



**Song-of-the-Week**

Psalm 4 is an evening prayer. What comfort to know that God sets His love upon the good and faithful. With our firm trust set on God, we and our children can lie down at night and sleep in peace. Sing Psalter #7 with the children this week.

1. On the good and faithful God has set His love;  
When they call He sends them blessings from above.  
Stand in awe, and sin not, bid your heart be still;  
Through the silent watches think upon His will.
3. In God's love abiding, I have joy and peace  
More than all the wicked, though their wealth increase.  
In His care confiding, I will sweetly sleep,  
For the Lord, my Saviour, will in safety keep.

**Athletics**

<b>7<sup>th</sup> Girls' Basketball</b> – Coach: Jon Engelsma (616-260-8062)			
Tuesday, January 7	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Thursday, January 9	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Friday, January 10	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Tuesday, January 14	at Hudsonville Chr.		4 pm
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Girls' Basketball</b> – Coach: Val Minderhoud (616-808-1655)			
Monday, January 6	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Wednesday, January 8	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Thursday, January 9	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Monday, January 13	Practice		3-4:30 pm
Tuesday, January 14	Home vs. Adams Chr.		4 pm

**Christmas Collection**

Thanks to all who generously donated to our recent Christmas collection for Northwest Iowa Protestant Reformed School. The collection totaled \$2009.76.

**School Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to the following students who will compete in our School Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 15 at 2 PM. Visitors are welcome. The top four winners will compete in the area PR Bee at Heritage Christian on Thursday, March 6 at 4PM. 4<sup>th</sup>: Lily Heyboer, Cole Huizinga, 5<sup>th</sup>: John Kalsbeek, Daniel DeBoer, 6<sup>th</sup>: Miles Fogal, Millie DeMeester, 7<sup>th</sup>: Triston Koole, Baylah TenBrock, 8<sup>th</sup>: Cara Kalsbeek, Sonya Minderhoud.

**Mark Your Calendars**

January 15-17	Jr. High Exams
January 17	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester (1/2 day)
January 18	Family Fun Night – 4:30-7:30 PM
January 20-23	MAP Assessments (3 <sup>rd</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> )
January 24	Fearfully & Wonderfully Made Day
February 6-7	Parent/Teacher Conferences
February 13	PTA – 7:30 PM
March 8	Pinewood Derby
March 14	Friends and Family Night

**School Board Meeting**

The School Board plans to meet this Wednesday, January 8 at 7 pm.

**Early Dismissal**

The 1<sup>st</sup> semester studies will end NEXT week Friday, January 17. School will dismiss at 11:45 am. Buses will leave school at noon.

**Exams**

Junior High students (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders) will take their 1<sup>st</sup> semester exams next week (January 15-17). They will dismiss after their exams on Thursday and Friday. Please make ride arrangements in advance. The schedule is as follows:

*Wednesday, January 15*

12:30-2 pm  
7<sup>th</sup> Science  
8<sup>th</sup> History

*Thursday, January 16*

<u>8:30-10am</u>	<u>10:30-11:45am</u>
7 <sup>th</sup> Bible	7 <sup>th</sup> English
8 <sup>th</sup> Bible	8 <sup>th</sup> Math

*Friday, January 17*

<u>8:30-10am</u>	<u>10:30-11:45am</u>
7 <sup>th</sup> Math	7 <sup>th</sup> History
8 <sup>th</sup> English	8 <sup>th</sup> Science

**School Circle News**

**Hot Lunch / Snack Sale – January 8**

**Hot Lunch: Chicken** Servers (please be to school by 11 am): Leigh Kooienga, Sarah Kleyn, Jodi Koole, Jill Koole, Sarah Kortus

**Snacks provided by:** Becky P, Cassie P, Leanne P, Cynthia Q, Julie R, Kaelyn R, Erin R, Laura R, Cheri R (Please have 24 homemade, prepackaged snacks to the school kitchen by 9am. Thank you!)

**Fun Night – Help Needed**

Fun Night is set for NEXT WEEK Saturday, January 18, 2025. Donations are still needed for the following items:

1. Pop (cans) – for our popular pop can toss.
2. Gatorade or Powerade – make another prize choice for some of our games.
3. “Fun” hats and wigs for our Hat Walk - \*NOTE\* our supply choice is quite low. So unless we get a good supply of donations this game will be put on hold until next year.
4. Suckers – full size tootsie pops or blow pops for our lollipop tree.
5. Candy and Trickets – for our grab bags.
6. Clean, good condition beanie babies for our Farmer Fling game.
7. Baked Goodies – If willing to donate to the Baked Good Sale, please let Jodi Koole know (616-724-8878).

Please label all donations “Fun Night” and place them in the school kitchen anytime.

If you are able to give of your time on that night please see the Sign Up Genius link below – we have 50 more spots to fill.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FAAAD28A5F4C70-47048658-family>

THANK YOU!

**Business Manager Needed**

Our School Circle business manager would like to step down. If you're interested in the position please reach out to Kate VanUffelen at 616-432-1834.

**TRIP**

TRIP will be sold every Tuesday morning from 8:15-9:00 AM in the classroom to the right at the bottom of the ramp. Please contact Sharla Moelker at 791-6091 with any questions.

**Requested Announcements**

**Please join us from 5-7 PM, in Adams' Gym** on Thursday, Feb 13 for our annual Soup Supper. If you are unable to make it to the sit-down dinner, check out our online ordering option. Soup and BBQ are available for pre-order by clicking [here](#). Online ordering will be open until February 6. If you have any questions or need help ordering, please call or text Emily Miersma at 616-325-3509. Thank you for supporting our school! ACS Mother's Club Soup Supper.

**Are you planning to attend?** A variety of spiritual and recreational activities will be available for adults, children, and families are planned for the **PRCA 100-year anniversary celebration** June 2-6, 2025 at Calvin University Grand Rapids, Michigan. Vacation Bible School will be every morning followed by many activities for all ages. A family carnival is planned for the last day that will feature inflated slides, a train, a mini pirate ship, a small Ferris wheel, and various carnival games. Carnival food including cotton candy, Kona shaved ice, and Steenstra's Mini Cookies will also be served. The evening event, which will be held at the DeVos Performance Hall, is dedicated to an evening of praise to God and will include many musical talents, band, orchestra, singing, and choir. We look forward to seeing you there to glorify God and experience spiritual refreshment through speeches and music. Enjoy unique opportunities to fellowship with believers from across the churches and around the world. Register to attend at <https://prca100.org/register>