



Paw Print

Gardner's/Oakbrook Favorites

Wow! This winter weather has wreaked havoc on our Spring fundraiser. Because of a delay, we were unable to have our "kick off" assembly. We then had a snow day.

Please do your best to get orders for these high quality products. The funds from these fundraisers go to keeping our tuition costs as low as possible. Please do your best to help CCCS.

Orders are due back to the school by February 11. If you have questions, contact Mrs. Lloyd at the school.

Boxtops for Education

The deadline for submitting our boxtops is coming quickly. Please send these to the school no later than Monday, February 23.

Mrs. Lloyd could use a little help getting these boxtops ready to ship.

These coupons need to have the expiration dates checked so we don't submit expired ones. They then need counted and put into baggies of 50. It isn't hard work, but a little time consuming.

If you have a little extra time, contact her.

Yearbooks Still Available

The 2013/2014 yearbooks are here. If you would like to purchase one, please send your payment of \$25 to the school and one will be given to your students.

These are high quality, full color books and they are well worth the money.

**Cambria County
Christian School**

February 6 , 2015

Upcoming Events:

- ☺February 7—
Mother-Daughter
scrapbooking crop
- ☺February 11—End
of Easter Candy
Sale
- ☺February 27—
Spring Pictures
- ☺March 2-6—
Scholastic Book
Fair
- ☺March 6—Family
fun night at the
book fair
- ☺March 6—Grades
9-12 to Holocaust
Museum in Wash-
ington, D.C.

Scrapbooking Extravaganza

Our next Scrapbooking event will be held on March 27 & 28. There are brochures at the school. If you are interested in attending, please request a brochure.

Each family is asked to donate \$5 to help with the cost of food for this fundraiser. An envelope is included with this newsletter. Please do your best to send in this donation.

Spring Festival

Are you tired of seeing this yet? Well, you'll continue to see it until every space on our schedule is full.

I know it seems early, but we need to begin thinking about our Spring Festival. It will be held on Saturday, May 16 this year.

We NEED every family to help in order to make this event successful.

Here is what we expect of each family:

- ☺ Commit to work at least 2 hours the day of the Festival
- ☺ Bake for the bake sale
- ☺ Donate items for the flea market
- ☺ Optional..Auction donation
- ☺ Be willing to hang a couple flyers advertising the festival in area businesses

Each classroom will be donating an auction item also, so be watching for information on that at a later date.

The areas that will need assistance are: (in order of amount of help needed)

- ⇒ Kid's Korner
- ⇒ Food
- ⇒ Flea market
- ⇒ Clean up
- ⇒ Bake Sale
- ⇒ Car show
- ⇒ Chicken BBQ
- ⇒ Tractor show

Schedules will be sent home at a later date. When they are sent home, I would suggest you get your paper returned quickly. Spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

One area that takes a lot of time and effort is obtaining donations for our auction. If you would be willing to help in this area, please contact Mrs. Johnson. There are letters available to give to the business owner/manager.

We have tried to break these areas down so it isn't such a large job. Suggested areas are:

- ◆ Cresson/Ebensburg
- ◆ Nanty Glo/Mundy's Corner/Vinco/Parkhill/Conemaugh
- ◆ Armagh/Seward
- ◆ Johnstown's West End plus Coopersdale & Cambria City
- ◆ Downtown Johnstown
- ◆ Moxham/Geistown & Scalp Avenue
- ◆ Elton Road businesses (includes Wal Mart plaza) plus College Park Plaza
- ◆ Galleria and surrounding businesses (includes Lowes & Home Depot)
- ◆ Westwood, Westmont & Franklin Street businesses
- ◆ Any other areas I may have missed

We would like to get these donation requests started as soon as possible, so if this is something you'd be willing to do, please let us know right away.

As soon as the weather breaks, we will begin accepting flea market items.

Thanks in advance for
festival ever.

helping us make this the best



COMING NEXT WEEK!

Change For Change Contest

This year we are offering a challenge to all of the teachers, classes and families of Cambria County Christian School. We are planning a "Change for Change" campaign- In which we pray our CCCS community can raise money to support the global community through World Vision; a non-profit Global Outreach. The homeroom class that raises the most money for their chosen ministry will get muffins and doughnuts, chocolate milk and juice one morning for breakfast. So look for the cartons to be coming home soon!

Here is how it works:

- 1) Each homeroom chooses a specific ministry on the World Vision website.
- 2) Students will bring home at least 2 milk cartons to fill with spare change over the month of February. (Keep one in your car, put one near the laundry, or give one to someone you know- or wherever you find spare change accumulating.)
- 3) Staple filled containers and bring them in as they are filled. The deadline for coins will be Friday, February 27th
- 4) Once the coins are counted for each class the winner will be announced and morning goodies will be delivered by Mrs. Ferrari.



Read-A-Thon is Coming

Cambria County Christian School has been having a "Race for Education" for a very long time. It seems that it is no longer an effective fundraiser.

Because of this, it has been decided to try something a bit different. We are going to try a Read-A-Thon.

All the information will be sent home with next week's newsletter (maybe sooner).

Here is basically what will happen: Students will ask for sponsors. They will then set a goal of how many books they will read within a 2 week period of time. There will be awards for getting sponsors, meeting goals, etc. Along with this, there will be prizes for the kids reading the most books, etc.

When working on setting this up, we realized that not all students are readers, so for just this 2 weeks all students may read ANY book. All we want to do is encourage reading. All of this information will be included in the "thon" packet.

We have worked hard to make this easy and this is how it will be for this year. If you have suggestions to make this better, we will be glad to listen to them for NEXT year. For this year, no changes can be made.

Please help make this fundraiser a success. Part of the money from this event will be set aside to be used to replace flooring in classrooms. The remainder will be used for our general fund. This also helps us keep tuition rates down.

If you have questions, contact Mrs. Johnson at the school.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Over the last couple years we have tried mailing out the re-registration forms for the upcoming school year. This has not been effective.

Because of this, we will hold a re-registration night at CCCS on Tuesday, March 17 from 4:00 until 8:00. It should only take 15 minutes or less to register.

What you need to do that night will be:

- ♦ Sign your financial agreement
- ♦ Pay your registration fee. Those registering on the 17th will receive a \$50 discount on their registration fee of \$250. Registration fees will no longer be "rolled" into your monthly payment.
- ♦ Complete a family information sheet. This is a valuable resource of needed information.
- ♦ Receive your statement for the building assessment. This is a fee charged for use of the Family Center and church for various daily activities.

- ◆ Sign up to help at the Spring Festival
- ◆ If necessary, you can apply for financial aid while at registration.
- ◆ ALL families are required to sign up for FACTS tuition management. This is so your tuition will be automatically debited from your account monthly. This account can also be set up during registration if necessary.

New tuition rates will be passed on to you as soon as they are available. Expect a small increase.

It is imperative that you plan to spend 15 minutes of your afternoon/evening to re-register your child/children. Curriculum will be ordered in early spring. Because of restrictive costs, we only order for those children that we know will be returning. Please don't "assume" that we know your child will be returning to CCCS.

Contact Mrs. Johnson with any questions.

Exchange Students

It's not too early to be praying and thinking about hosting an exchange student for the 2015-2016 school year.

CCCS has had the privilege of having 12 international students over the years. Some experiences have been great, some not so great.

There are students waiting to hear from anyone that would host them for a 10 month period of time.

It can be a great opportunity for you and your family to experience the culture of another country. You supply the student with room and board. They are responsible for all of their own expenses (ie. sports fees, lunch money, formal fees, etc.)

This program usually runs from August to June (a typical school year). We have had a few students come from January through December though.

The current families who have graciously opened their homes to these kids are Berkebile, Urban, Kestermont, McMullen. If you have questions about this program, I'm sure any of these parents will gladly answer your questions. Also, Mrs. Johnson is the area representative for International Student Exchange. They have a website also. It's www.iseusa.com Check it out.

If you feel led to host a student, contact Mrs. Johnson and we can get the process started. Everything is done on line, so it's fairly easy to get this process started.