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ICS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of ICS is to provide an atmosphere in which each unique child of God is challenged both academically and Biblically to live as a Christian, serving Him in all areas of life.

2019-2020 Theme

“KINGDOM BUILDERS”

Aug./Sept.

Parable of the Great Banquet

AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT

The Inwood Christian School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities, generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Dear Parents,

SONLIGHT PRESCHOOL BEGINS: SonLight Preschool began this past Wednesday and meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. We welcome you, parents and students, to our ICS family!

SCHOOL BOARD TO MEET: The Inwood Christian School Board will be meeting on **Monday evening, September 9**, at 7:00 p.m. in the school office.

COOKIE BAKING: Hearts & Hands will be baking cookies on **Tuesday, September 10**. Mixing on Tuesday morning will be Norma Zamorano. Baking on Tuesday morning will be Pam Wynia, and baking Tuesday evening will be Kandace Brands. (Cookie Committee)

SCHOOL PICTURES TO BE TAKEN: School pictures will be taken by Photography by Hank on **Monday, September 16**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. An envelope showing the picture packages available was sent home with each student last Friday. Before a student can have his/her picture taken, he/she needs to have a pay envelope filled out and returned. These envelopes need to be returned to each student's teacher by **next Monday, September 9**. Please note that a class picture is included in all packages. If you do not purchase a package, class pictures may be purchased for \$10.00. If you wish to have a younger child's picture taken, pick up a pay envelope from the school office on **September 16**.

HEARTS & HANDS MEETING: Hearts & Hands will be meeting on **Monday evening, September 16**, at 7:00 p.m. Mothers, please join us at the next Hearts & Hands meeting. It will be in the music room—you can enter through the kitchen door. Attached to the newsletter is an agenda and a list of the current committees. The meeting should last between 60-90 minutes. If you have questions, please contact Brenda Zylstra at 712-470-0177. We hope to see everyone there! (Hearts & Hands)

TEXT MESSAGES: Did you receive the text message from the school that was sent out this past Wednesday? If so, you are in the system and should be receiving the messages sent out during the year. If you did not receive the message on Wednesday and wish to start receiving the messages this year, please go to one of the following links and complete your sign up. You can sign up for both texts and e-mail, and both parents may sign up. It is easy to sign up, and we want to encourage everyone to participate. Even though you may have listed your numbers on your registration sheet, you need to go to the links and complete your sign up. The school is unable to just sign you up.

<http://www.remind.com/join/prek-8> or <http://www.remind.com/join/3b864>

HEARING SCREENINGS: On **Wednesday, September 11**, NWAEA will be conducting hearing screenings on preschool through fifth grade and eighth grade students. Parents will be informed of any concerns. If you do NOT want your child's hearing screened, please contact the school as you need to fill out a form stating this.

ADVANCE NOTICE: There will be an early dismissal at 11:40 a.m. on **Friday, September 27**, as the teachers will be having an inservice in the afternoon. Busses will be running as usual.

ADVANCE NOTICE: On **Wednesday, September 25**, the whole school will be meeting around the flagpole to celebrate our freedom to pray. We invite and encourage everyone to join us.

TEACHER WEB PAGES: Be sure to check the web pages of your students' teachers for important information from them. As the year goes on, the teachers will update with assignments and information that pertains just to their class. You can find each teacher's web page by going to the ICS website (www.inwoodchristian.com), click on contact us on the top right, click on staff directory, and then click on the teacher's web page you wish to see.

REMINDER: If your student(s) will be going somewhere other than their normal destination after school, the school needs a note (or at least a phone call) from parents telling us this information. If we do not receive a note or phone call, your student(s) will be sent to their normal destination.

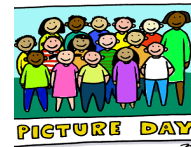
PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK: The Parent/Student Handbook was sent home with the students at Open House/Opening Day Chapel. Take the time to acquaint yourself with the policies of ICS. After reading the Handbook, please complete the page showing you read the Parent/Student Handbook and return it to the school office.

BOOK ORDERS: Many of our students order books through the book clubs available through school. For easier bookkeeping purposes, the school sends one check to the book company when placing orders. If you send a check for your student's book order, **please make the check payable to Inwood Christian School**, not the book club as stated on the order form.

Mrs. Vander Veen

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 9 - School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 11 - Hearing Screenings for PreK - 5th & 8th
- Sept. 16 - School pictures taken, 8:30 a.m.
- Sept. 16 - AM/PM SonLight Classes combined in the AM
- Sept. 16 - Hearts & Hands Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 25 - See You At the Pole
- Sept. 27 - Early Dismissal, 11:40 a.m., teacher inservice; buses will be running at 11:40 a.m.
- Oct. 2 - Chapel (Wear ICS T-shirts)
- Oct. 3 & 4 - NO SCHOOL, Heartland Teachers' Inservice
- Oct. 22 - K-4 Attend Play at Northwestern College
- Oct. 28 - Speech Interscholastics
- Oct. 29 - First Quarter Ends



THEME FOR SEPTEMBER - Parable of the Great Banquet

**For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them.
But seek His Kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.**

Luke 12:30-31

AGENDA FOR HEARTS & HANDS

September 16, 2019, 7:00 PM

Inwood Christian School Music Room

1. Opening Devotions & Welcome
2. Reading of minutes from January 21, 2019
3. Counting of Members
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Old Business/Fundraising/Committee Updates:
 - a. Review Recent Fundraisers -
 - i. Big Soo Coupon Book
 - ii. Spring Social
 - iii. Easter Bake Sale
 - iv. Cookie Sales
 - v. Screen-printing
 - b. Reports from any Committees
6. New Business
 - a. Proposal to amend Hearts & Hands Constitution (this was approved in January 2019, but a change to the Constitution requires it to be approved twice): Currently the constitution requires 2 people to serve on the Projects Committee, one of which is the Vice President. The proposal is to amend the constitution so that only the Vice President serves on the Projects Committee. The proposal also adds language creating a 3-person Promotions Committee with a new person elected each fall.
 - b. Election of Officers; Nominees -
 - Vice-President - Leah Blankespoor and Shanna Fluit
 - Secretary - Amy Stearns
 - Promotions - Pam Wynia and Faith Brummel
 - c. Report from Projects Committee
 - d. Report from Promotions Committee
 - e. Fundraisers for 2019-2020 school year -
 - i. Existing Fundraisers:
 1. Cookies
 2. Program Socials
 3. Box Tops
 4. Coke Points
 5. Pizza Wheels
 - ii. Propose and discuss new fundraisers-
 1. Christmas Bake Sale
 2. Parade of Homes
 3. Schwan's
 4. Pizza Sales
 5. Drive-In Movie
 6. Valentine's Day Cupcakes
 7. Others
 - f. Vote on new fundraisers
 - g. Set up Committees
 - h. Set up Room Mothers
 - i. Other Business
7. Concept Minutes
8. Motion to Adjourn
9. Closing Prayer

Existing Committees:

Big Soo Coupon Books – Leah VandeVegte

Coke Points – Brenda Zylstra

Box Tops – Leah VandeVegte and _____

Pizza Ranch Wheels – Leah VandeVegte

Socials – Liz Bonestroo and Leah Blankespoor

Christmas Bake Sale - _____ and _____

Schwan's – Abbey Van Beek

Cookie Baking – Jamie Van Voorst and Linda Meyer

Library – Brittany Halma (year 2 of 2) and _____ (year 1 of 2)

Apparel – Kandace Brands and _____

Promotions – Kandace Brands (year 3 of 3), Brittany Halma (year 2 of 3), and _____ (year 1 of 2)

4th of July Parade Float – Faith Brummel and Shanna Fluit

Easter Bake Sale – Amy Stearns (year 2 of 2) and Leah VandeVegte (year 1 of 2)

Pizza Sales – Brittany Halma and Amy Stearns

Parade of Homes – Abbi Davelaar and Pam Wynia

Parents Night/Kickball Night – Brad & Jori Gulker and Andre & Danielle Williams

Photo Flash Drives – Shanna Fluit (year 2 of 2) and _____ (year 1 of 2)

Creative Night – Abbie J. and Abbi D.

Screen Printing – Abbie J. and Abbey VB.