



# Around the Academy

News from the CAL-SW Saints

JANUARY 6, 2012

Dear Southwest Family~

Happy New Year! Can you believe it? We are at the halfway mark for this school year. Thank you for being diligent in supporting your child here at Southwest. Your diligence in following uniform guidelines, exercising punctuality, partnering attitude, positive accountability, and more do not go unnoticed. Being a parent is one of the biggest blessings and most challenging day-in and day-out privileges. Thank you!

This year, may Matthew 6:8b-13 be a daily priority in your home. This passage focuses on prayer. Jesus speaks and shares encouragement and models how to pray. I love the end of verse 8 which states, "For our Father knows what you need before you ask him." Praise the Lord for His all-knowingness. I still pray. I still praise Him. I still seek His will. I still ask for Him to meet my needs. I still ask for His forgiveness. I still ask for His deliverance in daily temptations. However, He already knows all of this before I ask. This passage shows that God is more concerned with our heart and our personal relationship with Him. If we truly recognize God as Lord of our lives we will seek Him. We will trust Him. We will share with Him. His authority, power and presence are a priority. It really isn't about us at all, but Him. May this passage reassure you of His God character. He is the one true God. He knows you because He made you (Psalm 139:13) and He loves you (John 3:16), and because He loves you He has plans for you (Jeremiah 29:11). Dear family, may these Biblical truths be fresh and new to you once again. The fact is we don't know what 2012 holds, but we do know the One who does.

Praying and praising Him for you~

Mrs. Carson

## January

- 1/6 First FCA Huddle Meeting 3:30-4:30pm (Chapel)
- 1/9 Parent Prayer Group 8:20am  
Chess Club 3:30-4:15pm  
CAL-SW vs. Portland Christian 6pm
- 1/12 Fencing Club 3:30-4:30pm
- 1/13 Spirit Wear Dress Down Day \$2 (CAL spirit shirts and appropriate-fitting jeans)
- 1/16 No School (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)  
Preschool will be in session!
- 1/19 Fencing Club 3:30-4:30pm  
American Heritage Girls 6pm
- 1/23 100th Day of School Celebration  
Parent Prayer Group 8:20am  
Chess Club 3:30-4:15pm
- 1/24 CAL-SW vs. Our Savior Lutheran 6pm
- 1/26 Fencing Club 3:30-4:30pm  
CAL-SW vs. West End School 6pm
- 1/27 Spirit Wear Dress Down Day \$2 (CAL spirit shirts and appropriate-fitting jeans)
- 1/30 Parent Prayer Group 8:20am  
Chess Club 3:30-4:15pm  
CAL-SW vs. St. Johns Lutheran 6pm
- 01/31 Skating Party for Pre-K through 8th gr.  
PRP Skate Zone 6:30-8:30pm



## HEALTH ROOM ITEMS

During this busy season of colds and illnesses, the Health Room is in need of children's liquid Ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin) and children's liquid acetaminophen (Tylenol). Please bring new, unopened bottles to the school office. We appreciate your help!

## Change for Change

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> service project for this year will be called Change for Change, and will be for a family that holds a special place in our hearts here at Christian Academy Southwest. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson and children are serving in South Asia to start churches for the glory of God. Mrs. Jackson taught here for 4 years. She began as a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and then was our Art teacher for 3 additional years. While in South Asia, they primarily will be planting churches among people groups who have not heard the Gospel. Mr. Jackson is going to be training South Asian Christians how to share the gospel with others, how to disciple new believers, and how to plant reproducible churches, while learning the people's heart language. Mrs. Jackson will primarily be making relationships with South Asian women in the community while taking care of their 2 girls and also learning the language.

Our campus wants to support this calling and share in our "Loving God" theme by praying, investing and giving (PIG) to this family. Since Christmas is a celebration of God's greatest gift, and we want to teach our students to give, we will provide every student in grades K-8 with a PIG that will remind us that we need to Pray, Invest and Give in order to help share God's love.



**Pray**--Please be in prayer for this family as they transition to their new home, new culture and new calling. Pray that God's word will be received and change people in South Asia.

**Invest**--Please do not supply the money for your child's PIG, but pray with them and provide opportunities for them to invest by providing extra chores or ways to earn money. Little is much in God's kingdom because nothing is impossible with God. (Send in stories too!)

**Give**--Encourage them to give. Later in the year we will also host a used book sale (start setting aside gently used, but in good condition books) and all proceeds will go to this family as well. The first chapel in May we will collect the "Change for Change" PIGs. So please focus on Christ during this season and share in the opportunity to give to others.

Romans 10 verses 13-15 says-- *"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is writ-*



### Thinking Ahead...

In May, there is going to be a Used Book Sale. The proceeds from this sale will be used to benefit the Change for Change service project. If you plan on getting rid of old books to make way for new books, please consider donating your used books for the project. Books can be dropped off at the Library any time. Please attach a note stating that the books are for the Used Book Sale. Thank you in advance for your donation to make a difference in a church plant where people will hear the good news in South Asia.



## SW's First FCA 'Huddle'

**All Middle School students are invited to join FCA, and you don't have to be an athlete to participate!**

**Our first meeting will be on Friday, January 6 from 3:30-4:30pm in the Chapel. We will meet on the first Friday of every month. Join us for guest speakers, games, and other fun events! Please see Mr. Deaton or Mr. Rickmond for more details.**

**You must have a ride home to attend!!**

**The FCA Mission — To present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.**



### Beauty and The Beast Jr. T-shirts For Sale!!

T-shirts are now on sale for our upcoming musical *Beauty and The Beast Jr.* If you would like to purchase one, the cost is \$ 12. Please send in your money along with your T-shirt size in an envelope with Mrs. Stivers name on it. T-shirts may be worn on all Spirit Wear days AND every Monday with uniform pants/shorts during the months of March and April. If you would like to help support our drama club, please consider purchasing a shirt today. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Stivers ([kstivers@caschools.us](mailto:kstivers@caschools.us)).

### THANK YOU!



Thank you to all the parents and students who purchased art merchandise from the Young Masters Program! I hope that your family and friends enjoyed receiving the artwork as a gift or surprise. I am so proud of all the students who participated. When I know the final amount we were able to raise for the art room, I will let you know. Thank you again for supporting the art department!

~Mrs. Richter

### SKATING PARTY PRE-K-8TH GRADE TUESDAY, JANUARY 31 6:30-8:30 PM PRP SKATE ZONE

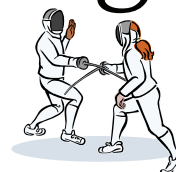
The cost is \$2.00 to skate, plus \$1.00 for skate rental.

Bring your family and friends!

This will be the last skating party for the year!



# Fencing Club



### New and updated information regarding CAL's 2<sup>nd</sup> session

The second session will only be 8 weeks long, running from January 12-March 1 from 3:30-4:30 PM on Thursdays. If your child would like to continue fencing, the cost is \$100.

**THERE IS ALWAYS ROOM FOR NEW FENCERS K-8!**  
If your child would like to join the fencing club, the cost is \$130 (includes uniform).

Deadline to sign up is January 12, 2012.

Please contact Christy Thompson ([cthompson2205@gmail.com](mailto:cthompson2205@gmail.com)) for a waiver. All waivers must be completed before your child can participate.

# Teacher Feature!

Our featured teacher is Mrs. Senn, who teaches 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Math and Science. She is a native of Louisville, she attended Tennessee Temple University, University of Louisville, and Scranton University. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education. She has one daughter, Elizabeth, who is 25 years old and a graduate of UK. She has two dogs, Peanut and Molly. In her spare time, she enjoys playing with her grandson, Caleb. This is Mrs. Senn's 29th year of teaching, all of which have been in Christian education. Thank you, Mrs. Senn, for your service to our students and families!





## CAL-SW MS 2011-2012 Basketball Schedule

(Remaining Games)

Date	Opponent	Time
Jan. 9	PORTLAND CHRISTIAN	6:00
Jan. 24	OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN	6:00
Jan. 26	WEST END SCHOOL	6:00
Jan. 30	ST. JOHNS LUTHERAN	6:00

## SPELLING BEE

CAL-SW will be participating in the ACSI Spelling Bee on Saturday, February 25 at Whitefield Academy. There will be practice sessions every Thursday beginning January 19 to help them prepare for the upcoming Spelling Bee. This is an OPTIONAL practice, so your child isn't required to attend every week. However, we will discuss spelling bee rules, strategies, and have practice spelling bees so we encourage them to attend at least a few practice sessions. The following students will be our ACSI Spelling Bee Representatives. Please begin to pray for these students and this event as we begin to prepare for the bee.

1<sup>st</sup> grade – Rachael Herndon, Daniel Thornton

2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Hailey Gallo, Andrew Cockerill

3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Autumn Pierce, Jackie Kelly

4<sup>th</sup> grade – Paulina Conder, Cade Reichmuth

5<sup>th</sup> grade – Mackenzie Hall, Clara Perkins

6<sup>th</sup> grade – Madison Parker, Zachary Cockerill

7<sup>th</sup> grade – Rebecca Sharp

8<sup>th</sup> grade – Trey Hennig, Mikayla Maloney

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Curtis ([ncurtis@caschools.us](mailto:ncurtis@caschools.us)).



## SPANISH CLASS NEWS



Parents can follow what is going on in Spanish class by joining [www.edmodo.com](http://www.edmodo.com). You will need to sign up as a student and each grade level has a particular access code. It is a great way to be able to communicate with Mrs. Wright, especially since she is not always on this campus.

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3<sup>rd</sup>-6cjsdz

4<sup>th</sup>-f4qe95

5<sup>th</sup>-k7bphw

6<sup>th</sup>-h2pb38

7<sup>th</sup>-5ltn3q

If you have any questions about registering for this service, please contact Mrs. Wright ([kwright@caschools.us](mailto:kwright@caschools.us)).



## 100th Day of School!

**Monday, January 23**

Barring any snow days, our 100th day of school will be

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Watch for details on class celebrations in the teacher newsletters.