



January - March, 2023

Preschool 3's and 4's; K - 12th Grade

# THE EAGLE EYE



## CCS Students Give Back To the Community - Kids Food Basket

The High School Students spent an afternoon during exam week putting together and donating snack packs for children in the Muskegon area. They also sent encouraging messages to them on paper bags which will be used to deliver the snacks.

## Elementary Students interact with the Boys Varsity Basketball Team

CCS elementary students joined the Middle School Pep Rally as they cheered on the MS students as well as got the boys varsity basketball team's signature on sports cards they received during the pep rally Friday afternoon during Homecoming week festivities. It was a fun way for the Elementary students to interact with the Middle School and High School students and join in on all the fun!



**SEE WHAT'S BEEN  
HAPPENING HERE AT CCS!**

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## FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOLS



Welcome to the Incoming Class of 2036!

Last week, one of our young students shared a shocking fact with his friend. His eyes widened as he whispered in disbelief: "My mom was born in **the nineteen-hundreds.**" He said it as if she were a century old. Timeframes can sometimes sound surreal. Two weeks ago, we hosted our annual "Kindergarten Roundup," for more than twenty kindergarteners. Those little ones will be the **Class of 2036.** The date caught my attention because my granddaughter was in the group. It is mind

boggling to imagine kindergartners as future graduates, and yet I've witnessed it year after year since 1982 when I began my career in K-12 Christian education.

I have often compared teaching in a K-12 school like CCS to that relationship between a stationary tree on a riverbank and the flowing river beside it. Many of us here at CCS have spent a lifetime in one or two schools planted like a tree on a riverbank. We've touched the lives of hundreds of students who pass through our lives the way a beautiful river flows by. Months and semesters at a time, the students are constantly becoming who they will someday be, constantly flowing toward the place God would have them go. The tree remains; the roots remain; the good soil and shade remain, but the students pass along until graduation day, that time when the familiar confinement of riverbanks opens up to the big lake beyond.

The older I get, the more the passage of time and students feels this way. My first year of teaching was with the Senior Class of 1982. I was only six years older than those students. My first year as Head of Schools here at CCS was with CCS Senior Class of 2001 (Nick and Laura Lockwood were in that class.) The age difference between me and this year's graduating seniors is nearly fifty years. Oops! Did I just admit that? And now here we are welcoming the Class of 2036. The river flows on... and we are truly blessed beside it as Psalm 1:3 says: "He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all he does, he prospers." - Tom Kapanka, Head of Schools

### K-12 All School Worship

The Middle School and High School theme for the 2022-23 school year is "Completely Committed Follower." The Elementary theme for this year is "Shine Bright and Follow Jesus"



"We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God." John 6:69

### Middle School and High School Science and Robotics classes at work in the their classrooms



Middle School Science and Robotics classes...running Rube Goldberg machines to learn about energy transfers, using our new 3D printer to make parts for their robots, and making and erupting their volcanos.



Juniors in Biology Class doing a DNA extraction at the Van Andel Education Institute.



Freshmen in Physical Science Class doing an element flame test.



## DISTRICT WIN FOR GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL!

For the first time in school history both girls and boys basketball teams won the MHSAA District Championship!



First through fifth grade students participated in the annual Elementary CCS Speech Meet. They recited Scripture, poetry, and fables from memory.



## Homecoming Spirit Week at CCS



### 2023 Homecoming Court

Queen: McKena Wilson

King: Travis Parrott

Senior Representatives:

Annelise Derrick, Anna Childerhose,  
Seth Geiger

Junior Representatives:

Kara Baas, Nolan Ghezzi

Sophomore Representatives:

Nora Pollock, Quinn Swanson

Freshman Representatives:

Socee Bismarck, Jordan Richards



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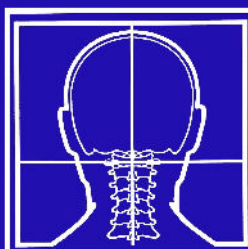
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