

WE VALUE YOUR THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS

Thanks for completing the “On-Line BCS Parent Survey” sent to you by Constant Contact. We’re asking every parent of a BCS student to complete this survey **by October 15th** to assess y/our school’s effectiveness in several important areas. Just click on the “BCS Parent Survey” link on our web page or use the link on your Constant Contact and follow the directions. I encourage both parents to take the survey individually. Hard copies of the survey are available by contacting Marilyn Knuth at extension #320. Survey results will be shared with all parents via a November Constant Contact AND at the “Parent Forum” event on October 26th ... read on:

“Parent Forum” – Tuesday, October 26th – South Campus @ 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Please plan to join us for this special evening with fellow parents, administration and our school board. **The primary objective is to receive parent input regarding the future of y/our school** and include “Round Table Discussions” with parents engaging in focused brainstorming; giving leadership a sense of parent priorities as we plan for the next 3-5 years and beyond. We will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. and dismiss at 8:30 p.m.

PLEASE RSVP – EVERYONE IS WELCOME! BUT – PLEASE RSVP! An advanced approximate count will allow us to prepare materials, space and tables for an effective use of the evening. Parents may separate in order to participate in two table discussions: Preschool, Elementary or Middle/High School.

Please RSVP by either:

1. Replying to your Constant Contact email with your names and number of participants (John/Jane Doe – 2).
2. Contact Marilyn Knuth at 493-7400 (320) or email mknuth@blackhawkchristian.org giving her the same information.

Education Rocks here at BCS!

Education Rocks is the theme for our Grandparent Day Program this year! The date is October 29th. Plan now to join us. Call grandparents, neighbors, or that special lady from church who loves to pinch your kids’ cheeks. Tell them to reserve this day on their calendars! Be sure to remind them about the BCS traditional “Grandparent Field Trip” that takes place after the program - the kids get to spend the rest of the day with their special people!

What kids should wear that day:

SOLID SHIRTS (long or short sleeved)

- **RED, YELLOW, or ORANGE**
- No stripes or words on the shirts, please!

DENIM PANTS OR SKIRTS

- Skirts should reach the knee (follow dress code).
- No holes, please!

Any shoes that follow dress code are fine.



ATTENTION NEW PARENTS

Friday, October 29th is our Grandparent Day Celebration. It is “a really big deal” around here. Since you are new to BCS we don’t want you to underestimate this day. It is our chance to “love on” our grandparents and allow them to see into our school world. You’ll be hearing more details as the weeks get closer. One of the most important things for you to realize is that the elementary students will get the afternoon off. We like to call it a Grandparent Field Trip Day. After a morning of showing grandparents around the classrooms and school, we present a musical program in the worship center on the south campus. At the end of the program, all elementary students are dismissed for the rest of the day to go to lunch with their parents/grandparents or special guests and enjoy some quality time together. Mark your calendars now for Friday, October 29th. Tell those grandparents to hold that date too. You’ll be sending a special invitation to them soon.

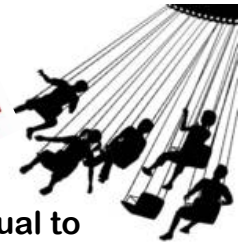
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The Skate will be Great!

We hope you’ll be able to attend the first BCS skate of the year Monday, October 4th from 3:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m. The skate is for children in grades K-6, and the cost is \$3.00. You may bring your own skates or rent some for \$1/regular skates or \$3/inline skates. Parents are encouraged to skate too. Those not skating may enter for free. Stop in after school and enjoy some fellowship.



TICKET TO READ



Students reach their Challenge Goal when they have earned points equal to or exceeding their grade level times 25 (ie. 2nd grade x 25 = 50 points). The Challenge Goal prizes this year are a Myachi Bag and a certificate good in exchange for a free game at Lazer X. We are grateful to the Saalfrank family and Mr. Tim Kintz for their generous gift in helping us underwrite the cost of these fantastic prizes! Enjoy the Ride of Reading!

<u>2nd Grade Minimum (20)</u> Quinn Doden Caleb Furst	<u>3rd Grade Minimum (30)</u> Olivia Coats Elijah Vander Velden	<u>4th Grade Minimum (40)</u> Abi Holmes Mrs. Keaton Britton Lewis	<u>5th Grade Minimum (50)</u> Jenna Habisch Jenna Simms	<u>6th Grade Minimum (60)</u> Rhiannon Hurley
<u>2nd 50 Point Club</u>	<u>3rd 75 Point Club</u> Mrs. Kowatch	<u>4th 100 Point Club</u>	<u>5th 125 Point Club</u>	<u>6th 150 Point Club</u> Savannah Shuler

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Monday, October 4th**
K-6 skating party at Bell's Rink in New Haven
3:15pm - 5:15pm
- **Thursday, October 7th**
3A & 3B field trip to Indianapolis Children's Museum
- **Friday, October 8th**
4A & 4B field trip to Sauder Village
- **Thursday, October 21st**
Play Matinee - 5th & 6th grades
- **Friday, October 22nd**
NO SCHOOL, In-service day
- **Wednesday, October 27th**
Picture Retake Day
- **Thursday, October 28th**
Report Cards go home
- **Friday, October 29th**
Grandparents Day

TIME TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO SUMMER

We've certainly enjoyed these extra warm days this fall that the Lord has given us. Here at BCS it is now time to pack away the shorts until after Spring Break. The parent/student handbook says no shorts October 1 through April 1. Don't worry, April will be here before you know it! Thanks for changing your clothes along with the seasons and helping us follow our dress code expectations.

Would you be willing to volunteer for Grandparents Day?

We need shuttle bus drivers, greeters, and refreshment servers. If you are interested, please call Susie in the elementary office or email her at scavenaile@blackhawkchristian.org. Your help is so appreciated for this special day at BCS.

3rd-5th GRADERS:

Blackhawk Children's Ministries Fall Mini-Camp is coming up on October 8th & 9th. We'd love to have you join us...it's going to be a blast! Activities include: campfire, sleeping in tents (inside), great Bible lessons, talent show, and much more! Fall Mini-Camp will take place at Blackhawk again this year. The price is \$30, and the registration deadline is October 1st. If you have any questions, please call Havilah @ 493-7400 ext. 280.



CLASSROOM CONNECTION

The first grades enjoyed a trip to the "classroom at the zoo" this week. They got to touch many types of animal coverings as we took advantage of the "Fur, Feathers, and Scales" program that was offered. This is exactly what we are studying in first grade science right now! For the remainder of the time, the students were detectives trying to find examples in the zoo of the ways animals move, the ways they eat, and how they compare and contrast! Great fun having "Science" at the zoo!!!

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COME IN FOR SCRIP AND ADD TO YOUR SAVINGS WITH THESE COUPONS. We have a number of B1-G1 coupons, as well as %/\$ off coupons that are left from the 2010 Entertainment Book. They expire Nov.1. Included are B1-G1 for Dunkin' Donuts, DQ, McDonalds, Qdoba, Steak'n Shake. %/\$ off coupons include Dick's, Regal, GFS, Peerless, Carlos O'Kelly's, Georgetown Bowl. They are available first come, first served!!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK -- Do you have a book from last year that has coupons you aren't using? If so, please bring your book to us A.S.A.P and we will pass them on to other BCS families through Scrip.

We have 2 coupons for **JC PENNEY PORTRAITS**, 50% off your total portrait purchase. This coupon expires Dec. 31, 2010. Use it with JCP scrip for extra savings.