

K Tuesday KNIGHT NEWS

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Upcoming events

January

- 5 Students Return to School
- 5 Pep Rally 2:00-2:30
- 8 Small Group Meetings -Theme: Goals for 2nd Semester and Serving God
- 13 First Semester Ends
- 14 Second Semester Begins
- 18 Teacher Workday; No School
- 19 Re-enrollment Begins
- 25 Report Cards Sent Home
- 31 NCA Day at Northside Baptist Church

February

- 3 MathFax Contest #3
- 5 Small Group Meetings -Theme: Contentment
- 8 Progress Report #5 Sent Home
- 12 Student Appreciation Day

Middle School News

Thank You

From all the teachers, Mrs. Brunk, and Mr. Chavel thank you all for the many cards, gifts, and encouraging words you shared with us at Christmas. You are such a blessing to all of us in middle school!

The TV Contract

Most of you know the middle school students had an opportunity to sign an agreement to give up TV for one week (7 days). This agreement was from Friday, December 11th through Thursday, December 17th. The students who made that *sacrifice* were awarded five points on each of their exams. The main purpose of this contract was **not** to help them study for their exam (though that was one purpose), but it was to teach them character. We have emphasized character education this year in middle school. Thomas Lickona in his book, *Educating for Character: How Our Schools Can Teach Respect and Responsibility*, has much to say about how TV has had an in-

fluence on shaping our values. He says, "In the average American family, the TV set is on seven hours and five minutes a day. The typical elementary schooler watches 32 hours a week." We wanted to take away this influence for at least one week and to demonstrate to our students they could go without TV for a week. There were nineteen 6th grade students, thirteen 7th grade students, and six 8th grade students who met the challenge, for a total of thirty-eight students in middle school. That is about 33% of our middle school student body. I am very pleased for these students. Now that these students have experienced a little success with controlling TV, may I encourage you to follow Mr. Lickona's suggestions concerning TV viewing:

- ◆ Set a good example.
- ◆ Require children to ask permission to watch television.
- ◆ Regulate what children watch.
- ◆ Reduce the amount of

time the set is on.

- ◆ Make television a special event rather than a daily routine.

Remember what Justice Potter Stuart said, "There is a big difference between what we have a right to do and what is right to do."

Faith

Since December did not have many school days we decided the students will study the character quality of faith for December and January.

Helping Others

Thank you to the many students who gave money to help Coach Z's ministry. The "Baby Jesus" offering was a tremendous blessing to him. The middle school was able to contribute \$132 from the weekly chapel offerings.

First Semester Ends

The first semester ends on Wednesday, January 13th. Please understand that middle school students pass or fail by

2 Corinthians 5:17

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.

the semester. Any student who fails a core class (English, math, science, or history) or Bible will need to make them up in summer school before the student can be promoted to the next grade. Please encourage your young person to finish the semester on a strong note.

Crisis Assistance Ministry

Mr. Chavel and fourteen students served at the Crisis Assistance Ministry on Thursday, December 17th. The students sorted several bins of clothing. This ministry has a free store to help those in Charlotte who are struggling. The store offers a wide variety of items including clothing, cookware, videos, and books. The Crisis Assistance supervisor told us that for every hour a person worked they helped one family for a year. The following students served in this project: Lacey Bosher, DJ Brewer, Darrien Luckett, Floyd Mason, Samantha Mitchell, Justin Moore, Griffin Morgan, Josh Olean, Marissa Plummer, Samantha Spoto, Jamal Stroud, Breeana White, Colin White, and Jordan Wilkerson. Thank you students for being a blessing!

Upcoming Athletic Events

Jan 5th – **Black Out Knight** – vs Hickory Grove. Students will be able to purchase black T-shirts for \$5.00. There will be a Pep rally from 2:00 to 2:30 for the entire school.

Jan 7th and Jan 29th – **Home Wrestling Matches** – If you haven't been to a wrestling match, you need to come. We have a great team and they are a lot of fun to watch.

Jan 8th – **Elementary Knight** – To celebrate the youth in our school and to create excitement within our elementary for school spirit.

Jan 22nd – **Breast Cancer Awareness Knight**. Please invite those that have been affected by cancer so that we can be an encouragement to them as a school.

February 9th – **Military Appreciation Knight**. One of our own, Ken Lewis, will be coming home and what a great way to say thank you to all our servicemen and women for their service to us and our country.

February 12 – **Senior Knight** We will honor our graduating Basketball Players, Wrestlers and Cheerleaders for their contribution to our school.

Times for all events are on the school website www.ncaknights.com on the athletic page.

Charlotte Rescue Mission Service Project

Tuesday, December 15, 2009, we were invited to Charlotte Rescue Mission at first to help sort and organize donated food. About a week before we were scheduled to be there, the volunteer coordinator emailed and asked if we would like to decorate the cafeteria for Christmas and be filmed by the media. We were very excited about this opportunity to be a part of something that would bring smiles to those who would be enjoying a Christmas meal at the Charlotte Rescue Mission. The kitchen manager, Marcus, knew exactly how he wanted us to hang the lights. He was a big help from the beginning. Our students quickly jumped right in and began hanging lights and decorations. They also made colorful Christmas placemats with encouraging messages and Bible verses to decorate the tables. In the end, when the lights were turned off, it turned an ordinary kitchen into a winter wonderland.

My prayer while we were there was that our students would reflect on the blessings that they have and appreciate what God has done for them. Those in attendance were: Emily Babb, Kenny Ballantyne, Aliyah Bell, Patrick Chi, Olivia Dunn, Michael Hamel, Connor Harrell, Yema Kpaka, Wesley Reed, Hudson Skinner, Ashley Smalls, Emmanuel Symes, Dejah Washington, Mrs. Brunk, and Donnie Brunk. Our students did a great job and represented our school in a manner pleasing to the Lord.

You can see a small part of what we did by visiting the following link: <http://charlotterescuemission.org/>

There are also pictures posted on our website: www.ncaknights.com, Middle school, Attitude, Charlotte Rescue Mission.

**Heaven Knows ...
We love your Child ...**

Faith

Visualizing what God intends to do in a given situation and acting in harmony with it.

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

Hebrews 11:1

Upcoming Athletic Events

Date	Time	Team	Opponent	Location
1/5/2010	4:00 PM	MS Girls Basketball	vs Hickory Grove	Away
1/5/2010	4:30 PM	JV Boys Basketball	vs Hickory Grove	Home
1/5/2010	5:15 PM	MS Boys Basketball	vs Hickory Grove	Away
1/5/2010	4:00 PM	MS Cheerleading @	Hickory Grove	Away
1/5/2010	6:00 PM	Varsity Girls Basketball	vs Hickory Grove	Home
1/5/2010	7:30 PM	Varsity Boys Basketball	vs Hickory Grove	Home
1/7/2010	7:00 PM	Varsity Wrestling	vs Union Academy	Home
1/8/2010	4:00 PM	MS Girls Basketball	vs Westminster	Away
1/8/2010	3:30 PM	JV Boys Basketball	vs Westminster	Home
1/8/2010	5:15 PM	MS Boys Basketball	vs Westminster	Away
1/8/2010	4:00 PM	MS Cheerleading @	Westminster	Away
1/8/2010	6:00 PM	Varsity Girls Basketball	vs Westminster	Home
1/8/2010	7:30 PM	Varsity Boys Basketball	vs Westminster	Home
1/8/2010	TBA	Varsity Wrestling @	Bear Cat Invitational (Rock Hill HS)	Away
1/9/2010	TBA	Varsity Wrestling @	Bear Cat Invitational (Rock Hill HS)	Away
1/12/2010	4:30 PM	JV Boys Basketball	vs First Assembly	Home
1/12/2010	6:00 PM	Varsity Girls Basketball	vs First Assembly	Home
1/12/2010	7:30 PM	Varsity Boys Basketball	vs First Assembly	Home
1/12/2010	5:00 PM	Varsity Wrestling @	Foard High School (Tri Match)	Away

GO KNIGHTS!!!!!!