



# CLINTON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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## Spelling Bee Champs!

CCA won the Sweepstakes Award at the recent Spelling Bee. Congratulations to CCA students who won individual awards.

CCA first place winners were: Grade 1, Hannah Adams; Grade 3, Benjamin Bellamy; Grade 4 Jacob Lasher. Second Place winners were: Grade 2, Andrew Kristofferson; Grade 4, Allie Lowe; Grade 5, Brooklyn Sisk; Grade 7, Hayden Lowe. The Grade 1-4 Spelling Champion was Jacob Lasher, and Hayden Lowe won Second Place in grades 5-8. The competition was tough and the rules were strict. Again congratulations to all of our participants.



give to a friend. They may never think about it if you don't suggest it!

## Parent Organization (P.O.)

We want to thank the following parents for volunteering to serve during the 2007-08 school year.

- P.O. President .....Sharon Tegarden
- P.O. Vice President.....Renae Walrath
- P.O. Secretary.....Sherri Martinez
- Lunchroom Coordinator.....Amanda Klassen
- Volunteer Coordinator .....Linda Dressander
- Volunteer Hours..... Monica Overmann

Please mark your calendars for the P.O. meetings. They will be held on the second MONDAY of the month. That is a change from this year, so please make note. We hope to see lots of parents in September as we begin to plan for the auction. Yes, auction!

A big **Thank You** to all of our P.O. leaders and classroom representatives who served during 2006-07 school year. The students and teachers at CCA benefit tremendously from your generosity and talents!

## Summer Hours

School may be drawing to an end for this year, but it is already time to start preparing for next year. Mrs. Crump and Mrs. Miracle will be in the office on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings during the summer doing just that if you need to reach them.

## SAVE! SAVE! SAVE!

Please remember to save Best Choice, Box Tops, and Campbell's labels over the summer. Recruit neighbors, friends, and relatives to save also! These little pieces of paper add up to big bucks over the year. We received over \$1000 from Box Tops alone over the past school year.



## Library News

We would like to thank Joan Groff for all of her hard work and dedication over the years to the students of CCA. Joan has served as our head librarian for several years and has decided to "retire" at the end of this year. Thank you, Joan for all you have done for the school. We appreciate all your hard work!

## Tell Your Friends!

It's not too late for new students to sign up at CCA! Never underestimate the power of what God can do with an idea you

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- **JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> WEEKEND**  
OLDE GLORY DAYS PARADE
- **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH**  
2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS!
- **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**  
PARENT ORGANIZATION MEETING- BE THINKING OF AUCTION IDEAS!

## Please Remember

Please remember to keep CCA, the students and the teachers in your prayers over the summer!



## In the Classroom...

**Mrs. Trolinger and Mrs. Berry:** The K4's have had a super busy month. "Curious George" was our theme for one week. We listened to books, videos, did math and phonic lessons, and did art projects using "George." A special reading guest was Mr. Walt Reinhard. He entertained us with stories about dinosaurs. We finished our BookIt reading program and went to Pizza Hut for a celebration lunch (thanks to Pizza Hut!). Friday was a special day. It began with us participating in Chapel. After lunch we went to the Fred Thompson farm to observe the FFA projects. Monday was a "Walking Tour of Clinton." Wednesday was a soggy day, but oh, so enjoyable! We went to the local Conservation Center for a day of fishing. While the rain poured, we went inside for a close-up look at various reptiles and amphibians. Students enjoyed the "hands-on" much more than the teachers! The last two weeks will include "Muffins for Mom" and Donuts for Dad", a trip to the nursing home, Field Day, a picnic at Mrs. Berry's farm, Our graduation, and singing for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation. AND, we will be completing all of our academic lessons!

**Mrs. Maupin:** All creatures great and small has caught our attention this past month. We found the great creatures at the Dickerson Zoo in Springfield and Thompson Farm. The smaller creatures are right in or own community such as the ant, bee, ladybug, frogs and crawfish. K5 will finish this exploration with a day in the great outdoors with Missouri Conservation Department. K5 is finishing their Scriptural Alphabet, knowing a Bible verse that begins with a letter from A to Z. We asked Mr. Russell Hendricks to visit our class and share about how the Gideons Organization takes God's Word, the Bible, to the ends of the earth. Since we now can read and recite many Bible verses we were thrilled that he gave each student their very own pocket size Bible. Since that visit our class is participating with raising money for Ball and Bibles. We love practicing how to count our change!

**Mrs. Lowe:** What a busy month we've had! We enjoyed a fantastic trip to Dickerson Park Zoo in Springfield. The weather could not have been more perfect! This trip was a great way to conclude our studies of different continents around the world. We were able to see some of the animals that live on different continents. We have been working very hard to finish up the last of our curriculum for the year. What a great year it has been!!! It doesn't seem possible that a whole school year has passed by. I want to challenge everyone to read lots of books this summer.

The students in **Mrs. Bath's** first grade classroom are working independently and successfully. Before the year is over, students will have been taught all the addition and subtraction facts. Also, the students have now been introduced to multiplication problems. Reading groups are now reading the Primary Bible Reader, which is the King James Version of the Bible. They are IMPRESSIVE. Several of the classes were given Bibles as gifts by the Gideons and our first grade class is having Bible drills with these Bibles. Students need summer vacation for rest and relaxation. However, it is important that a child read on a regular

basis. Reading can be fun and used as recreation. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

**Mrs. Morehead** second graders have been reviewing favorite Bible stories by listening to records and coloring illustrations. Everyone has memorized the Books of the New Testament! Our class did exceedingly well on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, and we are glad it is over. We celebrated with a camping party in the classroom. S'mores, cookies, and hot dogs were enjoyed by all. Students also like using a tent for reading library books. Camping was also the theme in Arithmetic. Second graders are working hard learning multiplication facts. All of the second grade class had a fun day at Union Station. They saw the railroad cars exhibit, and experienced the many activities at Science City. We are looking forward to our next field trip on May 22. In Health we are learning about the benefits of eating balanced meals, exercise, getting enough rest, and thinking the right thoughts. We will be recording our height, weight, and shoe size to determine how much we have grown this school year.

**Ms. Kimbrell's** class will be doing some fun, exciting things at the end of school. We will have a pajama day, junk food day, and a hiking day. We are looking forward to enjoying fellowship with each other while we finish up our work for this year. We have had a grand year and are looking forward to summer vacation. We can't believe the school year is nearing its last day!

**Mrs. Thornton:** Third grade had a very informative trip to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield this month. The students liked walking the battlefield called "Bloody Hill." As a final enrichment for their history books, they are performing a "living wax museum" the last week of school. Each student has chosen a person they have studied and has written a minute speech which will be performed in costume. They will perform for the other classes at CCA and then perform for the public at the Henry County Museum on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The last Bible story is Esther and they are learning more about the Persian Empire from this study. Their last reading book is Pilgrim's Progress which they have just completed. They are all looking forward to a restful summer after a school year of so much learning!

**Mrs. Dicket:** As the school year winds down the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class has been busy with the basics and some fun stuff, too. We worked on Mother's Day gifts of love coupons and an apron. In Bible we decided to help send the word about God's love. We coordinated a donation for money to buy the Energia soccer balls and Gideon Bibles. We raised \$276.66 thanks to everyone's help! In Health we are learning about the systems in the human body. And in History we are looking into the World Wars. On May 15<sup>th</sup> we will travel to the Springfield Discovery Center.

**Mrs. Robaus:** School is about over and the students have made wonderful progress. We enjoyed our trip to the Discovery Center and will be going swimming on Friday and biking on Monday. As I am leaving the academy I wish you all the best.

**Ms. Straw:** We had a great time in Chicago even though it rained while we were there! We had great experiences! We visited Adler Planetarium, Field Museum, Museum of Science and Industry, the Hancock Observatory and the Navy Pier. We rode one of the world's largest Ferris Wheels and rode an elevator that went 94 floors in less than 40 seconds! We also ate great food! We have worked hard

all year, so things are not so busy and tough now. We are reading a novel about firefighters and will be visiting our local fire department. We are also riding the Katy Trail with the support of Jim and Joan Groff! We are also working through the Experiencing God Bible study. We have only a few more letters to send to our soldiers. I hope that the kids continue to write the soldiers through out the summer and pray for them until they are home with their families. We are preparing for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation. We have 3 graduating and moving on to the high school. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades, we have made great memories this year. I hope you think so too! Have a great summer!

### **On a personal note from Mrs. Crump**

Thank you for your support, encouragement, love and especially your prayers in behalf of CCA this past year. Have a restful, safe summer! God Bless, Mrs. Crump

### **Notes from Mrs. Brown**

We have been so busy! 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> did great at competition! The K4-2<sup>nd</sup> grades did a wonderful patriotic chapel May 4<sup>th</sup>. They then were asked to perform it at Westwood Nursing Home May 14<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Nursing Home Month. Again, they did an awesome job! How blessed I am to work with these wonderful kids! The 7/8 bell ensemble will perform at Chapel on May 18 along with the Band. The 5/6/7 ensemble and bell group with Ragan Brigg's solo will all participate at graduation! It's been a wonderful year! God is so good! Have a great, safe and blessed summer! Keep singing for Him! – Love Mrs. Brown



### **Music Competition Results**

Wow! Your kids have really been “sparkling”! CCA came home with top honors and the most blue ribbons at the ACSI Music Competition. Of the four categories of judging: I - superior, II- Excellent, III-Good and IV- Fair. CCA received 10 I's and 4 II's. All three judges gave the choir a I and Ragan Briggs received a I+ on her voice solo. I've taken kids to competition about 15 times and have never seen a I+. Great job to everyone! The choir even maintained their stage presence when a classmate felt ill. I'm very proud of everyone! Results are as follows: Choir 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> – I, Ragan Briggs – vocal solo – I+, Benjamin Bellamy – vocal solo – I, Brooklyn Sisk – piano solo- I, Nicole Lee – piano solo – I, Quincy Hook – trumpet solo – II, Janie Wetzel – piano solo – II+, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade girls trio – Cheyenne Sizemore, Emily and Elizabeth Staashelm – I, 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls sextet – Allie Lowe, Camille Wetzel, Lauren Dressander, Megan Evans, Alexandra Robaus, Emma Kiely – I, 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys ensemble – Dillion Richardson, Jacob Lasher, Riley Williams, Danny Naber, Alex Jones, Alec Van Buskirk, Lane Reid, Dalton Ehrman- I (perfect), 3<sup>rd</sup> grade mixed ensemble – Benjamin Bellamy, Luke Dressander, Dalton Swope, Grant Anstine, Tori Burrows, and Emily and Elizabeth Staashelm, Cheyenne Sizemore – I, 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls quartet – Riley Cook, Marti Albin, Nicole Lee, Brooklyn Sisk –I, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys ensemble – Logan Colwell, Matthew Dernier,

Kaleb Jennings, Mark Kohl, Trenton Jones, Nathaniel Lampton, Aleksey Lyle, II, 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> mixed sextet – Ragan Briggs, Makayla Cooper, Janie Wetzel, Madison Shoemaker, Quincy Hook, Zachary Adams – II. They all performed well at the competition concert on April 26<sup>th</sup>! WELL DONE!!!

### **Help Wanted!**

Just like at home, the work at the school never ends. There are projects that need to be done over the summer to get the school ready for a new school year. If you have the talent and time to help out with some of these projects, please contact 890-2111. These projects may range from extra cleaning to tearing out workbook pages to yard work. This is a great way to get a jump on volunteer hours for the next school year.

### **Uniforms for 2007-08**

Next year will be our first year to wear Wal-mart brand uniforms. The colors will remain the same red, white, or blue shirts and either khaki or navy bottoms. A handout went home with students on May 11 giving more information on approved styles. Our local store should have a display of uniforms as we get closer to September. Of course, if you still have Dennis uniforms that fit, students may wear them next year also.



### **Shop with Schoolpop**

We have another easy fundraiser. Just go to [www.schoolpop.com](http://www.schoolpop.com) before you do your shopping on-line. There are several retailers (such as Wal-mart, Land's End and Dell) that will give the school a percentage of your purchase. All you need to do is register with Schoolpop and then shop! If you would like to sign up for a Schoolpop VISA, it is very simple. You can go to, call 1-800-297-1286 code 28B8, or pick up a form from Mrs. Miracle to apply for a Schoolpop VISA. When you use this VISA the school will earn 1% from your purchases wherever you shop. So, if you are using a credit card that does not pay rewards, please consider switching to Schoolpop VISA. If you already have a credit and don't want to switch, please consider registering at Schoolpop.com and going through them to make purchases online. We have in the past earned over \$1,000 with this fundraiser.

### **Olde Glory Days**

Mark your calendars for the Olde Glory Days Parade. The school will again have an entry in the parade and we will need as many students as possible to participate. Please contact Kim Adams for more info as July gets closer. Feel free to contact her with your float ideas!

### **...Another Prayer Request**

Your Board has many critical decisions to make over the summer regarding classroom break-down, staff hiring, school business, and a myriad of other issues. They covet your prayers and support as they earnestly seek God's will for CCA!