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January 2010 NEWSLETTER

“Behold, I will do a **new thing**; Now it shall spring forth...” (*Isaiah 43:19, NKJV*)

SCHOOL NEWS

- **School Office Hours** are from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- **Progress Reports** go home on Friday, January 8th.
- **Graduation Information** for K5 and 8th grade went home last month. Please review the dates for activities and the deadlines for fees.

YOUR AREA SHOPPING

As you shop at your favorite stores, e.g., Target, Footlocker, Subway, etc., please inquire about their community outreach program where the school will receive a percentage from your purchases.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Science Fair—Thursday, January 21st—Parent Viewing begins at 1:00 p.m. in the school gym** (see pg. 2)
- **Classroom Spelling Bee – Monday, January 25th**
- **Departmental Spelling Bee – Tuesday, January 26th**

NO SCHOOL

- **Monday, January 18th** — Martin Luther King’s Birthday
- **Friday, January 29th** – Teacher In-Service Day

PRINCIPAL’S CORNER

By Dr. Marguerite Jackson



Welcome back and Happy New Year! We are excited about getting back to the work of educating our students and we are also excited about our upcoming activities for the remainder of the school year.

Market Day

If you have not participated in our Market Day, please consider doing so. The program provides restaurant quality items at valued prices. We have order forms in the school office or you can go online at www.marketday.com. Our account # is 12127.

FREE PB&J Grahamwiches

If you have not ordered Market Day’s Peanut Butter & Jelly Grahamwiches yet, now is your opportunity to try them FREE! You’ll receive a free 4-pack of Grahamwiches with your order of \$40 or more. See the January Order Guide for details.

Spring Freequent Buyer® Program

• Simply place a minimum order of \$40* in 2 or more months from February through April.

• Then place a third order of \$40* in May to automatically receive a FREE Mite ‘N’ Mighty Stool at our May sale pick-up.

Cookie Dough Bonus Days ~ February

There are 9 delicious varieties including a **NEW FLAVOR – LEMON COOLER!** Remember that Bonus Days is a special, limited-time only chance when our school can earn extra profit for every box of cookie dough sold! Stock up on your favorite cookie dough varieties.

Mid-Year Parent Survey

Please check your child’s backpack for the results of this survey. Your input is greatly appreciated.

If you have any concerns that you would like addressed for the upcoming school year, please send a note or call me. Thank you.

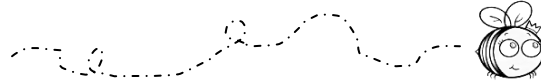
GRADUATION INFORMATION

A letter was sent home December 18, 2009, regarding graduation and fees. If you did not receive this letter, please contact the school office.

2010 S.C.A. SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair Info Packets were sent home in October. All 3rd-8th grade students are required to participate in the Science Fair; science fair projects will count as an important portion of the 2nd quarter science grade. Fifth through eighth grade students have already begun to present their projects in science class. Preschool-4th students will present their projects in class on **Tuesday, January 19th**. The students with the two (2) top scores from each Preschool-2nd grade class, and the students with the top five (5) scores in each 3rd-8th grade class will present their projects in the gym on **Thursday, January 21th** for our guest judges. The top five (5) winners in each grade level, in addition to the top three (3) school-wide winners will be acknowledged by administration in chapel (*date to be announced*). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher.

2010 SPELLING BEE



It's that time of the year again and S.C.A. is gearing up for our **2010 SCHOOL-WIDE SPELLING BEE** on **Tuesday, February 2, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.** in the sanctuary. The Classroom Spelling Bees will be held on **Monday, January 25th**, and the Departmental Spelling Bee will be held on **Tuesday, January 26th**.

The **2010 S.C.A. Spelling Bee Word List** was sent home *December 17th*. The Word List is based on the **2010 Scripps Spell It! Study Booklet**. In general, 1st- 3rd grade students should focus on the **Primary** words; 4th- 5th grade students should focus on the **Intermediate** words; and 6th- 8th grade students should focus on the **Middle School** words.

Please begin working with your child to prepare for our school spelling bee now. Don't forget the old adage... **"Practice makes perfect!"** If you have any questions or need another word list, please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

PIE SALE WINNERS

Please excuse the delay in receiving this information.

Our winners for the Sandrell Green Pie Sale are:

1st place – Hayes Bynum III – Mrs. Smith – 8th grade (sold 61 pies)

2nd place – Jalen Billups (sold 47 pies) – Mrs. Hughes – 1st grade

3rd place – Johnae Bloodsaw (sold 38 pies) – Mrs. Hughes – 1st grade

Hayes received an American Express gift card; **Jalen**, a Razor scooter; and **Johnae**, a basketball game.

Our teacher winners were: Mrs. Roper and Mrs. Thomas, N3; Mrs. Hammons and Mrs. Blake; K4; Ms. Simpson, 4th grade; and Ms. Davis, 7th grade.

Congratulations to all of our winners.

2010 REGISTRATION

Please check your child's book-bag for important information regarding registration for the next school year. We have moved the dates up earlier in the school year.

Parent-Student Handbook Reminder

Many of our students are growing by leaps and bounds and as a result, are outgrowing their uniforms. Please note that for the **young ladies, DRESSES AND SKIRTS SHOULD BE KNEE LENGTH**—skirts are prohibited at S.C.A. Many of our middle grade girls have skirts that are several inches above the knee, which may result in an "Out of Uniform" demerit and/or excusal from class until appropriate clothing is acquired. Also, be reminded that girls "may wear stud earrings of any kind or small hoops. Long earrings, necklaces, chains, bracelets, broaches, pins, etc. are prohibited.

Please review the boys' uniform requirements on **pgs. 11-12** of the S.C.A. Parent-Student Handbook. Also, please review our **CELL PHONE POLICY** and general policy on **ELECTRONIC DEVICES** found on **pg. 7**. It is imperative that your child is familiar with and adheres to these important school rules. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.

\$\$FINANCIAL CORNER\$\$

Tax Information Requests: Parents, please contact the school office after January 15th to sign up to receive a statement regarding 2009 tuition payments. This statement will include fees that qualify as educational expenses for tax purposes and the school's Federal Identification Number (FEIN). The statements will be ready by January 28th. If requesting tax information after January 28th, please allow 24 hours to receive the statement.



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JANUARY 2010

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 <i>Chapel at 2:00 p.m.</i>
4	5	6 <i>Museum of Science and Industry N3-K5</i>	7	8 <i>Chapel at 2:00 p.m.</i> <i>Progress Reports go home</i>
11	12 <i>Museum of Science and Industry 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades</i>	13	14	15 <i>Dr. King Chapel at 1:00 p.m.</i>
18  <i>Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday</i> NO SCHOOL	19	20	21  <i>Science Fair</i>	22 <i>Chapel at 2:00 p.m.</i>
25  <i>Classroom Spelling Bee</i>	26  <i>Departmental Spelling Bee</i>	27	28 <i>Museum of Science and Industry 3rd Grade</i>	29 <i>Teacher In-Service NO SCHOOL</i>

MARKET DAY/PIE SALE Pickup is on Saturday, January 16, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.