



CLINTON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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Auction Deadline Nears

Donated Oral and Silent Auction items and sheets are to be turned in by January 15th, 2007. We need many items to have another great auction. Items such as die-cast cars, antiques, home décor, jewelry, candles and more are great! Contact Kim Adams for ideas!

Class Projects

What's your class Project for the Auction? Contact your Parent Representative today to find out how you can help. Don't know whom to contact? Here is the list of parent reps: Mrs. Trolinger, Carie Sisney; Mrs. Scott, Amanda Klassen; Mrs. Maupin, LaGina Greufe; Mrs. Bath, Melissa Powell; Mrs. Lowe, Mona Reid; Mrs. Morehead, Ranae Walrath; Ms. Kimbrell, Andrea Briggs; Mrs. Thornton, Lora Anstine; Mrs. Dicket, Jennifer Keily and Linda Dressander, Mrs. Robaus, Anita Cook; Ms. Straw, Allison Wetzel. Contact them with your great ideas!

AUCTION MEETINGS

The Auction Committee will meet on January 3rd to finalize the Top Ten. If you have a contact for any of the brainstorming ideas please contact Kim Adams, Items Coordinator or Linda Dressander, Top Ten Coordinator. Some of the ideas being considered include: landscaping, hot tub, swimming pool, surround sound, gazebo, Hall of Fame trip, 2nd honeymoon, Disney, Build-a-Bear party, dog training, weekend getaway, babysitting, Oprah show, cooking show trip, American Girl Trip to NYC/Chicago, home theatre, golf school, Pebble Beach trip, Alaskan cruise, carpeting for house or room, skydiving school, horseback riding, shooting school or lessons, Big Cedar Lodge. If you have a contact for one of these items or have another other ideas please contact Kim or Linda.

The next Parent Organization/Auction Meeting at the school is **Tuesday, January 9th, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.** If ever there should be a required meeting this one is it! We need to finalize our Auction and Dinner at this time and see how many volunteers we have for the different events. We still have committees that need help!

Bravo, Mrs. Brown!

Mrs. Brown's Christmas musical performances were outstanding. The message the children presented was clearly understood. Congratulations on a job well done for our Lord, CCA students, Mrs. Thornton and Mrs. Brown

Christmas Vacation

Christmas vacation begins at noon on December 22nd. School resumes Tuesday, January 2nd. There will not be any ASSP on Dec 22nd and no lunch will be served (not counting any cookies or candy that may show up at class that day).

Labels, Labels, Labels

Hats off to CCA Supporters! Thousands of labels have been turned in. We have used a portion of the "points" from the Campbell's soup labels collected in the past to purchase 12 scooters and paddles for PE. Keep collecting those labels!

Sweatshirt/T-shirt Orders

If you are interested in ordering the new CCA sweatshirt or T-shirt, please contact Mrs. Miracle. If there are enough interested, another order can be placed.

God is a giver, and if you want to experience a new level of God's joy, if you want him to pour out His blessing and favor in your life then you must learn to be a giver and not a taker.

Have an attitude that says, whom can I bless today?

Merry Christmas and God's richest blessings for a healthy, happy 2007

In His Wonderful Love,

Mrs. Crump

In the Classroom...

Mrs. Trolinger and Mrs. Scott report that December has been a busy month for the K-4 students. In addition to their regular academic activities, they participated in a project for the Samaritan Center. They gave up one of their favorite toys for the Thrift Shop, and collected boxes of pudding for the center. After presenting these, they went to the Clinton Rehabilitation and Rest Center and presented a musical program. Last week, they went to the Veterans Home in Warrensburg and gave two musical presentations in different areas of the home. They then went to a local restaurant and practiced their "ordering" skills and table manners. They went Christmas caroling around the Clinton square last Friday...they tried to visit all the places where they had relatives working.

Mrs. Maupin: M-m-m! The smell of fresh baked bread filled our classroom one day as we read different versions of "The Little Red Hen". We talked about being good helpers and how God blesses us when we bless others. We received our photos of Ethiopia children and now we are learning about children of Mexico. Mrs. Greufe visited our class one afternoon and read a wonderful story with the children. We always welcome good storytellers! Thank you, Mrs. Greufe. Reading circles are now formed and we have begun our first "Reader". We all love to read. We are also now writing our names in cursive! This takes a lot of practice but we know it is important to do our best. We will be caroling on Dec. 21 at Glendale Gardens and Clinton Rehabilitation Center. We are busy making Christmas cards to hand out while we are there.

Mrs. Bath's first graders are experiencing the musical rhythm of poetry in reading. In arithmetic, they are working with fractions and telling time. They have also memorized the calendar months in order and will purchase you the correct number of eggs if you ask for a dozen. It has been fun to think about baking favorite recipes by learning about cups, pints and gallons. First graders are also watching the weather forecast and can read the thermometer accurately. We have been practicing for the Christmas program, but they found time to make unique Christmas cards for the residents first grade will be singing for in two nursing homes.

Mrs. Lowe's first grade class has been getting in to the Christmas spirit with the Bible stories leading up to the birth of Christ. We also have memorized Psalm 34:8-19. The class adopted an 8 year old boy and we helped his family get Christmas gifts for him. It has been fun learning the value of each different coin and how to add them together. We have also enjoyed learning how to measure liquids, distances with a ruler, and temperature. The reading skills continue to progress nicely, and we have even been writing stories. We would love to be able to spend more time writing stories! The children are amazing and such a joy to be around!

Mrs. Morehead's second graders have been studying courtesy and manners. We have especially been practicing good table manners. They have also learned to formally introduce their friends. Students have been using their alphabetical skills when using encyclopedias. Many of the students like to do research on the internet. Our class has been preparing for another play entitled Harry's Christmas List. We are glad the K-4 and K-5 classes have agreed to be our audience again. This time of year is wonderful as we reflect on all of the blessings God has given us. The Christmas season brings us joy to celebrate Jesus' birth and to spend time with family and friends.

Ms. Kimbrell's class has been busy this month. We have decorated our room to look like the Plaza in KC. Ha! We have been working on suffixes in Language class, and we are still working on

special sounds in words and learning to identify them. We have memorized the Beattitudes and are now working on Luke 2: 8-14, which is the announcement on the birth of Christ. We are learning to regroup or carry number in Arithmetic class even into the hundreds. Cool!! We shared stories from our Reading books with Mrs. Trolinger's class and everyone had fun. We love doing things with the younger students. We will be inviting them into our classroom to sing Christmas Carols so they can enjoy our lights and our Christmas tree. We hope everyone will have a great vacation, and we wish you the best of blessings in 2007.

Mrs. Thornton: The 3rd graders chose to adopt a family for Christmas rather than exchange gifts. They are looking forward to wrapping the items and being missionaries in this special way. They are also looking forward to sharing songs and Scripture with the residents of Westwood. In Bible study, they have just completed a study of Samuel and David. Many students chose David as their favorite Bible hero in a recent writing assignment. Each child has had two original poems sent to two different poetry contests and are waiting to see if they have been selected. If you see a 3rd grader, ask them the product of 7×7 . They will know, because they have tackled sevens. Wishing each reader a blessed Christmas season!

This month **Mrs. Dicket's** 4th has been busy with the Christmas program and performing a skit for Chapel on Dec. 15th. The students can get tired of the practice, but when the performance comes they can see the fruits of their labors! What a great witness for Jesus! In Bible we have finished studying Joseph and are reviewing the birth of Christ. We Finished memorizing Isaiah 53: 7-12. That means that we know the whole chapter of Isaiah 53! The biggie for the month was to dissect frogs! We worked in teams to learn about vertebrates, the classification system and how to perform a frog dissection. Some thought it was stinky. But everyone did a great job and learned a lot about frogs and also how to handle something that could be yucky.

Mrs. Robaus's class has been very busy with many projects. We have been studying the classification system in science and learning about kingdoms, phylums and classes. Each student made a display describing a phylum or a class and ten added pictures of animals that belong to that phylum or class. Math is getting a little tougher. The 6th grade has been studying decimals and percents. The 5th grade has been busy with computing fractions. I have noticed that some of the spelling tests scores had dropped. Spelling test are on Friday. In history my sister and brother-in-law visited our class and shared their world travels with the class.

The 7th grade is learning about banking in math. Their next unit is about graphs and statistics. In history, they finished reading about the Age of Discovery and will soon begin the unit about the beginning of the United States. The 8th grade recently finished a math chapter about linear equations and is now graphing them. In history, they will soon begin reading about the Civil War. Both grades completed the science chapter about minor planets and comets and began reading about the moon. We will even measure the distance to the moon using a meter stick! We met with a yearbook representative and began the planning of the CCA 2006-07 yearbook. We are looking forward to publishing this yearbook. December has been a stressful month for us, so we will have a "Read-In" on December 21 after lunch. We will all enjoy the time of reading, relaxing and snacking! The Science Fair has been set for April 12th. We will start thinking about our projects over Christmas break, as we will have to make a project decision by the end of January. We are also making plans for a BIG field trip. Merry Christmas! (submitted by Casey Wetzel)

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **DECEMBER 22**
CHRISTMAS VACATION BEGINS
- **JANUARY 2**
CLASSES RESUME
TUITION PAYMENT #7 IS DUE
- **JANUARY 3**
AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING
- **JANUARY 9**
PO/AUCTION MTG @ 6:30
- **JANUARY 12**
SPIRIT DAY
- **JANUARY 15**
AUCTION ITEM/ITEM SHEETS DUE
END OF SECOND QUARTER/FIRST SEMESTER
- **JANUARY 17**
GRADE CARD DISTRIBUTION
- **JANUARY 23**
MRS. CRUMPS ATTENDS CRISIS RESPONSE MTG
- **FEBRUARY 23**
SET UP FOR AUCTION/DINNER
- **FEBRUARY 24**
DINNER/AUCTION FUNDRAISER

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