



KnightlyNews

WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 13, 2009



SACS/SAIS ACCREDITATION RENEWAL PROCESS

On Tuesday and Wednesday, November 10 and 11, we welcomed Lynne Adams, Chair of our 2009-2010 SAIS/SACS Reaccreditation Team to our campus for a preliminary visit. Lynne is the Admissions Director/AP English teacher at Tatt-nall Square Academy in Macon, Georgia. While here, Lynne toured our campus, visited the classrooms, attended Chapel, and met with Board Chair, Jodi Ervin, Parents' Association President, Andrea Eby, our faculty and staff, and members of the Steering Committee. Lynne was very complimentary of the school's programs, facilities, faculty, and students. Mr. Huff and JoAnn Young met with Lynne to share the process that our school is using to develop a five year strategic plan for The Covenant School. Lynne shared her ideas and provided additional resources to support the process. We look forward to the final visit by Lynne and four other educators, when the accreditation team returns on May 11-13, 2010.

We want to thank Katy Clark, Julie Carpenter, and Remy Morrow for showering our guest with hospitality during her visit to Nashville. Lynne was quick to note the outstanding parent support that continues to make The Covenant School such an exceptional community.

ADMISSION OPEN HOUSE

A huge thank you to all of the parent volunteers who helped to make Open House a success. Prospective families enjoyed an opening prayer by sixth grader, Julia Jones, followed by a school overview presentation by Mr. Huff. Finally, our prospective families were taken on "parent-led" tours of our campus and finished the morning with wonderful refreshments provided by the hospitality committee. If you have friends that missed our Open House, remind them they are always welcome to tour the school any Thursday at 9am.

With a grateful heart,
~Diana Apple
Director of Admission



As you have read in the prior articles, we have had an incredible week! I always welcome anyone to come and see the great things we are doing at The Covenant School, and we had multiple opportunities to do just that this week. The faculty and staff shined as we welcomed accreditation team chair, Lynne Adams, and all of our guests for Open House on Thursday. All of our guests were impressed by all that we do here day in and day out.

I want to thank all of the parent volunteers for their support this week, and I especially want to thank the following volunteers for the Open House: Ruby Smith, Cameron Weaver, Katie Clark, Julie Knestrick, Laura Coughlin, Becky Sullivan, Katie Bell Hamnes, Elizabeth Carrero, Remy Morris, Ginny Elder, Amy Gower, and Julie Carpenter.

~Bobby Huff
Head of School

Fall Fundraiser Roundup!

Friday, November 20

Charlotte Smith & Ann Moore, Co-Chairs

During chapel, we will recognize our contest winners and hand out prizes.

Orders can be picked up as early as 2:30 that afternoon, as well as throughout hookup. We will be distributing through the first gym door. We have enjoyed chairing this event, and we thank you all for supporting the children of The Covenant School.

AND THE WINNER IS....

The following students who sold more than \$50 for the Fall Fundraiser are invited to wear their favorite Covenant T-Shirts on November 20.

PreK/Mrs. Young,

Mrs. Buntain

Jamison Arthur
Xavier Bradley
Liam Campbell
John Ervin
Bella Evans
Ella Portale
Mattison Sanderson
Spencer Smith
Rylan Wernick

Kindergarten/Ms. Hearn

Elizabeth Brown
Helen Buller
Trey Chambers
Cooper Coughlin
Hunter Johnson
Lindsey Miller Jordan
Jessie Neumaier
Emma Taylor
Annie Tapscott

Kindergarten/

Miss Newman

Emily Cole
Abigail Hixson
Ellie Jones
Eddie Mason
Keren Rosen
Eva Elizabeth Sanderson
Sarah Tapscott
Mary Evelyn Thornton

First Grade/Miss Snowden

Hope Arnold
Hannah Britt Campbell
Anna Kate Clark
Eli Moore
Benjamin Gordon
Ray Graham
Rex Hauck
Jax Portale

Eli Smith

Lynleigh Young

First Grade/Miss Storey

Georgia Austin
Raleigh Carpenter
Ladd Edgeworth
David Hauck
Bennett Hobbs
Erin Marie Hoffmann
Beckam Lithgow
Will Renkis
Isabella Weninger
Liam Wiseman

Second/Mrs. Ahlbin

Ella Burton
Nicholas Guy
Harry Lackey
Maria Manning
Michael Morrow
Noah Phillips
Sophia Silvestri
Betsy Spurgeon

Second/Miss Dismuke

Mary Grace Gower
King Henderson
Logan Kaczynski
Eric Russ
Solomon Smith

Third/Mrs. Tapscott

Clayton Anderson
Greyson Arnold
Ethan Bledsoe
Sam Clayton
Ethan Cochran
Page Elder
Dan Ervin
Grace Gilbert
Sophie McKenzie
Cole Neumaier

Drew Taylor

Jacob Taylor

Mac Woodard

Fourth /Miss Goodman

Ian Bradley
Adam Cole
Jackson Faris
Zac Gammons
Joshua Gordon
Charlie Hoffmann
Giggs Lithgow
Brady Peterson
Nate Smith
John Spurgeon

Fourth/Miss Savage

Rachel Brown
Sydney Clayton
Ashley Crafton
Brendan Gallagher
Jake Woodard

Fifth/Mr. Jordan

Dean Cochran
Emme Dupree
Anna Todd Ervin
John Thomas Gilbert
Glory Rose Guy
Caleb Jernigan
Jack Knestrack
Ella Kunkel
Ella McKenzie

Sixth/Dr. Graham

Hannah Berthiaume
Madison Eby
Mary Capers Elder
Conner Huff
Julia Jones
Katie Norris

NEWS FROM THE PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

We could use your helping hands!

Thanksgiving Program Preparation

Thanksgiving Production Backdrop Assembly and Stage set-up

Monday, November 16 – Immediately following Chapel

Luncheon Table Décor Preparation

Tuesday, November 17 – Immediately following Chapel

Thanksgiving Table décor, backdrop and stage tear-down

Tuesday, November 24 – Immediately following production

Collecting Costumes and returning them to the costume closet:

Need one or two Moms per class – following the production

If you are willing to serve in any area listed above, please contact Christy Smith

and let her know to expect you—thanks!

sassychristy@comcast.net or 519-9812



GIVE THANKS WITH A HAPPY HEART

A Thanksgiving Celebration

Kindergarteners and First Graders have been singing songs and practicing lines in preparation for the anticipated Thanksgiving Program! Please mark you calendars:

Dress Rehearsal: Monday, November 23, after Chapel

Parents of K & 1st—a note regarding costumes was sent home with your child last Friday.

If you have any questions, please contact Christy Smith at sassychristy@comcast.net

Family Thanksgiving Celebration

11:45 a.m..... Thanksgiving Buffet
1:00 p.m.....Musical Presentation
2:00 p.m.....Early Dismissal
(No After Care)

The reservation deadline is November 18!

NOTE: Due to final preparation for the luncheon and production, doors to the fellowship hall will remain closed until lunch is served. Kindergarten and First grade families will be asked to go to the beginning of the line and be served first as they must leave early to get ready for the production.

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SALLY FOSTER REMINDER: You can still order online at www.sallyfoster.com for all your wrapping paper and holiday needs. Online orders are shipped out *immediately* so stock up now for the holidays. And remember, the Covenant School will continue to receive credit through June, 2010 (*school code 663048*).

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On behalf of the Parents' Association Executive Committee and the many families at The Covenant School, we would like to send a huge **Thank You** to:

Laura Coughlin and **Leslie Bradley** for all their efforts in making the this year's Book Fair so successful and fun. Under their leadership, we are excited to say that the families of The Covenant School raised over \$300 for "Spare Change for Glen Cliff School."

Stacy Johnson and **Laura Renkis** for coordinating the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon this week. Together with **Jodi Ervin, Tricia Russ, Ruby Angelle Smith, Pam Clayton** and **Elise Buller**, they provided a some great food for the wonderful teachers of The Covenant School.

Katy Clark, Julie Carpenter and the entire **Hospitality Committee** for organizing refreshments for the Southern Association of Independent Schools meetings held Tuesday and Wednesday. This amazing team also assisted with Open House on Thursday by setting up refreshments and giving tours of the school.