

# CROSSROADS NEWS

November 20, 2022

## Matthew 25:37-40 ESV

Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

## Thanksgiving Break – November 21-25!

CCS will be closed all week, including the office, preschool, and after-school care.

## CCS Annual Food Drive Starting This Month

### November 28 – December 9



Our annual CCS food drive will begin as soon as we return from Thanksgiving break on November 28 and will end at noon on Friday, December 9. The goal for the canned food drive is **6,000** items. (Last year we collected over 7,000!) There will be various rewards for class competitions, lower vs. upper school, and a house competition for upper school. Information on the various competitions will be sent out later.

While we are rewarding our students for bringing items in, the real reward will come when families are delivered food to help meet their needs during this holiday season. This is a great opportunity to help meet the needs of those in our community! Please help support the CCS food drive and be a light to those around us.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Market Craft & Vendor Fair

The Christmas Market Craft & Vendor Fair will take place at Crossroads Christian School on Saturday, December 10 in our cafeteria from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Spaces are 6' x 9', are first-come, first-served, and are limited (\$60 for one; \$110 for two). An application is attached to the email about this newsletter. Email Dina Martin at [christmasmarket@ccscolts.org](mailto:christmasmarket@ccscolts.org) for more information. Deliver completed application and fee to school or mail application to Crossroads Christian School, Attn: Dina Martin, PO Box 249, Henderson, NC 27536. We have room for a couple more vendors! A Facebook event has been set up; if you see this event, please share on your Facebook feed to get the word out. Thank you!



## Homecoming Set for January 13



Spirit Week this year is January 9–13, with our Homecoming basketball games planned tentatively for that Friday night, January 13. Info about Spirit Week dress days will be coming soon! Share this date with any alumni you know and come on out to support your Colts!

## Peanut Fundraiser – Back On!

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Our annual Peanut Roasters fundraiser is back on track this year! With \$10 and \$13 options, they make great Christmas gifts. The funds raised from peanut sales directly benefit each student at CCS, as the funds raised by the lower school stay within the lower school, and the funds raised by the upper school students remain with their respective classes. This is typically our most popular fundraiser, and we hope for continued success this year!

Order forms (see the last pages of this newsletter) and payments are due back to Mr. Russell no later than **Friday, December 2**. Make checks payable to **CCS**.

**Questions?** Contact Mandy May at [amay@ccscolts.org](mailto:amay@ccscolts.org) or Ryan Russell at [russell@ccscolts.org](mailto:russell@ccscolts.org).

## Upper School House Standings

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The Upper School is holding their House Competition for the second year. Students have the opportunity to earn points for their houses through school and house spirit, competition days, and daily actions that exemplify loving God with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength and loving others.

Students will continue to earn points throughout the school year and will celebrate the team with the most points as House Cup Champion at an end-of-year banquet.

The House Standings as of Thursday, November 10:

- **Dunamis (blue)** 556 points
- **Akili (green)** 514 points
- **Corazon (red)** 477 points
- **Nephesh (purple)** 457 points

Encourage your students to participate in school and house spirit days and live out their faith consistently and publicly to earn points and help out their houses!



## Lunch Reminders

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All daily purchases need to be made through the use of funds on a student's lunch account. **The CCS cafeteria will NOT allow items to be purchased daily with cash.** Funds need to be placed on account through either online payment or by sending in a check (made payable to CCS) or cash weekly or monthly. **For online payments,** you can use "PayNow" option through FACTS SIS. (Log in as parent, go to Family > Family Home > Family Billing.)

## Morning Car Line Reminders

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**All parents/guardians, K3 and up,** are asked to use the crosswalk whenever you park and cross the street to walk your children to their drop-off point. We know it may take a few extra moments, but it is for the safety of everyone involved. We would greatly appreciate your cooperation with this.

## Veterans Day – November 11

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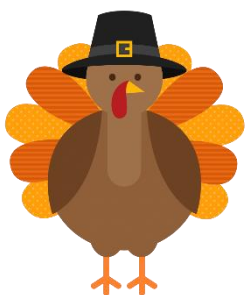
Veterans Day is held in honor of all those who served in the United States Armed Forces and is a federal holiday. This is different from Memorial Day, which honors those who died while serving. Many people fly a US flag on this day to show their patriotism and support for the armed services. At 11:00 a.m. a moment of silence is observed to remember those who served. -- [https://www.ducksters.com/holidays/veterans\\_day.php](https://www.ducksters.com/holidays/veterans_day.php)

Our seniors read the names aloud of 63 veterans/those serving during the week of Nov. 11 via their morning announcements (a portion each day). CCS is proud of those who served!



## Yearbook Theme #5!

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Let's celebrate our 5th photo theme for the 2022-2023 school year:

**Thanksgiving!** We would love to have all your Thanksgiving photos: decorations, tables of food, family, friends, and all the things that make Thanksgiving a joyous holiday. You can upload your Theme 5 photos at [tinyurl.com/ccstheme5](http://tinyurl.com/ccstheme5). Your Crossroads Yearbook staff prays you have a blessed and safe Thanksgiving!

Questions? Contact me at [ssmith@ccscolts.org](mailto:ssmith@ccscolts.org). --- Stephanie Smith

## From the College Counselor

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**CFNC News:** Remember, [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org) has many college planning tools to help you apply to college, choose a major, choose a career, find money for college, etc. If you don't have an account with them, create one soon!

**FAFSA News:** Students and parents can now complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#). The FAFSA application opened October 1. Apply soon! The earlier, the better, as far as funds go!

**Seniors - All the Things OneNote:** Seniors, be sure to check the Seniors - All the Things OneNote that you can access through your Microsoft Office 365 login. Information about graduation, applying to college, college fairs, transcripts, etc. can be found there!

**Sallie Mae Scholarship Search:** Sallie Mae's free [Scholarship Search](#) connects students to scholarship opportunities based on their hobbies and interests. The database now has over 6 million scholarships worth up to \$30 billion in free money for college.

**Appointments:** Anyone needing one-on-one assistance with applying to colleges or planning for college can make an appointment with Mr. Hahn ([jhahn@ccscolts.org](mailto:jhahn@ccscolts.org)).





## Senior Rock 2023

The Class of 2023 finished designing and painting the Senior Rock at the entrance to the car pool line in front of the school. We hope this is a great year for this class!

## Beta Club News (Adviser: Mrs. Newbern)

**'Tis the Season to BE A BLESSING!** Please join CCS Beta Club the week of December 9-15 as we collect **NEW TOYS** to help Henderson Wellness and the Clearview Kindle Toy Chest. Please bring **new toys** to CCS. Please do not wrap the toys. They will be delivered to Clearview on Thursday, December 15.

**World's Finest Chocolate:** Beta Club is selling chocolate bars to raise money for their club activities. Each member has a box of 60 bars to sell at \$1/each and will be selling them until they are gone!



**Campus Cleanup!** On October 26, our Beta Club served our school with a "Campus Cleanup!" Beta Club is leading by serving others and keeping our great campus looking fantastic!

**Vance County Animal Shelter Service Project and Donations:** On Nov. 7, the Beta Club served at the Vance County Animal Shelter, helping with deep cleaning of cages, floors, windows, ceilings, and even doing the dishes. The officers were so grateful for our service. The students provided donations to help stock cleaning supplies, food, and toys for the kittens. We found reward and a blessing by being allowed to exercise the animals.

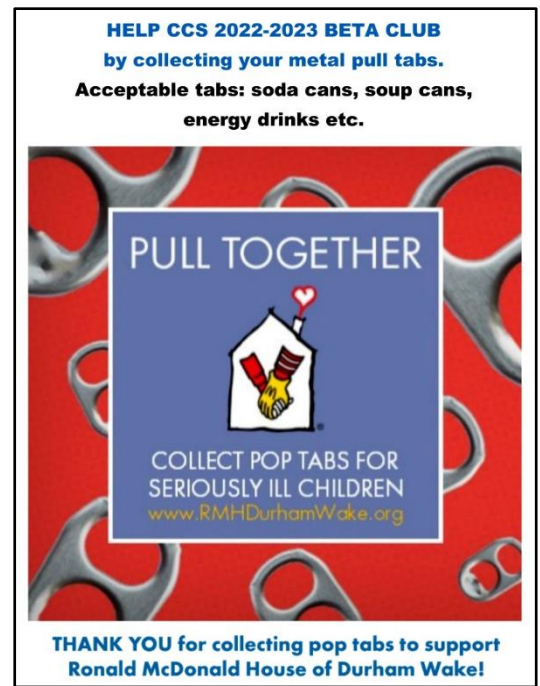


## Snacks

Our Beta Club, NHS, and Student Council are selling breakfast items on a snack cart on Fridays now!

## Pop Tabs

Beta Club is collecting these all year. Students can put them in ZipLoc bags and give them to Mrs. Newbern in the Art room.



## Beta Club Chapter Inductions

Congratulations to our students on their academic achievements. The National Beta Club recognizes academic achievement, promotes character, develops leadership skills, encourages service involvement, and provides technological advantages to students. Membership in the National Beta Club is an honor that is recognized by colleges and employers across the nation.

The 2022 induction ceremony took place in the CCS library on November 16.

JUNIOR BETA CLUB		SENIOR BETA CLUB	
Ben Adcock (7 <sup>th</sup> )	Lela Chapman (8 <sup>th</sup> )	Jackson Anderson (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Caden Paschall (9 <sup>th</sup> )
Julia Fowler (7 <sup>th</sup> )	Chloe Friedrichs (8 <sup>th</sup> )	Addison Barrow (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Tyler Seaman (9 <sup>th</sup> )
Kalany Gutierrez (7 <sup>th</sup> )	Corban Mill (8 <sup>th</sup> )	Anderson Boyd (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Shane Watkins (9 <sup>th</sup> )
Austin Haithcock (7 <sup>th</sup> )		Kasey Gooch (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Gracie Wiggins (9 <sup>th</sup> )
Owen Meeks (7 <sup>th</sup> )		Cason Hilliard (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Leanna Wimsatt (9 <sup>th</sup> )
Jacob Pendergrass (7 <sup>th</sup> )		Rebekah Himes (9 <sup>th</sup> )	Ava Wade (10 <sup>th</sup> )
Alaina Short (7 <sup>th</sup> )		Annah Newman (9 <sup>th</sup> )	
Cristan Sims (7 <sup>th</sup> )			



# Student Council Happenings (Adviser: Mrs. Martin)

**Painted Pumpkin Contest** - THANK YOU to everyone who entered a pumpkin in our first ever Painted Pumpkin Contest! Congratulations to our winners:

## PRE-K - KINDERGARTEN

- First Place: Ashe and Briggs Gill – Dinosaur
- Second Place: Maryanna Steiger – God's Hands
- Third Place: Kayleigh Smiley – Girl's Face

## 1st – 3rd GRADES

### *Anything But a Pumpkin category*

- First Place: Gage Perry – Gumball Machine
- Second Place: Culbree Paschall - Constellations
- Third Place: Levi Endecott – Dinosaur

### *Face category*

- First Place: Macailah Mill
- Second Place: Kiersten Mill

## 4th - 6th GRADES

### *Face category*

- First Place: Hollan Quick
- Second Place: Jackson Pendergrass

## UPPER SCHOOL

### *Anything But a Pumpkin category*

- First Place: Tamara O'Donnell – Oscar the Grouch
- Second Place: Aaron Tippett - Soldier
- Third Place: Haley Edwards – Starry Night

### *Favorite Food category*

- First Place: Cody Paschall – an apple
- Second Place: Caden Paschall – M&M
- Third Place: Sophia Chapman – an apple

### *Cartoon Character category*

- First Place: Hailey Grissom and Abby Taylor – Minions and Gru
- Second Place: Jacob Pendergrass – Kermit the Frog
- Third Place: Pamela Stevenson - MinionG

## TEACHER

- First Place: Mrs. Paschal for her fishing bobber!



A few of our winning pumpkins...

**Pink Out! on Nov. 11** - THANK YOU to all who participated in our annual StuCo Pink Out event to raise money for Lump to Laughter, a Christian support ministry that helps those dealing with breast cancer. We had lots of fun! Here are a few class shots!



## NHS & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Work Together (NHS Adviser: Mrs. Smith)

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In what has become a CCS tradition, the teenagers in our chapter of the National Honor Society work with the first-grade class each year to pack their shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, an internationally reaching ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Since 1993, more than 198 million children in more than 170 countries and territories have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. The project delivers not only the joy of what, for many kids, is their first gift ever, but also gives them a tangible expression of God's love. You can give towards Operation Christmas Child in other ways, too – [check it out on the Samaritan's Purse website.](#)



## Seniors: Graduation Preparation...

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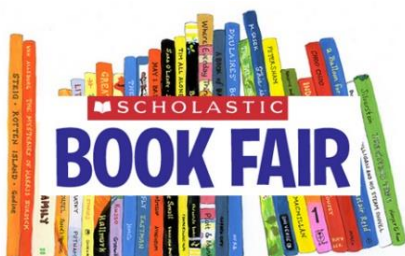
Too early? Not really! Holidays are a perfect time to get out the photo albums with your family and pick out the perfect pictures for the graduation slideshow. In the Seniors – All the Things OneNote are guidelines for the pictures (all seniors have access to this OneNote via their Microsoft Office 365 accounts). In brief, Mrs. Choplin will need 9 pictures (in digital format\* if you can but she can scan hard copies at school) for the special memories slideshow that is shown during the graduation ceremony. These pictures are due to her before spring break (March 27, 2023). All the info is in the OneNote or you can email her with questions at [kchoplin@ccscolts.org](mailto:kchoplin@ccscolts.org).

**Raise your hand  
if your child is  
growing up way  
too fast!!**



## Book Fair Coming!

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Grades K2 through 6th are invited to attend our Scholastic Book Fair in the library December 5 - 10. Library hours: Mon.-Fri. 2:30-4:00 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 10, after 3:00 p.m. Dec. 10 is also the day of the Christmas Market in the cafetorium. Visit our [Book Fair home page](#) to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping.

Questions? Email Mrs. Paschall at [bpaschall@ccscolts.org](mailto:bpaschall@ccscolts.org).

## From the Art Department

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Original Works orders will be here soon, in time for Christmas. Thank you so much for your support of our CCS Art Program!

### Art Festival 2023: Your Opportunity to Shine!

We are looking for 2023 SE District Art Festival judges. You will judge online from the comfort of your own home...or, for my social butterflies, perhaps you'd like to lead a project or workshop on campus on April 14, 2023 (upper school or lower school opportunities available) in photography, drawing, painting, etc. If you are willing to be a part of an amazing event, email me at [anewbern@ccscolts.org](mailto:anewbern@ccscolts.org). I have a spot for you!

– Mrs. Newbern

## Athletic Department

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**Basketball game schedules:** Visit <https://www.maxpreps.com/nc/henderson/crossroads-christian-colts/> and scroll down to the Teams section for your team – schedules will be updated all along as information becomes available.

**Want to support your Colts?** If you would like to become a member of our CCSXPRESS Corporate Partners for Athletics please email our Athletic Director, Scottie Richardson [srichardson@ccscolts.org](mailto:srichardson@ccscolts.org). Corporate banners will hang in the gymnasium for the 2022-2023 school year. Becoming a partner gets you 4 season passes for all home games!

**Guidelines for students attending ballgames:** All lower school students must be either picked up at the end of the school day or attend aftercare—even on game days. No lower school students are allowed to be dismissed to the gym to wait for games to start. They must be picked up and driven around to the back of the building with their parent or another supervising adult, as no childcare or direct supervision is provided at games. We ask that every lower school student be supervised by an adult and never left at a game unattended. Unfortunately, we can no longer accept written permission or phone calls to dismiss lower school students directly to the gym. Due to the increase of our student population, we need to know that all students have been accounted for at the end of the school day during carpool and are turned over to adult supervision for after-school activities. Even though there is school staff in attendance at games, many have other duties during the game or are spectators.

Upper school students need to follow the same guidelines and may not enter the gym prior to 30 minutes before the start of the game. This means that if a game begins at 4:00 p.m., they must wait and enter the gym no earlier than 3:30 p.m.

All students must remain in the gym and concession area during games. No student should be permitted back into the school hallways once they have been dismissed at the end of the day. This is simply a precaution should any type of emergency occur during game times. It is imperative that everyone is where they are supposed to be. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you for making sure all students are able to attend and enjoy our sports' programs safely!

*Our Little Colts were ready for their first pep rally!  
Pictured here with Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Harmon, & Mrs. Ficek*



**JUNIOR COLTS  
Upcoming Games**

Nov. 29 4:30pm  
Jan. 10 4:30pm  
Jan. 13 6:00pm  
Jan. 17 4:00pm  
Jan. 20 6:00pm  
Jan. 24 4:00pm  
Jan. 27 5:30pm

**LITTLE COLTS  
Upcoming Games**

Jan. 13 6:00pm  
Jan. 17 5:15pm  
Jan. 20 6:00pm  
Jan. 27 5:30pm



## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Rocks!

Miss Ficek shares some photos of her 4<sup>th</sup> grade science project as her students study seeds, plants, and their growth cycle!



## Reminder: Health Policy from Student Handbook

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For the well-being and health consideration of all our students and staff, parents are asked to keep home any student with fevers and contagious illnesses. Students need a signed note from the parent or a doctor stating the reason for missing school. You can also email Mrs. Pegram at [bpegam@ccscolts.org](mailto:bpegam@ccscolts.org). Students will have five school days following an absence to provide written documentation to have that absence excused. Documentation is required of all students, even those 18 years old and older.

It is a policy that a student must stay home with:

- **Fever – a temperature 100°F or higher**  
(Students must be fever-free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.)
- **Vomiting**  
(Students are not allowed to return to school for 24 hours after the last vomiting incident.)
- **Flu symptoms**
- **Diarrhea**  
(Students are not allowed to return to school until symptoms are completely gone.)
- **Colored nasal discharge**
- **Persistent cough**
- **Strep throat**  
(Students are not allowed to return to school until they have been on 24 hours of antibiotics.)
- **Pinkeye**  
(Students are not allowed to return to school until they have been on 24 hours of antibiotic eye drops.)
- **Head lice**  
(all lice and eggs removed; must have physician's note)
- **Ringworm on body**  
(treatment for 24 hours; cover with bandage while at school)
- **Ringworm on head**  
(physician's note)
- **Other contagious conditions**  
(for example, chicken pox, impetigo, etc.)
- **Any symptoms specified by the CDC as possible Covid-19 symptoms (fever, cough, loss of taste or smell, etc.).**



## Lower School Christmas Program

Our Lower School Christmas Program will be divided up a little this year because our lower school has grown! What a blessing! Mrs. Jarrell is working with our classes now to get ready.

### Showtimes:

- **K-2<sup>nd</sup>:** Wednesday, Dec. 14 – 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- **3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>:** Thursday, Dec. 15 – 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
- **PreK-3 & Pre-K 4:** Friday, Dec. 16 – 8:30 a.m. (1 showtime only)



## And Last But Not Least...Congratulations!



Mr. Capps sent out word to the faculty on Monday, November 14 that Mrs. Coburn (K3) delivered a healthy 5 lb., 15 oz. baby girl. Our newest little colt's name is Savannah. Mom and baby are doing well! She made it through Pink Out! (Pictured left with Mrs. Wade.)

Happy  
Thanksgiving

A graphic for Thanksgiving featuring the words 'Happy Thanksgiving' in a large, orange, cursive font. To the right of the text is a brown cornucopia overflowing with various autumn produce, including pumpkins, gourds, and leafy vegetables.

## Upcoming Events

<b>November 21-22</b>	Teacher Workdays (School Closed)
<b>November 23-25</b>	Thanksgiving Break (School Closed)
<b>December 5-10</b>	Scholastic Book Fair
<b>December 7</b>	Picture Day: Fall Retakes and Senior Retakes
<b>December 10</b>	Christmas Market (craft fair)
<b>December 12-13</b>	Exam Review
<b>December 14-16</b>	Exams for Upper School (Half-Days)
<b>December 16</b>	Quarter 2 Ends (1/2 Day)
<b>Dec. 19-Jan. 2</b>	<b>Christmas Break</b>
<b>January 3</b>	Quarter 3 Begins
<b>January 9-13</b>	Spirit Week
<b>January 13</b>	Homecoming
<b>January 16</b>	MLK, Jr. Holiday (Closed)
<b>January 25</b>	Picture Day: Kindergarten/Senior Cap & Gown, Winter Sports
<b>Jan. 30-Feb. 10</b>	Map Testing Grades 2-9



**40% OF ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO YOUR SCHOOL!**

10 oz. Gourmet  
Salted Peanuts



10 oz. Chili Lime  
Peanuts



10 oz. Sea Salt &  
Pepper Peanuts



10 oz. Zesty  
Sriracha Peanuts



**\$10.00**

9 oz. Buffalo  
Party Mix



10 oz. Butter  
Toffee Peanuts



10 oz. Chocolate  
Covered Peanuts



**\$13.00**

