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School Theme:

“I Belong To Jesus”

“And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.” Romans 1:6 (NIV)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/4 5:30pm Elementary Science Fair
- 3/8 Association Meeting at the Fellowship Hall
- 3/10 End of the 3rd Quarter
- 3/15 5:00pm Finance & Facilities Meeting
- 3/15-3/16 NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher Conference

**Association Meeting
March 8, 2010**

**Free Dinner at 5:30pm
Meeting will begin at 6:30pm**

Re-enrollment Forms

Forms were sent out through the mail this week. Please review and return them to Lorretta Smith (admissions office) - with your \$50.00 re-enrollment fee per child as soon as possible.

Deadline for re-enrollment is April 30th.

Ins and Outs

This is the time of the year when we create and approve the school budget for next year. This is a long process that starts with the administrative team of the school reviewing our current financial status and predictions for the next year. The administrative team then proposes a budget to the School Board Finance Committee to review. We normally spend at least an entire meeting reviewing the budget in this Committee and making sure all of our assumptions are correct. The next stage is that the budget is presented at the Association Meeting on March 8th and approved with an advisory vote. The final budget is then voted on and approved at the next School Board meeting.

This year’s budget is a reflection of the ongoing financial recession around the country, especially in our region. More of our families are requiring financial aid and net tuition is lower due to this issue. We decided to support our recruitment efforts by not having any tuition increases for the PreK to Middle School grades. Due to the higher expenses to run a High School program we are increasing tuition at the HS by \$300. But overall, since 65% of our families are in the financial aid model based on income – none of those families will pay any extra tuition if their income did not increase in the last year.

To make the budget balance this year, we have reduced spending wherever possible. We are planning to consolidate and reduce non-teaching staff hours. We have also accelerated our rental income by promoting more campus events such as

the upcoming Trail of Hope youth conference and the "Destination Rehoboth" educational retreats at Rehoboth. We also utilize virtually thousand of hours of volunteer help each year from local parents and visitors from across the US.

I will be sharing more about our budget at the upcoming Association Meeting on Monday, March 8th, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. A free, community dinner will be served at 5:30 pm. Please join me at this important school event.

Jeff Banaszak, Director of Finance and Operation

ELEMENTARY EVENTS

Parent / Teacher Conferences – We will be having Parent / Teacher Conferences on March 15 and 16. Please reserve one of these nights for a scheduled conference. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, March 12 with your elementary child.

P/T Conference Sign Up – Please return the conference sign up sheet which came home this past Monday with your child if you have not already done so. Teachers will be scheduling conferences on Friday (tomorrow) for our Parent / Teacher conferences. We will be returning a confirmation sheet to you next week with an exact day and time. We are looking forward to meeting with you about your child's progress!

Family Night / Science Fair – We hope you are able to make it to our Family night tonight starting at 5:30 with a free supper. There will be time between 6:15 and 7:00 PM to browse through the building and see all the fabulous projects which have been completed by our students!!

Jim Holwerda,
Elementary Principal

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATTERS

After These Messages: the American Family vs. the TV

Please plan to attend our middle school play, After These Messages: the American Family vs. the TV, on Tuesday, March 9th. The play will be held at Rehoboth CRC at 7:00 PM. It features some of our talented middle school students and is written and directed by our most talented Mr. Morris.

Looking for World War II Families

The Middle School is beginning an integrated unit during the month of March that explores the life and times of WWII. Each subject class will look at a different aspect of this time period. The exploratory class, World War II and More, is looking to find out what life was like during wartime. The students of this class are trying to get a first hand account of what it meant to be a part of the US military or a family member of military member. If you know of anyone that is a veteran of a US war or a family member of a veteran that would be willing to be interviewed and share their stories with Middle School students please contact the Middle School office or e-mail chuizinga@rcsnm.org. Thank you for helping these students learn more about this country's wartime history.

English Expo 2010

It was another great year at English Expo 2010!!! The middle school had several students who medaled at the event.

5th place poster competition – Rachel Tang (8th grader)

5th place poetry writing – Rachel Tang (8th grader))

4th place literature competition – Chase McNiell (8th grader))

5th place speech declamation – Liberty Kinsel (8th grader))

4th place photo essay – Jessie Kempkes (8th grader))

4th place technical writing – Jessie Kempkes (8th grader))

State Champ Michael Banaszak (8th grader) – Technical Writing

We had a total of 13 participants compete with 545 other middle school students from around the state. What a great time of meeting new people from other schools and enjoying each other's company. We once again take a break before we start getting ready for next years exciting event...EXPO 2011!!!

End of the Quarter

Teachers will be finalizing their grades next week. Please talk to your child and his/her teacher to see if your child has turned in his/her homework, RAD logs, and band practice records (remember, you sign these last two for more points).

Parent Teacher Conferences

The conferences will be held on Monday and Tuesday, March 15 and 16 from 5 – 8 PM in the middle school. We are sending home a **form to fill out and return** – this way you will have a one-hour time slot during which you can speak to the various teachers. Please send this form back to the office by Wednesday, March 10 – thank you.

Camp Dunamis Dates

Save the date – every year we send middle school students to a Christian camp in the mountains of California, Camp Dunamis. The format has changed this year as the camp is adding an extra day. Dates are June 27 through July 3, 2010. Stay tuned for more info.

Carol Bremer-Bennett
Mid-School Principal

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Grade Reports The next grade report will be the 3rd Quarter Report Cards that will be given to you at Parent-Teacher Conferences on March 15-16.

SAC Week Our Students' Alternative Curriculum week is March 22-26 and students will be signing up March 4 for their week-long courses. Choir students will be on tour to California, there will be a mission trip to Jicarilla Apache Nation at Dulce and a backpacking trip to Sedona. For students not on trips

there will be three blocks of other classes offered locally. Students are expected to be on campus and in a class from 8:30-3:00. Any absences during that week will count towards their 10 absence limit per semester.

Class of 2010 Information

- Graduation will be held at 2:00 PM in the Sports and Fitness Center on Saturday, May 29
- Class Colors: Maroon, Black and White
- Class Flower: White Rose
- Class Verse: II Corinthians 9:8 “And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”

The \$20 for the graduate's cap, gown, and tassel is due the week after Spring Break.

Coming Events (Check the sports schedules in this issue of the Parent News or www.rcsnm.org for game information.)

- March 5 & 6: Boys and Girls First Round State Basketball
- March 9-12: Girls State Basketball Playoffs
- March 10-13: Boys State Basketball Playoffs
- March 10: End of Third Quarter
- March 15-16: Parent-Teacher Conferences, NO SCHOOL
- March 17: Girls Basketball Banquet
- March 18: Pre Choir Tour Concert
- March 19: Boys Basketball Banquet
- March 22-26: SAC Week
- March 29-April 2: Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

Dee Logterman,
High School Principal

All School Announcements



Driver's Ed.

Rehoboth will once again host a Driver's Education class. The cost for the class is \$100.00 and should be paid in advance at the high school office. The class will be held in room 2 from 3:30-5:00 on the following dates:

March 8-12, April 5-9, April 12-16, and April 19-23.

You will earn a certificate of completion from the course which you then take to the DMV to get your driving permit towards your driver's license.

Sign up in the high school office as soon as you are sure you will be taking this course and pay the \$100.00 before the course begins on March 8.

Sponsorship Announcement: Easter Card

All students who have a sponsor have been given their Easter card for their individual sponsor. Parents/Guardians, please help your child write and complete this card and return it to the Advancement Office (attn: Rachael Kass) by **Monday, March 8**. The cards may also be turned into Mrs. Begaye or Mrs. Jim. Questions? Call 505.726.9681 or email rkass@rcsnm.org



High school students, do you need some help with your Math? "Brown Bag Math Lunches"

Every Tuesday and Wednesday during lunch in Mr. V's room (in the SFC)

Need help with your Pre-Algebra? Algebra 1? Geometry? Algebra 2? Pre-Calculus? Calculus?

It doesn't matter what class you're in, bring a brown bag lunch, your math questions, and get some help!

Car Wash on Saturday, March 13

The Softball team is planning a car wash on Saturday, March 13. It will be held in the parking lot by Sizzler – come out and support the Lynx! (More details next week.)

Admissions & Registrar

OPEN HOUSE

When: March 20

Time: 10am-1pm

Where: Sports and Fitness Center

Lorretta Smith, Director of Admissions

Possible Job Opening

Rehoboth Christian School, solicits resumes for a possible opening for a **1st Grade Teacher**. Send letter and resume to Sidney DeWaal, Executive Director, RCS. PO Box 41, Rehoboth, NM 87322 or sdewaal@rcsnm.org.

Music News

The Rehoboth High School Choir

Invites you to its pre-tour concert on Thursday, March 18 at 7:00pm at Rehoboth Church.

The concert, Face to Face, explores through music our ability to reflect the face of God by us seeing God through Jesus Christ. Many styles of music, multi-media, dance and even our "stomp" crew will lead us in this evening of worship. A free will offering will be taken to support the music ministry of the High School Choir.

African Children's Choir

Will perform at Rehoboth Church on Friday, March 19 at 7:00pm. Don't miss this wonderful musical and worship experience. A free will offering will be taken!

College Corner

College Scholarship

The New Mexico Association of School Business Officials (NMASBO) sponsors \$1500 competitive scholarships each year to graduating seniors of New Mexico high schools who will be enrolled in a New Mexico four year college. The application deadline is March 15 and can be found (with more information about this scholarship) in the high school counseling office.

The New Mexico Federation of Republican Women offers several scholarships each year to a female registered Republican in NM or the daughter of a registered Republican who will be attending a New Mexico college planning to study government, political science, international relations or history. More information and the application can be found in the high school counseling office.

Continental Divide Electric Cooperative, Inc. sponsors several scholarships each year to graduating seniors who will be attending an accredited college within the state of NM and whose parents are CDEC members. Information and application can be found at www.cdec.coop.

Tuition Payment with a Credit Card

For the month of March there will be no service charge when you pay your account with a credit card.

Please call Nicole Hawthorne at 726-.9607 if you have any questions.

Menu for Breakfast and Lunch for 03/08 to 03/12

Date	Breakfast	Lunch
03/08/10 Monday	Assorted Muffins, juice, milk	Chicken Nuggets, bread, fruit, milk
03/09/10 Tuesday	Breakfast Pizza, juice, milk	Ham or Turkey and Cheese Sandwich, lettuce, tomato, tater rounds, fruit, milk
03/10/10 Wednesday	Bagels w/cream cheese or PB& Jelly, juice, milk	Tacos, lettuce, tomato, cheese, Spanish Rice, fruit, milk
03/11/10 Thursday	No Breakfast	Chicken Fried Steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, veggies, milk, fruit, bread
03/12/10 Friday	Pizza Pockets, juice, milk	Chicken Noodle Soup, PB & Jelly Sandwich, tossed salad, fruit, milk

Sports Schedule

Girls B-Ball 3/5 6:00pm AWAY	First Round of State at Pecos HS
Boys B-Ball 3/6 5:00pm AWAY	First Round of State at Mora HS
Track & Field 3/6 AWAY	Grants Invite at Grants HS

Boys' Basketball Banquet

March 19 at 6pm in the lobby of the SFC, stay tuned for more details

Coach Zwiers

If you are interested, here is what the earthquake waves looked like as they passed through Rehoboth late Friday night. It took 12 minutes for the first set of waves to reach our location some 5000 miles away.

