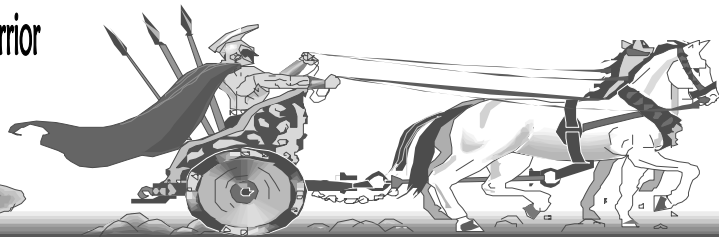


Make trumpets
... and use them
for calling the
community
together (Num.
10:2).

Bowling Green Christian Academy's Warrior Trumpet



November 20, 2009

Mr. Petitt's Post

He must become greater; I must become less (John 3:30).

Dear Warrior Families,

As I sat down to write this, my goal was to **not** compose a typical Thanksgiving, Things I am Thankful For-type article that includes a long list of nouns for which I am truly thankful. Not that there is anything wrong with that, I am thankful for far too many people, places, and things to count, I just wanted to do something a little different.

Instead, I decided to list the one thing that I am most thankful for; something that I try to remember to thank God for at least once everyday; and whenever I do remember to do so, I feel a sense of joy and peace wash over me. The one thing for which I am most thankful is my salvation.

Of all the things I could list, this is the only one that I cannot and will not lose. This gift from God, through the sacrifice of His son, Jesus Christ, will last forever - for all eternity. As Newton wrote, "When we've been there ten thousand years...bright shining as the sun. We've no less days, to sing God's praise...then when we've first begun." What a gift!

If you haven't received this gift, what are you waiting for? If you have (praise God!), don't forget to thank Him, every day, for the greatest gift of all.

I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday.

In His Service,
Tim Petitt

Top 5 Things to Know:

1. Manna Mart Collection

Bring all non-perishable contributions on Monday, November 23. The collected items will be presented to Manna Mart/H.O.T.E.L. Inc. during an all-school assembly at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning, November 24. Some of the items they could especially use this year are: **cans of juice, rolled oats, beef stew, and crackers**. Thank you for sharing with others in need!

2. No School – Happy Thanksgiving!

There will be no school or Extended Care on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday next week so that all of our faculty, staff, and students may enjoy Thanksgiving with family and friends. See you back in school on Monday morning, November 30.

3. No *Trumpet* Next Week

This is a short month so this is the last *Trumpet* for November. Look for the next *Trumpet* on Friday, December 4. In the meantime, watch for additional information in Parent Letters and special notices that might get sent home.

4. Our Christmas Gift to You

Plan now for Parents' Night Out on Friday or Saturday, December 11 or 12. Our faculty/staff will offer free childcare for your BGCA student(s) from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Registration is required by Dec 7, in the office or by e-mail bgca@bgcaky.com. Feed students first, send a snack, or they may purchase pizza and a drink for \$3.00/each. The pizza and drink must be pre-ordered and paid for during registration. Enjoy your date or shopping evening!

5. Christmas Chapel – New Day this year

Did you notice that our all-school Christmas Chapel will be on Friday, December 18? We are excited to be able to plan this special Christ-centered event on a different day. The format will remain the same so plan to join us for a lunch-hour treat, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., at Living Hope Baptist Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL-SCHOOL THANKSGIVING FEAST

Date: Monday, November 23, 11:00 a.m.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date: Tuesday, Nov 24 vs. Homeschoolers @ Potter Children's Home, 4:30 p.m. (4th-6th), 5:30 p.m. (4th-6th)

Date: Tuesday, Dec 1 @ Heritage of Owensboro

CASUAL DAY PASSES ACCEPTED

DATE: Friday, December 4

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Special all-school Manna Mart Assembly will meet on **Tuesday, November 24**, at 9:00 a.m.

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We welcome visitors to share and worship with us any time! Students wear regular Chapel attire – BGCA logo on green, white, or burgundy polo with khaki or navy bottoms, and don't forget the belt. The Chapel schedule for **Wednesday, December 2:**

8:15 a.m. K4 – 2nd Grades

8:45 a.m. 3rd – 8th Grades

Chapel Speakers: Mrs. Swander and 2nd grade

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Pray scripturally for our students. Each week we include a short prayer based on scripture. Insert your student's name(s) and pray for them each day during the week:

Show ____ that s/he is fearfully and wonderfully made, and that your works are wonderful. Teach him/her that s/he is precious in your sight, and that you love him/her (Psalm 139:14; Isaiah 43:4).

IN BACKPACKS

(Watch deadlines)

Look for items in backpacks today unless otherwise noted:

- 📌 December/January Calendars (*pink*)
- 📌 *Midterms were sent home on Wednesday, Nov 18*

SUPPORT BGCA

There are many opportunities to raise money for our school without having to spend money:

Did You Know? Currently, for every new person who registers at www.boxtops4education.com the school receives five bonus Box Tops. Watch for a link on the BGCA website soon.

Drive To A Million aluminum soda can recycling is going well! BGCA is one of the top 10 schools in the area with collections even though we are not among the largest schools participating. Bring all cans (no bags, please) to the **Aluminator** recycling bin in the parking lot. Proceeds benefit the 8th grade mission trip to Jamaica.

SCHOOL NEWS & NEEDS

Christmas Float Help needed to prepare for the Jaycees Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 5. Willing helpers should call Nan Higgins, 799-5000 to volunteer.

Let us know in advance if your student will be absent. If they are sick, call in the absence before 8:30am. You can leave a message at 782-9552, ext 10. Planned absences must be submitted in writing to Mr. Pettitt at least one week in advance for approval. We will communicate the approved absence to teachers. A student with an unexcused absence is not permitted to make up missed work.

ACADEMIC LIFE

Mrs. Betty Harris' K4 students are studying about Native American Indians in heritage studies. This includes their games and toys as well as relationships with the Pilgrims. Studies carry over into math by singing songs and counting with characters and other Thanksgiving items.

Mrs. Coats' 4th grade students are studying kinetic and potential energy including how each is transferred. Each week 4th graders get an opportunity to earn Coats' Cash by correctly answering a brain bender included in the weekly Parent Letter.

This week's **6th grade** abbreviated editorial example is by Nick Newton:

Have you ever played golf? There are many reasons you should. If you get good you can make money because the PGA tour pays you. Tiger Woods has made money. It also teaches anger management. When you make a bad shot you get used to it like I did. Come on! Play golf! Make money! Have fun!

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland will be performed by our own BGCA speech/drama students in March at the PTK Theatre. Watch for more information to come. There is a list of cast members and the roles they are playing posted on the hallway bulletin board. Check it out!

Have you had a chance to attend one of our basketball games? Watch the website calendar for the game schedule. Gate fees for home games are \$3/adults and \$2/students, with a \$12/family maximum.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Kindergarten through 2nd graders recently participated in a WKU Homecoming Coloring Contest. BGCA had two winners in the top 5: Christie Lin and Kennedy Grace Davis, both from 2nd grade. Hannah Wilson (K5) was also a top 20 winner. The 2nd grade will receive a pizza party delivered by Big Red. Thanks to everyone who submitted a coloring page and congratulations to our winners!

PTP

Christmas Shoppe helpers are needed for December 7-8 to assist with wrapping or working. Contact Nan Higgins, 799-5000.

OPPORTUNITIES

Additional information is available in the office:

- Christmas in KY** @ KY Library & Museum, Sat, Dec 5
- WKU Education Day** ticket order form for 12/6/09 – due 11/26/09
- Free dance or gymnastics** class @ Starz Elite P. A.
- Horse Boarding and Lessons**, Twin Pine Stables