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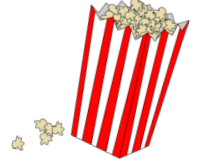
Preparing for Christmas . . .

by Catherine Oliver, Head of School



As we move closer to the celebration of Christ's birth, we are in the church's liturgical season of Advent. The word **Advent** means "coming" or "visit". During Advent, we anticipate and prepare for the coming of Christ and focus on our own longing for something greater and our need for forgiveness, salvation, and a new beginning. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas, beginning this year on Sunday, November 29th, and ending on Christmas Eve. Like Lent, Advent is a preparatory season. The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of baby Jesus and the anticipation of His coming again.

I hope this season of Advent and Christmas holds its true meaning and purpose for you and your family. On behalf of the entire faculty and staff of Christ Episcopal School, I wish you and yours a blessed, safe, and joyous Advent and Christmas seasons.



CES VOTING POLL PRETZELS vs. POPCORN

The students of CES were called upon to choose their favorite snack item as they participated in the voting process. A voting booth was stationed outside of the library and every class took place in voting for pretzels, popcorn, or another snack of their choice that they could add to their ballot. The end result was: "pretzels" - 14, "popcorn" - 41, and "other" - 6. Popcorn was announced the winner over the intercom and **Mrs. Stovall** prepared everyone hot delicious popcorn as a treat one afternoon.

Pumpkin Patch Report

We sold \$15,901.50 in pumpkins which gave us a 33.3% profit of \$5,595.20. Additional funds of \$5,264.16 collected from straight donations and the sales after the contract ended increased our profit greatly. Our expenses were \$231. With the Pumpkin Patch t-shirts profit of \$503, the grand total raised was **\$11,131.36**. Thank you to **Jay and Jaime Anderson**, our chairs, and to **R.J. and Tiffany Bohac**, our co-chairs, as well! They did an amazing job running our pumpkin patch this year!



School Christmas Declamation

All students in PreK-3 to Grade 5 participate in the Christmas Declamation Service on **Tuesday evening, December 8th, beginning at 5:30 pm**. We will rotate the class performances in and out of Christ Episcopal Church every 20 minutes. Students wear church or Christmas dress clothes. Plan to arrive 20 minutes before your assigned time.

Please mark your calendars NOW.



Mrs. Davis directed the **5th graders** in playing on the tone chimes during chapel recently. They performed the song "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise". It was beautiful to hear and impressive to watch. Everyone enjoyed it!



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CES has a Facebook page! Please visit our page to find wonderful pictures and news of what is happening at our fabulous school! Share it with family members and friends!

If you have not visited the school's website in a while,
www.ces-nac.org, please do!

Mission Statement

Christ Episcopal School is a diverse community of learners who participate in an enriched academic program in a nurturing Christian environment which fosters a dedication to service to others and a love of lifetime learning.

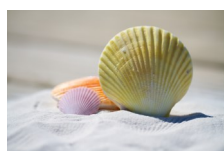


We are Thankful for our Family and Friends!

Mrs. Angie's
PreK-3
students
celebrated the
story of
Thanksgiving in
their classroom
centers.



Mrs. Seeley's 1st
graders shared
presentations on
information they
learned during their
unit on Native
Americans.



CES 2021 Auction "Seaside Escape" Volunteer Opportunities

2021 Auction Co-Chairs, **Kim Procell Newman** and **Sasha Kubacak** need your help to make the auction a memorable event. There are several ways you can help make it a big success. It will take place on Saturday, February 27, 2021, at the Hotel Fredonia @ 6:00 pm. Join us for an enjoyable night of food, fun, & fundraising.

Here are some suggestions as to how you can help:

1. Volunteer to help set up the Auction on Saturday, February 27th at the Hotel Fredonia. Call the school office @ 564-0621 to volunteer.
2. On your own, or with another parent in your grade level, offer to host a special party for a specific age group as an auction item.
3. You may have a piece of art/print or special edition book, toy, lamp, jewelry, etc. to donate for the live or silent auction or a drop box item.
4. If you have a contact with a business or individual who would donate an item or money for the Auction, please contact **Sasha Kubacak**, Auction Co-Chair, at the school (936) 564-0621.
5. Help fill your child's class theme basket with items to be auctioned off that evening.
6. Gather up four couples from your grade level and purchase a Sponsorship table @ \$750 or \$1,000—special "goodies" are included with the purchase of a Sponsorship table.

Reminders:

1. The cost per CES parent is \$35.00 per person, reduced from the regular \$50 per person.
2. Free baby-sitting is available the night of the Auction in the preschool building from 5:30-11:30 pm for CES students & their siblings—3 yrs. old (must be toilet trained) and up. Pizza, popcorn, games, and movies will be available.

Excelling in Education ★ and Celebrating the Love of ★ God's World with One Another - ANNUAL GIVING FUND -

The goal of this year's Annual Giving Fund is \$15,000. Every gift, regardless of size, contributes to the growth and development of our students' educational experiences. We strive for 100% participation from the CES community: parents, grandparents, trustees, faculty and staff. Make a difference! Consider your gift to the Annual Fund today.

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Wednesday, **December 2** - Faculty Meeting, 3:30 pm
- Friday, **December 4** - Auction Meeting, 12:00 noon
CES Library
- Tuesday, **December 8** - Christmas Declamation
Christ Episcopal Church
5:30 pm start
*Assigned times
- Thursday, **December 10** - School Board Meeting, 6 pm
- Wednesday, **December 16** - Last Wednesday Chapel to
bring canned goods for
H.O.P.E. until 2021
- Friday, **December 18** - Christmas Around the World
in the individual classrooms
(students only)
- All School Dismissal 11:30 am
No Extended Day
- Monday, **January 4, 2021** - Return to school

