



EASTERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Eastern Christian Middle School Weekly Home Bulletin

March 3, 2017

Next Week, 3/6 - 3/10:

- Monday: TRIP Orders due
Tuesday: Small groups
8th grade Hot Dog sale
Thursday: Accreditation visiting team on ECMS campus
ECMS Open House, 7 p.m.

Coming Up:

- March 15 - 18: "The Music Man" at ECHS Auditorium; tickets \$10
March 16: International Day Celebration
March 20: 6th grade Clearwater sailing trip form & payment due
March 21: NNJCSA Math Competition, at HCA
March 27 - 31 Spring Break

The issues that our connected world present to us as parents and to our children as members of such a world make our role in guiding and protecting them all the more challenging and complex. What used to be a problem "out there," has been brought into our homes through devices small enough to fit into our pockets. The instant nature of technology means not only that we can talk with friends on the other side of the world, but also that unwanted guests might have access to us.

A [recent article](#) from Australia highlighted one specific case involving a popular game called "Roblox." After reading that article, you may think, "I will never let my child play *that* game!" However, "Roblox" itself is not the only game with such a problem - there are countless similar games which provide the connectivity needed for outsiders to engage with other players, including our children. Learning to be that guide and protector for our children takes much more than can be explained in this short piece! Being proactive about this reality means that there is and always will be work to be done to stay ahead of (if it's possible) the issues! For example, for great information and studies on sleep and screens, [see here](#).

On a different note, this week our newly-formed MS girls' volleyball team had their first two matches. Despite a short amount of time to come together in practice, the team had two strong showings, which included recording their first-ever victory on Friday! Congratulations to the team and to coaches Goldstein and VanBuiten on the win. Thanks also to Mr. Goldstein for getting this sport off the ground and for creating another opportunity for our MS students to express their gifts. (See a photo of the team below.)

Grace and Peace
Dan Lazor, Principal

MIDDLE SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

8th Grade Parents - Check your email over the weekend to be sure you have been contacted about scheduling an ECHS course selection meeting with the high school dean, Tina Bucci, and your student. The meetings are scheduled with the HS dean's office, but are held at the middle school.

Spring Sport: Track and field practice will start on Wednesday, April 5th after school. For students to be cleared to participate they must have a valid sports physical on file with the nurse and parents need to fill out the online registration. Forms and the online registration [can be found here](#). Please email Aaron Goldstein at Aarongoldstein@easternchristian.org with any questions."

Last call - if you would like to submit your child's name for their diploma at graduation. If we do not receive a preference, your child's name will be printed as it appears on their birth certificate. If you did not receive this form, please contact the office via phone or email (sherriekuiken@easternchristian.org) to request another copy.

The \$50 deposit for the Philadelphia/Gettysburg field trip was due today. Please continue to send in the permission slips and payment.

Everyone - There is a **hot dog lunch** fundraiser on March 7th to support the 8th grade M.A.D. partner - New Hope Ministries. The flyer was sent home in Friday folders last week. If you did not get one, you can find it [here](#). Please return orders by this Monday!

The inaugural ECMS Volleyball team!



Spring Basketball Opportunity - A spring basketball league is forming, directed by Bill Schoener, current Head Coach at Eastern Christian High School. Coach Schoener has been a successful coach in the North Jersey area for the past twenty years. He coaches all levels from youth to varsity basketball, as well as multiple college players. The program will be run out of North Haledon New Jersey.

Eagles AAU will practice 20 times during the spring period and play 15-18 games. There will be a 5/6 grade team, 7/8 grade team, and a high school team. For more information please free to call, [973-861-7622](tel:973-861-7622) or

email eagle1hoops@aol.com. The fee is \$495.00 for the program. No tryout fee. Also please ask about our one on one training sessions. EC students receive a \$100.00 discount.

A flyer is also attached at the end of this Home Bulletin for a one-day, ProShot Shooting Skills and Development Training clinic. It will be held on Saturday, March 11 at ECHS, please see the flyer for details. It is for anyone who wants to improve their jumpshot.

Track for girls and boys grades 6, 7 and 8 will start after spring break. Your child must have a valid NJ sports physical form (less than 365 days old) on file with the school nurse as well as the online sports participation packet completed before attending any practices. The NJ sports physical form can be downloaded and printed from www.easternchristian.org You can find the online sports participation packet there too. Please contact [Aaron Goldstein](#) with any questions.

PTO NEWS:

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 6 following drop-off.

Watch for information regarding **International Day - March 16th**. We will need food for our buffet and volunteers to help prepare for this incredible event.

FOUNDATION NEWS:

The **Auction Gala** will be held on Thursday, April 20 at the Indian Trail Club - save the date!

- ❖ Volunteers are needed! If you would like to join the auction committee and participate in planning the auction gala, contact Katie Tarta in the Foundation office, 973-310-0412 or email events@easternchristian.org.

Thank you in advance for partnering with us to make this year's Auction Gala a huge success!

Touch A Truck - Sat May 6, 2017 in the ECMS Parking Lot

Sponsors now being accepted, please contact Denise Wiegers at djwigs99@gmail.com

Vehicles now being booked, please contact Shalom Russo at serusso1@gmail.com

TRIP INFORMATION:

Monday orders will be accepted in any school office on the following dates:

Monday March 6, 13 and 20. The TRIP store is open from 8 - 12 noon every Friday at Eastern Christian Middle School.

Beginning April 1, 2017, the TRIP program will not maintain an inventory of gift cards. Orders will need to be placed one week before the cards are needed with payment made at the time the order is placed. Orders will be due on Thursdays (instead of Monday) and will be sent home with students on the following Thursday. Because there will be no inventory, orders received after a Thursday, will not be able to be filled.

We encourage you to switch to online ordering, using payment directly from your bank account (Electronic Fund Transfer) which costs only .15 cents per order. If you would like help with ordering online, call the TRIP office to set-up your account and learn the ordering process.

Questions? Call Sharon at the TRIP Office (973) 427-6244 Ext. 7210, or call/text her at (201) 650-7056.



Eastern Christian HS Basketball

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ProShot Shooting Skills & Development Training

Advanced BASKETBALL training for the Professional-College-HS& Youth Player



The ProShot Shooting System is a shooting program based on biomechanics, mental focus & muscle memory. The System will give players & teams immediate access to the techniques & mechanics used consistently by the world's top basketball shooters, dramatically improving accuracy, range & quickness in a matter of hours. At ProShot Basketball SHOOTING Clinics, We DO NOT Teach Outdated Shooting Aspects That Most Camps Teach. Through Video, Teaching, Demos & Drills, We Clearly Show How the Best NBA, WNBA & College Players Shoot & Play!!

THERE IS NOT A CLINIC IN THE USA THAT WILL IMPROVE A PLAYER'S JUMPSHOT MORE THAN PROSHOT!!

- Location:** Eastern Christian HS- 50 Oakwood Ave, North Haledon, NJ
- Date:** Saturday March 11, 2017
- Time:** 10am -4pm (registration will start at 9:30am) LUNCH is 12:30-1
Lunch Available for (2 slices-pizza & drink \$5.00)
- Who Should Attend:** Any player who wants to improve their JUMPSHOT
(Boys/Girls Grades 5-8)
- Cost:** \$50 for EC students \$70 all others- **only 30 players accepted**



PLAYERS PLEASE BRING A BASKETBALL WITH YOU TO THE CLINIC



AT PROSHOT CLINICS EACH PLAYER WILL:

- **DISCOVER**-- the Shooting Release of Michael Jordan & Kobe Bryant.
- **LEARN**--the Shooting Techniques that the BEST NBA/COLLEGE Players Possess
- **DEVELOP**-- Unstoppable Shooting & Scoring Confidence
- **BECOME**-- the Quickest and Most Accurate Shooter in your area
- **UNDERSTAND**-- the mindset to become a Consistent Shooter/Scorer

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YOU CAN ALSO REGISTER AT THE DOOR THE DAY OF THE CLINIC!!!

Any questions about the clinic contact Coach Scott Dadika at: scott@proshoteast.com or 201-294-8500
or Coach Bill Schoener eagle1hoops@aol.com or 973-861-7622

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