



PTF Newsletter

Principal's Corner

The 2010-2011 school year is just around the corner! I hope that you have been pleased with the quality, Christian education that your child has received this school year. It has been such an exciting time to watch BCA students grow and prosper. We have been striving to help students learn to give their very best at whatever they do—because they LOVE the LORD enough to give their very best.

What a blessing it has been to see so many students growing and maturing academically, socially and spiritually. I am asking for parents to begin NOW, praying about what they desire for their children for the 2010-2011 school year. I am praying that God will expand our visions and allow us to minister to even more young people during the upcoming year. I am so glad that I was able to give my children a quality, Christian education to help prepare them to be strong, effective Christian leaders.

RE-REGISTRATION PACKETS will be sent home with our current students in early January and may be turned in beginning on January 17. Registration for the general public will begin on Jan. 24. Thank you for allowing us to serve you and your family at BCA.

Pastor's Prayer Breakfast

Each year Bethesda Christian Academy hosts a very special Prayer Breakfast for the various Pastors, Associate Pastors, Children's Pastors and Youth Pastors of our student body. This day give us an opportunity to share with your Pastoral Team about the glorious mission of BCA. In December, the staff of BCA will send home beautiful, printed invitations for your children to give to their Pastors. Our special guests will be honored with a wonderful breakfast and will have an opportunity to pray for the students and families of BCA. This special event will take place on Monday, January 11 from 8:00 until 9:00. We hope that you will encourage your Pastor to join us for this time of fellowship and encouragement.

Open House Event

Can you believe that it is time to begin to think and prepare for the 2010-2011 school year? BCA will be hosting a special Open House Event on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 6:30 pm. This event serves a dual purpose: 1. We hope that you will tell your family, friends and church family about the ministry of BCA. If you are pleased with the education that your children have received, then I ask that you share that opportunity with others. 2. This event gives you an opportunity to review and understand the new grade level (cont'd on page 2)

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Dates to Remember:

- December 4 — All Pro Dad Breakfast (7:15am)
- December 11 — Band Concert (1:30 and 6:30pm)
- December 18 — School Dismisses at Noon
- January 5 — Students Return to School
- January 8 — All Pro Dad Breakfast (7:15am)
- January 11 — Pastor Prayer Breakfast
- January 17 — BCA Re-registration Begins
- January 18 — School Closed for MLK, Jr. Day
- January 19 to 22 — BCA Spirit Week!
- January 19 — Open House (6:30pm)
- January 25 — PTF Game Night (6:30pm)

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that your child may be entering. This event is of special importance for our current 5th grade families, so that you can

learn all about the life of middle school at BCA. Students and families will have an opportunity to visit with each teacher, review curriculum and ask any questions that may be on your heart and mind. We

are looking forward to a full and wonderful school year at Bethesda Christian Academy.

2010 BCA 5k

During this school year, your family will have the opportunity to participate in our annual spring fundraising event. We will host our second annual BCA Fun 5k (formally the Annual BCA Walk-a-Thon)! The BCA Fun 5k race/run is 5 kilometers long and is equivalent to 3.1 miles. This is a fun event for the entire family and is a very important event for our school!



Begin praying about your participation in this event. Are you a visionary person and like to work with a fun group of people? If so, join our team of volunteers to help organize and plan for our big event. Some areas include:

- Sponsorship – corporate and local
- Design a t-shirt and contact vendor
- Advertising/Marketing (contact the neighborhood, newspaper, and advertise to the parents.)
- Meal planning

- Set up & clean up
- Activities for the day

Start making notes now and attend the planning meeting on January 11th at 6:30pm.

If you are interested in serving in a particular area and cannot attend the meeting, please contact Jane Mitchell at ptfpresident@bcacrusaders.org or at 544-0767. You can also contact Sandi Wheelis at swheelis@nc.rr.com.

Together we can make this our most successful walk-a-thon ever!

How can you help?

Partners in Prayer

Partners in Prayer will meet on Monday mornings at 7:45 a.m. in the parlor beginning Monday August 24th.

We will end promptly at 8:15 a.m. so that parents may get to work or to elementary Chapel.

We are looking forward to partnering with you in prayer as One Heart; One Mind for BCA!

Contact Tonda Smith with any questions, tonda_smith@yahoo.com, 919-484-2757.

Labels & Community

Our Labels and Community Program is an easy way for you to earn money for BCA while doing the things you do

every day. Please encourage your family members and friends to participate as well!

Keep saving those Box Tops! A new contest will begin in January. More details to come soon...

Silver Skippers

The Silver Skippers Jump Rope Club will begin on Tuesday, January 12 and will meet each Tuesday afternoon through March 16. The club is open to any 3rd

through 8th grade student who is interested in developing their jump rope skills. A jump rope and t-shirt is included with the registration fee. Join us as we strive

for healthy bodies and enjoy the challenge of jumping rope! See Carol Fields if you have questions.

Making Melodies

With the fall musical winding up, the Music Department looks forward to a spring semester filled with fabulous sounds and study of God's gift of music! Fourth graders will begin their study of

the recorder, third graders will work towards their trip to the North Carolina Symphony, second & first graders study music melodies and playing instruments and our kindergarteners begin working on

their graduation program. Wow – we stay busy in our little corner of the campus! We look forward to sharing our talents with you this spring!

Silent Auction

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Silent Auction. We hope you had a great time and will look forward to next year's auction. We raised \$13k for the school. What a blessing from God this

was in our troubled economic times.

A big "Thank You!" to all of our families for donating goods for the auction. Bethesda Baptist Church, thank you for

your support. Special thanks to the Silent Auction Team. We couldn't do this without each and every one of you.

National Junior Honor Society

The Crusader chapter of the National Junior Honor Society recently inducted 21 new members into our school's academic chapter. 7th and 8th grade students are accepted into the NJHS based upon high achievement in scholarship, community service, leadership, citizenship and character. Congratulations to the following NJHS 2009-2010 inductees:

Jillian Bryant, Jason Bunch, Elisabeth DeLong, Phillip Dobson, Libby Fields, Grant Friedlein, Morgan Harper, Breia Kelley, Logan McVey, Bobby Mishler, Annie Mitchell, Sarah Page, Erickson Sledge, Jacob Sinclair, Moriah Smith, Meghan Tanner, Paige Thompson, Erica Turner, Nathan Vickers, Kayla Whitt and Adam Wolfe.

NJHS Officers for the 2009-2010 school year are:

President: Marshall Thompson
Vice President: Lindsay Ellis
Chaplain: Aris Dixon
Secretary: Chandler Elliott
Historian: Carly Phelps
Staff Advisor: Ms. Jenna Williams
(middle school math teacher)

All Pro Dad

The middle school students and their fathers are striving for unity and healthy relationships by being involved with the All-Pro Dad Breakfast Bible Study Program.



breakfast, once a month, to enjoy time with each other and to feast on God's Word. Mr. Bob Mishler is in charge of this program and has helped to make this event something that students and parents look forward to.

Middle school students and their dads are invited to a FREE Chick-Fil-A hosted

If you would like to participate in this program, simply come to one of the

breakfast events and we will get you plugged in. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Bob Mishler (BCA Board Member and BCA Dad) at bob@bike4Him.org. The next All-Pro Dad events are as follows:

Dec. 04, 7:15 am until 7:55 am
Jan. 08, 7:15 am until 7:55 am
Feb. 05, 7:15 am until 7:55 am
March 12, 7:15 am until 7:55 am

PTF Family Game Night At BCA

WE ARE FAMILY and we want to spend time with you! On Monday evening, January 25, 2010 the Parent Teacher Fellowship of BCA will be hosting a

GREAT Family Game Night.

Students whose parents attend this event will receive a NO HOMEWORK pass for

Monday evening. Please mark your calendar NOW for January 25, 2010. More information to follow...

NCCSA All-State Band Clinic Concert

Each year, the NCCSA sponsors an All-State Band Clinic in which band students from across the state come together to learn and rehearse music for a concert. Each student auditions for three levels of band: Honors Band, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band.

During three days of intensive rehearsals, these students were under the instruction of various North Carolina musicians as well as guest clinicians Erik and Jennifer Harris from Nash County.

During three days of professional instruction, these students rehearsed in preparation for their grand performance on the last day. This year, participants had the rare privilege of performing at the Progress Energy Center for Performing Arts Meymandi Concert Hall in Raleigh.

The following BCA students were chosen to participate in this year's concert:

Symphonic Band

Clarinets

Moriah Smith, 6th
Annie Mitchell, 11th
Elisabeth DeLong, 14th
Kayla Whitt, 15th
Meghan Tanner, 16th



Lindsey Ellis, 1st
Libby Fields, 2nd
Bobby Mishler, 3rd
Aris Dixon, 10th

Bells

Breia Kelley, 3rd
Libby Fields, 5th
Paige Thompson, 7th
Bobby Mishler, 8th
Lindsey Ellis, 9th
Aris Dixon, 10th

Timpani

Breia Kelley, 3rd
Lindsey Ellis, 5th
Deborah Rosengarth, 6th
Libby Fields, 7th
Paige Thompson, 8th

Trumpet

Gabe Little, 8th

Drums and aux. perc.

Breia Kelley, 3rd
Paige Thompson, 4th

Trombones

Philip Dobson, 5th
Erica Turner, 6th
Adam Wolf, 7th

Alto Saxophone

Grant Friedlein, 4th

Concert Band

Trumpets

Jacob Sinclair, 8th
Jordan Sawaya, 19th

Drums and aux. perc.

Bobby Mishler, 11th

Aris Dixon, 12th

Trombone

Kendall Whitten, 1st

Alto Saxaphones

Marshall Thompson, 2nd
Josh Smith, 3rd
Sterling Sanders, 5th

Flutes

Christy Combs, 8th
Britni Johnson, 11th
Chandler Elliot, 14th
Morgan Harper, 16th
Logan McVey, 20th
Sarah Page, 21st
Hope Suiter, 22nd
Jillian Bryant, 24th

Congratulations!

BCA Athletic News

Fall Season

BCA was blessed with a wonderful season of sports this past fall. The Crusader athletes gave their best in the areas of VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER and CROSS COUNTRY. Our soccer team had a struggling season but learned that determination and hard work should be solid characteristics of any believer. Our cross country team competed in eleven meets this first year and we placed in seven of those meets! Congratulations to our very first cross country team. Finally, the Crusader Volleyball team had a victorious season finishing as the 2009 regular season champs and the Triangle Middle School Tournament runner up.

Winter Season

BCA winter sports are in full gear. Our boys and girls basketball teams as well as our cheerleading squad have been striving for excellence during practice and are now ready to face their opponents. Home games are played directly across the street from the school at the Bethesda Ruritan Community Gym. We are thrilled with the partnership we have with the Ruritan Club. In the last month, BCA and the Ruritan Club joined efforts to install a brand new floor in the gym so that our students have the best facilities

possible. We encourage you to come and support our Crusader Athletes. A detailed description of games, locations and times can be found on our school website at bcacrusaders.org. Listed below are our winter team sport rosters:

Cheerleading Team

Head Coaches
Rhonda Kelley and Christy Travis

Players Grade

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| Lindsay Ellis | 8 |
| Christy Combs | 8 |
| Carly Phelps | 8 |
| Morgan Travis | 8 |
| Kibriyaa Nash | 8 |
| Kaloni King | 8 |
| Jermani Horton | 8 |
| Breia Kelley | 7 |
| Libby Fields | 7 |
| Morgan Harper | 7 |
| Paige Thompson | 7 |
| Annie Mitchell | 7 |
| Madison Garner | 6 |
| Meagan Stevens | 6 |

Girls Basketball Team

Head Coaches
Mike McVey and Stacey Carroll-Morales

Players Grade

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Chandler Elliott | 8 |
| Kristen Clay | 8 |
| Moriah Smith | 8 |
| Logan McVey | 7 |
| Hope Suiter | 7 |
| Erica Turner | 7 |
| Elisabeth DeLong | 7 |
| Sadairrea Shackelford | 7 |
| Deborah Rosengarth | 7 |
| Alexis Hollis | 6 |
| Chelsea Hewett | 6 |
| Kainyain Jahamaliah | 6 |

Boys Basketball Team

Head Coaches
Richard Bunch and Jeff Dixon

Players Grade

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| Marshall Thompson | 8 |
| Aris Dixon | 8 |
| Jason Bunch | 8 |
| Gabe Little | 8 |
| Hunter Stanley | 8 |
| Sterling Sanders | 8 |
| Josh Smith | 8 |
| Logan Williams | 8 |
| Jon-Jon Rhew | 7 |
| Jonathan Kerr | 6 |
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"One Heart and One Mind at BCA"

Upcoming PTF Sponsored Events for 2009/2010

- Pastor's Prayer Breakfast — January 11
- PTF Fellowship/Game Night — January 25
- Coffee with the Principal — March 12
- Skate Night at Jellybeans — March 20
- BCA Fun 5k — May 1
- Christian School Sunday — May 2
- Field Day — May 28

[bcacrusaders.org]

SPORTS SCHEDULES

Go to the bcacrusaders.org website for an up to date listing of dates, locations and times for all BCA sporting activities.

In the Winter, BCA competes in girls' and boys' basketball.

All BCA students and parents are invited to cheer on our athletes at every game!

