



GRACEFUL WINGS Feb. 19, 2010

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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KINDERGARTEN

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days. In class we are talking about the life of Jesus and how we can be more like Him. We have decided we will pray more, sing the songs of praise learned in Chapel, re-tell our weekly Bible lesson and go to church during this season. In our classroom we have a River of Prayer Rocks. Each child has the opportunity to choose a rock and pray for a special person throughout the day. At the end of the day they may choose to share with the group the person for whom they were praying. **Peace, Mrs. Zapolski**

1st & 2nd GRADE

Congratulations to Landon and Dillon on going to Spelling Bee & Hope, Mikey, Emmaleigh & Isabel for going to the Speech Meet. We are so proud of them! Thanks to Mrs. Patton for arranging the students to share their cards, love and appreciation to the veterans on Valentine's Day. Second graders are stepping up in Math as they begin to borrow in their subtraction facts. First graders are doing well in adding 3 digit numbers & working on their money counting skills. We counted tons of money. We are so excited to report that we collected \$333.00 in the first month for the wells. We are almost halfway to building one of the wells for the people in Peru. Please have students bring in their jugs **Thursday, February 25th** to see how much we can add to the total. Keep your eye out for an article about the well project in the Boulder City Review next week. Mrs. Albin's best college friend, now a professor at Emporia State University will be visiting and teaching lessons in Language Arts the first week in March. She is in the process of writing an E-book on Language Arts & would like to film some of the students doing work to add as a link to her book. Please let me know if you do not wish your child to be filmed. Also pictures for the Charity Project will be due March 26th, if your child chooses to participate in the drawing for the super cool camera. Keep up the incredible academics and caring for others as we head into beautiful spring weather. Blessings, Mrs. Albin

3rd & 4th GRADE

We missed Mrs. Deen this week!! Love, Alyssa, Sydney, Jerrod, Christina, Joel, Taylor, Matthew, Joe, Victoria, Tori, Daniel, & Jeremiah

5th & 6th GRADE

GREAT JOB AT SPEECH MEET! I'm excited to see all the 1st person book reports due on Feb. 26th. Requirements & the rubric went home on Tuesday. Just a quick reminder open house is next week and Friday is progress reports. You are all doing a great job on your state reports, keep up the good work. Please remember your current events are due each Wednesday. Book order forms are also due this Wednesday. Have a great two weeks! God Bless, Mrs. Mraz

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week began the Christian season of Lent – A time to reflect on Christ's life, death, resurrection, His mission on our earth, and our relationship to Him. With this in mind, I decided to discover what our 3rd & 4th graders know about Jesus. We spent five minutes stating as many facts about Jesus that our time limit would allow. I'm happy to report that the students know a lot from the historical fact of His birth to the deeper theological concept of the trinity. During this Lenten season, we will be encouraging our students to examine their relationship with the Savior, and I encourage you to do so also. **Love, Mrs. Harhay**

PRAYER FAMILIES

Our prayer family this week is the Townsend family. Please keep Aubrey and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Psalm 86:11
Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth.

2010-2011 ENROLLMENT:

On March 1, families of the community will have the opportunity to enroll their children for the 2010-2011 school year. We are only able to assure present students and their siblings a place on our roster for next school year through the end of February.

Dates at a Glance:

Feb. 23 – PTF Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 25 – GCA K – 6th Open House
Feb. 26 – Progress Reports distributed
Mar. 1 – Enrollment open to community
Mar 12 – ACSI Math Olympics
Mar. 16 – School Board meeting 3:00
Mar. 29 – Apr. 2 Easter Break
Apr. 7 – Science Fair
May 5 – Cinco de Mayo dinner

BIKES FOR BOOKS:

The Boulder City Lodge #37 of Masons is sponsoring a reading contest for our 3rd-4th grade class. The Masons have donated two bicycles for the contest. From February through May, students will have the opportunity to read books, write reports, and earn a ticket for a drawing. Students will receive a ticket for each acceptable book read and report written. At the end of May, 2 winning tickets will be drawn, and one girl and one boy will win a new bicycle, helmet and lock. Many thanks to the Masons for sponsoring this program.

HANDBOOK HIGHLIGHT (p.15):

For the safety of our children, there is a drop off zone in front of the school. If you do not use this drop off zone, we ask that you walk your child to the school grounds. All children must be picked up on the school grounds. THERE IS A 15 MPH SPEED LIMIT IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL FROM 7:30 AM TO 3:00 PM.

LATE DROP OFF EARLY PICKUP:

When parents are picking children up early from school or if they are bringing them late, please make sure you sign the attendance book and include the time of your child's arrival or departure.

SPANISH NEWS (1st – 6th):

“Our Spanish Bible verse is John 14:16 found on page 42 in Workbook. Please encourage your child to learn this simple verse. We are also going to be learning animal vocabulary words. Stuffed animals are welcome on Thursdays during Spanish class.

Dios Les Bendiga. God bless you.
Gracias
Mrs. Douglass

YOUTH VOLUNTEER

RECOGNITION:

Kohl's department stores are recognizing young volunteers through their Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program. If you would like to nominate a child who is doing great work which benefits the community, please visit

www.kohlkids.com between Feb. 1 and Mar. 15, 2010. Children must be between the ages of 6 and 18. More information is available in our school office.

VALENTINES BAKE SALE:

Thank you to all who participated in our Valentine Bake Sale. We appreciate those who baked and also those who helped at the BDCU that day. Also a big Thank You to all those who provided refreshments for our Valentine's Day party.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES-OUTREACH:

During the month of February our students will be joining with Grace Community Church in an outreach project. The Nevada Wildhorse Squadron is currently serving in Afghanistan. They are assisting in the building of the Mashalo Kamar School in the Qhargayee District of Laghman Province. The school is scheduled to open soon and is in need of school supplies. The troops have also requested hard candy. If your family is interested in assisting, please bring these items to school. They will be collected in chapel throughout Feb.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS:

Applications will be available in our office in March. Grace Community Church members are eligible for scholarships through the church. These families should check with Pastor Graham.

SPRING OPEN HOUSE:

Our Open House for new families interested in K – 6th grades is Thursday, Feb. 25 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. If you know of a family who may be interested, please pick up a flyer in our office or provide us with their address and we will mail information to them

2ND QUARTER HONOR ROLL:

A-B HONOR ROLL

Abbi Matthews	Gady Conner
Ian McConnachie	Isabel Patton
Mikey Percival	Lola Mendoza
Christina Avery	Matthew Smith
Taylor Blatchford	Joel Mendoza
Jeremiah Roach	Tori Spinkelink
Hannah Hanson	Marybeth Bruninga

A HONOR ROLL

Dillon Calton	Julian Estorga
Emily Rinella	Emmaleigh Compton
Landon Key	Victoria Griess
Daniel Percival	Joe McConnachie
Sarah Estes	Tara Spinkelink
Stephanie Yoxen	

PTF MEETINGS:

The next PTF meeting is Feb. 22 at 7:00 p.m. Future meetings are Mar. 15 and April 19. The “Crop” fundraiser (scrapbooking day) is scheduled for Apr. 24.

SUNSHINE CLUB (BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM):

A great big thank you to all our friends who have been coming to our program. We are planning many fun activities for February. Please watch the calendar (sent out early this week) for the fun, exciting activities going on this month. Any Fun Friday ideas you may have are welcome.

God Bless, Mrs. Mraz & Miss Allie

SAVE THE DATE:

On Wednesday, May 5, we will be having a Cinco de Mayo fundraiser for our school. Kelly Conner & Tara Compton are heading up this committee. If you would like to help with food donation, set/clean up, etc..or if you have Mexican blankets or other items which could be used as decorations, please let Tara or Kelly know. Our children will be performing that evening also.