



*“Home of the  
Mustangs”*

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## Upcoming Events

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### PTO/Booster Club/Volunteer Program

We will be having our first PTO/Booster Club/Volunteer Program meeting on Thursday, Jan. 14 at 6:30pm. At that time, we'll discuss what we want to call ourselves, how we will organize our group, and discuss goals and fundraising ideas.

### Report Cards

Report cards - Students will receive their report cards for the second quarter on January 4, 2010.

### School Board Meeting

The next scheduled School Board meeting will be on **Wednesday, Jan. 13 at 6:00 PM**. If you are interested in attending, please email [schoolboard@effortchurch.org](mailto:schoolboard@effortchurch.org) or call the church office at 589-8962.

**Monday, January 18, 2010 - NO SCHOOL  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

I know the plans I have for you . . . plans to give you hope and a future.  
Jeremiah 29:11

## SCHOOL NEWS



**Pizza Day Changes** - To make accounting simpler on Pizza Day, we will no longer be selling pizza by individual slices. **Instead pizza on Pizza Day will be a meal for \$2.50.** The new pizza meal will include two slices of Papa John's cheese pizza and 100% juice or bottled water. For students who are unable to eat two slices, we will put their extra slice in a Ziploc type bag and send it home with them.

**We will allow siblings to share a meal or share slices.** There are two different ways for siblings/families to do this. One example would be - if a student only wants one slice, they can purchase the pizza meal for \$2.50, keep the juice or water and give his/her sibling the other slice in addition to the sibling's purchased \$2.50 meal so the family is charged \$5.00 for two meals. Another example would be - two siblings can share a meal with each getting a slice of pizza, only one of them getting the drink, and the family account is charged \$2.50 for one meal. Parents/Guardians, if you plan to have your children share a meal or share slices, please let your children's teachers know either by a note or by telling them to avoid confusion when the teachers are taking lunch count.

Another change we are implementing is when we will be collecting pizza money. **We will no longer collect pizza money every week.** Instead, we will only be collecting pizza money on the designated hot lunch collection days on the first and third Mondays each month unless we do not go to school, then it will be on the day we return. Collection days are noted on the lunch menu calendar each month. Prior to the lunch collection day, each family will receive a lunch account report. If writing a check, please write a separate check for Marisella's and Papa John's. If you are sending in cash, please include a note with your family's last name and information about how much money should be applied to your family's hot lunch account and how much should be applied to your family's pizza lunch account.

You will begin to receive a pizza account report similar to the hot lunch account report starting prior to the January 19<sup>th</sup> hot lunch and pizza lunch collection day.

**Go Mustangs!** Our new logo and t-shirts should be ready to order in January. Once our logo is finalized, we'll reveal our new school colors. Plans are in the works for Spirit Week!

**Yearbooks!** We will be getting our first yearbook this year!! In January, we'll be selling ads for the yearbook to help defray the cost. If you know of a business who might be interested in buying an ad, please contact Joyce Parr at 589-8962 or by email at [EffortChristianSchool@yahoo.com](mailto:EffortChristianSchool@yahoo.com). We will be selling personal ads as well.

**Harris Teeter's Together In Education program** - Effort Christian School and Preschool is now enrolled in Harris Teeter's Together In Education program. VIC members can link their cards to our school. Our school number is 8072.

When you purchase Harris Teeter Brand products, Harris Teeter Brand, H.T. Traders, Harris Teeter Naturals, Harris Teeter Farmers Market, Hunter Farms, Top Care, More Value, Highland Crest, Your Pet, Harris Teeter Your Baby and Harris Teeter Your Tot, a percentage of those purchase dollars goes back to our school.

Go to [www.HarrisTeeter.com](http://www.HarrisTeeter.com), click on Together In Education, and follow the directions to link to our school 8072.



**Prayers** - Please keep Mrs. Smith, our third/fourth grade teacher, and Mrs. Parks, one of our pre-K teachers, and both of their families in your prayers as both of them recently lost loved ones.



**Inclement Weather Reminders** -We follow the Fluvanna County inclement weather closing schedule. Please refer to the Effort Christian School handbook for radio and television stations. Mrs. Parr will also send an email. For any delays, regardless if it is a one hour or a two hour delay, we will start at 10:00 AM.



**Box Tops** - Thanks to all families who are helping us support the school by turning in Box Tops. We have collected \$131 this fall, and have hit the \$300 mark. Keep those Box Tops coming, and remember to collect them from relatives and friends over the holidays!

**New Website!** - Be sure to check out our new website for various information, news, newsletters, lunch menus, etc.

[www.EffortChristianSchoolandPreschool.com](http://www.EffortChristianSchoolandPreschool.com)

**Penny Power** - Keep those pennies coming in!! We will be using the pennies we collect to bless a family in need.

**Ice Cream is coming!** Ice Cream Day will soon be here! We will be selling ice cream once a week. Students will be allowed to purchase ice cream bars, ice cream sandwiches, or orange creamsicles on Tuesdays for \$.50 cents. There will be no prepayment - cash only! We'll let you know when this will begin!

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