

CROSSROADS NEWS

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Matthew 28:1-10 The Reason for the Season

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.



The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." (NIV)

CCS Spring Break

Just a reminder that CCS will be closed on Friday, March 25, for Good Friday, and will remain closed for spring break from March 28 – April 1. School will resume on Monday, April 4. Have a wonderful spring break!

1:1 Coming in the Fall of 2016!

CCS is pleased to announce that phase 2 of our technology initiative will be implemented for the 2016-2017 school year, and Microsoft Surface 3 tablets will be distributed to all upper school students (grades 6-12). The overall goal of the device program is to enable our teachers to address content standards in ways that not only support curriculum, but also help students develop the essential digital skills they will need as they progress through high school, college, and life.



Honors Classes Starting in 2016-2017

One of Crossroads' focuses after going through re-accreditation last year was on meeting the needs of our students who excel academically. With that in mind, we are pleased to announce that beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, CCS is planning to offer honors courses for students in grades 9-12. While all of the courses have not been finalized for next year, our goal is to offer 11 honors courses in the areas of Math, English, and History. Plans have also been made to add AP courses over the next few years. Information regarding honors courses and their requirements will be sent out once the final course offerings have been made.

TerraNova3 Testing: April 11 – April 15

This year Crossroads will be administering the ACSI Edition of TerraNova, 3rd Edition, Achievement Test to students in grades 1 - 10. Tests will be administered April 11-15. Testing begins at 8:00 a.m. each day and runs roughly until 10:00 a.m. (testing times vary according to grade level and subject).

3rd, 4th, 5th grades: Test Monday, April 11, through Friday, April 15

1st, 2nd, 6th -10th grades: Test Monday, April 11, through Thursday, April 14



PLEASE NOTE:

- Each student will need to bring two sharpened #2 pencils with erasers to class.
- Students in grades 3-10 are permitted to use their own calculators (not graphing) on certain portions of the math test.
- Please make sure that your child gets plenty of rest, eats a healthy breakfast, and is in attendance and on time for school. Due to time constraints, we will not be making up tests for students who miss a full day of testing. If a student misses an individual test on a testing day, consideration will be given to the student making up the test, but make-up testing is not guaranteed. If at all possible, do not schedule appointments in the morning during testing week.
- Students who arrive late on testing days will not be admitted to class until there is a break in testing.

National Honor Society Inducts 11 New Members

Congratulations to the 11 new members who were inducted into the CCS chapter of the National Honor Society on February 25!

Sarah Burton (10th)
Dawson Campbell (10th)
Kyra Corrigan (10th)
Ghage Kenan (10th)

Calli Massey (10th)
Caroline Nutt (10th)
Chloe Pendergrass (10th)
Brody Steffensen (10th)

Evin Swilley (10th)
Emily Willis (10th)
Katie Testerman (11th)

Coming up for National Honor Society:

- Mar. 23** Adopt-a-Highway
Mar. 23 Deliver a meal to the men's homeless shelter.
April 14 NHS Meeting – Lunch in 617
April 18 Serve plates/drinks at 220 Seafood Restaurant as part of Community Partners of Hope (CPOH) fundraiser for the homeless shelter/Hope House in Henderson (3:30 – 7:00).
May 14 Help with baseball games for Miracle League of the Triangle (near Wake Forest).
May ?? TBD. One more Adopt-a-Highway to get ready for graduations.



Varsity Cheer Places 2nd at Nationals

CCS Varsity Cheerleaders participated in the Carolina Classics Cheer Competition in New Bern on Saturday, February 13. It was the second year our squad has competed with Christian Cheerleaders of America. Our cheerleaders won 1st place in their division and by doing so qualified for nationals. Nationals were held February 25-27, in Winston-Salem. They placed 2nd in their division and several members also qualified for the Cheer Scholar program.

“I thought we did well,” Katie Testerman, the squad’s captain, said of their win in New Bern. “Especially considering that it was our first competition. We practiced hard and did our best in the performance.”

The competition squad consists of eight high school ladies and three middle school ladies: Katie Testerman (11th), Delaney Short (11th), Jenny Boyd (9th), Hailey Macklin (9th), Izabelle McClelland (9th), Kaitlyn Bender (7th), Stori Carroll (7th), and Alyssa Pernell (6th).



Kaitlyn Bender, Jenny Boyd, Stori Carroll, Izabelle McClelland, Alyssa Pernell, and Katie Testerman were also recognized with Scholar Awards for a cumulative 3.0 or higher GPA.

Congratulations to our Varsity Cheerleads for a terrific competition season, and to Coach McClelland for all her time and dedication to the program!

Summer Camp Registration is Open!



**WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT,
CAMP IS IN!**

Pass the word! Summer camp registration has just opened! You can check our website for information at <http://ccscolts.org/site/summer-camps/>. Katherine Anderson is our camp director and can answer your questions (kanderson@ccscolts.org).

Camps include themes like karate, basketball, cooking, art, volleyball, science, tennis, cheerleading, and more!

2016 ACSI Southeast Region Desktop Publishing Festival

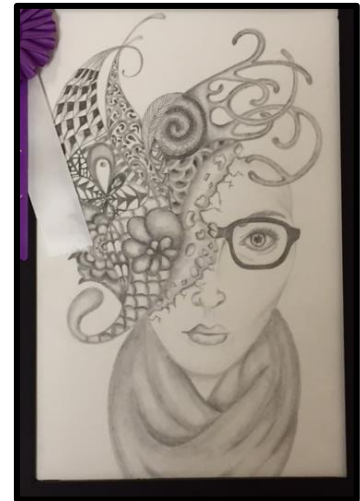
We are pleased to announce that the students listed below were chosen to participate in the **2016 ACSI Southeast District Desktop Publishing Competition**. These students submitted Microsoft Word and Microsoft Publisher computer projects that meet qualifications for entry into this year’s competition. Student projects were submitted to ACSI’s regional office in Snellville, Georgia to compete against other grade-level print projects in our southeast region event. Those results are not available yet.

Kaitlyn Bender – 6th
Ainsley Jackson – 6th

Skylar Aiken – 8th
Kelcee Anderson – 9th

Jackson Overby – 9th
Tiffany Steffensen – 9th

2016 ACSI Southeast Region Art Festival



Crossroads Christian School was honored to host the 2016 Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) Art Festival. This is an annual event held in districts across the US within the ACSI organization. This year's event was held on Friday, March 18 on the CCS campus. Some of the categories entered this year included acrylic and watercolor paintings, drawings, photography, digital art, sculpture, and more. CCS won seven grade-level Best of Shows.

We had approximately 140 students from six North Carolina schools including Faith Christian School from Rocky Mount, Grace Christian School from Sanford, Mintz Christian Academy from Roseboro, Burlington Christian Academy from Burlington, and Triad Christian Academy from Kernersville. The highlights of the event were the two guest artists that led the students in projects while their artwork was being judged. Mrs. Jody Bohannon from Clarksville, Virginia, led the elementary school workshop and Ms. Amy Simmons of Norlina, North Carolina, led the middle school and high school workshop.

Each middle school & high school entry was reviewed by three different judges, while each elementary piece was reviewed by two different judges. Each piece was evaluated on design and composition, creativity, technique and presentation. We competed in love and honor to our heavenly father. The students were asked to use their creative efforts to portray beauty and excellence that reflect the glory of God and His creation. (Psalm 99:2-3, Philippians 4:8)

Congratulations to the following CCS students for a job well done!
– Mrs. Newbern

Kindergarten

Ben Adcock - Excellent
Leah Curtis - Excellent

1st Grade

Rylie Capps - **Best of Show**
Josie Miceli - Excellent
Seth Newbern - Excellent

2nd Grade

Haley Reese - Superior
Carson Seaman - Excellent
Shane Watkins - Superior
Ryan Weinelt - Excellent

3rd Grade

Zeke Anderson - Excellent
Kaylan Blackwell - Excellent
Emily Dail - **Best of Show**
Cody Paschall - Superior

4th Grade

Noah Newbern - **Best of Show**
Caitlin Robinson - Excellent
Allie Wilkes - Excellent

5th Grade

Lakin Greathouse - Good
Gracie Patterson - Excellent
Taylor Tart - Good



6th Grade

Ryan Adcock - Superior
Ainsley Jackson - Excellent
Harper Nelms - **Best of Show**

7th Grade

Emileigh Albright - Good
Kaitlyn Bender - **Best of Show**
Noah Puckett - Superior

9th Grade

Izabelle McClelland - Superior

10th Grade

Evin Swilley - Excellent
Harry Cashwell - **Best of Show**
J.J. Ballentine - Superior

11th Grade

Mackenzie Hutson - Superior

12th Grade

Alexis Harrison - Excellent
Ashton Hayes - **Best of Show**
Lindsey Perry - Excellent

Important Dates

March 25	Good Friday – No School
March 28-April 1	Spring Break – No School
April 11-15	TerraNova3 Standardized Testing
April 14	1 st , 2 nd , & 3 rd grades to see <i>James & the Giant Peach</i> at Louisburg College
April 17-24	Senior Trip
April 21	K3, K4, & K5 to NC Museum of Life & Science
April 25	Teacher Workday – No School