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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ACS Mission Statement:

“To serve the Lord by providing a Christ-centered, quality academic educational program.”

WORD OF THE WEEK: JOY

1 Thessalonians 2:17 **“But, brothers, when we were torn away from you for a short time (in person, not in thought), out of our intense longing we made every effort to see you. ¹⁸For we wanted to come to you—certainly I, Paul, did, again and again—but Satan stopped us. ¹⁹For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? ²⁰Indeed, you are our glory and joy.”**

Take the focus off of yourself. How do you bring joy into the lives of others? In this passage from the book of 1 Thessalonians, Paul was telling his fellow Christians that he missed them. He was letting them know that they brought joy into his life. The love of Jesus is seen in us when we speak and act in ways that bring joy into the lives of those we come in contact with. Make every effort, as far as it depends on you, to bring joy into someone's life today.

STARS - Shining Truths About Remarkable Students

Each week we will tell you wonderful talents that the Lord has blessed our children with.

- **Sarah M.** is a Pre-Kindergarten STAR. Her teacher says, “Sarah is always smiling, and always willing to help. She loves Jesus and is kind to everyone.” What an enjoyable young lady!
- **Cassie Rose C.** is a Kindergarten STAR. Her teacher says, “Cassie Rose shines the love of Jesus by always being eager to share with others.” What a giving young lady!
- **Pammy P.** is a 1st grade STAR. Her teacher says, “Pammy is enthusiastic about life. She goes out of her way to be a good friend to her classmates.” What a blessing this young lady is!
- **Annie L.** is a 2nd grade STAR. Her teacher says, “Annie has a sweet and cheerful heart. She knows how to make the best out of every situation. She always has a smile on her face that brightens our room. She radiates the love of Jesus every day! She is a joy to have in our class.” What a joy this young lady is!
- **Sarah J.** is a 3rd grade STAR. Her teacher says, “Sarah is a friend to everyone. She always has a peaceful smile on her face. I can tell that she is a good big sister. I am happy to have her in my class.” What a pleasant young lady!
- **Karina A.** is a 4th grade STAR. Her teacher says, “Karina has a winning personality and is ready to help others who have a need. She smiles and lights up the room. She is a blessing to her family and friends.” What an amazing young lady!
- **Makenzie G.** is a 5th grade STAR. Her teacher says, “Makenzie is one of the bright spots during the day. She is so positive, and her smile lights up the room. She treats everyone around her as if they are her special friend (a talent that is very much like Jesus Christ and how He chose to treat others). She is someone who will spread God's love and mercy to everyone who gets to know her.” What a blessing this young lady is!

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the Girls basketball B team. They played their first game against 21st Century last Tuesday, and won 22- 8. The next game for the B team is tonight here at ACS at 5:00 PM. The C team starts its season Friday night at 4:00 PM at EHCA. They follow this game with a game on Monday against Albuquerque Home School. So be praying for them and cheer them on!

DISTRICT SPELLING BEE

The district spelling is this Friday, February 5th at Temple Baptist. All of our in-house 1st and 2nd place winners will be participating, so please be praying for them! Those who will be competing are:

- 1st Grade- Haley M., Madison G., Stuart S., and Nathan M.
- 2nd Grade- Neil A., Gabriel R., Jonah V., and Aeryn B.
- 3rd Grade- Nathaniel R., Connor D., Joey W., and Alyssa W.
- 4th Grade- Vanessa J., Karina A., Jai B., and Sydney C.
- 5th Grade- Blue C., Kros R., Daniel W., and Tyler R.
- 6th Grade- Tanner H., Ashley H., Noah M., and Kristina M.
- 7th Grade- Jacob H., Alyssa C., Kelsey D., and Annie C.
- 8th Grade- Ben C., Avery H., Garrett M., and Spencer A.

8th GRADE MISSION TRIP

The 8th graders will be going on a mission trip to Abilene, Texas to work with Love and Care Ministries serving the poor and homeless there. They will be leaving Monday, April 12 and will return Saturday, April 17. This is a great trip that really helps students understand how blessed they are and brings them closer together. We ask that everyone pray for these students and this year's mission. If you would like to help, the following fund raisers are being sponsored by the 8th grade:

Pie in the Face: Raffle tickets are being sold before and after school for the chance to put a pie in the face of an eighth grader. The price of a ticket is fifty cents and you get to pick which eighth grader you would like the chance to pie. Last day to buy tickets is tomorrow before assembly. Even if you don't win, it will be fun to watch it happen at this Wednesday's assembly.

Candy Sales: The 8th graders are selling rock candy, chocolate cookies, and candy bars at lunch and after school. Everything sells for \$1. If you would like to purchase candy and help us out, please see one of the 8th graders. Mrs. Haley at the front desk will also be helping to sell some of the candy for them.

Box Tops for Education: Please begin sending in Box Tops for Education. We will be collecting these throughout the month of February. The classes that collect the most box tops will get a treat. All proceeds from the box tops benefit the 8th grade mission trip. It is helpful if you put the box tops in a Ziploc bag and write the number of box tops on the bag. Please put bonus box tops in a separate bag. Thank you for your help.

ACS CHOIR

Wednesday, February 17th, will be the first ACS Mid-School Choir rehearsal. It will be in Ms. Custer's classroom immediately after school, from 3:20-4:00 PM.. If your child is interested in joining, please let Ms. Custer know. You can email her at entertainingangels@comcast.net.

IN HOUSE REGISTRATION (FORMS ARE ATTACHED)

If you were not able to come in and register, don't worry! We do not open registration to the public until February 11th. Please register as soon as possible, so that there will be no chance that you could lose your spot.

OPEN HOUSE

We will have an open house for new and perspective parents for the 2010/2011 school year on Thursday, February 11th. This is a chance for families to tour the school and meet the teachers at their grade level. Please help us out by recommending the school to others and letting them know about the open house. **Remember there is a \$100 rebate per family you introduce to the school if they are here the following school year.**

FOOD PANTRY

This year, we will continue to collect food for the needy families of Albuquerque. Thank you for your willingness to help with this cause. We have been collecting pasta and sauce and have filled the pasta section in their pantry! Thank you for being so generous with this cause! We will now be collecting **canned fruit**. You can drop your donation off in the blue tub located in the lobby.

• UPCOMING EVENTS AT ACS

- February 4th History Day
- February 5th District Spelling Bee

Wednesdays – Faith Lift

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SCHOOL, STAFF, AND CHILDREN IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS.

"Shout for joy to the Lord; all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations," (Psalm 100).