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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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WORD OF THE WEEK: RESPONSIBLE

"So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad," (2 Corinthians 5: 9-10).

STARS - Shining Truths About Remarkable Students

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

- **Izaiah A.** is a Kindergarten STAR. His teacher says, "Izaiah shines the love of Jesus by being a hard-working student. He has a sense of humor we all enjoy. He cares about his fellow students, and he is always eager to help. Izaiah loves skateboarding and things about space."
- **Benjamin J.** is a 1st Grade STAR. His teacher says, "Benjamin shines the light of Jesus by doing his very best in all of his work in and out of the classroom. He has a huge heart and smile! He always has good things to say about his sisters and cares for them deeply. He shows great concern for those who are close to his heart. He also loves to give hugs and gives them well! He is a blessing to our class."
- **Katie D.** is a 2nd Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Katie is a 2nd grade shining star for God! She is kind to her classmates. She is loving toward her brothers and sister. You can hear the kindness and love she has in the prayers that she gives. Katie is a wonderful child of God and it shows. It is a true blessing to have her in class!"
- **Kasey H.** is a 3rd Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Kasey is such a treasure! The word that comes to both of the third grade teachers is SWEET. She is always respectful to us. Kasey is careful with her words and tactful when dealing with people. She is very congenial with all of her classmates. We love and appreciate the whole Heckroth family for the values they have worked so diligently to model."
- **Wyatt M.** is a 4th Grade STAR. His teacher says, "Wyatt is a 4th grade star because he is such a joy to be around. He works hard on each and every assignment, but also finds plenty of time to have fun. He laughs often and spreads joy to everyone he is around. He is full of wonderful ideas and always demonstrates a servant's heart. He is trustworthy and his teacher knows she can always count on him. Wyatt is a gift from God that his family and classmates treasure!"
- **Amber P.** is a 5th Grade STAR. Her teacher says, "Amber shines her light for Jesus in many ways. She is kind and gentle in her words that she speaks to others. Amber is respectful and honest; she also works very hard to be a good student. Amber plays volleyball and is in Girl Scouts. She is a good friend to all her classmates. We are so blessed to have Amber in our class!"

SPEECH MEET

Please remember our Speech Meet is next Tuesday, October 4th. All first through eight grade students will be participating, so please practice with your children. If you are interested in judging that day, please leave your name and number at the front desk with Mrs. Haley.

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.

BUTTER BRAIDS AND CLASSIC BREAKS

Butter Braid and Classic Breaks order forms were sent home today with the students. The price of each item has increased by \$1.00. Make sure to read the letter attached to the order forms for more information, including information about the Butter Braid "Golden Ticket." The sale ends Friday, October 14th, but please try to turn in your order forms with payment on October 12th. PTFC would like to raise \$5000 from this sale. If each student sells 4 items, we will reach this goal. If each student sells 5 items, we will raise over \$6,000! Remember, the money that is raised goes right back to the school and students for the PTFC projects and all of the 8th grade sales will go toward the Mission Trip. Recent projects have included teacher classroom allotments, new cafeteria tables, and updated desks for the 2nd grade classroom. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Mia at 459-1386 or miaskinner12@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

FALL FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES

It is hard to believe, but it is almost that time already. Please plan on attending the evening of October 28th. It is a fun time for the whole family. Information about wrist bands will be coming soon. There are a few things that PTFC needs

to let you know in order to make the festival a success:

- They need bags of candy that will be handed out as prizes. These are being collected between now and October 28th. Please bring them to the school, and Delilah will make sure they get to the PTFC. Please remember that we have quite a few students who have an allergy to nuts.
- We will start decorating the school Monday, October 24th. If you would like to help, contact Delilah at the front desk.
- The homeroom moms may be calling you to ask for your help running one of the games that night. Many of the teachers will put sign-up sheets outside their doors.
- There is always a cakewalk or two at the event, so start thinking about the **wonderful dessert** you might want to donate for some lucky walker.

FALL FUN FESTIVAL BASKETS

It is time to begin thinking about ideas for this year's basket raffle! All of the items collected are donated, so the entire amount raised goes directly to the school and students. This is always an exciting event that offers a great chance to win some fantastic prizes. Last year's baskets were amazing, and I know this year's are going to be better. Although, there are some big shoes to fill...How do you top a Wii Bit O' Silliness, or The Bar B Que "Basket," or the Date Night Basket - complete with a string of pearls?!?!? These were just a few of the fantastic baskets you put together last year. I am excited to see what parents and students come up with this year. Please get in touch with your classroom parent and start brain storming. Wrapped baskets need to be completed, and brought to the foyer of the school, on Monday October 24th (with a list of the items included and the basket's approximate value). The baskets will be placed on display and you can buy your raffle tickets the entire week of October 24th – 28th. Ticket sales will end at 7:45 p.m. October 28th, at the Fall Fun Festival and the drawings will begin at 8:00 p.m. Do you know any area businesses that would be willing to donate additional items to the raffle? See Mrs. Haley at the front desk for a donation request letter that contains the ACS's TIN. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer (Ticket sales before/after school and the night of Fall Fun Festival, decorating the tables in the foyer, etc...), 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!

APPLES FOR TEACHERS

The apple tree is still up in the gym. This tree contains apples with requests for classroom needs. If you missed the tree at the open house and are interested in helping out in your classroom or around the school, be sure to check it out! Your gifts are blessing to the teacher and their classrooms!

UNITED WAY

Please remember that if your business does a matching program through United Way, You can write us in as the 501c3 that you would like your half of the donation to go to. This is just another way to help out the school. Thanks for all you do!

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. September we will be collecting **pasta and sauce in jars**. You can drop your donation off in the blue tub located in the lobby.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ACS

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| • October 4 th | In House Speech Meet |
| • October 6 th & 7 th | Teachers' Conferences-No School |
| • October 11 th | Retake and Group Picture Day |
| • October 11 th | PTFC Meeting |
| • October 14 th | End of 1st Quarter for Report Cards |
| • October 18 th | Report Cards Go Home |
| • October 17 th – 21 st | Parent Teacher Conferences |
| • October 21 st | ½ Day to Finish Parent Teacher Conferences |
| • October 28 th | District Speech Meet at ACS |
| • October 28 th | ½ Day Teacher's In-Service and Fall Fun Festival |
| • Wednesdays – Faith Lift | |

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

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight,” (Proverbs 3:5-6).