

Chalkmarks



Academic Excellence on a Biblical Foundation

Friday, March 25, 2011

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DON'T MISS *Hello DOLLY!* TONIGHT AND SATURDAY at 7:00 p.m. NORTH CAMPUS GYM

Adults - \$7.00, Students - \$5.00, BCS students free with student ID

TECHNOLOGY DECISION GETS LOCAL AIRTIME

Local television crews came to BCS on Tuesday following our announcement of a technology initiative that will impact all grades K-12. Bill Hartman and Linda Pearson were interviewed on our upcoming 1:1 MacBook rollout at the high school. The infusion of technology will also affect the elementary as a COW (computer on wheels) will be available to our students, with the potential for future additions. If you missed the news, you can access the interviews [here](#).

We are excited about the future of education at BCS!

Time for Spring Cleaning.....of our Lost and Found items! The forgotten lunchboxes, discarded jackets, and misplaced mittens will be on tables in the upper hallway next Monday and Tuesday, March 28th and 29th until noon. All classes will take time to look at these items and claim anything belonging to the students, but parents are also welcome to peruse and claim anything belonging to your children.

The funny things our kids say...

"Eric, you are really strong!"

"That's because I get 130% Vitamin C."

NO FOOLIN' - Spring Picture proofs were sent home this week. If you would like to place an order, please do so by **Friday, April 1st**.



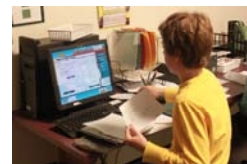
2nd Graders Enjoy the Sweet Life

On Wednesday, March 23, both second grade classes headed to Bryan, OH to visit the Spangler Candy Co., makers of the famous Dum Dum suckers, circus peanuts and safety pops. The trip included a trolley ride around the factory to see and hear how the candy is made and packaged, a scavenger hunt in the Spangler Candy Co. History museum, and a visit to the gift shop. The students had a delightful time learning the history of the company and trying a variety of Dum Dum flavors.



6th GRADE GETS DOWN TO BIZ-NESS

What an exciting day our 6A and 6B students had at JA BizTown Tuesday, March 22. The day began with a Town Meeting and the National Anthem before the students headed to their businesses. Whether working at the Professional Office, Career Center, Broadcast Center, Science & Industry, Manufacturing, or Educational & Postal Center, each student had a productive day. They were often seen calculating expenses, gathering materials, pricing products, and selling and promoting merchandise. Being able to help run a business and see the principles of economics come alive made this a memorable field trip for all. See more BizTown pictures on the next page.



Happy Walts has hung up the erasers! Please join us in honoring her:

When: April 14, 2011

Time: 7:00 pm

Where: Blackhawk Ministries Worship Center

Why: To honor her for her 38 years of service to BCS, and because we love her!

A memory book is being compiled to give to Happy. Please take a few moments and share a special memory or thought with her in the form of a letter. These will be included in the book and we know she will treasure them. Please send letters to the attention of Marilyn Knuth, NC--feel free to drop them off in either school office.





TICKET TO READ



ENJOY THE RIDE OF READING !

GOING! GOING! GONE! The 4th grade boys' record for most points in a year has been broken. Lawson Doden broke the record this week and now has 575 points. The previous record held by Andrew Pierce was 544.3 points set in the 2007-2008 school year.

GREAT JOB, LAWSON!

<u>2nd Grade Minimum (20)</u>	<u>3rd Grade Minimum (30)</u>	<u>4th Grade Minimum (40)</u>	<u>5th Grade Minimum (50)</u>	<u>6th Grade Minimum (60)</u>
		Jacob Stanley	Branden Marker	Kole Barkhaus

<u>2nd 50 Point Club</u>	<u>3rd 75 Point Club</u>	<u>4th 100 Point Club</u>	<u>5th 125 Point Club</u>	<u>6th 150 Point Club</u>
		Trenton Clay		

<u>2nd Brick Wall (200)</u>	<u>3rd Brick Wall (200)</u>	<u>4th Brick Wall (200)</u>	<u>5th Brick Wall (200)</u>	<u>6th Brick Wall (200)</u>
Caleb Furst	Elijah Vander Velden	Zach Kaufman		

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Fri. and Sat., March 25th & 26th**
Musical, NC gym
- **Wednesday, March 30th**
3rd Quarter ends

Spring Break
April 4 through April 8

- **Thursday, April 14th**
Retirement celebration for
Happy Walts, 7:00 p.m.
South Campus Worship Center
- **Friday, April 15th**
Report Cards go home

SPEEDSTACKS

Students from Kindergarten through 5th grade are stacking it up in gym! Speedstacks are a great way for students to develop hand-eye coordination, ambidexterity, and confidence. It has also been noted through research that Speedstack activity helps develop better reading skills and comprehension! We'll be working on various stacks such as the 3 stack, the 3-3-3, the 3-6-3, the 1-10-1, and the Cycle! Check out www.speedstacks.com for more info.



Our **Speedstack store opened March 16 and will close April 8**. Purchasing through our school will give you a discount AND help the school get FREE Speedstack products! The catalog & purchasing instructions are coming soon! Go to <http://tiny.cc/au26i> to see a letter with instructions on how to purchase Speedstacks.

3rd-5th Graders are participating in the first ever BCS Stack Meets!

Students are using their Speedstack skills in competition with other students in their own classes. Parents, come watch them complete the 3-3-3, 3-6-3, and the Cycle stacks! Stack meets are during the regularly scheduled P.E. classes.

More pictures from JA BizTown



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An easy way to buy Scrip: send in an order with your child. We will fill it and send it home in their backpack at the end of the school day.

REMEMBER: Pack Scrip in your suitcase when you leave for Spring Break.

Don't do your SPRING PROJECTS without Scrip.
Lowe's, Henry's, Menards, Home Depot, Meijer, Walmart, etc.

ZESTOS is now open!! \$5 Scrip certificates are available. They give us a 10% discount.

This is the last week to donate your Scrip credit to the BCS Drama Department.

www.blackhawkchristian.org/bcs-scrip/