



**SUSSEX
CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL**

HOME ANNOUNCEMENTS FEBRUARY 26, 2025

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Feb. 28	Jeans Day for Students and Staff
March 4	Mid-marking Point of 3 rd Quarter
March 2-9	Love of Reading Week – See Attached Corrected Schedule
March 10	OEL Meeting at 7 pm in the Library
March 13	School Board Meeting at 6 pm
March 25	Virtual School Roundtable Meeting at 7 pm
March 31	School Association Meeting at 7 pm
April 4.....	Junior High Performance of “Fiddler on the Roof” at 7 pm
April 5.....	Junior High Performance of “Fiddler on the Roof” at 2 pm

TRANSPORTATION FORMS DUE FRIDAY FOR 2025-2026

Please be sure to submit your transportation forms for the 2025-2026 school year by Friday.

These forms are required to secure transportation for your child(ren) for the coming school year or to be eligible to receive payment in lieu of transportation. One form must be completed for each child who will be enrolled in **Kindergarten through 8th grades** next year. If you have any questions or need printed copies, please contact Mrs. Walther.

LAST CALL TO JOIN OUR TRACK TEAM

Friday is the final day to sign up for our Track & Field team. This team is open for students in grades 5 – 8. Mrs. Kim Bennett will be the coach with practices beginning mid March. Please remember that your child must have an up-to-date NJ Sports Physical in order to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Marlene Meyers at sports@sussexchristianschool.org.

YEARBOOKS

If you still owe payment for yearbooks you ordered, please be sure to send in payment this week. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER

OEL is holding a Gertrude Hawk fundraiser starting this Friday, February 28 through March 14. Packets will be coming home with the youngest child in each family on Friday. Here are the details:

- This year’s fundraiser will ONLY be on ONLINE
- Estimated Delivery Date is the week of April 7th
- Funds raised will be used to update the Gym’s Sound System
- Go to <https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fr-parent> to create your account.
- Multiple sellers/children can be added to the account for earning prizes
- If you have any questions, please reach out to Alex Little amlittle116@gmail.com

Happy Birthday!

We wish everyone born in March a very Happy Birthday!!!

Eddie Anderson
Brianna Bailey
Lucy Brands
Jonathan Danko
Adelina Fuentes
Joshua Jeltema
Eden Kuperus
Elsie Kuperus
Walker Kuperus
Emma Lee



Leo Liberti
Rhett McElroy-Startup
Evan Oostdyk
Baker Pachella
Olivia Ruppert
Brooke Talian
Kennedy Thoma
Jameson Torres
Catori Vaughan
Harvey Williams

I55 BOOK FAIR

OEL is again hosting an I55 Book Fair March 3 – 7 during the “Love of Reading Week. I55 is a Christian business that works with schools to provide quality, age-appropriate literature to the next generation of readers. This book fair has been hugely successful for us in the past! Here is how the week will work:



- **Wish List Days - Monday and Tuesday, March 3 & 4:** Each class has signed up for a time for students to visit the Book Fair and create a wish-list to bring home to their parents.
- **Purchase Days – Wednesday and Thursday, March 5 & 6:** Each class has signed up for a time for students to go to the Book Fair to purchase books. Payments can be cash, credit card or check (made to Sussex Christian School - OEL).
- **Parent Day – Friday, March 7:** Parents can visit the book fair and make purchases. Parents should enter school through the gym lobby – not the main entrance.

If you would like to shop with your child, teachers have asked that you come on the following days/times. Enter through the gym entrance and we will get your child for you.

- Preschool 3: Thursday, March 6 between 11 am and 11:45 am
- Preschool 4 Half Day: Wednesday, March 5 between 11:45 am and 12:25 pm.
- Kindergarten: Wednesday, March 5 between 1:50 pm and 2:30 pm.
- 1st Grades: Friday, March 7 between 8:50 am and 12 pm
- 2nd Grade: Friday, March 7 between 9:30 am and 10:10 am
- 3rd Grade: Friday, March 7 between 8:50 am and 9:30 am
- 4th Grade: Friday, March 7 between 11:45 am and 12 pm
- 5th Grade: Friday, March 7 anytime between 10:20 am and 11 am

How Can You Help??

OEL would greatly appreciate any volunteers who can spare some time to assist with the book fair. There are 4 different areas we need help. If you're available and interested, please sign up here: [2025 Book Fair Volunteer sign up - Google Sheets](#) (You can add your name to more than one time slot.) Your support would be invaluable in ensuring the success of this event.

- Set Up: February 28 at 9 am
- Wish List Days: March 3 & 4 - Help the younger students create their wish lists.
- Purchasing Days: March 5 - 7 - Assist students with books they wish to purchase
- Clean up and pack up the books into boxes: March 7

I:55 ONLINE!

Check out our school's online bookfair too! You can see all the books available for sale – which includes more than what we will have displayed! Invite your friends and family to make purchases too! Books can be shipped directly to the address of your choice. The online bookfair will be open from February 28 to March 10. To access it, go to <https://i55bookfairs.com/pages/nj006>

BASKETBALL AWARDS

Thank you to our coaches, Kim Bennett, Erin Verblaauw, Shannon Farrier, Marlene Meyers, and Kenzie Meyers, for all their time and dedication this season. The basketball season ended with an Awards Banquet last week. Congratulations to all the players for their exceptional effort and sportsmanship as well as to the following players who received individual awards:

Girls Varsity:

Offensive MVP: Faith Bennett
Defensive MVP: Anika Thiessen & Anhelina Torppey
Most Improved: Allison Sytsema
Coaches' Award: Alexandra Jeltema

Girls JV:

Offensive MVP: Piper Kuperus & Skyler Vellenga
Defensive MVP: Hannah Bennett
Most Improved: Lillianna Ruppert
Coaches' Award: London Serrano

Boys Team:

Offensive MVP: Walker Kuperus
Defensive MVP: Dean Byma
Most Improved: Rudy Solar
Coaches' Award: Rieden Solar



At this time, all Basketball uniforms should be properly cleaned, placed in a Ziplock bag with the players name written on it, and turned in to the office. Uniform deposit checks will be returned upon receipt of the uniform.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUSSEX CRC YOUTH GROUP MEETING

The Sussex CRC Junior High Youth Group will meet at the church from 7 pm to 8:30 pm this Friday.

SUSSEX-WANTAGE LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Deadline to register for this Spring's SW Little League is this Friday – no exceptions. Divisions of play are available for the ages 4 to 14. Register at www.SWLLBaseball.com. Player evaluation will be held on Saturday, March 1.



Love of Reading Week!!!

March 3-7 we will be celebrating our love for reading!

- **Monday, March 3:** Dress as your favorite book character!
- **Tuesday, March 4:** Wear your favorite hat!
- **Wednesday, March 5:** Crazy Hair Day!
- **Thursday, March 6:** Wear Silly Socks!
- **Friday, March 7:** Wear readable clothes! (Clothes with words on them)

Let's have fun celebrating **READING!**



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU Cost \$3 or 1 lunch ticket



To purchase a book of 10 lunch tickets, simply send in \$30 cash or a check payable to SCS-OEL in an envelope with your child's name written on it.

WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
	2/28 – Pizza and Snack
3/5 – Baked Ziti & Salad Workers: Rebecca Scott, Sue Pullis, Jenny Higgins, Donelle DeCouto	3/7 – Pizza and Snack
3/11 – Hamburgers and French Fries: Workers: Diana Ferraro, Elaine Smith Need Team Leader and 1 Additional Volunteer	3/14 – Pizza and Snack

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED! We need additional volunteers for many upcoming lunches. If we do not have enough workers signed up by the Friday before any given week, **lunch will be cancelled 😞.** [**HOT LUNCH SCHEDULE 2024-2025 - Google Sheets**](#)

SUSSEX CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TRIP ORDER FORM

Name: _____ TRIP Account #: _____

Daytime Phone #: _____

Send Order Home with: _____ Teacher: _____

Order Total: \$ _____ Paid Via: "Cash" "Check" : # _____ (Checks payable to SCS-TRIP)

TRIP Representatives are available on Monday mornings in the library. Cash and Carry Cards are available on a first-come, first-served basis and will be sent home that day. Special orders will be available before the following Monday.

CASH AND CARRY CARDS CARDS

Name	Value	Qty
76 Gas	\$25	
	\$100	
AC Moore	\$25	
Acme	\$25	
	\$100	
Amazon	\$25	
	\$100	
Applebee's	\$25	
	\$50	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	\$25	
	\$100	
Burger King	\$10	
Clove Brook Market	\$10	
	\$25	
Dairy Queen	\$10	
Dunkin' Donuts	\$10	
	\$25	
Exxon/Mobil	\$50	
Farmside Supply	\$25	
	\$50	
	\$100	
Foundational H & F		
Gulf Gasoline	\$25	

Name	Value	Qty
Gap/Old Navy	\$25	
	\$100	
Home Depot	\$25	
	\$100	
iTunes	\$15	
	\$25	
Kohl's	\$10	
	\$50	
	\$100	
Land's End	\$25	
	\$100	
Lowe's	\$25	
	\$100	
Marshall's/TJ Max	\$25	
	\$100	
Olive Garden	\$25	
Panera Bread	\$25	
Quick Chek	\$25	
Red Lobster	\$25	
Rite Aid	\$25	
Shear Intensity	\$25	
	\$50	
Shell Gas	\$25	

Name	Value	Qty
Shop Rite	\$10	
	\$25	
Staples	\$100	
	\$25	
Starbucks	\$100	
	\$25	
Starbucks	\$10	
	\$25	
	\$50	
Stop and Shop	\$25	
	\$100	
Subway	\$10	
Sussex Meat Packing	\$25	
	\$50	
Target	\$25	
	\$100	
Wal-Mart	\$25	
	\$100	
	\$250	
Wendy's	\$10	
Weis	\$25	
	\$100	
VISA	\$50	
	\$100	

SPECIAL ORDER CARDS

Name	Value	Qty

Name	Value	Qty