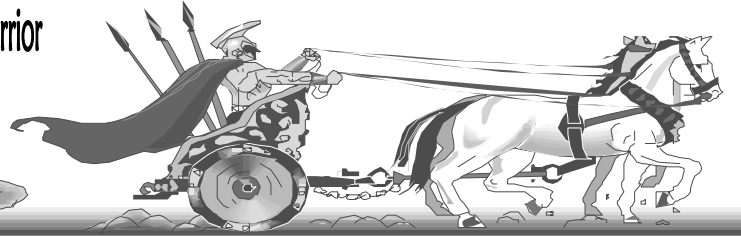


Make trumpets
... and use them
for calling the
community
together (Num.
10:2).

Bowling Green Christian Academy's Warrior Trumpet



December 4, 2009

Mr. Petitt's Post

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

Dear Warrior Families,

What an exciting day we had on Wednesday! First, our second graders led chapel with a wonderful Christmas story and then we had a visit from WKU's Big Red! He was here to congratulate several of our students for their success in Western's Homecoming coloring contest last month.

Since moving here, I have been impressed by Western's efforts to be a part of our community. I have spoken with many of you about the importance of BGCA getting involved, and though we are already doing several things, there are many other opportunities out there. Most of what we do falls into the service category (as it should) but some are more marketing-oriented, such as our float in tomorrow's Christmas Parade.

Remember that while Jesus was here on earth He developed relationships with people, and He still desires to do so. It makes sense for all Christian organizations to strive to develop relationships with as many people as possible. Whether they become members of our BGCA family or not, we should serve, minister to, and show the love of Christ to all in our community.

If you have ideas or thoughts of ways we can better serve our community, please pass them our way. We may not have a mascot like Big Red (yet) but we have plenty of other wonderful things to share – like our terrific second graders!

In His service,
Tim Petitt

P.S. Don't forget to look for our float in the parade tomorrow!

Top 5 Things to Know:

1. Christmas Shoppe Begins

The Shoppe will be open in the front hallway on Monday, December 7, through Tuesday, December 8. This is always a **fun** time for the student to shop for and purchase Christmas gifts for their families. Parent Letters will include shopping time(s) for your student(s). A few additional workers would be helpful. Contact Nan Higgins, 799-5000.

2. January Lunch Form – Early Schedule

Just a reminder that because of the short month we are sending January forms home today. Payment and orders are due on Monday, December 7, 3:30 p.m. Thank you for your kind attention to this early processing.

3. 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 Monday, December 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!

4. SCRIP Update and Order Deadline

See the attached flyer with many Christmas bonus specials. What a great opportunity to get more for your money while spreading Christmas cheer! Orders are due by Wednesday, December 9, for gift card delivery the following week.

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. Wednesday, December 16, there will be no chapel due to this special event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PTP CHRISTMAS SHOPPE

Date: Monday-Tuesday, December 7-8

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date: Monday, Dec 7 vs. St. Peter & Paul @ ROC
4:15 p.m. (4th-6th)

Date: Saturday, Dec 12 vs. St. Anne Cherokees
@ ROC; 10:30 a.m. (4th-6th), 11:45 a.m. (6th-8th)

CASUAL DAY PASSES ACCEPTED

DATE: Friday, December 11

DATE: Monday -Thursday, December 14-17

SPIRITUAL LIFE

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 9:

8:15 a.m. K4 – 2nd Grades

8:45 a.m. 3rd – 8th Grades

Chapel Speakers: Mrs. Coats and 4th 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:

As we pray for _____, do not let us be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let us always remember to present our requests to you (Phil 4:6-7).

IN BACKPACKS

(Watch deadlines)

Look for items in backpacks today unless otherwise noted:

- 📌 January Lunch Order (*yellow*) – due Monday, Dec 7
- 📌 SCRIP Order & Bonus (*green*) – due Wed, Dec 9
- 📌 Christmas Shoppe flyer (*red*) for Mon/Tue, Dec 7/8

SUPPORT BGCA

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

GoodSearch: go to www.goodsearch.com to download the GoodSearch toolbar and name Bowling Green Christian Academy (be sure Bowling Green, **KY** is indicated). BGCA receives money as you do Internet searches!

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.

SCHOOL NEWS & NEEDS

Let us know in advance if your student will be absent. If they are sick, call in the absence before 8:30 a.m. You can leave a message at 782-9552, ext 10. Planned absences must be submitted in writing to Mr. Pettit 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.

Did You Know that our weekly *Trumpet* newsletter is available online through our website? It is usually uploaded each Friday. Check it out!

ACADEMIC LIFE

Mrs. Swander's 2nd graders are learning about book reports. They've chosen books to read and are preparing the reports. The class dressed in costumes and performed a readers' theatre for chapel on Wednesday. With an angel, donkey, camels, wise men, and other nativity characters, all enjoyed the depiction of the Christmas Story.

Mr. Cox's 8th grade Bible students are collecting money for one goat and two chickens to be purchased through World Vision. This is their chosen mission project. This contribution to a third world country will provide children with a steady supply of eggs, milk, and meat to feed them and transform lives. The class recently completed a study on authority and has begun discussing freedom. This includes the definition and how freedom relates to certain scripture passages. The class is also determining differences between political and spiritual freedom.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

The Lego Robotics Team (Robots for Christ) has been doing research for a safe driving project. You undoubtedly observed these students holding signs and distributing stickers about the dangers of driving while texting. They shared the findings from their studies with people they know and love. Well done!

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.

THANK YOU

Fantastic Feasting on Food Fulfilled by Fabulous Folks! Wow! What a blessing to share a **Thanksgiving Feast** on Monday, November 23, as an entire school - faculty, staff, and students. The food was delicious and the servers were delightful. Thank you to so many who choreographed and assisted with our feast! BGCA is thankful!

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the **Missions Fest** a huge success. The 8th grade provided a wonderful meal to raise money for their trip to Jamaica and they also did the Operation Christmas Child collection for us. Thank you to the teachers and parents who worked so hard to make sure the evening was a great time of fellowship and fun. And to the churches and other missionaries who came to share information about their mission programs. It is our desire to instill in our students' hearts the importance of sharing God's love with the people around us and with those around the world. Thank you for helping to plant those seeds.

OPPORTUNITIES

Additional information is available in the office:

- Free dance or gymnastics class @ Starz Elite P. A.
- Horse Boarding and Lessons, Twin Pine Stables