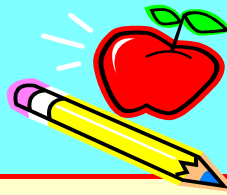


BACK TO SCHOOL!



Redeemer Christian School
September 2018
Newsletter

Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Director's Note

Welcome back to Redeemer Christian School for the 2018-2019 school year, our 18th year, to those families who have been with us before and welcome to those who are joining our "RCS Family" for the first time. We hope you had a great summer! The RCS Staff has been busy preparing for our start on September 5th and we look forward to another spectacular year! Please visit the school website at redeemerchristianschool.com to find our newsletter each month, our monthly calendar, school information, and important forms. Please also visit our Facebook page to see photos and postings from time to time. At RCS we try to keep our parents informed of their child's day at school in our daily or weekly sheet given to you by our teachers.

Once again we will have "Open Classrooms" if you wish to come on Tuesday, September 4th from 1-2:00 p.m. (This is optional and a time when your child can come in and see his or her classroom to get better acquainted with his or her surroundings for the year). "Back to School Night" is on the evening of September 5th at 6:00 p.m. for our parents or guardians of our children. We plan to have samples of our RCS Spiritwear this night. Our January 2 ½ year parents are welcome to come as well! We will give information about our classes and ask that you take some time to check out your child's classroom as well as meet the staff. (Please remember that this is an adult only evening.)

Our RCS Room Parent Coordinators will be hosting a "Meet & Greet" on Wednesday, October 10th & Thursday, October 11th. This is a nice opportunity for our RCS families to meet each other. More details will be sent home soon.

Families that are looking for a home church are always welcome to attend Redeemer Lutheran Church. Our Rally Day will be Sunday, September 9th from 11:30-3:30 p.m. Our church services are every Sunday at 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. with Sunday School classes at 10:15 a.m. beginning September 16th.

We are truly blessed to be able to be a part of your child's early years as our children at RCS learn about so much in their world and God's love for them. We love to see them "Grow in God's love"!

God Bless and thank you for sharing your children with us,

Cindy Stevens and the RCS Staff

September At A Glance

Letters of the month: "L" & "F"

September 5th

- 1st day of school
- 2 ½ year old's 1st day - 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. **with a parent** (Wed./Fri. class)
- "Back to School Night" 6:00 p.m.

September 6th

- 2 ½ year old's 1st day - 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. **with a parent** (Tues./Thurs. class)

September 7th

- 2 ½ year old's 2nd day - 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. **without a parent** (Wed./Fri. class)

September 9th

- Redeemer Lutheran Church Rally Day 11:30-3 p.m.

September 11th

- 2 ½ year old's 2nd day - 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. **without a parent** (Tues./Thurs. class)

September 20th

- Room Parent Meeting - 9:15a.m.

September 20th & 21st

- School Spirit Days - please wear your RCS Spiritwear or blue & yellow to support our school!

One Call Now Alert System!

RCS uses One Call Now Alert System for school notifications in place of the phone chain. With this system we will be able to contact your family with important school information, school closings and delays as well as individual class information.

RCS Program Information

Our Drop-Off and Dismissal Procedure

Please take notice of our procedure for our dismissal which we sent to your homes. In order to be in compliance with the State of New Jersey and for the safety of our children the Beginning Bears, 2 ½'s, and 3's and "STARS" will be dismissed from the main RCS entrance and the 4's will be dismissed from the rear of the building by the backyard.

Drop-Off for all classes will still be in the front of our building by the main entrance.

Lunch/Brunch Programs

Our very popular lunch/brunch programs will once again be offered. Brunch Bunch will be held on Wednesdays. Lunch Bunch will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays. Our Lunch/Brunch facilitators will be Samantha Mikus, Tanya Shoudy, and Michelle Amaducci. Details to be sent home shortly.

Reminders to Parents

- Please refer to the letter recently sent home for a list of requested supplies and snacks for the 2018-2019 school year.
- Please review the school drop-off and pick-up procedures that accompanied the summer letter. ***For your children's safety, please do not allow your child to lean out of the windows or sun roof while waiting in the car line.**
- Remember to display your car sign as explained in the new pick up procedures.
- FYI - Tuition may be tax-exempt if using your flexible spending account! Contact our bookkeeper, Al Duscher, with any questions.
- To maximize your child care credit it may be in your best interest to prepay the 2019 tuition. Contact your tax preparer or Al Duscher for more information.

RCS "Little Free Library"

You are welcome to come into our front door with your child and visit our "RCS Little Free Library". This was started four years ago by RCS graduate Nolan Montalbano. Your child is allowed to take a book out to borrow at any time. If you wish to donate any used children's books we welcome this and thank you in advance.

Fundraising Update

There are many wonderful and exciting fundraising ideas once again being offered this year. Jessica Malcolm is our new chairperson who will coordinate these fundraisers with the help of her committee. We will begin the year with our Spiritwear sale and once again, the KidStuff books which contain various coupons for the Morris County area. Also in for Fall will be our popular Fall Mum sale which supplied us with beautiful flowers. Thank you parents for all of the support that we receive from these fundraisers! Due to your support last year we purchased many school supplies, gift cards for Thanksgiving time for Roxbury Food Pantry, STEM equipment, and playground mulch. In the past we purchased the Buddy Bench, our security cameras, our Hatch Interactive Unit, and supplies. This year we intend to use fundraising money for more supplies and ideas.

Various fundraisers will follow throughout the year. We cannot truly express our gratitude to our parents and friends for their help to make these fundraisers an important part in improving our