Christmas Musical & Cookie Walk for Missions Thurs., Dec. 21

CBCS Newsletter

December 2017

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A Christmas Message From Mr. Martin

Many faiths and denomination are preparing for what is known as Advent, a time of anticipation for the arrival of Jesus. Purple is often the symbolic color of the Advent season, as it recognizes Jesus born not only as the Savior of the world but also as a king. The season is also celebrated for the anticipation of the Second Advent of Jesus. Preparation is a key word for the upcoming Christmas season. There will be many opportunities this month to prepare for the celebration of the coming King and Savior, Jesus Christ.

One element focused upon is the prayer for peace, both for the world and within us. We pray that this season, arguably the most busy time of the year, will be a time of preparation for you and your family as we celebrate the First Advent and look forward to the Second Advent as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords returns in all His glory for his people to finally restore peace, both physically and spiritualy.

From all of us here, we pray you have a blessed and providential Christmas season full of peace and hope.

> In Christ, Mr. Martin



Mr. Salmeron Announces:

CBCS Fine Arts **Christmas Program** Friday, Dec. 15, 7:00-8:00pm

Music classes, band, and drama students will perform in the Chapel. Come and be blessed by the Christmas music and message.



Christmas Break



Mon., Dec. 25 thru Mon., Jan. 8

Students return to school on Tues., Jan. 9.

Christmas Musical & Cookie Walk for Missions: Thurs., Dec. 21

Our Christmas musical, "Finding the Christmas Star," will be on Thursday, Dec. 21, in the gym at 7:00pm. Our Elementary Music teacher for K3-3rd grade, Mrs. Caryn Martin, has been preparing the students for this very special evening. The program will also include an ensemble by some of our 4th & 5th graders.

Mrs. Martin provides a little preview... of another fabulous musical by Jeff Slaughter.

In his own words, he invites you ...

"to put yourself in the place of those present for Jesus' birth and realize that we should be living in the same level of faith as Mary, Joseph, and the wise men did at that time. They lived out their part of His story, and we must do the same. Even though we may not be in Bethlehem, God gives us the courage we need where we are to live out our part of His story. Another message in the musical is redemption. What an awesome gift we received in our precious Savior, Jesus! His birth forever changed the world, and He continues to miraculously change lives today He brings beauty from the ashes. His faithfulness and goodness constantly surround us. All we need is the faith to see it and feel it with our hearts. I pray that as you try to "find the Christmas star" you will also find a deeper place in the Lord as you worship Him."

Our annual Cookie Walk for Missions will also be on Dec. 21. It will run from 11 am to 7:30pm or as long as the cookies last. It is such a blessing to have this opportunity to buy these delicious baked goods for our family and friends - and to support foreign missions at the same time. The cost of the cookies is \$7 per pound. Also Cookie Platters may be pre-ordered in small(\$7) & large(\$14) sizes. Order forms will be sent home in advance. Thank you to our talented Central bakers for all their work on this festive and very popular event.

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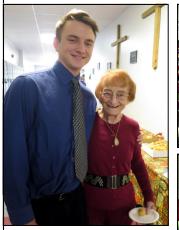
Remember to support our seniors in their Candy Cane fundraiser, which will begin Dec. 4 & continue through Dec. 15. Surprise your friends (for just \$1 per cane delivered). Also, let's support our 11th graders by participating in their "Jeans/ Hats/Christmas Sweater" fundraiser on Dec. 15 (pay \$1 per item worn).

Early Registration Will Begin Jan. 16 . . .

Please remember that all balances must be current as of Dec., 31, 2017, in order to register for the 2018-19 school year. Thank you for your help in staying current with your financial commitments.

Grandparents' Day at CBCS...

CBCS students stayed busy preparing for this favorite annual event with their grandparents on campus. They decorated invitations and practiced for the program way in advance; and they crafted gifts to surprise their grandparents with in the classrooms. Special thanks to Mrs. Martin & Mr. Salmeron who prepared their music students so well for the performance. We also want to thank all the parents (and grandparents, too!) who helped by preparing the bulk mailing, donating refreshments, decorating, and/or serving at the event on Nov. 17.







Teegan Ahrens, Senior Yearbook Photographer, takes a break for a pose.



















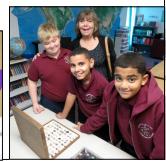
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Thanks to all the parents (& even grandparents) who volunteered & made this day such a success. Shown below are a few-including some dads who pitched right in and did whatever was needed! Also thanks to the faculty & staff members who coordinated the various areas (Mrs. Sherrill, Elem. Refreshments; Mrs. Patten & Mrs. Cohen, PreK Refreshments/ Decorations; & Mrs. Young, Secondary Coordinator. We also thank Mrs. Barbara Johnson & her Central helpers, Stage Decorations; Ms. Wilson & Ms. Longanecker, Photo Assistants; Mrs. Scott & Mrs. Rudd, Outdoor Campus Decorations;

Mrs. Craven, Mrs. Formont, & Mrs. Scott, Scrip; Mr. Sanchez, Mr. Alford, & Mr. Rudd, Sound; & Mrs. Alford, Signs).













Let's "Think Scrip" As We Shop for Christmas

Christmas is my favorite time of year. I love the music, extra time with my family, decorations, and who can't forget the food? My favorite of all is the time to worship my Savior with beautiful Christmas hymns and choruses. The radio in my car has been playing Christmas music since before Thanksgiving, even though my daughter says I need to wait until after Thanksgiving. If you see me driving down the road singing away, you know I am just praising my Lord!

Have you started your Christmas shopping yet? Always remember that Scrip is a great place to start. Do you have that person who is just impossible to buy for? Why not check out our Scrip inventory for ideas? Don't forget if you don't see exactly what you are looking for on our list, just ask us and we will check with Great Lakes Scrip.

Someone came to me just this morning with a question about hotel chains. There are some hotel chains that participate in Scrip. *Clarion* and *Choice* hotels are the most common, but *Hotels.com* is also available to order.

Hotels.com covers a huge selection of hotels. If you are planning on traveling over the Christmas break or wanting to gift someone with a trip, think Scrip!

I want to congratulate Diana Minton, one of our grand-parents, for winning the \$25 *Cracker Barrel* Scrip card from the Grandparents' Day drawing.

Soon we will be looking ahead to the new year. Please continue to " $Think\ Scrip$ " in 2018 ...

Mrs. Craven, Scrip Coordinator

CBCS High School Basketball Teams

Congratulations to the following students who are playing on our Varsity Basketball teams this season:

Varsity Boys Team

Eugene Clarisa
Terell Everett
Manny Feliu
Damonte Jackson
Nate Lanz
Sam Levasseur
Kelvin Ruiz
Ryan Sellers
Thomas Smith
Noe Ventura

Varsity Girls Team

Daysha Catrett
Ana Howell
Mary Mitir
Jada Rose
Devion Smith
Aliceah Spencer
Shyla Willis



25th Annual Walk/Run-A-Thor

Thank you for your support of our 26th Annual Walk/Run-A-Thon. The funds raised (over \$7000 to date) will be used for technology updates. We are working now to compile rewards lists. See our next newsletter for final results. The Grand Individual Prize of a \$100 bill (actually two of them...one for the student collecting the most in Secondary and one for most in Elementary) will be presented during Chapel times soon. Parents, we thank you for your prayers and your continued support of Kingdom education. And we appreciate the support of all our Business Sponsors listed below.

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CBCS Book Fair Sports A Rodeo Theme



The last day of our Book Fair was Grandparents' Day.
Above, Mrs. Bateman in her cowgirl hat checks out the customers. At right,
Kaylee Gilley, Sofia Borja,
& Kelvin Ruiz, take a look at some of the many books available from
Scholastic Books.



Student Corner: Featuring Our VPK Classes . . .

The 31 students in our VPK classes are soaking up knowledge and gaining wisdom at an early age, with their hands-on learning and Christian curriculum. Their teachers and aides make it a fun experience. They are shown below as Mrs. Patten surprises the class when they come in the room and see her transformed into "Farmer" Patten as she leads a lesson on the letter F - pulling from her overalls such interesting things as fennel, a flamingo, & a frog. Another day, Mr. Rudd takes time away from his secondary students to bring his agricultural knowledge to the 4-year-old level. After a video presentation, he bends down for them to get a close-up look at a packet of seeds, with his hoe ready in the background.



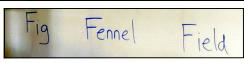












Kaia Fisher

Gabi Miller

Kya Locke



Daniel Viana

David Duarte

Mikalah Rudd

"All-A" Students Awarded at "Breakfast With Principal"

Mr. Martin flipped pancakes and served the "Principal's Honor Roll" students a delicious breakfast - complete with bacon and sausage. The 1st-5th graders were honored on the Wednesday morning after report cards were posted - and the secondary students, the following day. As evidenced by the photos below, we are not sure whether our principal or his students enjoyed it more!

Mr. Martin thanks his "souz chef," Mrs. Sherrill, for her culinary help, as well as Mrs. Rudd and Mrs Longanecker for their assistance.





















Principal's Honor Roll Elementary (All A's) - 1st Term, 2017-2018

1st: Skylar Goeb A'Lyric Rolle Le'Arie Willis

2nd:
Shaney Aristil
Mia Borrego
Summer Carroll
MayKaylee Clark
Loryd Francios
Sasha Hanifan
Bentley Ledford
Bethany Martin
Keonna Norwood
Aiden Perkins
Alex Proctor
Gracinda Vilceus

4th: Conor Gallagher Victoria Nieves Gabi Miller She'Niyah Mobley Mikalah Rudd

5th: Zayra Arce Scarlett Feli

Way to Go, CBCS Lions!











More Pancake Flipping For Mr. Martin

Secondary School Principal's Honor Roll (All A's):

6th: Rebecca Carter Isiah Cohen Frank Hernandez Ethan Newell Carissa Howell Jeremy Johnson **Destinie King Andres Luna** Jenaya Nystrom **Jared Smith**

7th: **Tavden Clark Trinity Heine**

Brittany Santillan 8th:

Owen Newell Celia Young

9th: 11th: **Kavlee Gilley** T.I Mascho Isys Loaisiga Aleah Rudd

10th: 12th:

Eugene Clarisa Teegan Ahrens Gracie Hand Nathan Lanz Susanna Lamadieu Ana Howell Samuel Levasseur



Mr. Martin wields his spatula as Mrs. Sherrill helps him perfect his pancake flipping skills before the Secondary All-A students arrive for their "Breakfast with the Principal."

Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child"

What a privilege it is for our students to bless children around the world through this missions project! The photos below show students bringing in items to put in the boxes at the Nov. 15th Packing Party in the Chapel. They always enjoy filling the shoeboxes, and they pray together over them for the children who will be receiv ing them. Some students like to pack a whole box at home with their family and bring those in for distribution.



Above: 3rd graders Right: 4th Graders Below: Pastor West, Jaden Formont, Calvin Borgard, & Frankie Hernandez

Thank you to Pastor & Mrs. West who head up this ministry each year & who take all the boxes to the distribution center for shipment abroad.



