

Faith Christian Academy

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Dear Parents,

In Psalm 127:4, you will find an enlightening statement about your child. Many of us are familiar with the previous verse, in which we are told, "Behold, children are a gift of the Lord; the fruit of the womb is a reward."; a comforting and pleasing verse.

"Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth."

When we reflect upon the words in verse four, we see that the psalmist purposefully refers to your child as an arrow—a weapon!

God has great plans for your child. Because arrows are meant to be released and not kept away, God wants you, as the primary crafter of the arrow, to understand its purpose and full potential.

-Ms. Moux

Upcoming Events

September 1

Regional Student
Convention Orientation
@5:30 PM

September 5

No School – Labor Day

September 8

Dual Enrollment
Orientation @5:30 PM

September 14

School Advisory Board
Meeting @6:45

September 16

Summer Reading Projects
Due

September 28

Midterm Progress Reports
Sent Home

Monthly Song

Better
Than Life

Israel Houghton

Monthly Scripture Memory

Psalm 119:1-18

Bible Notebook Due Date: September 1, 2016

Recitation Due Date: September 30, 2016

FUNDRAISING - CHOCOLATE BARS

Individual Top Seller Prize: A movie date and lunch with Pastor & Mrs. Moux!

Sell 1 box: 100 Merits

Sell 2 Boxes: 250 Merits or Free Reading Log Pass

Sell 3 Boxes: 250 Merits & Free Reading Log Pass

Begins: Ends: 9/30/2016

Seven Ways to Help Your Child Get Organized

Use checklists. Help your child get into the habit of keeping a "to-do" list. Use checklists to post assignments, household chores, and reminders about what materials to bring to class.

Organize homework assignments. Before beginning a homework session, encourage your child to number assignments in the order in which they should be done.

Keep organized notebooks. Help your child keep track of papers by organizing them in a binder or notebook. This will help him review the material for each day's classes and to organize the material later to prepare for tests and checkups. Encourage your child to sort through book bags and notebooks on a weekly basis.

Create a household schedule. Try to establish and stick to a regular dinnertime and a regular bedtime. This will help your child fall into a pattern at home. Try to limit television-watching and computer play to specific periods of time during the day.

Keep a master calendar. Keep a large, wall-sized calendar for the household, listing the family's commitments, schedules for extracurricular activities, days off from school, and major events at home and at school. Note dates when your child has big exams or due dates for projects.

Prepare for the day ahead. Before your child goes to bed, he should pack schoolwork and books in a book bag. The next day's clothes should be laid out with shoes, socks, and accessories. This will cut down on morning confusion and allow your child to prepare quickly for the day ahead.

Provide needed support while your child is learning to become more organized. Help your child develop organizational skills by photocopying checklists and schedules and taping them to the refrigerator. Gently remind her about filling in calendar dates and keeping papers and materials organized. Most important, set a good example.

(Adapted from <http://www.familyeducation.com>)

Field Trips

Blueberry Day – 9/2/16

Let's get artistic with our food, and create some "berry" fun paintings. It's all right to play with your food in this sweet activity!
(Privilege A)

Build-A-Bear – 9/9/16

Create a new friend at Build-A-Bear on National Teddy Bear Day.
(Privilege C)

Apple Picking – 9/16/16

Put on a fuzzy sweater, take a hay ride in the crisp, cool air, and pick some apples.
(Privilege E)

Native American Day – 9/23/16

Celebrate and study Native American Culture:

- Dramatize folktales
- Learn new words
- Play traditional games
- And much more
(Privilege A)

Library – 9/30/16

Having fun isn't hard; all you need is a library card!
(Privilege C)

Count It All Joy – Parent AcceleGRAM

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. James 1:2, 3

Each child is a precious gift from the Lord, but sometimes character flaws, disabilities, or limitations can cloud our perspective. Weariness can set in, and we can lose sight of the miracle of each life. However, daily challenges often make it difficult to see past the dark places to the future blessings down the road.

Our families will face many situations, but we must remember that the answer to each situation is found in God's Word. His strength and peace can carry us through any trial if we will trust Him for the answers. Just knowing that He is always there with us can give us the power we need to move forward.

As our children mature, it is important for us to keep a watchful eye on their development. When caught in the early stages, many physical and academic limitations can be dealt with, lessening the adverse effects on future success. Parents are often the ones who initially notice something unusual in the development of their child. Bringing this to the attention of your doctor will help him in assessing your child's overall progress.

However, it can be harmful for parents to hide the truth from those who need the information to work with their child on a daily basis. If your child has been diagnosed with a limitation or disorder, be open about it with your child's pastor or principal. Your child can then get the encouragement and help necessary for him to succeed. By being aware of his

limitations, the staff will be able to adjust their approach and meet your child's needs better.

A key factor that you, as a parent, can do to help your child succeed is to be involved! Be your child's number one advocate. Be sure to attend school events for parents, and take full advantage of conferences with your child's supervisor. Make sure you understand the information presented, and ask questions if you are unclear on details of your child's growth. If your child has needs that you do not feel are being met at school, discuss them with his supervisor. Many problems stem from a lack of

communication, so be willing to share your concerns openly. Listen in a non-defensive way to the concerns and suggestions the staff may have regarding your

child's progress.

When you return home from a conference, when appropriate and after prayer, speak calmly with your child about the things discussed. Have a loving understanding on a daily basis; show your concern by discussing his day and what he is learning. Love to a child is spelled: t-i-m-e! Take the time to show your child that he is a priority in your life, and you will see the results in his attitude and confidence level.

Our ultimate goal as parents is to help our children be the very best they can be. The Lord has a special plan for each child. Let's work together to help your child realize his fullest potential to the glory of God!

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not

Faith Christian Academy Welcomes a New Supervisor



F.C.A. welcomes Ms. Sorangel Rivera Ortiz as our new Kindergarten with Ace and Christi Supervisor. We hope this year fills her life with joy and abundant blessings, as she sows the seed of faith, and love for God in your child's heart.

Just for fun!

Random Fact: Peaches are members of the almond family.

Q: Yesterday comes before today and tomorrow everywhere in the world, except this place. Where am I?

A: A Dictionary

Volunteer Opportunities

During School Hours

- Field Trip Chaperone
- Reading Buddy
- Lunch Monitor
- Recess Monitor

After School Hours & Weekends

- Contact Calls
- School Beautification
- Presentation Helper
- PACE Check
- Newsletter article writer
- Translate forms (English to Spanish)

EASY BREAKFAST IDEA FOR KIDS

Breakfast Granola Balls



Ingredients you'll need:

- 1/4 cup of almonds**
- 1/4 cup of cashew pieces**
- 1/4 cup of dried fruit)**
- 1/4 cup of almond butter** (+ 1 teaspoon of coconut oil – omit the coconut oil if you decide to substitute with peanut butter).
- 2 Tablespoons of Dark Chocolate pieces**
- 1 cup of toasted granola**

Don't like almonds? Use walnuts... skip the chocolate and throw some toffee pieces in instead... or use coconut shavings in place of the cashews (yum!).

1. Throw all the ingredients except for the almond butter and the granola into a food processor. The finer the mix, the denser the mixture will be.
2. Mix in the granola and the almond butter and coconut oil (or butter).
3. Put the bowl into the fridge for about 3 hours. This will help the mixture soak up some of the healthy fats from the almond butter, and will help the balls stick together.
4. Use a 2 Tablespoon scoop to portion your breakfast balls (roughly a dozen balls)
5. Store the balls in an airtight container.

(<http://kidsactivitiesblog.com/59088/breakfast-balls>)