



# FIRST GRADE

Academy of Christian Education

# NEWSLETTER

# MAY

# 2019

## Welcome

Well, the Easter Season is upon us! Appropriately, we will begin the month of April with a study of the Resurrection of Jesus and then we will look to the future hope that we have in Him! We certainly have learned a lot over the past several months, but the month of April will have the most to show us so far!

## Bible

This month in Bible, students will be learning stories about David and Jonathan, Elijah and his help to others, Elijah's prayer.

Character traits:

- Friendship, Sharing, Praying

The students will be tested on verses:

- Psalm 23:1-6

Tests will be fill-in the blank/multiple choice format.

## Technology

This month in Technology we will follow a plan to assemble LEGO Mindstorm robots. Students will use motors, sensors, and buttons while building their robot.

*Don't forget to practice typing for 15 minutes each week!*

## History

This month in History, students will learn about the following:

- Abigail Adams
- Martha Washington
- George Washington's presidency
- Review of Declaration of Independence
- Magna Carta (English Civil War, King John, legend of Robin Hood-John as prince)
- Magna Carta and its role in the American Revolution and the Constitution
- American Revolution legal question: English (American) rights vs. King and Parliament's treatment -- legal or illegal?

Test dates:

- 5/14: Write a paragraph: Do you agree with the Patriots or the Loyalists now that you know the whole story? (quiz grade)
- 5/15: Recap on Boston Tea Party: Write a paragraph about whether you think the Boston party was right or not. (quiz grade)
- 5/24: Research project is due (teacher guided and done in class; students will research a Colonial figure and create a presentation). Classroom books and computer

## Upcoming Events

### May 10

Interims Go Home as needed

### May 10

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
*(for non-registered families)*

### May 20-24

ACE Fitness Challenge

### May 27

Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL

### May 27-31

Last Week of Clubs

### May 28 - June 5

ACE Art Fair

### May 31

Casual Day *(students may wear modest, casual clothing to school)*

### June 3-7

Casual clothing for the rest of the school year

### June 4

Used Uniform Sale *(uniform donations gratefully accepted)*

### June 5

Spring Programs and Senior Kindergarten Graduation

### June 7

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

### June 7

End of 4th Quarter

### June 14

Report Cards & Test Scores Mailed Home

### June 17

THE BEST SUMMER CAMP EVER BEGINS!!!

## Music

The First and Second grade combined program will be Wednesday, June 5th at 12:30pm. Mark your calendars!

Please remember, the Spring Program is a mandatory part of your student's grade counting as a test grade. If your student cannot make it to the program for any reason, please let Mrs. Becker know as soon as possible.

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Thank you for sharing your students with me this year! It has been a privilege to teach and explore music with them.

## Science

In Chapter 11, students will observe how things move. We will meet Sir Isaac Newton and learn the laws of motion. While spending some time outside, we will explore different kinds of forces, including friction, gravity, and magnetism. In Chapter 12, students will understand how the body works. We will discuss how food and exercise are needed to keep the following systems healthy: the skeletal, muscular, circulatory, respiratory, and digestive systems.

Test Dates:

- 5/2 – Ch. 10 Test
- 5/16 – Ch. 11 Test
- 5/30 – Ch. 12 Test

## PE / Spanish

This month in PE, students will be working out their Push Ups, Endurance Run, Sit Ups, Shuttle Run and V-Sit and Reach to prepare for the Fitness Challenge! The Fitness Challenge will be May 20-24! We have been working hard but if there is an area you want your child to improve please feel free to do extra practice at home! It's going to be great!!!

In Spanish students will work on their auditory functions to pick out vocabulary words in real live conversations. They will also be learning new vocabulary as well as studying the country of the Dominican Republic! a Spanish speaking country in the Caribbean leaning about its culture and history.

## Art

Our Art Fair is fast approaching therefore every class is trying to finish with their art projects so they can proudly display them on our walls.

As for Art lessons, we will continue to study and understand the elements and principles of design. First grade will learn about movement in design. They will use Keith Haring art for inspiration to show movement in their artwork.

## Math I Grade Level 2

Ms. Kim | Mrs. Francis

This month, we will focus on the math concepts:

- Rounding to the nearest thousand
- Comparing four digit numbers
- Subtract four digit numbers
- Metric units and measurements
- Introduction to division

Test dates:

- 5/1, 5/8, 5/20, 5/29

## Math I Grade Level 3

Mrs. Pashby

This month, we will focus on the math concepts:

- Multiply and Estimate Product to Tens & Hundreds
- Long Division
- 2- & 3- Digit Quotients
- Divide with Money
- Quotients with Remainders
- Decimals & Place Value
- Tenths & Hundredths
- Add & Subtract Decimals

Test dates:

- 5/8 – Ch. 17 Test
- 5/22 – Ch. 18 Test
- 5/29 – Ch. 19 Test

## Language

This month in Language, we will study:

- Continue working/Sharing Research Report
- Review Chapters 1 - 16

Chapter Book: Students will continue reading *Helen Keller*, a novel by Margaret Davidson. *Helen Keller* is the biography of a woman who overcame the handicaps of being blind and deaf.

## STEAM

In May we will be building an Archimedes screw, learning about the science of bubbles and in our groups create our own chain reactions.