

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Monday Memo, October 6, 2008 *Trinity Christian School's mission is to accomplish God's purpose in the lives of students, teachers, staff and parents as disciples of Jesus Christ resulting in a positive influence on our community, our nation and the world. BE THE DIFFERENCE! I – Identify and Target the Similarities*

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 10 – SPIRIT Day	October 28 – PLAN test for 10th grade
October 14 – Band Boosters Meeting	October 28 – End of 1st Quarter
October 15 – Operation Shoebox due	October 30 – Explore Testing – 8th grade
October 18 – PSAT/NMSQT for 10th/11th grades	
October 23 – No School for Students-Continuing Professional Development	

General News

Hours of Operation – The school office is open from 7:30 to 3:30. If you need to call the school for any reason, please do so during this time. Also, just a reminder that children should not be dropped off until 7:15 a.m. and should be picked up by 3:30 p.m. Thank you.

Financial Update – In an effort to keep everyone informed, we will update you regularly on CSI pledges received and Capital Funds needed. As discussed at Tuesday's CSI meeting, we have raised \$87,331.51 of the \$150,000.00 needed by December 1st for the operating side. On the Capital side of our budget, we have raised \$188,655.78 towards our \$600,000.00 goal.

SPIRIT Day – Each class has been given a color to wear on Friday, October 10th. Kindergarten – Blue; 1st Grade – Yellow; 2nd Grade (All) – Orange; 3rd Grade – Green; 4th Grade – Red; 5th Grade – White; 6th Grade – Orange; 7th Grade – Yellow; 8th Grade – Blue; Freshmen – Red; Sophomores – Green; Juniors – Pink; Seniors – Black; Faculty and Staff – Maroon.

Hot Lunch – On Wednesday the Elementary will have Wong's Wok and the Secondary will have Chick-Fil-A. All slips for Wednesday lunches **must** be turned in Tuesday morning. **No late orders will be accepted**, because parents do the counting and ordering off campus. There will be Pizza for elementary, middle and high school students on Friday. **Elementary slips must be returned by Tuesday** and middle and high school students need to return their slips by Friday morning. Slips must be turned in promptly. We will not be ordering any extra. Please make sure you have exact change.

Subway Lunch for Elementary Students only – Elementary students will have Subway on Thursday. Please have order forms turned into homeroom teachers by Tuesday at 8:30. All proceeds benefit the 8th grade WV trip. Volunteers are still needed. Please call Chris Mayo at 291-5134 if interested. Thank you.

Key Found – A key was found in the parking lot over a week ago. It is on a purple key chain. If it is yours, or you know whom it belongs to, please claim it.

Christmas Card Catalogs – Just a reminder, **please do not throw away the catalogs as they need to be returned** to the vendor. We will receive credit for all returned catalogs.

SHOEBOXES!!! – Every year, we participate in Samaritan's Purse collection of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Our goal this year is to bring in at least 300 boxes, hoping to make it our most successful collection ever. This outreach ministry allows us to see the true power of a simple gift, as millions of shoeboxes will be flown across the world full of toys, school supplies, and toiletries – packed with the love and message of Jesus Christ! Brochures will be sent home in the coming week, but you can start your shopping now.

Shoeboxes are due October 15, 2008.

What if Trinity had a penny for every time you searched the Internet? GoodSearch.com is a search engine that donates half of its revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. You use it just as you would any search engine, and it's powered by Yahoo!, so you get great results. Search the web with www.goodsearch.com and you will help Trinity earn money without spending a dime! The more people who use this site, the more money will go to those in need. Please spread the word to your family and friends.

Veteran's Day Program pictures – We are compiling a slide show to be shown at our Veteran's Day Program. If you have pictures of Veterans that you would like us to include in the slide show, they need to be turned in to Mrs. Adams before October 10, 2008. Please include name, rank, unit, and station, as well as information on how to return them to you.

Lost Items - We accumulate many lunch boxes, jackets, sweaters, books, etc around the school. We have limited space for lost and found. Please write your child's name in their personal items and we can more easily return the items. Lost and found is located in the vending machine room just off the foyer.

Earning for Learning – Congratulations, Trinity will be receiving \$2,000.00 (Second place) from this event. Thanks to all who turned in their receipts for credit.

Refreshment Committee – We are looking for parents who would be interested in serving on a refreshment committee throughout the year. This committee would plan and serve refreshments for a few programs and events. Please let the school office know if you are interested in serving on this committee.

TB Booster – All new students coming from out-of-state schools must have a TB booster within the first four months of school.

Transportation Vouchers – If you live in Monongalia County, you are eligible for transportation reimbursement through Monongalia County schools. Transportation reimbursement vouchers may be picked up in the office. Please fill out all the pertinent information and a Trinity parent will complete the form for you each month. The forms will be submitted to the Mon Co BOE the end of September to cover August and September. Thank you!

Parent–Student Handbooks – If you did not attend the Back to School Night for your child, you will need to stop by and pick up your handbook. It contains forms that need to be completed and returned as soon as possible. Thank you!

Prayer Committee meets every Friday morning at 7:45 a.m. in the Board room to pray for the needs of the school. Everyone is welcome.

School Directories – School directories are available. Stop by the office to pick up your copy. One directory per family, please.

After School Care Registration – Please be aware that it is the policy for all after school care students to be registered in the program. Even if you plan to utilize the program on an as needed basis, **registration is a must**. Forms are available in the office.

Recycling – Please continue to save your recyclable metals and aluminum soda cans for Mr. DeWitt. He has been able to use the cash that he gets from these recyclables to purchase a new tool and extra laundry detergent and cleaning supplies for the school. He is grateful for your donations.

Monday Memo info must be turned into Mrs. Barill no later than Thursday afternoon for the following week's memo. Thank you!

Elementary News

Read Aloud News – Sign up sheets are in the office if you would like to sign up for this semester. Please call Marian Armour-Gemmen at 292-5419 or email gemmen.online@comcast.net if you have any questions.

Afternoon pick-up – For the safety of our children, a friendly reminder to not drive around building until 2:50. Children are playing on the playground. Thank you!

Secondary News

Band Boosters Meeting – There will be a band boosters meeting Tuesday, October 14th, at 5:30 in the band room.

Pep Rally – We will have a Pep Rally the last 20 minutes of 9th period on Thursday, October 9th. Show your *Trinity Spirit* and wear your Trinity apparel or maroon/gold.

PSAT – For those juniors and seniors that signed up for the PSAT, to be given on Saturday, October 18th, the cost of the test is \$15.00, which is due by October 16th, to Mrs. DeBoni. Checks are to be made payable to TCS.

Just a reminder – Each student is asked to bring in a box of *tissues* and *either cough drops or throat lozenges*. Thank you.

Community Service Hours – Remember those hours you worked over the summer? Please turn them in.

Prudential Spirit of Community Award – The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial and administered by the National Association of Secondary School Principals, recognize middle and high school students for volunteer community service. Eligible applicants include any young person in the U. S. who is in grades 5 – 12 and has engaged in volunteer activity that occurred at least partly during the 12 months prior to the date of application. Local honorees are selected in November, and from these winners two state honorees are chosen in each state and the District of Columbia. Out of the state honorees, 10 national honorees are selected and announced at a ceremony in Washington, DC, in May of 2009. State Honorees receive an award of \$1,000

and all-expense paid trip to Washington, DC for national recognition events. National Honorees receive an additional \$5,000. **Deadline to enter is October 31, 2008.** Please go to <http://www.prudential.com/spirit> for more information.

CSI Information

CSI Credit for Scrip Orders – For all new families ordering Scrip, we want to make sure you understand the amount of credit you will be receiving is not dollar for dollar. It is a percentage, set by each individual vendor that is credited back to you. Families receive 90% of the discount amount with the remaining 10% divided among Scrip workers in exchange for their time and efforts. We are sorry for any misunderstandings.

CSI Statements – Statements were generated and passed out to all who attended last week's CSI meeting. We have mailed out those who were not in attendance. From this point on, expect monthly statements sent according to the preferred method indicated on your pledge form.

SCRIP – If you are using Kroger Scrip cards with the following numbers, please let us know so that we can give you credit: **507760410 and 516420071.**

Sarris Pretzel Rods – Pre-ordered pretzels have arrived and can be picked up in the office.

Sports News

Good Luck to our High School Golf team as they head to Wheeling for the State Tournament! Tournament play will be Tuesday and Wednesday.

Soccer Team to Honor Seniors – The Soccer team will have Senior Day at their home game on Saturday, October 11th at 1:00 at the Point Marion field. Come out and support your soccer team and the seniors.

Softball Meeting – A softball meeting will be held for **parents and players** at 5:00 on Tuesday, October 7th, in Room 109.

Cross Country Regional's will be held on Thursday, October 23rd in St. Mary's at 4:00 p.m. There is no school for students that day. Come out and support our Varsity girls on to States. Directions will be in the office.

Please check out the calendar link on the Trinity website (www.tcswy.org). This will have up-to-the-minute information for both practice and game schedules. We will not be including it in the Monday Memo.

- Prayer and Praise:**
1. For the golf team.
 2. For the 8th grade as they travel around our state.
 3. Finances