



Grace Christian School 2010-11 Newsletter

December 1, 2010

*Praise God for His bountiful blessings:
* for the Thanksgiving holiday a time to reflect on the
blessing that we have and to remind us that God is great!*

Opportunities for you to serve God and Grace Christian School –

- *Counting and packaging ink jet cartridges for recycling fundraiser*
- *Helping with Christmas program*
- *Clean up committee for Christmas program*

Mark your Calendars

December 10th – School Christmas Program
December 17th – Candy bar money is due
December 23rd – Early Dismissal 11:30 am.
December 24th – January 2nd – Christmas Break
January 3rd – Classes resume

SCRIP ORDERS:

Thank you for supporting this ongoing fundraiser.

Ordering schedule

**Friday, December 3rd
Thursday, December 16th**

Send in your payment with the order form. You can receive regular updates and a complete list of all retailers at glscrip.com. For questions or an order form, contact the school or Ariel Callen.

Please review page 22-23 of the Grace Christian School handbook regarding electronic devices.

Note – It is best that **all** personal property remains at home since, Grace Christian School teachers and administration can not be responsible for these items. GCS will not be responsible for broken, lost or stolen items.

Our focus is the education of our students. Recreational play is for outside of school hours.

Grace Christian School Christmas Presentation December 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Student attendance is mandatory. Your child's classmates and teachers are counting on them.

SCHOOL CLOSING DUE TO BAD WEATHER

When there is a two-hour delay, morning preschool is canceled. Afternoon kindergarten will meet as regularly scheduled.

If it should become necessary to cancel school due to inclement weather, Grace Christian School will follow the local school district's decision which is announced on KDKA (1020 AM), WTYM (1380 AM), WISR (680 AM), the Pittsburgh TV stations and posted on the school district's web site at www.asd.k12.pa.us. You can also call 724-545-4839 to hear the school district's recording of delays, closing, or early dismissals.

On days the local district does not have school but Grace Christian School does, and weather demands cancellation or late opening, you will be called. An emergency snow chain has been created and will be activated by the Administration.

PTO – Gertrude Hawk Candy Bar Sale

Several students have requested more candy bars. Payment for outstanding boxes of candy must be turned in before additional boxes are distributed. If you would like additional boxes of candy bars and you have sent in money for outstanding boxes please send in a written request.

Applebee's	\$25.00
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Arby's	10.00
Bath & Body Works	10.00
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Chuck E. Cheese	10.00
Eat'n Park	10.00
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Family Christian Stores	\$25.00
KFC	5.00
KFC	5.00
Long John Silvers	5.00
Long John Silvers	5.00
Sheetz	25.00
Steak 'n Shakes	10.00
Subway	\$10.00
Walmart	25.00
Walmart	25.00
Arby's	10.00
Bath & Body Works	10.00
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Bath & Body Works	10.00
CineMark	25.00
Darden	25.00
Darden	25.00
JCPenney	25.00
Panera Card	10.00
Panera Card	10.00
Payless Shoesource	20.00
Pizza Hut	10.00
Pizza Hut	10.00
Ross Dress for Less	25.00
Walmart	25.00
Walmart	25.00
Walmart	25.00
Walmart	25.00
Wendy's	10.00
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2010-2011 PTO Officers

Chairperson – Ariel Callen **Secretary** – Sandra Wilson
Co-Chairperson – Brenda Kunst **Treasurer** –Crystal Emminger

Special Class Schedule:

Monday – Phys. Ed.
Tuesday – Music
Wednesday – Phys. Ed.
 Chapel
Thursday – Art
 Computer
Friday – Computer

Christmas Gifts
We have two Grace Christian School 10-12 youth short sleeve t-shirts left over from last years t-shirt sale. The cost is \$5.50. If you are interested contact the office. Thank you.

Dear Parents,
Due to the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, the administration has decided not to have a Christmas reception following the Christmas Program this year. Although a reception has been a tradition at GCS, it has over whelmed our families over the years. The Christmas season has become so busy that we feel the joy of the season is being lost. Therefore in an effort not to lose the joy and spirit of the Christmas Season, we will not have a reception. We pray that your family and friends find the peace and joy that the Lord has intended this Christmas Season.

*In Our Savior's Love,
GCS Administration*

If you are interested in purchasing a scrip card from the GCS scrip inventory contact the office.

Do you have a VCR that your family no longer uses? Grace Christian School is looking for 2 VCRs.

Christmas - A Season of Giving.

”It is better to give than receive.” Grace Christian School wishes to instill in our students that Christmas is a season of giving. The world has so commercialized Christmas that we, as well as our children, can easily be distracted from the true focus of Christmas. We pray that our students realize that we have already received the greatest gift “Jesus – our Savior” Hence Grace Christian School does not have classroom gift exchanges. There will be a Christmas celebration. We have in the past tried to offer a service project opportunity, gifts for Haven or caroling at the Health Center. We are looking for a project and welcome any ideas you may have. Look for more information in the future.