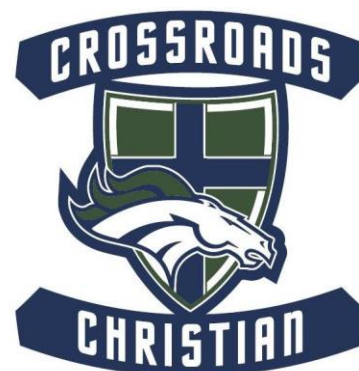


CROSSROADS NEWSLETTER

March 4, 2025



24 The Lord bless you and keep you;
25 the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;
26 the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.
Numbers 6:24-26

Calendar Changes

Mr. Capps sent this information out as an email to CCS families on February 27:

Several calendar changes are the result of the snow days we have had this school year.

- The 3rd quarter will now be extended through **Wednesday, March 12**. Upper school students can expect to have quizzes and tests on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week as they finish the 3rd quarter.
- Additionally, the last three days of the school year, **May 19-21**, will now be full days of school instead of half days.

As long as we do not miss any further days, we do not need to add any days to our calendar or extend the length of our school day to make up time. We appreciate your understanding as we adjust our schedule to accommodate these changes.

The 2024-2025 1-Page List of Dates document has been updated on the school website at <http://ccscolts.org/site/information/calendar/>.

Spring Break!

School is closed the week of March 24-28 for our annual spring break. The weather report currently says mid-60's will be our temps, so not too shabby!



Lunch Reminders



The cafeteria is closed on Thursdays and Fridays every week. Please either order Jersey Mike's or Chick-fil-A by each Monday or make sure you send a packed lunch with your student on those days.

Fast food cannot be brought in for students to pick up from the front office, even on Thursdays and Fridays, per the CCS Student Handbook.

2025-2026 Calendar Approved

The 2025-2026 school calendar has been approved. School will begin on Wednesday, August 13. All calendar updates are available on our school website at this address:

<http://ccscolts.org/site/information/calendar/>.



Valuing Life Diaper Drive 2025



Each February we take some time to share the love and demonstrate our understanding of the value of life through a diaper drive to bless the Vance County Health Department and The Selah Center, a pregnancy help center serving Mecklenburg County, VA and surrounding areas. Both organizations have been very grateful for the past help we have provided.

A big thank you this year to our Colts families for the 17 big boxes and 125 packages of diapers donated for our annual Valuing Life Diaper Drive! (some pictured)



CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL - 2024-2025
YEARBOOK

Yearbooks Sale Ends March 15!

🌸🕒 Don't wait—yearbooks are on sale until **March 15**, and that date is just around the corner! After that, we can't guarantee availability, so make sure to secure your child's keepsake today! Buy yours at tinyurl.com/ccsyear2025.

Questions? Email Mrs. Smith at ssmith@ccscolts.org.

Know a Student with an A?

From an email from Wake Electric in Wake Forest:

At Wake Electric, we believe in shining a spotlight on our members' achievements—especially our youngest members. We're excited to announce our "Give Us An A" program! To honor the hard work of students who have earned at least one "A" (or its equivalent) on their report card, we'll be giving away forty \$25 gift cards through a random drawing of all eligible submissions.

Eligibility

Students in any grade within Durham, Franklin, Granville, Johnston, Nash, Vance, and Wake counties are eligible to apply for Give Us an A. The submitted report card must have at least one "A" in any subject.

Here's how to be considered

Submit a copy of the report card highlighting any "A" via email to communications@wemc.com or mail it to 228 Park Ave., Youngsville, NC 27596. Include parent/guardian names (if applicable), home address, regularly checked email address, school attended, and telephone number.

The next drawing will be held on **May 20** (Drawings occur three times a year). If a student's entry arrives after a deadline, it will automatically be included in the next drawing.

If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to reach out to us at communications@wemc.com. Thank you for letting us share in your family's success!



Welcome to the Newest Colt!



We are thrilled to share that little Hallie Grace Marlowe made her debut on February 28 at 5:52 p.m.! She weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce, and measured 19.5 inches long. Both Hallie and Mrs. Marlowe (one of our K5 teachers) are doing well and are now home.

The Marlowe family is so grateful for your prayers and looks forward to sharing more sweet updates about Hallie in the days ahead.

Key Sites to Help Prepare for Life after High School



Senior year is approaching fast for our Class of 2026, and applying to colleges, learning a trade, joining the military, entering the workforce, taking a gap year, etc. all are among the many choices they will have before them. But why wait until senior year to start preparing? Below are a few key sites that are full of articles and checklists to help anyone in high school begin making plans for after graduation.

College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC): At www.cfnc.org, you will be able to practice for the SAT or ACT, find money for college, apply to any community college, independent college, or UNC-system university in the state of North Carolina, explore many free resources to help you choose a career or a major, and more! If you don't already have an account with them, set it up now and check it out.

O*NET Online – Visit www.onetonline.org to take a career interest survey, explore jobs, and find out about their demand, salary ranges, amount of education or training required for them, and more! You don't have to set up an account to take the career survey, but if you do, it will allow you to save jobs you would like to look at later.

CollegeBoard Career Finder – Visit <https://roadtripnation.com/edu/careerfinder>, where their motto is, "Tell us what you like, and we'll find career paths you'll love."

CollegeBoard BigFuture – This site offers help for planning for life after high school and even rewards steps taken with scholarship opportunities: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>.

Common App – The Common Application website—www.commonapp.org—pulls together over 900 colleges in one place from across the nation, so you set up one account and go through the application process once for as many colleges as you want. Participating colleges and universities then download from your application the information they need (like teacher recommendations or your transcript). You will need an account. They also provide several college planning resources.

FAFSA – Financial aid begins with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, and this website is the source of how-to's and info about deadlines for completing the FAFSA. It also explains how student aid works, how to stay eligible, what types of aid there are and more. You complete the FAFSA each year you are attending college (including community college). In North Carolina, the FAFSA opens each year on October 1, and funds are given out until they run out.

Upcoming ACT Testing for 9th, 10th, and 11th Grades

Our 9th-, 10th-, and 11th-grade students will be taking the ACT assessment on **April 23**. The tests will be online. More information will be sent as we get closer to the test date.

- 9th graders will take the ACT 8/9
- 10th graders will take the ACT 10
- 11th graders will take the ACT

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Hahn at jhahn@ccscolts.org.



CKC Summer Camps 2025

Registration is now open, and camps are filling up! A copy of the registration packet is available on the school website at <http://ccscolts.org/site/summer-camps/>.

CKC summer camps will run from June 2 – July 25 from 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. each day. Closed June 30-July 4.

Open House:

- May 27 (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon & 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- May 28 (8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon & 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

Parents/guardians can pick up their summer camp packets and make payments at Open House.

Please check the [CKC Facebook page](#) for daily/weekly available spots for each week.

For information, contact Katherine Anderson at kanderson@ccscolts.org or call 252-431-1333.



Crossroads Christian School
2025
CKC Summer Camp
June 2-July 25
7:30am-5:30pm
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
KATHERINE ANDERSON
KANDERSON@CCSCOLTS.ORG

Cold-blooded Animals Are Fun!



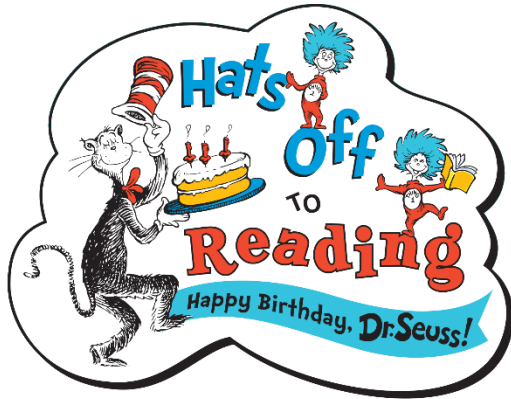
Third grade has been learning about cold-blooded animals, so we've added a class pet. All of third grade also completed a project on a cold-blooded animal of their choice.
– Mrs. Krieg



*Mr. Crabs,
the crawler*



Dr. Seuss Day Celebrations March 4 and 5



K3 - 4th grades are celebrating "Read Across America" week in honor of Dr. Seuss on Tuesday, March 4, and Wednesday, March 5. The National Education Association started this event in 1998 to encourage children and young adults to read. We celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday at this time.

Students will dress as their favorite Dr. Seuss character to celebrate on their scheduled Library Day. CCS National Honor Society students will also be helping on these special days.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Paschall in the Library at bpaschall@ccscolts.org.

Tuesday March 4 Library Classes:

- K3 - Finch
- K4 - Anderson
- K5 - Short
- 1st grade - Gresham
- 2nd grade - Wolfe
- 3rd grade - Krieg
- 4th grade - Hill

Wednesday March 5 Library Classes:

- K3 - Champion
- K4 - Harmon
- K5 - Marlowe
- 1st grade - Bartholomew
- 2nd grade - Brauer
- 3rd grade - Wade

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Paschall in the library at bpaschall@ccscolts.org.

Spring Picture Day - March 19

We will be taking Spring Individual Pictures, Class Group Pictures, and Spring Sports Pictures on Wednesday, March 19.

Individual Pictures – These pictures require no payment up front. You will receive proofs in a couple of weeks after Picture Day with package options for your consideration. Students will be allowed to wear outfits of their choice, but they must follow the CCS Dress Code guidelines which can be found in the CCS Student Handbook on our website at www.ccscolts.org. Please keep modesty in mind as you choose your outfit. Proof must be returned to the school if you choose not to purchase them.



Class Group Pictures - These pictures must be prepaid. The cost is \$10. It is preferred that you order online at www.strawbridge.net (at the website, click on the red box and enter the following code:

FM459670). If you choose to send in the payment, you may send cash or check with the order form. If using cash, you must send the correct amount. Change will not be available. Order forms will be sent home the week of March 10. Checks should be made out to *Strawbridge Studios, Inc.*

Order Pictures
& Yearbooks

Spring Sports Pictures - It is preferred that you order online at www.strawbridge.net (at the website, click on the red box and enter the following code: **FM459669**). Students need to have their entire uniform, including shoes & socks, for the photograph. If you choose to send the payment and order form, please note the following: If paying by cash, please submit the correct amount, as change will not be available. Checks should be made out to *Strawbridge Studios, Inc.* Order forms will be given to athletes the week of March 10.

Please contact Mrs. Beth Pegram at bpegam@ccscolts.org, if you have any questions.

Graduation is Getting Closer!

Mrs. Choplin (kchoplin@ccscolts.org) will need 9 photos from all the seniors for the graduation slideshow by the end of spring break. All the guidelines and how-to's are in your Seniors – All the Things OneNote. If you need help finding the guidelines, ask Mr. Russell or Mr. Hahn to show you. In addition to these photos, families and CCS staff are invited to share any photos of this class throughout the years (field trips, class photos, class parties, etc.) to be used for the graduation pre-show.



CCS Field Day in May!



We are excited to bring field day back to CCS! On Friday, May 9, grades K3- 4th will assemble at Granville Athletic Park in Oxford to compete in field day games.

More information will be provided as we get closer to the date.

Sports News from AD Richardson

End of Basketball Season Results:

- **Varsity Girls Basketball** - NCISAA State Runner-up, MCC Tournament Champions, MCC Regular Season Champions, overall record 19-11
- **Varsity Boys Basketball** - NCISAA State Runner-up, MCC Tournament Champions, MCC Regular Season Champions, overall 14-3
- **JV Boys Basketball** - MCC Tournament Runner-up, overall record 11-4
- **MS Boys Basketball** - MCC Tournament Runner-up, overall record 9-5
- **MS Girls Basketball** - MCC Tournament Champions, MCC Regular Season Champions, overall record 8-3

CONGRATULATIONS to Elyssa Phillips, Leanna Wimsatt, Kobe Edgerton, and Josh Smith on being named NCISAA 1A All-State for the 2024-2025 season! 🙌 🙌 🙌
#COLTure
Photo Credits: Elyssa, Leanna, Josh @devthacreator; Kobe @grahamn0ble



NHS Continues to be in Service

Thirty-four members of our chapter of the National Honor Society collected a bag of trash each from the roadside in front of our school on February 26 as part of the North Carolina Department of Transportation’s program called Adopt-a-Highway.

Adopt-A-Highway has more than 120,000 participants across the state — civic and community groups, including schools, religious, professional and social organizations, as well as individuals and families.

Over the years, NHS has collected hundreds of bags of trash on County Home Road alone, in a never-ending battle against litterbugs! We thank them for all they do in these efforts. The club will have one more pick-up scheduled for the end of April.



Upcoming Events

- March 12** Quarter 3 Ends*
- March 13** Quarter 4 Begins
- March 19** *Picture Day: Spring*
Individuals, Class Groups,
Spring Sports
- March 24-28** Spring Break (School Closed)
- April 18** Good Friday (School Closed)
- April 14-23** Boosterthon/Fun Run (Lower
School)
- April 23** ACT Testing (Grades 9-11)
- April 28-May 9** MAP Testing (Grades K5-8th)
- May 1** National Day of Prayer
- May 3** Junior/Senior Prom
- May 9** Lower School Field Day
- TBA** Upper School Awards Day
- TBA** Sweet Success Celebration for Lower School
Students
- May 17** Senior Graduation (9:30 a.m.)
- May 19-21** FULL Days*
- May 20** Kindergarten Graduation (6:00 p.m.)
- May 21** Q4 Ends (Last Day of School)
- May 26** Memorial Day (Closed)



**Adjustments due to snow days*