

From the Principal's Desk...

November 2016

Make a joyful noise to the Lord! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing! Know that the Lord is God! It is He that made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him, bless His name! For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100

Dear Parents and Students of CCS,

November is here and shortly we will all be celebrating Thanksgiving. It is a time to give thanks for all of our blessings. I and the staff of CCS are thankful for the great families we have here. It is a joy to see how much you love and care for your children and how we all come together to make CCS a great school.

Goodwill Truck: I have to say this was a good way to increase our funds without a whole lot of work. I stopped by twice that day and was able to enjoy visiting with CCS families. I believe that is pretty much what the work consisted of for this fundraiser. Thanks to the third grade families and Mrs. Van Gundy for all their organizing skills and pre-advertising.

Harvest Day Parade: We had a great day celebrating God's provision for us. The students were excited to dress up and enjoy the variety of costumes. I want to thank parents for being respectful of our beliefs that no evil or scary costumes are appropriate here at our Christian school.

Jog-A-Thon: The runners were out in force, November 3rd was our Jog-A-Thon. The weather was great and those legs were really moving!! The students ran with perseverance. Parents and staff were there to cheer them on. It concluded with snacks for the runners. The money raised from the Jog-A-Thon was \$4,600!! Great job students!! And thank you to all who supported this event. This means tanbark for the Elementary playground. Yeah!!!

Soaring Readers: CCS students soared, they did a great job reading a total of 57,457 pages in all for our reading program. On November 4th Chapel, the students, who reached their individual goals, were pinned with a gold eagle pin for their accomplishments. The classes that reached the classroom goal will be treated to a choice of root beer float or popcorn party. They also get to choose a book for their class library. I want to encourage our students to have a love for reading. It looks like they all did a great job, each of our classes reached their class

goal. Congratulations students on a job well done! Students may also write book reports and turn them into the Library where they will be on display for others to enjoy. So far I have enjoyed two reports one from Katelyn Ribeiro and the other from Mikhana Alford.

Operation Gratitude: Thank you to Mrs. Bandy for heading up Operation Gratitude again this year. We had lots of students and parents generously give their candy to bless a service man/woman who would otherwise not receive so many treats. CCS collected 112 pounds of candy!! Mrs. Bandy shipped out 170 pounds of candy, 6 thank you notes and some toys that the soldiers can hand out to kids they run across as they are deployed in far away locations. It is exciting to be part of a great ministry.

Operation Christmas Child: Please remember to bring your boxes November 21 by 8:55am. Mrs. Van Gundy will be dropping them off later that morning in San Jose. What a great opportunity to bless children around the world who are in need.

Upcoming Events: Come join the fun! What a great way to celebrate the Christmas Season. CCS will have a float in the downtown parade again this year. Mrs. Van Gundy will be sending out permission forms for those who will be participating. Last year we all had lots of fun being in the parade and singing Christmas Carols with our CCS families.

Christmas Muscial/Open House: December 8 at 6:30pm is right around the corner for our annual Christmas concert. Please note the earlier start time for this year. It is always such fun to listen to our children sing and play their instruments. Get those cameras ready! Invite family and friends to this event. This is also an Open House for families who may be interested in joining our CCS family.

Wow! This year is going by so quickly! I hope you all enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday with family and friends. The Holiday break is November 23 through 25. I pray that you all have a blessed Thanksgiving holiday and that you enjoy your time off!

Blessings,

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