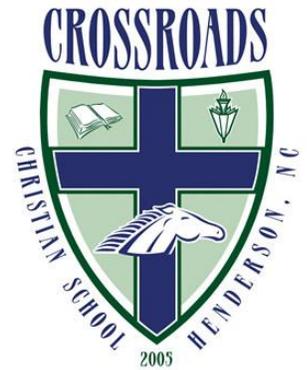


CROSSROADS NEWSLETTER

December 5, 2012



Crossroads Family,

It is hard to fathom that it is already December and that the students will be taking exams and then beginning Christmas break in a few weeks. What a wonderful time of the year! I know for me, Christmas is my favorite time of the year. I love the lights, Christmas trees, presents, Christmas songs, Christmas movies, the Christmas Eve church service, and being with family. My favorite thing to do during this time of year is to read Luke 2 on Christmas morning with my family. What a joy it is to know that the Lord sent his Son to earth so that we would have the opportunity to have everlasting life.

D. James Kennedy, an American pastor, evangelist, and Christian broadcaster, stated, "The star of Bethlehem was a star of hope that led the wise men to the fulfillment of their expectations, the success of their expedition. Nothing in this world is more fundamental for success in life than hope, and this star pointed to our only source for true hope: Jesus Christ." My prayer for each of you this holiday season is that you will remember that the true hope that was brought into this world over two-thousand years ago is the same source of hope today, Jesus Christ. Let us always remember the true meaning of Christmas.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Faculty and Staff of Crossroads Christian School, I wish you a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

In Christ,

**"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;
and the government will be upon His shoulder.**

**And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace."**

Isaiah 9:6

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Break

School will be closed on Monday, December 24, through Friday, January 4, for the Christmas holiday. School will resume on Monday, January 7.

Inclement Weather

In the event of inclement weather, CCS will do everything we can to ensure that a decision is made in a timely manner. Delay or closing information will be posted on the school website: www.ccscolts.org, e-mailed out through RenWeb, and announced on the following TV and radio stations: WRAL TV5; NBC 17; WTVD 11; News 14 Carolina; WPTF-FM 680; WIZS-AM 1450. When there is potential for inclement weather, please check the above mentioned sites regularly for updated school information. Please note that CCS acts independently in our decision-making regarding school closure and delay, and we will not always follow the same schedule as local public and private schools.

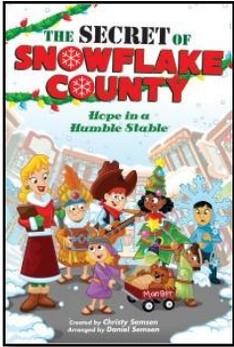


Exams & Exam Day Schedule (Lower & Upper)

Upper School exams will take place on December 19 – 21. All Upper School students will be participating in exams. Please see the school website for an exam schedule, exam policies, and a copy of the middle school letter. If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, the exam schedule will continue where it left off when school resumes. Please be reminded that we will be on a half-day schedule on exam days, and that school will be dismissed at 11:40 a.m. for Lower School students and 12:00 noon for Upper School students.



Lower School Christmas Program



The Crossroads Christian School's annual Lower School Christmas program is Thursday, December 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the CCS cafeteria. The name of the musical is "The Secret of Snowflake County: Hope in a Humble Manger." The students have been working hard preparing, and you will not want to miss the blessing of the program. The Lower School students need to arrive that night in costume and be in their teacher's room by 6:00 p.m.

We will be collecting non-perishable food items that night as part of the CCS food drive to help support the local Salvation Army.

"Thank You" to those who provided art supplies and decorations for the Christmas Program scenery and props. We are very grateful for your support. Thursday night's Christmas Program should be a wonderful treat! We couldn't have done it without your support.

Blessings, Mrs. Page & Mrs. Newbern

Re-Enrollment Begins Monday, January 28

A two-week re-enrollment period for the 2013–2014 school year will begin on Monday, January 28, and run through Friday, February 8. Families who re-enroll during this time will receive a \$50 discount per child on the registration fee. All families who re-enroll during this time will be entered into a drawing for one of four prizes: a free book and activity fee, free technology fee, \$100 certificate to the school apparel store, or a \$50 certificate to the school apparel store. Open enrollment for new families will begin on Monday, February 11, and at that time, no place can be guaranteed. Re-enrollment packets will be mailed out in January. Each packet will contain a letter explaining the re-enrollment process, tuition and fees sheet, statement of cooperation form, student data sheets, and a 2012–2013 school calendar. We look forward to seeing you during the re-enrollment period!



Homecoming Committee Sponsoring Foster Children for Christmas



There are many children who are in foster care in Granville County. The Homecoming Committee is helping to make their wishes come true. Each homeroom has been assigned a child for Christmas and is asked to purchase the items on the child's wish list. Please bring in the unwrapped gifts by Wednesday, December 12, to your child's homeroom teacher. We are encouraging the students to get involved to truly understand the blessings of giving and to reach out to those who are less fortunate this holiday season!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. McClelland (jmcclelland@ccscolts.org) or your child's homeroom teacher.

CCS Food Drive to Support the Salvation Army



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The CCS National Honor Society, Junior Beta Club, and Student Council have begun collecting canned food and other non-perishable food items for the local Salvation Army here in Henderson. With the upcoming Christmas season, the Salvation Army is making plans to help as many families, children, individuals, senior citizens, prison inmates, inmate's families, nursing homes, etc. as they can. They are expecting approximately 700 families to request assistance this Christmas, and over 3,000 more individuals will receive assistance in our local nursing homes and prison facilities. CCS will be working with The

Salvation Army to help meet the needs of those in the local community by collecting canned food and other non-perishable food items. The food drive will run through Friday, December 14. There is a competition between the Lower School and Upper School to see who can bring in the most food. All Lower School items need to be brought to your child's teacher, and all Upper School items need to be brought to your child's homeroom teacher. We are looking forward to helping meet the needs of those in our community!



Student Council Sponsoring Coats for Children Campaign

The Student Council of CCS is collecting gently-used winter coats, hats, gloves, and scarves to make this winter a bit warmer and happier for families in need. They are joining efforts with The Salvation Army during WRAL's 24th Annual Coats for Children campaign. All sizes from infant to adult are needed. Please go through your closet and find what your family has outgrown or no longer wears and send them in with your child to CCS. Students may give their donations to their homeroom teachers. Members from the Student Council will make regular collections from each classroom through December 14th. Last year, over 9,000 coats were collected and went directly to families in need. Let's do what we can to add to the Christmas spirit of giving by donating a little piece of warmth!

*Any questions may be directed to Mrs. O'Steen at josteen@ccscolts.org.

New Apparel in the CCS Uniform Store

The CCS uniform store has been stocked with new long sleeve T-shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, and jackets. A copy of the updated price list can be found on our school website at <http://ccscolts.org/site/information/ccs-apparel/>. Stop by and see our new selections today!



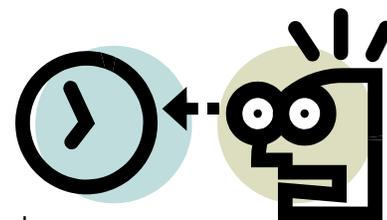


Peanut Roaster Fundraiser Ending Soon

Peanut Roasters fundraiser forms are due Monday, December 10. The Lower School class with the highest average sales will win an ice cream party. The Upper School class with the highest average sales will receive a casual day. All proceeds go to the Prom Committee to make prom as special as possible for this year's seniors.

News from the College Admissions Counselor

Many colleges have December and January deadlines for regular admissions deadlines. Seniors, if you need transcripts and recommendations sent to colleges, please have the requests in early. Once we leave for Christmas break, the first date back will be January 7! Keep those deadlines in mind when you plan. If you need a Transcript Request Form to have your transcript sent to a college or scholarship program, you will find those on the website under Information > Forms or in the Front Office.



ATHLETICS

The winter sports season is underway! The Varsity girls and boys basketball programs both sit at 2-2 on the year. The girls won a highly contested game at Neuse this past Friday night to open up league play. Each team will be hosting Cresset Christian this Friday. The Varsity girls tip-off at 5:30 p.m., and the Varsity boys will follow at 7:00 p.m. If you have not been out to see this year's teams, you are missing out! Make it a point to come out and show them how loud and supportive our gym can be. (Seniors, your class is covering the concessions stand and admissions table for Dec. 7 games. Please come and help Mrs. Choplin work!)



The Middle School girls' team is coached by Mrs. Anderson. Amber Peoples has taken on a leadership role after last year's deep tournament run; which saw her as an integral part of the team's success. Coach Taylor is the coach of the middle school boys' team again this year. With many players moving up to the high school team, the new players have had big shoes to fill. They are doing a great job! Though they recently lost in a nail-biter to Neuse Christian, who has two 6'3" players, the future could not be brighter.

Our MS and HS cheer teams are doing an excellent job supporting our teams and encouraging our players. They always have a smile on their faces and push the players to achieve more. Please continue to come out and support your Colts!

IMPORTANT DATES

November 26	CCS Food Drive Begins
December 6	Lower School Christmas Program
December 7	K3, K4, K5 Field Trip – Disney on Ice
December 7	First Grade Field Trip – Clay Fusion
December 10	Junior Class – Peanut Roaster Fundraiser Orders Due
December 12	Wish List Items for Sponsored Children Due to Homeroom Teachers
December 14	CCS Food Drive Ends
December 14	Coats for Children Campaign Ends
December 17-18	Exam Review Days
December 19-21	Exams – Half Days
December 20	NHS, JBC, & SC: Work at Salvation Army Distribution Center
Dec. 24 – Jan 4	Christmas Break – School Closed
January 7	Third Quarter Begins