



Crown Point Christian School

www.crownpointchristian.org

Crown Point Christian School is an association of evangelical Christians committed to providing a Biblically based, Christ-centered education that partners with parents in preparing children spiritually, socially, academically, and physically to honor God in all aspects of life.

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August 23, 2012


Important Dates

2012-13 School Verse: "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." Psalm 18:2

Monday, Aug. 27	No School—Teacher in Service Day
Tuesday, Aug. 28	Scrip pick-up
Saturday, Sept. 1	Hot Lunch orders due at 9:00 AM

Welcome to the 2012-2013 school year. As a staff, we're very thankful that the first days have gone very well, and we thank you for your support, patience, and prayers to make that happen.

Due to the technical difficulties we have been experiencing with our computers since the beginning of the school year, the 2012-2013 Family Directories will not be sent home today. Thank you for your patience. We will send them home as soon as they are ready.

 **Picture Day** will take place on Tuesday, September 4. Order forms will be sent home with students soon. We ask that parents complete a form for every student (even if you are not ordering photos). If your child is in **3 day PreK**, please bring him/her to school at 9:00 AM on this day for their school pictures.

Carpool-

- Pick up is getting better everyday. Lines should shorten as families develop carpools. For security purposes, we ask that parents pick up their children in the carpool lanes and try to **avoid coming into the school.**
- In the morning when pulling into the circle for drop-off, please pull all the way to the front of the circle if there are cars behind you.
- To avoid a traffic jam on Park Place, please go around the block when cars are backed up to Park Place, and enter the south drive.

Ordering for hot lunch is going on now through Saturday, September 1 through Renweb. One new item this year is a fresh fruit cup! Thank you for the great response from volunteers for hot lunch at the Open House. Our monthly positions are full, but we are looking to add to our sub list. Please email Patti Swets at pattiswets@yahoo.com if you would like to be placed on our sub list.



The new CPCS staff members are (from left to right) Ms. Craig (4th), Mrs. Saxsma (6th, 7th, 8th), Mrs. Donaldson (3rd), Mr. Stallinga (6th, 7th), Mrs. Terpstra (7th, 8th), Mr. Scott (Asst. Principal), and Mrs. VanDrunen (3dayK).



Enjoying the first day of school!



* HARD COPY GOLD NOTE **

All Gold Notes will be sent electronically and will be available on the school website unless you have a need to receive a paper copy. If you do not have access to a computer and must have a paper copy of the Gold Note, please fill out this form and return it to the school office.

Parent name: _____

Student to receive hard copy Gold Note: _____ Homeroom teacher: _____



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Our annual Magazine Sale will kick off on September 5 with an assembly at 1:40 PM and 2:05 PM for the 1st through 8th grade students and a second kick off at 8:30 AM on September 6 for kindergarten. Parents are invited to attend one of the assemblies if they would like. The sale runs until September 19. There are prizes awarded for turning in magazine orders. We are trying to go green with online ordering and are awarding Target gift cards to the top online seller in each classroom! Remember, 40% of all profits go directly to CPCS...so let's have another great sale!

Please note the attached updated 2012/2013 School Calendar, which includes a few new scheduled activities. Also, school will be in session on Monday, March 18, 2013 in accordance with the days required by the Indiana Department of Education.



Interested in building with Legos? Then the Lego Club might be for you! Not to be confused with Robotics, Lego Club is just that....building Legos for fun. This club will start up soon. Fees will be the same as after school CAMP fees. More information to come! Contact Steph Bandstra at stephbandstra@comcast.net with any questions.

If you are interested in orchestra information and didn't talk to Mr. Ackerson at the Open House, we have flyers in the office. A parent/student information meeting will be Thursday, September 6, at 7:00 PM.



If you ordered a 2011-2012 yearbook and were not able to pick it up at Open House earlier this week, yearbooks are now available to be picked up in the office through September 7. After that date, they will be sent home with your child. CPCS is not responsible for yearbooks that do not arrive home safely.

It's My Party: We have coupons in the office from "It's My Party" in Dyer (next to Jewel on Rte. 30). 10% of all sales are given to CPCS if you tell them when you check out. Stop in and see their line of balloon bouquets, party supplies, and more!



Thank you from Parents' Club to all who volunteered to be a room parent this year. We appreciate your help. The following teachers still need one or more room parents. Please contact Kelly Price at phrog21@hotmail.com if you're interested. Remember, you are welcome to bring your younger children with you if needed. We would like to have all the positions filled by Sept. 4 if possible. Thank you for considering helping our teachers!

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| Kindergarten--Mrs. Zimmer (3) | 6th Grade--Stallinga (1) |
| 1st Grade--Mrs. Berdine (3) | 7th Grade--Koontz (1) |
| 1st Grade--Mrs. Nosich (2) | 7th Grade--Voss (2) |
| 2nd Grade--Mrs. Koster (1) | 8th Grade--Saxsma (2) |
| 6th Grade--Terpstra (2) | |

Room Parents: Your informational meeting is Sept. 4 at 8:00 AM in the atrium. The meeting will be approximately 20-30 minutes and your non-school age children are welcome to attend if necessary. Please do your best to come as information will be presented from a couple of different committees. If you are unable to attend, please contact Kelly Price at phrog21@hotmail.com.

Bulletin Board News--See the bulletin board by the kitchen for more information on these items.

- Crown Point Swim Club (CPSC) winter registration for children 5 years and older is starting **September 5th and 6th from 5:45--8:00 PM** at Crown Point High School. Children will be given a brief evaluation so bring your swimsuit and goggles. Any questions, please call (219)838-3294 or visit www.crownpointswimclub.org.
- Swim lessons hosted by the Lake Central Barracudas are now available. Sign-ups are in the LCHS Pool Lobby on September 4 and September 6 from 5:00--6:00 PM. For further information, please contact Jeff Kilinski at 219-365-1406 or coachjeff@lcb swim.com.
- If you are looking for someone to clean your home or small business, please contact CPCS parent, Melissa Roach at 219-381-0750. She is available for one time or scheduled cleaning for houses and small businesses.
- Competitive Edge Cheer is offering classes for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls. Their informational meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 10 at 7:30 PM at Oak Glen School. Please contact CEC.Cats@gmail.com.
- Job Opportunity with Crossroads Moppets. If interested, please contact Tammy at 219-558-2491 or tak2disney@aol.com.



Scrip Updates –

Welcome to a new school year! If you haven't participated in Scrip in the past or if you've gotten out of the habit of doing Scrip, a new school year is a great time to begin. You are now able to order and pay online which will make your Scrip ordering experience even easier. There are also many retailers where you can place your order online, pay with PrestoPay and get your Scrip certificate immediately. You don't even have to wait for an order date. You are also able to reload gift cards from many retailers. Check out more detailed information and instructions under Parents Place > Scrip or contact Paulette in the school office.

Bonus Discounts:

Red Robin – through September 28 – 11% instead of 9%

Land's End – through September 7 – 18% instead of 16%

Dell Computer – through September 14 – 6% instead of 4%

Scrip dates for the 1st semester are attached.

Scrip distribution is August 28, and the next Scrip order date is September 4.

Important! When ordering **Strack & VanTil, Ultra Foods or Town & Country Foods** gift cards online be sure to order **Strack & VanTil/Ultra-LOCAL**. You will receive a higher percentage toward your tuition credit if you order it this way.

Current Scrip order forms are always available online through the CPCS website. Click on Parent's Place and then the Scrip tab to access Scrip information.

Register for the Crusader Classic 5k/2k- online or in the office.

Start to get sponsors...even if you can't participate in the event, you may get sponsors and work for the prizes! EVERY STUDENT who raises \$25 or more in sponsorships will be invited to attend a pizza party during school! In addition to the pizza party Pre-K-2nd, 3rd-5th, and 6th-8th can win a Target gift card. 1st place-\$100 Target gift card, 2nd place-\$75 Target gift card, 3rd place -\$50 Target gift card (places based on sponsorship money raised).



Don't forget to collect those Box Tops this year! Any student who sends them in this month will get a prize. Turn them in to your child's teacher in an envelope or plastic bag marked with the child's and teacher's name.

Be sure to check your **service hours** on Renweb. In case you are wondering how to do that, it is really simple. Just log onto Renweb, then click on **Family Information**, under **My Profiles** click on the **first parent's name** that is listed, then to the right of that click on **Service Hours**. Most hours earned from Second Life will be shown under the first parent's name. Hours earned from volunteering on a committee will be shown under the name of the parent that is on that committee. Most hours are entered at the end of each month.

Prayer Post

If you have a specific prayer request or praise, please email cbatterman@crownpoinchristian.org or call the office at 365-5694 and we will include it in this portion of the Gold Note.

Lost and Found—If an item is not claimed for one week, it will be donated to Second Life Resale Shoppe.

Found: Size 8 slim Old Navy jean shorts, XS gray Aeropostale hoodie, frisbie, and bookcovers.



Encouragement Corner:

Each week the office attempts to keep our school family informed by way of the Gold Note. This information helps us bridge communication from the school to your home keeping you updated on meeting times, committee input, weekly activities going on in the school, hot lunch days, fund raising events, etc. This year we would like to make our communication a little more personal and interesting by adding a few pictures, an update on board functions and adding a special corner called Encouragement Highlights. In this corner, parents and grandparents can give testimonials, the faculty and board members can give positive expressions, etc. Topics can flow from positive experiences such as:

- + Why CPCS is such a blessing to our family!
- + The privilege of serving as volunteers as board members or on special committees.
- + Why I find joy in teaching at CPCS.
- + Why we sacrifice to send our children to a Christian School.

You get the picture! All positive comments about living the Christian life and being a part of belonging to the CPCS family.

Turn in your note for this corner to the school office with your signature or email to cpcs@crownpoinchristian.org.

"Thank you" to all the parents of Crown Point Christian School for all the diligent efforts in preparing your children for the new school year. As I reflect on my past years of involvement in Christian education I am amazed at how the pace of life seems to go faster and faster each year. Our lives are governed by calendar dates that include both parents' work schedules, church and school events, car pool schedules, athletic schedules, social events, committees, volunteer activities etc. I'm amazed at how today's parents keep lives from unraveling! Hats off to all of you! Keep in mind that your children are watching you, learning the greatest lessons of life from you! Take time to evaluate all your busyness, modeling Christlikeness as your priority.

In His Service,

Ivan Van Essen, CPCS Dev. Director

Crown Point Christian School Shares Great News!!!

Crown Point Christian School was the recipient of a generous \$100,000.00 gift donated by a generous anonymous donor. This gift was designated for the new Middle School Phase IV addition. With this gift, the total gifted for this addition is \$435,000.00. We, the Capital Campaign Committee, share this great news to give all Association members encouragement and thanksgiving. We thank our great God for this and all the special gifts given for this much needed cause. With your prayers, gifts, and in Gods' timing, we hope to begin construction of this much needed addition!

Thank you, anonymous donor ,for your generosity and encouragement!! TO GOD BE the GLORY!

Ivan Van Essen, CPCS Dev. Director



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Mission Statement: *To raise funds for Crown Point Christian School by selling tax-deductible donations provided by generous people from the surrounding community. Through our work at Second*

Current Needs: please call 219-663-5266

Website:

Check our website at www.secondliferesale.com. We now post events and volunteer calendars on the website. To view the volunteer calendar, you may check the calendar online, but will need to call the Resale Shoppe Office for us to enter your time slot. To check the calendar for a time that you would be able to serve:

Username: volunteer
Password: givetime

STORE HOURS:

Mondays: 8:30 AM—3:30PM
(Closed to the public, work day)
Tuesdays: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM
Wednesdays: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM
Thursdays: 9:00 AM—7:00 PM
Fridays: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM
Saturdays: 9:00 AM—3:00 PM