



GRACEFUL WINGS Nov. 12, 2009

Grace Christian Academy's Bi-Weekly Newsletter

This newsletter is your official notification of school information and important dates. It is the parents/guardians responsibility to know the information contained herein.

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293-3536

KINDERGARTEN

It's hard to believe we are quickly approaching Thanksgiving. To reach out to the people in the Boulder City community, I'm requesting that the children bring in canned goods to share with those in need that live in our city. We will transport these items by wagon to the Emergency Aid Center on November 20th. Thank you for reaching out to those who have fallen on difficult times. **Many Blessings, Mrs. Zapolski**

1st & 2nd GRADE

Welcome to our new student – Sierra Weaver. The students have been extra kind and helpful to her. Parent support was fantastic during conferences. Input was greatly appreciated in helping me to help your child succeed. Students have been reminded to use kind words, not bad words, on the playground and to always be honest during testing. Students know they will have to write 20 sentences if they break these rules. Students are learning the Lord's Prayer. A copy has been sent home to practice for the Thanksgiving Feast. Please continue the excellent review each week on the Homework News sent out each Monday. It will lead to your child's success at school. **Blessings, Mrs. Albin**

3rd & 4th GRADE

Welcome to our new student – Alyssa Garcia!! Next Wednesday we will be participating in the "Math by Mail" competition. Please find some sample tests in your child's folder on Friday. This will give you an idea of what type of problems will be on the tests. The 4th grade book reports will be due on Dec. 4th. Please write out the story on 2 pgs. Draw 2 pictures illustrating the story & make a cover to put everything in. Decorate the cover like the front of a book, with the title and author. We will be saying the 1st amendment on Friday, Nov. 20th.. Have a wonderful weekend! **God Bless, Mrs. Deen**

5th & 6th GRADE

Great job girls, you are all working very hard. Math by mail samples have gone home as well as spelling lists for the spelling bee. Math by mail is Nov. 18 and the school spelling bee is Dec. 9. Please keep up the hard work, preparing for these events. Sixth grade girls please keep working on your research paper. The milestones are passing quickly. Keep watching the Graceful Wings, calendar and notes about upcoming events. **God Bless, Mrs. Mraz**

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

On Nov. 2, our students had their second class with the educators from the Nevada Cancer Institute. They did a wonderful job teaching our students about the dangers of UV rays and how to protect the skin. Part of their goal was to not only make students aware of the need for protection but to have schools aware. I would like to encourage you to have your children wear hats to school to wear at recess and P.E. If you would like to send sunscreen to school with your child, we will give them the opportunity to use it. It's nice when good habits can start young.

Love, Mrs. Harhay

PRAYER FAMILIES

Our prayer family this week is the Roach family. Please keep Jeremiah and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK **WELCOME**

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

This week we welcomed Sierra Weaver to our 1st-2nd grade class and Alyssa Garcia to our 3rd-4th grade class.

Dates at a Glance:

Nov. 18 – Math by Mail 3rd – 6th
Nov. 19 – Thanksgiving Feast 11:30
Nov. 20 – Sun Safety Posters due
Nov. 20 – National Park Service Presentation
Nov. 23 – 27 – School is not in session
Nov. 30 – School board meeting 3:00 p.m.
Dec. 8 – Christmas Shoppe
Dec. 9 – School spelling bee 1st – 6th
Dec. 11 – Progress Reports
Dec. 16 – Christmas Program 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 17 – Community Caroling 12:30 p.m.

SUNSHINE CLUB (BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM):

Our Fun Friday Autumn games and plate making activities were a great success. Thank you to all who came and joined us. Please check out our calendar of events for November to stay informed of more great activities and Fun Fridays.

God Bless, Mrs. Mraz & Miss Allie

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE:

On Thursday, Nov. 20, Ellen Anderson from the National Park Service and Jana Williams will be presenting a program to our students which complements the program presented by Sharon Schafer.

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Attached is our December Activities flyer that contains important information about all the activities we do in December. Please read it and hold onto this important information. Thanks!

MATH BY MAIL:

Students in grades 3 – 6 will be participating in the Annual ACSI Math by Mail competition on Nov. 18. Sample tests have been sent home with your child. Students who do well are eligible to compete in the Math Olympics in March 2010.

SUN SAFETY POSTERS:

The posters are due Nov. 20. The original data was Nov. 23, but we will be in school that day. The students enjoyed this program and learned the importance of taking care of our bodies when exposed to the sun.

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PARTIES:

If parents are interested in using the Church facilities for children's birthday parties, etc., please make arrangements with Jan in the church office at 293-2018.

H1N1 VACCINE:

The Boulder City Hospital will probably be getting more doses of H1N1 vaccine. If you are interested call the BC Hospital on a Thursday or Friday. There is no charge.

SPANISH NEWS (1st – 6th):

¡Hola padres! This week in Spanish we reviewed material from previous units; page 35 was carried over for homework. Next week we will begin learning about and celebrating <<Navidad>> (Christmas). Homework page 25 will be due our first week in Dec. Thanks & <<¡feliz día de gracias!>> (Happy Thanksgiving!)
En Cristo, Señorita Barth

D.A.R.E. CLASSES:

Both our kindergarten class and our fifth grade class will be in the D.A.R.E. program. This program gives students some very practical tools to use in situations they may encounter as they mature. Here at Grace, we have the opportunity to address the topics discussed from a Christian perspective also. We are thankful to the Boulder City Police Dept. for bringing the D.A.R.E. program to our school.

MUSIC:

We are working hard on our Christmas program! All songs must be memorized when we come back after Thanksgiving break. Drama parts should also be memorized as we'll be going on stage to practice after Thanksgiving. Time is short! Please practice at home! Parents should have received letters telling them what part your child is playing and what they need to wear. Please let me know if you did not receive your letter.
Love, Mrs. Deen

SCHOOL BOARD:

Our next school board meeting is on Monday, Nov. 30 at 3:00 pm.

At our January PTF meeting, parents will be voting on 2 representatives to represent them on the Board. Three representatives come from the Grace Community Church congregation. Please prayerfully consider serving on our Board.

ACSI SPELLING BEE:

Our school spelling bee will be Dec. 9, and the Las Vegas District Spelling Bee will be in January.

THANKSGIVING FEAST:

Our annual Thanksgiving Feast will be held on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 11:30. If you have not already made a reservation for our Feast please do so by returning the form to school or contacting the school office at 293-3536.

No school Nov. 23 – 27. Teachers will be attending the ACSI Anaheim Teachers Convention at the beginning and Thanksgiving is at the end of the week.

A FAMILY IN NEED:

We have recently become aware of a mother and teenage daughter who have recently moved from a motel to a condo. They are in need of basic items such as twin sheets, towels, washcloths, pillows, dishtowels and other basic household items. They also need basic household furnishings. If you have any of these items that you can donate to this family, please let Marcia know.

THANK YOU:

To those who baked for and worked at our bake sale. Over \$550.00 was raised for Ann Zapolski.

To our students for honoring our Veteran guests at our special chapel service.

To artist Sharon Schafer for sharing her multi-media presentation on the Mojave Desert with our students. Her work is on display at the B.C. Library. She is a biologist and naturalist as well as an artist.

OCT. CHRISTIAN CHARACTER:

Toby Breeden --- K
Hope Blatchford --- 1st-2nd
Victoria Griess --- 3rd – 4th
Tara Spinkelink --- 5th – 6th