

Song-of-the-Week

"It is good to sing Thy praises..." Hopefully the Song-of-the-Week helped you and your family experience that throughout the school year. The following is a complete list of the Psalter #'s from Psalm 148-150 and 1-20 which comprised our songs-of-the-week this school year. You do well to clip this list out and review these songs with the children over the summer months. No better songs to sing around the supper table or campfire!

#404: 1, 4, 5	#7: 1, 3	#22: 1, 3
#407: 1, 3	#9: 1, 3	#23: 1, 3, 6
#413: 1, 2	#12: 1, 3, 4	#24: 1-3
#418: 1, 2	#13: 1, 5	#30: 1, 2
#424: 1, 2	#15: 1, 2	#31: 1, 2, 7
#426: 1, 7	#17: 1, 5	#36: 1, 3, 4
#1: 1-3, 5	#19: 1, 2, 5	#37: 1, 2, 4
#4: 1, 2, 5	#20: 1-3	#44: 1, 2, 4
#5: 1-3	#21: 1, 4	

Last Memo

Pray that each family has a safe, refreshing and blessed summer. First day of school will be Monday, August 25.

Hope Classic Races

The races will take place on Saturday, May 24. Go to www.hopeprcschool.org/classic to view details and register. You must register before race morning to be entered into the post-race drawings! After the event, you will be able to view race results at hopeprcschool.org/classic.

Library Books

Library books were due last week, but the librarians report that we're missing 50 books. Please see that your children return their books ASAP!

Workbee

The Building Committee has scheduled a workbee for Saturday, May 31 beginning at 8 AM. Volunteers will be needed to prepare the landscape beds for mulching, remove blinds in 3rd-6th grade classrooms, paint a few small rooms, patch parking lot, and a few other details. Please bring shovels, rakes, wheel barrows, paint brushes and an appetite for donuts and coffee.

Last Day and Graduation

Tuesday, May 27 is the last day of school. School will dismiss at **11:15 AM**.

Graduation for the 8th grade will be held at Grace PRC on Tuesday, May 27 at 7 PM. Prof. D. Kuiper will deliver the address. Seventh and eighth graders are the only students required to attend graduation. The graduates should be at the church at 6:15 pm for their picture.

Report Cards

Kindergarten report cards will be sent home with children on Friday. An attempt will be made to send the $1^{st}-8^{th}$ grade students home with their cards on Tuesday, May 27. Notification will be sent to parents if this doesn't work out for all the grades.

May Music Programs

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming music programs:

- Monday, May 19 (Tonight) All School's Band Concert at Jenison Center for the Arts 7:00 pm. (6th-8th Band)
- Thursday, May 22 4th Recorders, 5th Band in the Music Room at **2:00 pm**.

Band Shirts

 $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ band students are to return their <u>clean</u> band shirts to the tote in the office by the end of the school year.

Lost and Found

Mothers, please view the pictures that will be emailed out today from the office to see if anything belongs to your children. Please have your children claim their items by Thursday. All will be labeled "free" on Friday and/or donated.

Highlights

The graduation issue of the Highlights was distributed to churches this past Sunday. Additional copies are available in the school office and on the school website, www.hopeprcschool.org.

Hope Classic Day

On Wednesday, May 21st, we will be celebrating Hope Classic Day. We are inviting all students and staff to wear their previous Hope Classic shirts. If you don't have a shirt, borrow one from a friend.

Junior High Exam Schedule

Tuesday, May 20 12:30-2:00 pm 7th Science 8th History

Wednesday, May 21

8:30-10:00 am 10:30-11:45 am
7th Bible 7th English
8th Bible 8th Math/Algebra
7th & 8th 11:45 AM Dismissal

Thursday, May 22

8:30-10:00 am 10:30-11:45 am 7th History 7th Math 8th Science 8th English 7th & 8th 11:45 AM Dismissal

Yearbooks

We have a couple extra yearbooks for sale in the office. They are first come, first served and cost \$40.

Extra Mother's Day CD's

There are extra copies of the Mother's Day CD's available in the office for \$7.

Choir Director Position Available

The School Board is seeking applicants for the 4-6th & Jr. High choir director position for the 2025-26 school year. The 4-6th choir meets once a week and the Jr. High choir meets twice a week. Those interested in this opportunity should contact Steve Langerak, Education Committee Chairman - langerakmasonry@gmail.com for more information.

ATTENTION! BUS DRIVER NEEDED!

Do you like to watch the sun come up in the morning or enjoy the laughter and energy of school children in the afternoon and want to help out Hope School? Then I have some job opportunities for you! We are in need of a part- or full-time bus driver for the 2025/2026 school year. Driving a school bus is a very enjoyable and fulfilling job. This position is ideal for a retired grandparent, or parent looking for a way to help out our school and has some extra time. We are also in need of a Transportation Supervisor. This position involves supervising our buses and bus drivers. It would be beneficial for this position to be filled by someone who is a licensed bus driver, but not absolutely necessary. Please contact Kevin Koole at kevin@mpdfinishing.com if you want more details.

Thanks

I express heartfelt thanks to all those who organized the farewell activities last week on my behalf. I will treasure the memory quilt as well as the photo album with so many kind words written by the students. Mizpah.

Mr. Koole

School Circle News

FREE HOT LUNCH: Pizza, chips, and ice cream for all! We'll be using last week's pizza numbers to prepare. If you contacted Kara, your child has been added. No snack sale, send your kids with a snack! **Junior High students** can pick up their hot lunch after exams, before heading home. **Pizza Servers** – please be at school by 11:00 AM. Shannon Bylsma, Carrie Huizinga, Kara Kregel & Jess VanOostenbrugge.

Motman's Fundraiser

Motman's gift cards - This is the last week we will be selling gift cards. Get your cards now so you can plant your garden this weekend. Contact Deb Hoeksema with questions.

Summer TRIP Days

We will be selling TRIP on the following dates. It will be sold in the TRIP room from 9-10 AM. Please contact Sharla Moelker at 616-340-5818 with any questions.

June 10 July 8 August 5 June 24 July 22 August 19

Requested Announcements

Charger Camps – Please view the many summer CCHS Charger camps by viewing them on Hope's website under the "Parent" tab.

CHARGER FLAG FOOTBALL: We are excited to start our second season of Charger Flag Football! Sign Ups are now live and will run through the end of June. This will be for boys who are entering 1st-6th grade (Fall 2025). More details can be found within the registration link: 2025 Flag Registration. Please sign up right away, as we do anticipate the league filling up fast. If you have any questions, feel free to email: chargerflagfootball@gmail.com