



Redeemer Christian School

December 2017 / January 2018

Newsletter

Isaiah 9:6 "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulders, and his name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Director's Note

It is a very festive time here at RCS as we celebrate baby Jesus' birthday and get ready for our Christmas Pageant on December 15th. We tell the children that although Santa is "Jesus' friend" Christmas is the celebration of Jesus' birthday. It is a time of receiving the gift of Jesus and His love to all as well as a time to give to others. Your donations last month to the Roxbury Food Pantry showed the children that it is important to give to others and to help out when needed. In the Christmas season we rejoice with each other in school and with our families in song. We try our best to present our Christmas message of Jesus' love to everyone with our Christmas Pageant and we enjoy each other's company with our Christmas traditions at school and at home. We look forward to all that 2018 brings to us at RCS and we wish each of you a blessed holiday season with an exciting 2018! Have a wonderful Christmas!
God bless you all,
Cindy Stevens & the RCS Staff

Our December & January activities are:

Letters of the Month - December: "C" & "J"

Letters of the Month - January: "O" "Q", "G" & "S"

Registration for 2018-2019

Pre-registration for current RCS students: Monday, November 27th through Friday, December 1st. Registration began at 8:00 a.m. on November 27th in person as the registration forms were able to be downloaded that very day. This was in order to make it fair for all interested parents who wanted to try to secure a spot for their child for next year. We will have classes based on enrollment interest and cannot guarantee that all will be able to place their child in their first choice of class.

If you have not registered your child yet for next year but wish to do so please send in your registration form along with your deposit to secure your child's placement.

December & January At A Glance

November 27th - December 1st

✳ Pre-Registration for current RCS families

December 4th - 8th

✳ Pre-Registration for RLC members & Alumni

December 6th & 7th

✳ Jesus' Birthday Parties

December 15th

✳ Christmas Pageants

December 18th - January 1st

✳ School closed for Christmas break

January 2nd

✳ Classes resume

January 3rd

✳ Open House & Public Registration

January 5th

✳ First Day of January 2 ½ class

January 15th

✳ Martin Luther King Day - no school

January 25th & 26th

✳ Spirit Days

RCS Reaches Out!

Thank you so much for contributing food for the Roxbury Food Pantry during November. It's wonderful to teach the children that it is so important to reach out and help others who are in need. It makes us smile to bring those donations down to Roxbury Social Services every year.

We appreciate your thoughtfulness!

Some of our older RCS classes will be picking stars from the Redeemer Lutheran Church Wish Tree and together will shop online to help fulfill some of those wishes on the stars for needy families in Morris County area.

Pre-registration for RCS alumni and RLC: Monday, December 4th through Friday, December 8th. Registration forms can be placed in our RCS mailbox by the church office (or outside in the silver mailbox).

We will make every effort to secure a place for your child at RCS.

On November 27th registration forms brought in were accepted on a first come, first serve basis. The time each form was brought in was recorded.

**If there are more requests for certain classes from our current students, we will hold a lottery to be fair to fill the spots. Please try and have your forms in before our Christmas break. We will make every effort to secure a place for your child at RCS.*

Open House and Public Registration: Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. We would appreciate it if you could share this date with any family or friends seeking a Christian-based preschool where children can grow spiritually, academically, and socially in a loving environment to help prepare them for future years ahead.

**It is strongly advised that you send in your registration form with your deposit as soon as possible. On January 3, 2018 registration is open to the public. If you have not signed up prior to this date there is no guarantee that your child will be able to be placed in a class as each class has a maximum amount of children allowed according to the age level and room size.*

Jesus' Birthday Party: This will be celebrated in each individual classroom for students with the staff. Our party days are Wednesday, December 6th and Thursday, December 7th. We celebrate that Jesus has a birthday too! Room parents will notify parents of donations needed for this event. Thank you in advance if you were asked to donate treats or paper goods.

**** Please note this is a student only event.**

Christmas Pageant: This is for all students on Friday, December 15th at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30p.m.

**Children should arrive at 9:15 a.m. and 12:15p.m. (doors will be unlocked at 9:15 a.m. & 12:15p.m.). Please note that there are no classes that day. Full Day Fours come at 12:15p.m. for the afternoon pageant.*

Spiritwear Days: December 7th & 8th / January 25th & 26th. Show your school spirit by wearing RCS apparel or blue and yellow.

First Day of School for January 2 ½ year old classes:

Welcome to our January 2 1/2's. We're excited for them to start in their class with Miss Kristen and Miss Heather. On Friday, January 5th will be our ease-in session with one parent or guardian from 9:30a.m. to 10:30a.m. The next class, Friday, January 12th will be a regular normal time of 9:00-11:30a.m. for each child without his or her parent or guardian.

RCS Fundraising Update

The Original Works fundraiser was a nice success! Thank you to all who participated! Thank you for participating in the Gertrude Hawk candy fundraiser.

Looking Ahead:

We will again be selling Gertrude Hawk for the Spring as well as Spirit Wear and our Mother's Day plant sale

HELP WANTED:

If anyone is interested in being on our fundraising committee please contact us! We need your help for next year.



Land of Make Believe: Please note that our annual Land of Make Believe Family Day is scheduled for Friday, May 18th. The raindate is Friday May 25th. The price will once again be \$5.00 for each child and \$10.00 for each adult.

Graduation: We will this year have **two** graduation ceremonies for all our RCS Fours and STARS students. This will be on Friday, June 8th at 9:30a.m. and 12:30p.m.

Snow/Inclement Weather Policy

Please be aware of our school inclement weather policy and that RCS will follow the Roxbury School system. As per our inclement weather policy, the number of times a class meets per week minus one is the allotted number of inclement weather days per class. If the class exceeds that amount we will schedule make-up days. In the event of a delayed opening, we will open at 10 a.m. Our One Call Now phone system will inform you of any closings/delays we

RCS Website

www.redeemerchristianschool.com

Please check our website to view our calendar and current school news. Registration and other important school forms are also available on the site. See our photo gallery for some photos of recent school events as well.