

Fair Agricultural Booth

EMCS is looking for a volunteer who would be willing to put together the Agricultural Booth this year at the Allegan County Fair. This year's theme is "Making Memories Together" and entries must be turned in by July 1. Decorating can begin one week prior to the fair. If interested, please contact Ruth Altman (616-890-0255) or email lake16farms@gmail.com. A special thank you to Ruth Altman, Lori Schipper and Rachel Helder for all their years of service in designing and decorating this booth in the past.



Twin Smiles!



Librarian Note:

The school library is closed for the summer and students will need to return all books taken out. If a book cannot be found, please pay the \$5 fee for each lost item. A list of overdue books will be posted by the library. Thank you for your cooperation and have a great summer!