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Thankful for Blessings . . .

by Catherine Oliver, Head of School



Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on our blessings and to thank God for the many He has given us. It is a time to enjoy and spend time with our family members and friends and to show our gratitude. It is a time to appreciate those relationships and to nurture them. I pray your food and prayers are plentiful this Thanksgiving. I pray too for safe travels for you and/or family members if traveling during this holiday week. I pray your Thanksgiving replenishes your stomachs and souls with nourishment and comfort plenty!



Drug Free Red Ribbon Rally

Leo the Drug Free Lion and his team from the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (ADAC) of Deep East Texas, came and held a pep rally with our kindergartners through fifth graders, educating the students and getting them excited about being drug free. The children learned inspirational cheers and played fun games. The program provides prevention education services to youth. **Mrs. Charlotte Stanaland** of the ADAC is currently teaching a 10 week course to the **1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders** entitled the **Too Good for Drugs Program**. This curriculum teaches students life skills that focus on setting goals, making good decisions, and communicating feelings. It helps students to be better equipped to make the right decisions in the future regarding behaviors and choices. We are grateful to Mrs. Charlotte for teaching these valuable messages to our young people.

**Love God.
Love One Another.**



This year's Annual Giving Fund theme is again our school's motto: *Love God. Love one another.* Annual Giving is one of two major Board of Trustees' fundraisers, the other being the annual Auction. Christ Episcopal School relies on these two fundraisers to fund the deficit of educating students that tuition does not cover. The goal of this year's 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: trustees, parents, grandparents, faculty, and staff. As you consider a gift to this year's Annual Giving, we ask that you think about the difference you can make in the life of a child. Thank you so very much.



FALL FUNDRAISER

**ORDER DEADLINE IS
NOVEMBER 10th**

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL
BE ACCEPTED!**

**Pumpkin Patch
Earnings!**



As of October 30th, the Pumpkin Patch pumpkin sales have totaled \$11,375. Our 33.3% CES percentage is \$3,788. Sales will continue through Halloween and into the beginning of November.



The **Pumpkin Patch** has been a huge success! Many, many thanks to all **parents, grandparents, CES alums, SFA Greek Life, SFA ROTC, NHS Key Club, U Bank employees, and others** who helped unload our pumpkins when they arrived and who helped sell our pumpkins to the community of Nacogdoches. It is a CES tradition that everyone loves. A special thank you goes out to Pumpkin Patch chairs, **Elizabeth Gaudette** and **Catherine Polk**, who have been so involved and added so much to our patch. How very grateful we are to them for their commitment and hard work! The patch provides a place for individuals and families to celebrate the season of fall and to make memories.

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.



SFA HOMECOMING PARADE

CES showed its support to SFA by participating in this year's SFA Homecoming Parade on Saturday morning, October 29th. We showed our CES school spirit and supported the Lumberjacks! Our School Cheer, "CES, is the best!" was shouted throughout the streets of Nacogdoches. Thank you, **Joe Shelkey**, for providing the truck, the trailer, and the hay. Thank you, **students and families** who participated in this fun, annual, community-wide event!

Western Day!



The **CES Parent Association**, threw a fabulous luncheon serving **Nicholas Clark's Pineywoods Meat Candy** barbeque on **Western Day**, October 14th. **Parents, grandparents, and other special guests** gathered in our School Hall during designated lunch times and enjoyed the food and the company. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered and helped with set up, serving, and clean up. Everyone enjoyed visiting with other cowboys and cowgirls.

FIRE SAFETY

The **Nacogdoches Fire Department** sent **firefighters** to CES to talk to our CES students about fire safety. All classes were able to look inside a firetruck to see the equipment that is carried to locations where fires are fought and extinguished. **Mrs. Angie's PreK-3 class** enjoyed playing in centers for a few weeks that focused on firefighters, fire prevention, and fire safety.



November Calendar of Events

Wednesday, Nov. 2	Faculty Meeting
Sunday, Nov. 6	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Tuesday, Nov. 8	Board Meeting
Friday, Nov. 11	Veterans Day End of PreK Reporting Period
Monday, Nov. 14 - Friday, Nov. 18	Preschool Parent Conferences
Friday, Nov. 18	Auction Meeting, 12 noon CES Library
Monday, Nov. 21 - Friday, Nov. 25	Thanksgiving Holiday Week School Closed



First Nine Weeks Grade Three All A Honor Roll



Cason Findeisen, Quinn Gilcrease, Ryan Middleton,
Bryan Rhodes, Cole Stark

Grade Four All A Honor Roll

Kennedy Ballard, Madison Ballard,
Trey Murphy, Aniston Newman

Grade Five All A Honor Roll

Gigi Deppisch, Arulai Middlebrook, Stella Stovall

A/B Honor Roll Rowan Donihoo



Christmas Declamation Service

All students in PreK-3 thru Grade 5 will participate in the CES Christmas Declamation Service being held on Tuesday, December 13th at 6:00 pm in the evening at Christ Episcopal Church.

Mark your calendars NOW.