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**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**
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**WORD OF THE WEEK: STRENGTH**
**"**A wise man has great power, and a man of knowledge increases strength," Proverbs 24:5. Therefore, there is great strength in God's word!

**STARS - Shining Truths About Remarkable Students**
Each week we will tell you of the wonderful talents that the Lord has blessed our children with.

- **Madison M.** is a Kindergarten STAR. Her teacher says, "Madison shines the light of Jesus by being a friend to everyone. Madison loves school and always tries to do her best. She has a quiet, sweet nature and she shows it to all she meets. She loves swimming and wants to be a swimming instructor."
- **Samantha J.** is a 1st Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Samantha is very sweet, kind, and is a friend to all. She is a very hard worker. She is new to ACS this year and is eager to learn about God. She is a blessing and a joy to have in class."
- **Kylie H.** is a 1st Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Kylie is quiet natured. She is very friendly to others and therefore, she has many friends! God has blessed Kylie with her artistic abilities. I love to see what she will come up with next when it comes to coloring or making projects. She is so sweet; she makes our classroom a happier place."
- **Jaden B.** is a 2nd Grade STAR. His teacher says, "Jaden is a 2nd grade star because of his quiet and gentle spirit. He has a wonderful and infectious smile. He brightens up the room whenever he enters it. He is a loving and caring little brother to Alex and Kate. He is a wonderful classmate and student. He shows Christ's love in how he treats all his classmates and teachers. He uses words and phrases that show how God and Jesus want us to talk and how we need to treat each other. He is a true blessing to have in class"
- **Nathan M.** is a 3rd Grade STAR. His teacher says, "Nathan has a huge support group in his family. They are all very proud of him and his achievements. Nathan works efficiently at school, and is very dedicated. When he sees a need, he always tries to be helpful. He is growing to know the Lord. The teachers appreciate his love for school."
- **Erin P.** is a 5th Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Erin is a creative young lady with a wonderful imagination. Erin loves to read books and enjoys getting caught up in a good story. She has played volleyball for ACS and has been involved in martial arts. Erin shines her light best when she reads to her reading buddy, Jade. Erin shows kindness and patience to our preschoolers, which is a wonderful gift from God. We are glad that Erin is in our class."

**FALL FUN FESTIVAL BASKETS**
Baskets are here and on display! You can buy your raffle tickets throughout the week. Ticket sales will end at 7:45 p.m. this Friday, October 28th, at the Fall Fun Festival, and the drawings will begin at 8:00 p.m. Keep checking the tables throughout the week as more baskets keep rolling in. We are looking for some additional items to complete a "Golf Basket" (Green fees, putter, driver, golf lesson, etc…). Thank you to the parents who helped with this basket. I am still waiting to hear back from a couple of courses, but if you golf and have some connections, I could use your help. Please contact Mia or Mr. Adams if you are able to help with any of these items.
**We are still signing up volunteers to sell tickets during the Fall Festival.** Please sign up at the front desk if you are willing and able to work a shift or two. Contact Mia at 459-1386 or miaskinner12@gmail.com if you have any questions. Thank you for your support!

**FALL FUN FESTIVAL**
It is here! Fall Fun Festival Week. Join us in the celebration!

- The Baskets are on display and wow, are there some great ones to choose from! The tickets are on sale before and after school and at lunch. They are 1 for $.50, 12 for $5, or 25 for $10. Tickets will be on sale until 7:45 PM Friday night.
- Candy donations are still needed.
- The tickets are on sale now. They are $6 for the wristbands, pizza meals are $4, and Chick-Fil-A meals are $5. **The deadline for Chick-Fil-A meals is Wednesday the 26th**. Wristbands are $10 and pizza meals go to $5 on the day of the festival.
- Donations are needed for the cakewalk. We are also accepting gift cards for the cakewalk.
- **Please sign up for 30 minute slot to man your classroom's game.**

This is a big event! So make sure you get involved in everything that is taking place. It is a chance to serve others and

enjoy a family night out at the same time, so make plans to attend Friday night.

**FALL FUN FESTIVAL JAIL**

The 8th grade jail will once again be up and running at this year's Fall Fun Festival. If you would like to have anyone (child or adult) placed in jail, you may purchase a warrant for their arrest for $2 at the front desk before Fall Fun Festival. Warrants will also be on sale at the jail that night. At Fall Fun Festival, arrests will be made by arresting officers and the verdict will be given by the judge on duty. The offender will be placed in the jail for 10 minutes, under guard. At the end of their sentence they will be released, or if they choose to, they may post bail for early release for an additional $2. All money goes toward the mission trip. Thank you for your help, and have fun at the jail!

**DISTRICT SPEECH MEET**

We are hosting the ACSI District Speech Meet this Friday, November 28th, at our school. If your child qualified for the speech meet, please continue to practice at home. The schedule for the meet is at the front desk as well as with the teachers. Students need to dress up for this event. We are praying for them and know that they will do a wonderful job.

**RED RIBBON WEEK**

This week is National Red Ribbon Week. Student Council has handed out red ribbons to remind us to "be drug free." The theme for the week is "Dream It, Believe It, Achieve It." They are asking that everyone wear their red shirts on Wednesday in support of a drug free school and community.

**HALF-DAY FRIDAY**

This Friday is a half-day in order to prepare for the Fall Fun Festival. Students may come to school out of uniform, and the theme for the day is "My Favorite Animal is…". Please make sure that your child stays within the school dress code guidelines.

**BOSTON'S FAMILY NIGHT OUT**

There is a Family Night Out planned for Thursday, November 10th. It will be at Boston's off of I-25 and Jefferson. The restaurant is allowing us to go any time that day. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend some time with your family as well as other ACS families. If you mention that you are from ACS or show them the attached flyer, the school receives a percentage of the profits for the day!

**CALENDAR CHANGES**

Please note the following changes that are being made to the school calendar. January 6th is scheduled to be a half day for Teachers' In-service, and will now be a full day of school. This is the week that we return from Christmas break. The other change is in February. February 2nd will be a half-day, and February 3rd will be a full day off. These will be our teacher in-service days for February.

**BUTTERBRAID AND COOKIE DELIVERY**

All I can say is, "FANTASTIC!" We had a great response for Butter Braids and Classic Breaks. I will announce the total sales and ACS's profit at Friday's assembly. We will be delivering orders on Wednesday and Thursday, November 2nd and 3rd. One day we will sort and deliver to classrooms in the morning and one day we will sort and deliver in the afternoon. Please let me know if you are available to help out on either day. I will have more information on times by Friday. If you have any questions please contact Mia at 459-1386 or miaskinner12@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

**8TH GRADE MISSION FUNDRAISERS**

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. This is a great trip that really helps students understand how blessed they are and brings unity to the group. 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:

**CANDY SALES** – The 8th grade is selling rock candy and different types of candy bars. All items are a dollar and will be sold at lunch and after school. Look for the white boxes if you are interested!

**31 PURSE SALE – TODAY IS THE LAST DAY!** Kristi Winters, who had a son in last year's 8th grade class and another son currently in 7th grade, is a Thirty-One consultant. She has graciously offered this year's class 100% of her profit! We are so grateful and excited about this opportunity. We have sent home flyers to all the students and there are catalogues and samples at the front desk. You may view all the Thirty-One products online at www.mythirtyone.com/kristiwinters . You may order online by clicking on My Events, and then on ACS Fundraiser. Or you may fill out the order form which was sent home and leave it at the front desk. All orders will go in on October 25th, and you will receive your products a week or two after that. The Thirty-One company has some fantastic bags and purses and other storage containers, all at very reasonable prices. Many of them can also be monogrammed. The monogrammed lunch bags and utility totes would make great Christmas gifts!

**FOOD PANTRY**

Thanks for all you do to help the needy families of Albuquerque. Your efforts make a difference to many of the families in the surrounding community. October we will be collecting **peanut butter and jelly**. You can drop your donation off in the blue tub located in the lobby.

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT ACS**

- **October 28th** **District Speech Meet at ACS**

- **October 28th** **½ Day Teacher's In-Service and Fall Fun Festival**
- **November 10th** **Boston's Night Out**
- Wednesdays – Faith Lift

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE SCHOOL, STAFF, AND CHILDREN IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS.**
**"*But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ,"*** (1Corinthians 15:57)