



HOME BULLETIN

May 21, 2018



2017-18 SCHOOL
THEME VERSE

*“Some trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.
They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.”*
Psalm 20:7-8

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Last Friday, I had the opportunity to do something with 5th grade students that I have not done in over 10 years. I asked the students how old they were a decade ago, and many responded that they were 1 year olds to place it in perspective. I figured I would be humbling myself when I committed myself to it, but I did not realize how much I would enjoy myself either. I joined fellow teachers Mr. Blom and Mrs. Roosma in playing with the 5th grade band. I was fortunate enough to have a student let me borrow his tuba to play. Like I mentioned, I had not played a tuba in 10 years and yet I played the instrument through College.

I mentioned that I prepared to be humbled by trying to read and play music with our 5th grade band. How could I go from playing solos in College concerts without fear to playing alongside students who are still learning their instruments and be nervous? I realized that comes down to practice. I was pleased to see that I still had the skills but I lacked the confidence and quality that I once had.

Our Christian walk can sometimes be like what I experienced last Friday. We could have built a foundation of faith and knowledge in Christ and yet find ourselves wandering away at some level. I think of the song “Come Thou Fount”, which was penned by Robert Robinson in the 1700’s saying, “Prone to wander, Lord I feel it. Prone to leave the God I love”. No matter where we are in our journey and relationship with Christ, we can sometime find ourselves in valleys, ruts, or just wandering and going through the motions. Our ruts can be short lived or may be longer that we would like to admit, but hopefully we can get back on track with the help of the Holy Spirit.

I am thankful that I had the opportunity to play the tuba again. As I worked my way through the music pieces in the band class, I realized that I could still do it and found renewed success in it. That may not always be the case where we can instantly experience great successes after wandering away. The first step though is to get back on the right track. To be clear, this experience does not mean that I will be playing at a local church in the near future. It does mean that I may be stopping in the band class a few more times in the future. Have a great week ahead.

Mr. Brinks

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY		6	Report Cards
21	Junior High to Inman’s Bowling & Recreation Center	8	Open House for Mr. Oudman @ CCHS – 5:30-8:00pm
21	P.I.E. Meeting – 7:00pm	11	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League
22	Kindergarten Round Up – 7:50am	11-14	CCHS Soccer Camp (incoming 3 rd -8 th) 9-11:45am
22	5 th to Lafayette Art Museum and Tippecanoe Battlefield	16	CCHS Volleyball Craft Day Fundraiser
22	STARS to Dairy Queen – 1:45-2:30pm	18	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League
23	8 th Grade to Great America	18-21	Boys 7 th -9 th Basketball Camp @ CCHS – 9:00A-4:00P
23	4 th Grade to Connor Prairie	18	Partners In Education – 7:00pm
24	1 st Grade to The Dunes	25	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League
25	All-School Chapel		
28	NO SCHOOL – MEMORIAL DAY	July	
30	All-School Field Day	2-6	DMCS Offices CLOSED
31	Last Day (K-8) / 8 th Grade Graduation – 7:00pm	9-12	Basketball Camp – Girls/Boys (grades 4-6)
		9	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League
June		10	DMCS Board Meeting – 7:00pm
1	Teacher In-Service/Make Up Day	11	27 th Annual DMCS Golf Outing – 1:00pm @ Sandy Pines
1	Covenant Christian High School Graduation – 7pm	14	“Mulch Morning”, 7:00-9:30am
4	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League	16	Girls Volleyball Camp/Summer League
4-8	8 th Grade to Washington DC	19	DMC/CCHS Registration: 6:00-8:00pm
5	DMCS Board Meeting – 7:00pm	31	DMC/CCHS Registration: 6:00-8:00pm



NEWS TO KNOW!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! You are loved 😊

May 22: Max VM
May 23: Ryleigh VW
May 26: Lexie P
May 28: Mason G
May 29: Mrs. Dyke

Don't forget to pick up your birthday ribbon from the office!



FREE BOOKS / LOST & FOUND

Mrs. Kostelyk is weeding books out of the DMC library...those books are available in the front hallway ALONG WITH A RACK OF LOST AND FOUND! While finding your son or daughter's sweatshirt, peruse the table of books!

THIRD HARVEST SALE CHAIRPERSON FOUND!

Prayers were answered! Thank you, Janell Rottier, for being the 3rd Chairperson for the Harvest Sale!!

GRADUATION INVITATIONS

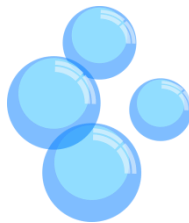
We invite you to witness the graduation ceremony of the DeMotte Christian Grade School "Class of 2018" on Thursday, May 31, at 7:00pm. The speaker is Mr. Blom, Junior High Teacher. The class shoes this verse from I Thessalonians 5:16-18 as their motto, *"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thank in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*

Also, you are cordially invited to attend the graduation ceremony of the Covenant Christian High School "Class of 2018" on Friday, June 1, at 7:00pm. Mr. Nathan DeBoer is the speaker. A reception to greet the graduates will immediately follow the ceremony; refreshments will be served.

"SUDS FOR A CAUSE" UPDATE

There are ONLY 5 pails remaining for sale:

- Like Tide Clean Breeze \$35
- Like Tide with Downy \$35
- Like Tide Pods Regular \$40
- (2)Like Cascade Pods \$40



FIELD DAY LUNCH

A special Field Day lunch will be served by The Lunch Committee on Wednesday, May 30, in connection with Field Day! If your child will not be taking hot lunch that week, the cost for this meal is \$2. On the menu: Hamburger or Hot Dog, Potato Chips, Carrots & Dip, Ice Cream!

HOT LUNCH HELPER REMINDERS

If you are not able to serve on the day you are scheduled, please trade with another parent or call Mrs. Tazelaar at 987-3721.

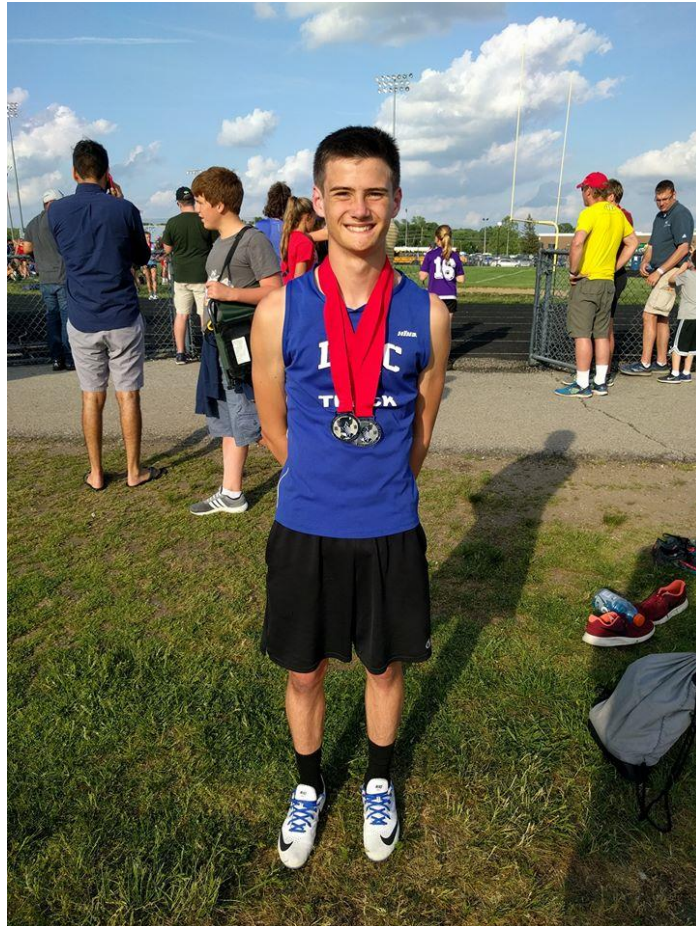
This Week	Next Week
Mon May 21 Lisa K	Mon May 28 NO SCHOOL
Tues May 22 Kay K	Tues May 29
Wed May 23 Jen K	Wed May 30
Thurs May 24 Katie K	Thurs May 31
Fri May 25 Amanda J	Fri June 1 NO SCHOOL!! 😊

EXTRA-CURRICULAR and MORE NEWS

Eighth grader, Jonah I, had the fantastic opportunity to participate in the Indiana Middle School Track & Field State Championship meet on Saturday, May 19! In BOTH events, he broke his own records set this year!!

200M Dash	8 th in State	24.92
800M Run	3 rd in State	2:11.55

We are proud of you, Jonah!!



DMC/CCHS SUMMER CAMP DATES

Girls entering 6th-8th grade: GIRLS SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMP/SUMMER LEAGUE: June 4, 11, 18, 25 & July 9, 16

Students entering 3rd-8th: SUMMER SOCCER CAMP June 11-14 @ CCHS: June 11-14: 9:00-11:45am

Boys entering 7th-9th grade: BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP June 18-21 @ CCHS: 9:00am-3:00pm

Girls entering 7th-9th grade: GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP June 25-28 @ CCHS/DMC: 9:00am-3:00pm

Boys/Girls entering 4th-6th grade: BASKETBALL CAMP July 9-12 @ DMC: 9-Noon OR 1pm-4pm

CRAFT DAY!

If you've lost your form, there is one attached! We are beginning to get excited and purchasing supplies! Get your forms in and join us for a fun few hours of crafting 😊

Partners In Education (P.I.E.) ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIP ~ THIS WAY TO LOWER YOUR TUITION!

Your cash back toward your family tuition can really add up! For order forms and information, go to www.dmchr.org, click on "Parents", then "SCRIP", then select "Forms and Information" on the left side bar. Questions? Call Shelley, SCRIP Coordinator, at 219-987-3721.

SCRIP dates (Tuesdays by 9:00am):

June 5, 19
July 10, 24
August 7, 20, 27



WEDDING/GRADUATION BOXED CARDS AVAILABLE

Purchase your wedding and graduation cards at DMC! Boxed card prices range from between \$5 and \$6, making each quality card only .42-.50 cents each!

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES COUPON BOOK DISCOUNTED TO ONLY \$15!

The Northwest Indiana Golden Opportunities books are NOW available for A REDUCED PRICE OF ONLY \$15 in the DMC main office!! DMCS makes a \$5 profit from each book sold!!

SAVE THE DATES!

- ✓ Mr. Oudman (DMCS Superintendent) WILL retire at the end of this school year. Help us celebrate Mr. Oudman's 43 years of teaching and administration service to DMCS at the congratulatory Open House scheduled for **Friday, June 8**, from 5:30-8:00pm, at Covenant Christian High School. There will be food, fellowship, and fun!
- ✓ The CCHS volleyball team and Mrs. Mary Vander Molen will have a Craft Day fundraiser on **Saturday, June 16!** Girls now in 1st-5th grades are invited to attend. More information and a registration form will be available as the date gets closer! Super excited for all to come!! Any questions, email Mrs. Vander Molen at mvandermolen@dmcs-in.org.
- ✓ DMCS 27th Annual Foundation Golf Outing will be held on **Wednesday, July 11**, with a 1:00pm shotgun start.
- ✓ DMCS Family Fun Night at Deep River Water Park is scheduled for **Thursday, August 2!**

DON'T FORGET DMCS' ON-GOING PROJECTS!

- ❖ **Box Tops for Education:** We receive 10 cents for every 'Box Tops for Education' label collected!
- ❖ Original Printer Cartridge **Recycle Program:** Bring these items to the front foyer of school and deposit in the collection box!
- ❖ **"Our Family" Tysen's Labels:** Clip the UPC symbol from any Tysen's "Our Family" product and DMC receives .05 each!
- ❖ **Don't forget our ongoing SCRIP programs! For more information, contact the office at 987-3721.**
- ❖ Join **Office Depot's 5% Back to Schools Program** and 5% of your purchase will be credited to DMCS for FREE SUPPLIES. DMC's 5% Back to Schools Program ID Number is **70035754**.
- ❖ **Aunt Millie's School Spirit Labels:** Place cut proof-of-purchase symbols (UPCs) in the box in the DMC foyer. DMCS will receive .05 per label.
- ❖ **Amazon:** DMCS will receive 0.5% of your eligible purchases at Amazon when you sign up for the Amazon smile program. To register DMCS as your charity of choice, go to www.smile.amazon.com and select DeMotte Christian School. For more information and link to the Amazon website, go to www.dmchr.org/Affinity.cfm



REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUPPERWARE FUNDRAISER FOR ADOPTION (MAY 7-JUNE 8)

A fundraiser for the “Tim & Andrea Harvey Family Adoption” has kicked off! Tim is a police officer and Andrea is a teacher and are cousins of Dean & Cindy Tillema and Tori and Becki Lerner. To view the fundraiser catalog, visit www.tupperware.com, click on “Find A Fundraiser”, select “Indiana”, scroll down to the “T”s and select “Tim & Andrea Family Adoption”, “SUPPORT” and have fun shopping knowing that 40% of proceeds go directly to their adoption agency.

KV BOYS’ BASKETBALL CAMP (JUNE 5-8)

KV is hosting a Boys’ Basketball Camp for boys currently in grades K-7. Cost: \$40 per camper and due by May 21.

CATALYST SUMMER CAMPS 2018 (JUNE 17-22 and JUNE 24-29)

Cedar Lake Ministries provides a safe, caring environment for campers to experience God, new things and meaningful relationships. Catalyst Camps offers week-long overnight camps for ages 7-17 or day camps for ages 5-12. More information available at catalystcamps.org or in the DMC office. Cedar Lake Ministries is located in Northwest Indiana, just east of US-41 in Cedar Lake, IN.

ARTCAMP 2018 (JUNE 18-22)

Arts workshops for all ages (PS-Senior Citizens)...drawing, painting, pottery, tie-dye, jewelry, and more!...held at various locations in Rensselaer, DeMotte, and Wheatfield...Online registration opens April 22...go to prairieartscouncil.net or contact PAC office 219-866-5278.

CAMP INVENTION (JUNE 18-22)

Register at campinvention.org or 800.968.4332. Local Camp Invention: Price \$225 (before discount)/For children entering grades K-6/Highland Christian School/3040 Ridge Road, Highland, IN 46322/June 18-22, 2018 from 9:00am-3:30pm. **If any of our DMC families are attending, please contact the office at 219-987-3721. There may be the possibility of forming car pools to this event.**

INDIANA SHERIFFS’ ASSOCIATION YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP – JUNE 26-29

The Youth Leadership Camp is a program provided by Indiana Sheriffs for boys and girls who are currently in the 7th or 8th grade and are interested in learning more about a possible career in law enforcement. The camp provides a very meaningful experience and relationship with other campers from throughout the state and sheriff’s officers who serve as counselors and instructors. The northern session will be held June 26-29 at Pine Creek Camp in Pine Village, Indiana.

CONNECT: CHRISTIAN CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

Online registration is required. Go to CONNECTChristianCamp.org.

SUMMER CAMPS AT CAMP ROGER

For information, pricing, and availability, please visit their website, CampRoger.org.

