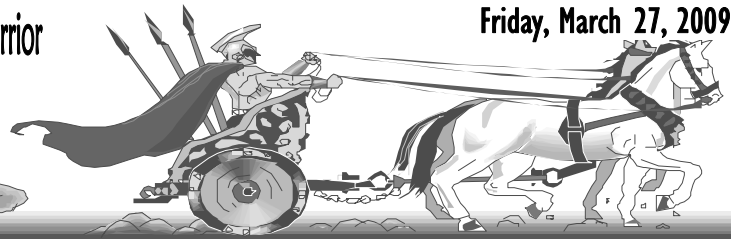


"Make trumpets
...and use them for
calling the
community
together."
Numbers 10:2

Bowling Green Christian Academy's Warrior

Friday, March 27, 2009

Trumpet



Dear Families,

The "Christian School Comment" published an article recently, entitled "Who Has the Advantage Now?" (*copies available in the office*) The purpose of the study, compiled in 2008, was to question more than 54,000 adults living in the contiguous 48 states to find how Americans identify themselves religiously. The survey, American Religious Identification Survey (ARIS), was conducted by Barry Kosmin and Ariela Keysar at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. The survey was the third in a series with the first one done in 1990 and the second in 2001. There was some reference to the significant change in results since the other surveys.

Some findings in the ARIS were shocking. The percentage of Christians in America declined in the 1990's from 86.2 percent to 76 percent. The Muslim proportion of the population continues to grow from .3 percent in 1990 to .6 in 2008. Adherents to the Eastern Religions has declined slightly. Adherents to New Religions (Wiccans, etc.) have grown faster in this decade than the 1990's. The number of outright atheists has nearly doubled since 2001, from 900,000 to 1.6 million in 2008.

There is clearly a shift from Christianity as we know it. Our families must take every opportunity to ensure the most effective teaching in developing a Christian worldview. The influences in our culture are in a war for the heart, mind and soul of our people. During these difficult times economically, we are praying for you and your family as you choose Christian schooling and gain the advantage of having a Christian worldview embedded in your student.

Serving Him with you,
Mattie Jane Cobb

TOP 5 THINGS TO KNOW:

- (1) March Into Reading!** This is the *final weekend* to sprint ahead with reading! In order to have your name included for the top two reader prizes, you must submit at least one "per book" pledge (i.e. \$1.00 per book, \$50 per book read, etc.) along with your book log. **Winners in two divisions (P3 through 3rd gr, and 4th-8th gr) receive choice of an **8 GB iPod Nano**, choice of color, or a Nintendo DS. **Students must be present to win!
- (2) PTP's Meet, Greet, & Eat** is set for **Tuesday, Mar 31, 6:30-7:30pm**. March Into Reading top two winners will be announced and PTP officer elections for next year. What is there to eat? Ice cream sundae bar...**SWEET!**
- (3) BGCA Has HEART!** We are planning a HEART T-shirt day on **Friday, April 3**. All faculty, staff, and students are urged to wear HEART shirts with *khaki bottoms* on that day. We are celebrating our BGCA family, full of HEART. We are also planning for an all-school promotional photo to be taken, weather permitting. There are still shirts available for \$15.00 each, limited sizes (mostly youth and adult left, not children's, sorry).
- (4) Parent and Student Handbooks** are available on the website, www.bgcaky.com, or from the school office. There were only a few changes to the Handbook, but printing and copying issues slowed down production. They are now ready!
- (5) There will be No Trumpet** next week, prior to Spring Break. There **will**, however, be some important flyers sent home. Watch those deadlines! The school offices will be closed over Spring Break, and there will be no Extended Care available.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

We welcome visitors to share and worship with us any time! Next week we will celebrate **April Birthdays** during **High Five**, so students may wear **High Five t-shirts** with regular SAC bottoms. This will be a special all-school gathering complete with student music, some demonstrations, and a speaker. The schedule for Wednesday, Apr 1:

8:45am all classes and grades >Students share & Chris Wilson

Pray scripturally for our students.....Each week we include a short prayer based on scripture. The current focus is "A Servant's Heart." Insert a student name and pray for them each day during the week:

Thank you that you have redeemed ____ and called him/her by name; s/he is yours. When s/he passes through the waters (trials, temptations, peer pressure, etc.) be with him/her (Isaiah 43:1-2).

ACADEMIC LIFE

Mrs. Betty Harris' K4 students are learning about the last days of Jesus. They've discussed his entry into Jerusalem and will follow him to his crucifixion and death, then to his joyful resurrection.

Mrs. Meador's 3rd grade students have been studying rocks in science. They created *edible* rocks to study formation and structure. Yum!!

Mrs. Swanson's 8th grade social studies class has been discussing various aspects of the Civil War. Topics have included John Brown, Dred Scott, Fort Sumter, and the Kansas-Nebraska Act. Their biblical integration has pointed to this truth: violation of God's moral order results in pain - for the violator and for others.

IN BACKPACKS

(Watch deadlines!)

Look for these items in backpacks today unless otherwise noted:

- ✓ April/May Calendar (pink)
- ✓ Mother/Daughter Spa Day flyer (oops! Also pink) - due Monday, Apr 13
- ✓ Two Important BGCA Letters (Ms. Cobb & Board)
- ✓ March Into Reading packets - due 3:00pm, Tuesday, Mar 31
- ✓ Golf Ball Toss forms will go home 4/3/09 - due Monday, Apr 13

SCHOOL NEWS & NEEDS

Donations cheerfully accepted for office first aid items: 200 mg ibuprofen, jr. strength motrin, regular-sized band aids.

School Picture Days: We are having difficulty getting the needed volunteers for our spring photo days, so *carefully note* the adjustments to and announcements about group, class, and all-school photos. These will be used in our 2008-2009 yearbook.

Class photos are being individually scheduled with teachers and taken at a time convenient for the class and teacher.

Tuesday, Mar 31, will be the photo day for the following teams and groups: Basketball (2 teams), cheerleaders, dance, Lego robotics and Beta Club. These students should talk to sponsors or coaches to determine the appropriate shirts or uniforms to be *brought to school to change into* for these photos. Other groups might still be added. Wednesday and Thursday, April 1 and 2 will only be used for photo days if something has been missed due to scheduling. Changes will be announced at school.

Wednesday, Apr 15, will be the all-school photo at approximately 10:15am, outside. This is a make-up day since it rained on the earlier date. All students should wear regular SAC Chapel Day wear - *only* logoed green, white, or burgundy polo shirts with regular SAC bottoms. This makes for a striking photo.

What's New at Acad-A-Camp? A high-energy program that helps kids learn about and practice good nutrition and physical activity habits through fun, team-based activities. We will focus on four valuable life skills: 'Energy In' (good nutrition), 'Energy Out' (physical activity), teamwork and goal-setting. This program was created by the National Football League and Action for Healthy Kids. Camp registration forms were sent home last week. Turn in early for reduced registration fees!

CONGRATULATIONS/THANK YOU

State Speech Results: Congratulations to Caroline Ford for winning 2nd place in Poetry at the State Kentucky High School Speech League (KHSSL-Jr. Div.) tournament this past weekend. We are proud of all of our student participants and coach, Linda Webb. Well done, ladies! You are extremely talented!

SHARE & CARE

Call to Prayer: Many of our precious families are experiencing health, family, or personal issues. We are reminded to constantly pray for each other in James 5:15-16, *And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; ... pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.* Please especially remember the family of Andrew Young, 25-yr-old only sibling of Lee Young (Isabel, Bradley and Grace Benneworth). Andrew was a bright young man with a promising future whose life on Earth suddenly ended on March 19.

Congratulations 3rd Quarter Scholars!

Principal's List students (grades 3-8) received all A's:

<u>3rd Grade</u>	Annabelle Ford	<u>6th Grade</u>
Spencer Baird	Remy Gaines	Aaron Bilbrey
Will Barrick	CJ Jones	Colleen Henson
Ryan Bilbrey	Alexis Lindsey	Hannah Higgins
Alex Botner	Seth Neimeier	Tanner Holland
Kennedy Campbell	Chessman Robbins	McKenzie Morris
Bailey Cross	Hannah Schuette	
Trevor Holland	Kyle Sealey	<u>7th Grade</u>
Kelly Lin	Ashleigh Sewell	Christian Howard
Tyler McClure	Terra Sheldon	Rachel Osborne
Adrian Meador	Gabrielle Sledge	
Kendra Roberts		<u>8th Grade</u>
Christopher Wilson	<u>5th Grade</u>	Abby Harnack
	Sydney Denton	
<u>4th Grade</u>	Alex Harnack	
Madeline Blair	Loren Osborne	
Alexis Cherry	Matthew Propst	

Honor Roll students (grades 3-8) received all A's & B's:

<u>3rd Grade</u>	<u>5th Grade</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>
Isaiah Johnson	Samantha Brooks	Macey Jenkins
Israel Johnston	Nicholas Newton	Amanda Kieffer
Solomon Kieffer		Victoria McClary
Hannah Knaup	<u>6th Grade</u>	Andrew McGuffey
Ashton McBrayer	Kaycie Bowen	Emily Schuette
	Anne Claire McBrayer	Lauren Sledge
<u>4th Grade</u>	Caroline Richards	
Rachel Allion	Ryan Rough	<u>9th Grade</u>
Parker Carwile	Ryan Sealey	Jake Trabue
Lee Ann Duncan		
Lee Ramsey	<u>7th Grade</u>	
	Kaylea Pharris	

FUNDRAISING & HELPING

Golf Ball Toss flyers will be sent home Friday, Apr 3. This is a fundraiser leading up to our Annual Golf Tournament. The students enjoy this competition and involvement. Forms and contributions are due on Monday, Apr 13, when we return from spring break.

PTP

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, Apr 13** - Room Mom Meeting, 8:05am
- Saturday, Apr 25** - Mother/Daughter Spa Day
- May 4-8** - Teacher Appreciation Week
- Saturday, May 9** - Father/Son Wii Tournament

OPPORTUNITIES

Information is available in the office for:

- Various Summer Camp options - mostly older grades at this time, but keep checking
- 4-H Camp, ages 9-14
- Snodgrass Petting Zoo - Saturday, May 9, 10:00am-2:00pm

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