

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Monday Memo, September 22, 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! D – Dare to be Different***

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 23 – School Pictures	October 10 – Operation Shoebox due
September 25 – Midterm of 1st Quarter	October 18 – PSAT/NMSQT for 10th & 11th grade
September 26 – WVU Spirit Day	October 23 – No School for Students – Continuing Professional Development
September 30 – CSI Meeting 7:00	October 28 – PLAN test for 10th grade
September 30 – End of Christmas Card sale	October 28 – End of 1st Quarter
October 3 – 2 Hour Early Dismissal	October 30 – Explore Testing – 8th Grade

General News

Hot Lunch – On Wednesday the Elementary will have Chick-Fil-A and the Secondary will have Arby's. 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 May at 291-5134 if interested. Thank you.

Lifetouch Pictures – Just a reminder that tomorrow is picture day and it is also T-shirt Tuesday. Just wanted to make you aware. Background choice forms are attached. Secondary students are to give this form to the photographer on Tuesday. Elementary students are to give the form to their teacher. Any questions, please call the office. Thank you.

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 10, 2008.

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.

Thank you! - Thank you for driving slowly and carefully through the parking lot and up and down the hill. The Cross Country Team appreciates your consideration as they put in their miles of practice.

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.

School Store – Please call the office if you are available to help with the school store from 11:15 to 12:30. We also need parents who can help take down tables and chairs after lunch. Again, our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the elementary moms and dads who are putting up the tables and chairs.

Earning for Learning – Remember to support Trinity by turning in all Morgantown Mall receipts dated from August 1 through September 30 to the Mall office by September 30th. You retain your receipts, they just credit the amount to Trinity, making the school eligible for cash prizes. This year the mall is offering extra points for purchases made on Mondays and Tuesdays, as well as purchases

of Mall gift cards. Trinity is currently in **second place**, but has been the top prize winner (\$5,000) for the past two years. Let's keep the trend going!

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!

PEST Volunteers – We still need 5 volunteers to help with this program. Please contact Janice Humble at 594-1606 if you would like to help.

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 should be available by the end of the week. 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.

Mr. DeWitt will collect old mowers and weed eaters through the end of September.

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

Freezer pops and Fudgesicles will be on sale during Monday, Wednesday, and Friday lunch periods. Cost for treats is \$0.50 each. All sales will benefit the 8th grade WV trip.

Secondary News

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.

Freezer pops and Fudgesicles will be on sale during Monday and Wednesday lunch periods for **middle school students**. Cost for treats is \$0.50 each. All sales will benefit the 8th grade WV trip.

High School Student Government Class Officer Election Applications are due Tuesday! Applications are in the guidance office. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. DeBoni or your student body officers.

PSAT - The PSAT/NMSQT (a college preparatory test for the SAT and a scholarship qualifying test for juniors) will be given at Trinity on Saturday, October 18th, to all interested sophomores and juniors. I strongly encourage all juniors to take this test and it will be an excellent practice test for the sophomores. The charge will be \$15.00 for the test. Money is not due until the week of October 13th, but I need a head count by Wednesday, September 24th, of those who plan to take the test to ensure I have enough tests on hand. If you have any questions concerning the test, please talk to Mrs. DeBoni. (This is the only date the test will be given).

Community Service Forms – Please turn in your forms from your summer community service.

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

CSI Information

The first CSI meeting of the year is scheduled for Tuesday, September 30, at 7:00 p.m.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!! – Our Christmas card, gift and wrap sale through the “*Christian Collection*” is our first CSI fundraising event of the season. This popular catalog focuses on Jesus and He is what we are all about. These Christmas cards are an excellent way to celebrate His birth and tell the world about our Savior. The fundraiser began Tuesday, September 16th, and runs for just two weeks, ending on Tuesday, September 30th. After that orders can be placed online. We raised over \$11,000.00 that was used for our operating budget last year and we need 100% participation to help us reach our goal of \$15,000.00 this year. So start making your list and spread the word. Think of family, friends, neighbors, and businesses that send Christmas cards and share the catalog with them. The catalog can be viewed and orders placed online at www.ChristianCollection.com. The school ID for Trinity is 11613. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our PSO Christmas Card Committee Chair, Tracy Hagedorn, at 292-5264.

Sarris Pretzel Rods – There is an order form for Sarris pretzel rods included with this week's memo. Orders must be received by September 23, 2008, and will be delivered that week. Please call the Hawkinberry's if you have any questions at 366-1766.

Sports News

Please check out the calendar link on the Trinity website (www.tcsww.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 all students who are ill
2. In praise and thanksgiving for the sale of the Greystone house. We thank you for your continued prayers.
3. For the safety of all fall athletes.