



THE SWORDSMAN NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal ...

Merry Christmas! It's exciting to see all of the Christmas lights and decorations. I love to see the children so excited and looking forward to candy, food, parties and gifts. At our faculty and staff Christmas party we shared how great it is to spend time with family and friends and to never take that for granted. We love to give gifts and to watch children open them. Even the school enjoys receiving gifts. Recently the school received a \$5,000 gift for new technology. We also received a \$500 grant from Exxon Mobile for math and science improvements. Another business just gave us school supplies at a greatly reduced price to benefit the school. We are so blessed and pleased to receive these gifts. But the greatest gift of all is that of Jesus coming to earth to be our savior. "4 But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. [b]6 Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, [c] Father." 7 So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir." Galatians 4:4-7.

Calendar Dates ...

December ...

1-15 COLLECTING

Christmas Candy for
Foster Children

9 K/Elementary Christmas
Program @ 7:00 pm

12 Progress Reports sent
home – DUE BACK WED.

21 HS Community Service
hours due (10 hrs.
p/semester)

22 SPIRIT DAY – Christmas
Present/Christmas colors

Dec 23-Jan 6

CLOSED – CHRISTMAS BREAK



CANNED FOOD COLLECTION ...

We want to thank everyone who participated in the Canned Food Drive. We collected 778 cans of food for needy families.



We are collecting candy for Foster children to bring a little Christmas cheer into their lives. Please bring in your donations by December 15th.

"All About that Baby" ... Students in K5-grade 5 have been working very hard on this year's Christmas production. All are welcome, invite your family, friends and neighbors this Thursday, December 9th @ 7:00 pm to find the true meaning of Christmas.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS ...

Students in grades 9-12 are required to complete 10 hours per semester of voluntary service. Written documentation is to be turned into the school office for the 1st semester's hours by December 21st. Points are added to their Bible grade for each hour performed up to 10 hours.

DECEMBER 22nd IS SPIRIT DAY - The theme this month is Christmas Presents and/or Christmas colors. Students may come dressed as a Christmas present OR in Christmas colors. Keep in mind all students must conform to GCS dress code guidelines: no shorts, no spandex, no offensive pictures (no Santas). Traditional long jeans are permitted.



SPORTS

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Please pick up a schedule at the school office if you do not already have one.

Day/Date	Opponent	Team	Time / Home or Away
TH Dec. 15	@ W. Hernando	JV Boys, JV Girls, V Boys	4:30/5:30/6:30 PM
M Dec. 19	Elfers @ HOME	JV Girls, JV Boys, V Boys	4:00/5:00/6:00 PM

** Practices are M,T,TH,F from 3:15-5:30 (unless otherwise noted)

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS ... Dec. 26 & 27 and Jan 2nd – ALL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED.

School Office: 9:00-3:00

Business Office: Closed

Church Office: Regular hours – 9:30-4:00

Messages may be left at any time for anyone.

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH ...

- **KIDS CLUB ...** NOTE: *Kids Club does not meet on days there is no school at Grace Christian School.*
- **JH/SH Youth Group** meet every Wednesday evening for students in grades 6-12 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Come out and learn how you can make a difference for Jesus Christ in the world we live in. SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS COMING UP – SEE PASTOR SEAN FOR DETAILS
- SUMMER 2017** – The young people will be working towards raising funds to attend a Christian camp this year. Be looking for events they will sponsor to help raise funds towards this program.

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