

CIRCLE NEWS

Hostess Supper

The Committee is busy making plans for the annual Hull Christian Hostess Supper. Mark your calendars for April 3! The Circle will be doing a catered supper with entertainment. You won't want to miss a night out with delicious food and great fellowship. Watch for more details to come on this.

Pop Can Collection

We want to thank everyone who has taken time to count cans! Thank you to everyone for saving up your cans and bringing them to our drop off area by the community building!

As we get closer to spring, we look forward to Grandparents Day on April 19 and the annual Jog/Walk a Thon on May 9. More information will be coming out on these fundraisers in the next few months!

Thank you for the support for Hull Christian! All your hard work is needed to make each school year a fun successful year.

Rachel Bolkema- Circle President



SCRIP NEWS

We have added a couple new businesses in the last month. Kwik Star is now available in \$25, \$50 or \$100 cards and they give a 4% rebate. Scooter's Coffee comes in \$10 or \$25 cards with a 5% rebate.

UPCOMING ORDER DATES

ORDER DATE PICK UP DATE

Monday, February 12	Thursday, February 16
Monday, February 26	Thursday, March 1
Monday, March 4	Thursday, March 7

3rd Grade Ice Fishing Outing

We had an awesome day at Oak Grove! We started the day by snowshoeing out to the pond where we began ice fishing! We then went to the nature center and learned about star maps and constellations, potential and kinetic energy, and explored the different animals they have! We love being able to explore God's great creation.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, February 13

Fine Arts 3:45-4:45

Monday, February 19

Presidents Day - **No School**

Finance Meeting 6:00

Promotion Meeting 6:00

Board Meeting 7:00

Wednesday, February 21

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, February 22

JH Choir Festival 7th & 8th Grade

Tuesday, February 27

Fine Arts 3:45-4:45

Friday, March 1

Chapel - 8:40

Tuesday, March 12

Pre K and Kindergarten Open House

Wednesday, March 13

Society Meeting at **6:00**

Friday, March 15

Third Quarter Ends

Monday, March 18 - Friday, March 22

SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL



Knighly News

The mission of Hull Christian School is to educate covenant children in the light of God's Word, preparing them for a life of Christian discipleship, responsible stewardship, and humble service in His kingdom.

Update on Building Project

Throughout the last several months, we have been informing our Society about the possible building expansion at HCS. The final drawings are now being presented to all the appropriate individuals (e.g. fire marshal) before the proposal can be brought to the Society for a vote. We have shared the drawings with numerous people, but wanted to make sure everyone has a chance to view them. The proposed expansion will include several classrooms, a music room and workspaces that are needed for our growing enrollment. We are also proposing a gym that will be used during school and for after school events. The current gym will be used as a cafeteria and the current music room will be remodeled into additional bathrooms and an All-Purpose Room. One classroom will be remodeled into the main offices for a secure entrance and another will be set up for our after-school programs and clubs. If you have any questions about the project, please contact John Emerick (ad-hoc building chair) or Mr. Ten Pas.



Yellow: additional classroom and gym space
Blue: repurposed space
Orange: new front office space



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Board Notes - January 2024

1. Eric Zomermaand opened with devotions.
2. Correspondence
Read Thank You's for Christmas gifts.
3. Principal's Report was received.
4. Committee Reports
Education
MMS to offer the additional 4th grade position for the 2024-2025 school year to Nakia Nielsen.
MMS to updates in the employee handbook.
Finance
Wage increases 3.75% for the base salary and 5% for the increment.
Ad Hoc Building
MMS for John Emerick (chair), Craig Verhoef, Kyle LeLoux, and Brent De Jager to serve on the smaller ad-hoc building committee that will oversee the building project.
**The work of all the committees was supported and approved.*
5. Old Business
Reviewed School Board Policy #7000-#7600.
Reviewed Cultivating Roots Building Project Handouts.

Update on Promotion Video.

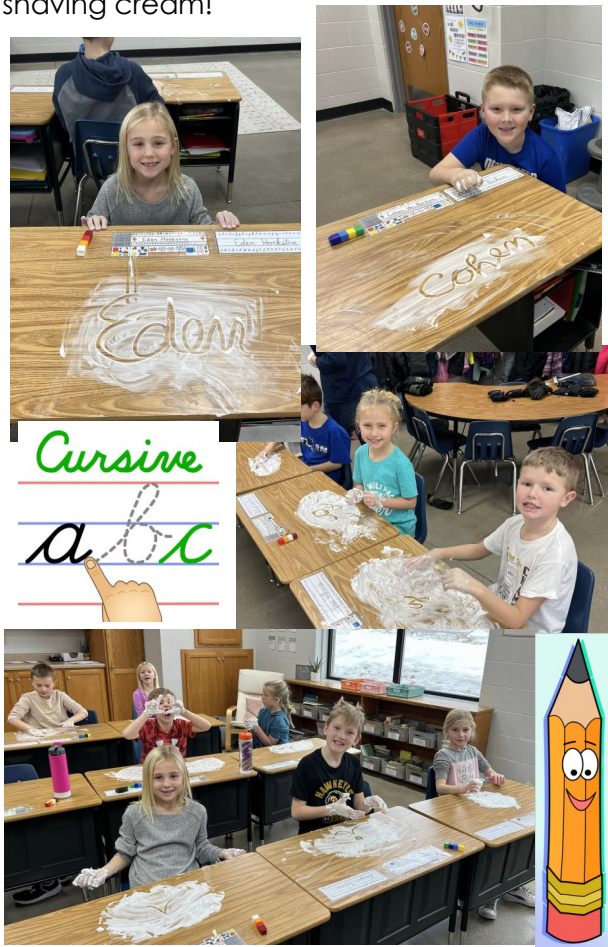
6. New Business
Updated signs for classroom.
Discussed outdoor signs.
Discussed Board Workshop at Dordt.
Modified sick leave policy - declined.
Discussed nominations for school board members.
Schedules for handing out contracts on February 15.
Reviewed Transportation Agreement with Western.
Principal's Contract was handed out.
Discussed snow days.
7. The meeting was closed with prayer.

**MMS = Motion Made and Sustained



Cursive in 2nd Grade

Shaving cream cursive! The kids have been looking forward to this all year! They began learning our cursive letters and names with shaving cream!



100 Days Brighter

On January 31 the First Grade, Second Grade and Third Grade classes celebrated 100 days of school this year. They made fruit loop necklaces, did 100 math problems, did exercises for 100 seconds, and used flashlights to find spelling words! So proud of all their hard work and growth in 100 days!



Upcoming Concert Dates

- Thursday, February 22** ~ JH Choir Festival at Western
- Tuesday, April 16** ~ Orchestra Extravaganza 7:00
- Monday, May 6** ~ PK-8th Grade Chapel Program 7:00 PM at Western Christian Event Center

SAVE THE DATE!

- *Preschool & Kindergarten Open House - March 12 at 6:30 PM**
- *Society Meeting - March 13 at 6:00PM**
- * April 3 - Hostess Supper**
- *Rally Day Sale - September 21**

Welcome Lisa Poppema and Matt Alsum

This past December one of our paraprofessionals graduated from Dordt University and took a full-time job. God provided us with two people to fill the need. Mrs. Poppema and her husband Dan have two children at HCS. She has loads of experience working with kids as she has served as the director of Bright Start Daycare and Preschool in Hull and the Doodlebug Day-care and Preschool in Rock Valley. She also has her paraprofessional degree from Dordt University. Mr. Alsum is a senior at Dordt University and is a nursing major. He has experience working with a variety of people during his clinical rotations. Mrs. Poppema will be working at HCS on Wednesdays and Mr. Alsum will be working at HCS on Fridays. We are excited for them to be part of the HCS team!



Honor Orchestra Festival

On Thursday, January 25, Maeley De Kam and Ainsley Haveman participated in the Northwest Iowa Honor Orchestra Festival. They were selected by audition to join forty-eight other middle school students from the Northwest region. Students gathered at Northwestern College for the day to prepare four musical selections which they performed that evening. Students who place in the top half of this regional honor orchestra are invited to participate in the state honor festival concert in May at Wartburg College. Because Ainsley placed 4th in the cello section she is invited to participate in the upcoming state festival.



Give a Book

Thank you to Korrie and Sarita Van Maanen for donating books in honor of grandchildren Ava, Leah, and Isaac! A special thank you to Arlene Van't Hul for donating to the library in honor of the 1st grade class of 2024. This special donation will help us add new books to our Who Would Win section. This is one of the most beloved series in our library and the most checked out books by our 1st graders. - Mrs. De Jager



Pop Can Sorting Schedule

February	March
Vande Griend, Joel	Van Schouwen
De Jong, James	Beukelman
Leusink	Bliek
Te Slaa, Kyle	Bonestroo
Pollema, Brody	Geels
Jacobsma	Rens
Hoekstra, Andrew	Tantsura
De Wit, Darin	Stark
Matt Dokter/Heidi W	Sandbulte