Please Mark Your Calendar: School Closed March 6 & 13-17

CBCS Newsletter

March 2017

Reminder: Our Last Chick-fil-A Spirit Night, March 20

A Message From Pastor West

The Church. No, not the buildings made with brick and mortar, a tall steeple, and pews. I'm talking about the body of believers ... the real Church. I became a believer and follower of Christ at age 11. It totally changed my life, as it should. For the rest of my childhood and teen years, my family was engulfed in the ministry of the church. Now that I've been a follower of Christ for over 40 years, I am so glad my parents invested "church life" in my life.

Speaking not as a pastor, but a follower of Jesus Christ, one thing I have learned about the church is that we need one another. I cannot begin to imagine where my life would be if I had not been surrounded by a body of people who just love Jesus. Fellowship and community are so important when it comes to the body of Christ. Paul knew this truth as well. In Hebrews 10:25 he said, "do not forsake the assembling together (church) ... but encourage one another...". Why? Because we need it! I challenge you to find a Bible believing, preaching and teaching church that will encourage you and provide opportunities to serve and will bless you with positive, Godhonoring fellowship with other believers. Why? We need it! Just like a car needs a mechanic, a sick person needs a doctor, a student needs a teacher, so we need the church. See you in church!

> Strawberry Festival Day Monday, March 6





Spring Break: Week of March 13-17

School will be closed for Spring Break the week of March 13-17. Daycare will be available on a registered, prepaid basis.

Please sign up with Mrs. Longanecker at the Daycare desk by Tuesday, March 7, if you will be needing this service.

There will be no refunds and no walk-ins, as we staff according to the number registered.

2017-2018 Open Enrollment Underway

On February 3rd we had the drawing for a \$500 Tuition Scholarship. Everyone who had their complete registration applications in by that afternoon were entered.

Congratulations to \$500 Scholarship Winner . . . We are very pleased to congratulate Ms. Darby McKinley on winning this \$500 scholarship to be used towards the tuition costs for her student, Destiny King, to return to CBCS for the 2017-2018 school year.

Additional Opportunity: To Be Awarded \$100 Referral Fees

Please encourage your friends to visit our school, and give them a referral form.

Referrals . . .

For any new family enrolling because of your recommendation, you will receive a \$100 credit.

The new family will need to attach a referral form to their application and follow through with the enrollment next year. You will receive your \$100 referral credit next October. A referral form is printed in this newsletter, and extra referral forms are always available in the office.

The Referral Credits are not limited to just one. If you refer three families, for example, your Referral Credit would be \$300!

If you have any questions about re-enrolling for next year, you are welcome to contact Mr. Martin: (principal@cbcslions.com)

Important Note to Current Families:

We will not be able to place your child's name on the roster for next year if you have a past-due balance from 2016-2017. Please bring your account current to avoid that situation. If we receive your complete 2017-2018 application and you are not up to date on all payments for the current year, your student's name will be put on a Wait List until the balance is paid and then transferred to the roster if space is still available.

Class Pictures - Thursday, March 2



All class pictures will be taken on Thurs., March 2. Children in VPK are to wear their "Sunday Best." Students in K5 & up are to wear their Chapel day uniform (with the maroon shirt). Please be sure that hair styles are in compliance with our Student Handbook guidelines.

Scrip News

Spring is right around the corner! The kids are anxious to have a week off, and I'm sure some of you parents are already making plans to keep them busy.

Planning a trip to Disney? *Disney* Scrip can be used in all the *Disney* parks, hotels, stores, and restaurants. Support CBCS while having a fun family vacation.

Maybe the beach is more your style. *Walmart, Target, CVS*, and *Walgreens* sell the sunscreen, towels, beach toys, and picnic items you may need.

Whatever your plans are this spring, keep Scrip in mind. Shop ahead! You can purchase Scrip in the office at any time. The Scrip Store is open on Friday mornings during carline. Check out what we have in stock. If there is a store, restaurant, or gas station you don't see on our list, ask us! We will see if it is available.

For any Scrip purchase made in the month of March, your child(ren) will receive an ice cream float on the following Friday. We will have root beer and orange floats available for them to choose from during their lunch period on Fridays.



As always, keep thinking Scrip! *Ms. Tuvell (Scrip Coordinator)*

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night Winners . . .

Congratulations to Mrs. Osborne's 4th grade on winning the ice cream party for their top participation in our last *Chick-fil-A* Spirit Night - and to Hannah Rudd (12th grade), the winning student who received a Family Party Four-Pack. Thank you so much for your support of these fundraisers, where we can all enjoy the food & fellowship and help our school. We received a check for \$80 (15% of the intake). Mark your calendar now for our *Chick-fil-A* Spirit Night on **Monday, March 20** - the last one for this school year.

"Jump/Hoops for Heart" ...

Thank you for your support of our 16th annual "Jump Rope! Hoops for Heart." All donations go directly to the American Heart Association. Some companies, such as Verizon, offer matching funds. Parents, please check with your employers to see if they will match charitable funds raised. The Kickoff was Feb. 10; and all donations must be turned in by Tues., March 7, in order for students to be eligible for prizes.

Health Screening on Monday, March 20...

Our Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, & 6th graders will be included in the screening. The Kindergarten, 1st, & 6th graders will be screened for vision & hearing - and the 3rd graders for vision only. Sixth graders will also be screened for scoliosis.

Artist of the Month

Mrs. Alford will be selecting one Elementary student each month for this honor.
Our first recipient of the award is . . .

Adriana Ellis (5th grade)

She has earned this award by always showing respect in the classroom, working hard, and trying her best - which shows in her beautiful artwork. Her work has been on display outside the art room for the month of February.

Congratulations, Adriana!

CBCS Flag Football Team

We want to congratulate the following students who are playing on our Flag Football team:

Joshua Huff Jeremy Johnson Kendall Johnson Rashad Joyner



Ethan Newell Austin Osborne Alex Rodriguez Tyler Young

Thank you to Coach Evan West, with the assistance of Mr. Jeff Haas, for coaching this team. The season concludes with a tournament on 2/28 and Championship game on 3/3.

CBCS Golfers

Once again we are very privileged to have Mr. Ron Bakich coaching our golf team. **Go, Golfing Lions!**

Frankie Hernandez Camden Long Caleb Martin



Gracie Orozco Joshua Proctor Jared Smith

ACTS District Academic Competitions...

The Association of Christian Teachers & Schools (ACTS) has set the following dates and locations for their Math, Spelling, and Bible competitions:

- April 7 Math, 3rd-8th Grades First Assembly Christian School, Ocala
- April 21 Spelling, 3rd-8th Central Baptist Christian School, Brandon
- April 28 Bible, 3rd-8th IEC, Orlando

Students selected to represent our school at these competitions will be announced in the next newsletter.



Student Corner Featuring . . . CBCS 5th, 6th, & 7th Graders At Kennedy Space Center

Thank you to Mrs. Fran Rice for organizing this amazing field trip for our 5th, 6th, & 7th graders. Students, teachers, & parent chaperones had a great day (& we thank them for sharing these photos).





Left: Analis Mazo, Carissa Howell, & Andres Luna suit up for space. Right: Kendall Johnson, Josh Huff, & Tyler Young feel a moon rock.





"Houston ...
We have a problem!"
Above: Alex Rodriguez
(front) with classmates
Joshua Smith, Owen Newell,
Jake Gallagher, Marlon
Travieso, Tayden Clark - and
can you find Austin Osborne?
They all get a real "feel"
for the vibrations inside
this simulator!

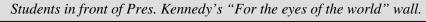




Who's that inside Apollo?







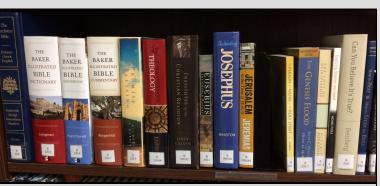


Special Photo Op: Joshua Huff, Kendall Johnson, & Tyler Young with retired Astronaut, J. O. Creighton

Let's Take a Look Around Campus

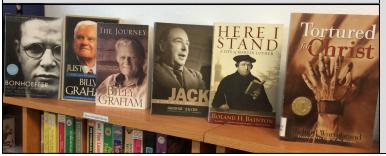


February was a busy month on and off campus. Various field trips included a performance at the Straz Center, the tour of Kennedy Space Center, an award trip to Ybor City Museum, and a community service project at ECHO of Brandon. On-campus, as you can see below, we added some great books to our library - and Mrs. Petit's class celebrated their 100th Day of Kindergarten.



Library - Through a generous donation, 25 new books have been given anonymously to our CBCS Library. Ten are reference, nine are non-fiction, & six are biographies.

What a blessing this is for our students and staff!





Mrs. Petit's class had fun on their "100th Day" with a yummy cake, fun math exercises using 100 *Cheerios*, & a chance to dress up in a special way using 100 of any item. Lyani Borrero is shown with 100 colorful pom-poms on her shirt.

We have found in the past that our best source for introducing new families to CBCS is by word of mouth. Parents, we encourage you to give Referral Forms to family members and friends you think may be interested in sending their children to CBCS next year. Additional forms are available in the front office. *Thank you!*

REFERRAL FORM*

(For current family to give to a prospective family to fill out and attach to their registration form if they decide to enroll)

Name of Child you are enrolling:		Grade Entering:
Your Street Address:	City	Zip
Your Phone Number:		
Name of Person/Family Who Referred You:		

(\$100 Tuition Credit will be awarded to family that referred you*)

* This form MUST be attached to your child's registration form when you enroll in order for the referring family to receive their discount in October.