

East Martin Christian School



Knight's News

June 3, 2022

~Partnering with Families ~ Educating Christian Leaders ~ Building Futures on Christ ~

School Calendar

June 03—Half Day/Last Day
(11am dismissal)

June 4-August 22 : Summer Fun

August 23—Half Day/First Day

No Bus Dates

Hot Lunch

NO HOT LUNCHES IN JUNE

Band Practice Sheet

Summer: Bright Pink



Newsletter Information

Deadline is 7pm Tuesdays
Send submissions to
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Graduation 2022

The EMCS 2022 Eighth Grade graduation ceremony was held Thursday, June 2 in the school gym and was presided over by Administrator Dirk Weeldreyer and Board President Wayne Leep.



Bible class teacher Pastor Mark Heijerman gave the graduation address and based his words on the 8th grade class's chosen verse, Isaiah 41:10, "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." In a world filled with many challenges, struggles, and fears, Pastor Mark reminded the graduates that there's help to be had as they step out beyond the comfortable confines of East Martin. God is with us! The presence of another always diminishes fear and therefore we all do well to remember that God is near. He helps and He up-

holds. This is good news not just for graduates opening a new chapter of life. It's good news for all of us every day.

"Press On" by Dan Burgess was selected as the class song and was sung as a duet by Class President Bram Katje and Class Secretary Eden Suk while accompanied by Mrs. Julie Wubben, their music teacher. This was followed by the five classmates singing "Who Am I?" by Mike Hall together.

One of middle school teachers, Mrs. Jolene Westenbroek, spoke about how when she was in 8th grade her class had tried to predict what her life would be like. So this class tried to guess what each others' futures may look like as well. After considering each individual's talent, the occupations including farmer, lawyer, model, athlete, paintball shop owner, horse trainer, and many more were discussed and dreamed up. While some of these things might be in their futures, and some not, Mrs. Westendorp asked them to remember that the Lord's plans are always the best plans for

them. "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11



Eden, Elizabeth, Bram, Jacob & Isaac—on their way!

Occupations will still be on hold for now, but the student's new schools this fall are as follows: Zion Christian for Jacob DeYoung and Elizabeth Ybema; Martin Public for Eden and Isaac Suk; and Kalamazoo Christian for Bram Katje. Please pray for these young people as they start their high school education and adventures.

The Field Day was postponed due to rainy weather and the re-scheduled date did not let anyone down. Hot and breezy described the day, so getting wet felt great and the wind facilitated quick drying time.

The children teamed up to play games at various stations which included a 3-legged race, water balloon toss, sponge passing, pop-a-balloon race, tug of war, and others. They also had a popsicles snack to enjoy!

Thank you Jen VanteBunte, the Parent's Group, volunteers, and the teachers for such a fun event to end the school year!



Teachers show students they still rule!

VBS Invitations:

June 13-17 @9:30—Watson Bible Church/ "Down on the Farm in Herman Hollow

June 20-23 @9:00—Martin Reformed /"Lava Lava Luau" for 4yr olds to 6th grade. Register at www.martinreformed.org

June 20-24 @9:00—Trinity URC in Caledonia / "Zoomerang"



Mrs. Porters' Third and Fourth Graders spent the last week catching up on their Opinion Writing assignments. They love to write using their laptops!

The Sunshine Bag collection total was \$305. These donations go to the playground upkeep and supplies. Thank you for giving!



Service/Work Opportunities!

EMCS is looking for a part-time custodian. The position is 15 hours/week, currently structured as three days a week through the school year. For more information, please contact Wayne Leep at (269) 720-4310.



The school is also looking for a part-time Art Teacher and part-time Physical Education Teacher. For more information email: office@eastmartin.org

Important Reminders

1. Registration forms/fee are due—please get these in as soon as possible for planning purposes.
2. The new school year will begin on Tuesday, August 23 for half day.
3. Summer TRIP orders placed June 1 can be picked up on June 13 at Jen DeYoung's home (call 269-672-7496) and next month's orders placed by July 6 are available July 13.
4. If interested in organizing the Allegan Fair booth for EMCS, please contact Ruth Altman (616-890-0255 / lake16farms@gmail.com)



Thought for the day by William Ward

"God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say "thank you"?"

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