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Upcoming Events

- Fri, 8/21 8:30 am Chapel & Mission Collection
- Fri, 8/21 1:45 pm K-8 dismissal
- Fri,8/28 8:30 am
 Chapel & Mission
 Collection
- Fri, 8/28 1:45 pm
 K-8 dismissal
- Fri, 8/28 Financial
 Aid forms due

<u>Welcome Back</u> - Thank you for having your children at Emmaus. Let's make it a great year!

<u>Early Release Fridays</u> – Every Friday, students in grades K-8 will be *dismissed at 1:45 pm*. Any students remaining at 2:00 pm will be walked to Extended Care. There is an hourly charge for using Extended Care.

Early Release Fridays will be used by the staff to have Bible Study, faculty meetings, and meetings with parents.

<u>School Absences</u> – If your child is sick or not coming to school for some other reason, please call the office at 602-843-3853 by 8:30 am on that day.

Spirit Days – Every month we will have 1 or 2 "Spirit Days". On these days students are asked to dress in a specific way to show their school spirit. Each time a student participates in a Spirit Day, they will be entered into a raffle drawing for that month. The winner will receive a \$5 McDonald's gift card. Our 1st Spirit Day is next Wednesday, 8/26, and it is Neon/Tie-dye day. Students should wear clothing that is either neon or tie-dyed. Let's show our school spirit!

Student Arrival & Pick Up -

There are a few changes to the drop off procedures this school year. The outer gate between the Fellowship Hall and the church will remain locked until 8:00 am. Parents can walk their child up to the gate if they would like. We will take each child's temperatures at the gate and children can then walk to their classrooms. Please make your child is cleared to enter before you leave the parking lot. Parents are asked to say goodbye to their child at the gate with the exception of those in Preschool. We currently have a closed campus for the health and safety of the students and staff. For this reason, we are trying to

limit how many people are on the school campus.

The outer gate will be locked at 8:30 am along with the inner courtyard gate and will remain locked until classes are dismissed. Preschool and PreK students will be walked to this gate at noon, where they can then be picked up. Grades K - 8 are dismissed at 3:15 pm, Monday – Thursday and 1:45 pm on Friday, and will walk out to the north wall of the Fellowship Hall with their teacher where they can be picked up. Parents are asked to wait outside until the gate is opened. If you need to pick up a child from Extended Care between noon and 3:15 pm, please come through the office and exit the same way.

It would be great to have your child in their classroom no later than 8:20 am so they have time to unpack and be ready for devotion at 8:30 am. If your child arrives after 8:30 am, an adult must bring them to the office, sign them in, and give a reason why they are late.

Parking Lot Safety – We ask that only Emmaus Staff park in the parking lot to the north of the church, that runs along Sweetwater Ave. This is also the "Morning Drop-Off Only" – enter east driveway of Sweetwater, exit west driveway of Sweetwater. If it is going to take a few minutes for your child to gather their things, you need to speak with a teacher or if you need to sign your child in or out (Preschool, Prek, K) please park in a space in the parking lot to drop off and pick up your child. If you enter from Sweetwater Ave, pull into a parking spot, then exit onto 39th Ave. If you enter from 39th Ave, turn immediately after you enter and pull into a parking spot. Exit onto Sweetwater Ave. We hope that by following these quidelines we can keep our children safe.

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Financial Aid - Forms for the Emmaus Financial Aid Fund are available in the school office or under today's Chronicle on the Emmaus website. If you would like to apply for financial aid for the first period, (September, October, and November) please fill out a form and write a letter to the Board of Education explaining your financial need. This paper work can be turned in to Mrs. Conklin in the school office. The deadline for the first quarter financial aid is *Friday*, *Aug.* 28th.

<u>Chapel</u> - Our Chapel service will be held on Fridays at 8:30 am. Unfortunately for now, parents will not be able to join us. Mission envelopes are sent home every week for chapel on Friday. Please help teach your child that it's not the amount that you give in chapel that is most important; it's a way for them to say thanks to God for all the things He has given us. Our first mission project will be announced soon.



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