

# GRACE GRAPEVINE

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*"Be on your guard, stand firm in the faith."  
1 Corinthians 16:13*

In Bible, the **Kindergarteners** are studying the ministry of Jesus. He was tempted by Satan, but stood firm – using the Word of God. I wish everyone could join us for prayer time each morning. There is such joy hearing them speak to Jesus. I hope we always remember to pray each day for our children, and thank God for helping them guard their hearts.

The **Kindergarteners** celebrated Valentine's Day with a party on Friday. Thank you **Mrs. Menczywor** for helping, and thank you families for giving us the party supplies.

This week we also learned about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We are thankful for our country. Enjoy your President's Day holiday!

Mrs. Tibbitts  
Kindergarten

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*"By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."  
John 13:35*

This week in Bible class, **First Graders** learned how King Saul's son, Jonathan, warned David to flee to safety and remained a true friend even if it meant giving up the throne to David. Just as God protected David when he had to escape from wicked Saul, God will protect us as we serve and follow Him.

In Heritage class, we had fun being archaeologists taking turns digging in our own "excavation" site for artifacts. We learned how artifacts (man-made objects from the past) tell us how people lived long ago.

For a Creative Writing assignment, **First graders** wrote some wonderful poems "from the heart". Here are some guaranteed to make you smile:

My gift of love,  
For all to see,  
Are chocolates and cards,  
And hugs from me.  
By, **Amy Uscinski**

My gift of love,  
Is to have you come over.  
I will run over to hug you;  
I will give a cookie and a drink.  
What do you think?  
By, **Sarah Litman**

My gift of love,  
Is from Jesus above;  
I love to praise the Lord,  
With the songs that I sing.  
My love from Jesus  
Is better than anything.  
By, **Olivia Bourque**

My gift of love,  
I give you from my heart;  
For I know it is smart  
To share God's love,  
Sent from above.  
By, **Paul Connolly**

Thanks to all who contributed to our fantastic Valentine party and to **Mrs. Connolly** for coordinating it and making it so special. Grace Christian School has the best parents. Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Mrs. Warren  
First Grade

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*"I am not ashamed of the Gospel because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes..."  
Romans 1:16*

This week in Bible, the **Second Graders** will continue their look at the life of Daniel. He shows great courage when standing up to the king. We learn what it means to be bold in proclaiming the Gospel.

In Arithmetic, we will learn our first two multiplication families. We will finish our History book by looking at the patriotic songs from our past history.

A great big THANK YOU to **Mrs. Jennings** for planning our Valentine's party and to all who sent in goodies. We had a great time! Happy Valentine's Day!

Miss Ohlin  
Second Grade

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*"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies'."  
John 11:25*

In Bible this week the **Third Graders** learned that Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead to show the glory of God before His own resurrection and to give testimony that He had been sent from God. We also had some fun discussions about heaven!

In English the **Third Graders** have been learning about planning and writing a book report. They finished their first draft this week. In Science the **Third Graders** started work on a diorama of an ocean, forest, desert, or pond environment.

The combined **Third and Fourth Grade** Valentine party was a lot of fun with yummy ice cream sundaes! Thank you, **Mrs. Tibbitts** and **Mrs. Caron** for all your work to make it a memorable time for the children! Thank you, **parents**, for your food contributions!

Mrs. Green  
Third Grade

*“But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” 1 John 1:7-9*

In Bible class this week, the **Fourth Graders** learned the story of Peter’s denial of Christ. Even though Peter sinned, Jesus forgave him when he repented. We can always be assured that God will forgive us of our sin when we are truly repentant.

In **Fourth Grade** Health class, we have finished our chapter on the respiratory system and are beginning the chapter on our teeth & dental health. We will learn how to brush and floss properly so we can keep our smiles white and beautiful!

Many thanks to our **Third and Fourth Grade** room mothers, **Mrs. Caron and Mrs. Tibbitts** for organizing our terrific Valentine’s party!

God is love! The **Fourth Grade** wishes you a very Love-filled, Jesus-filled Valentine’s Day!

Mrs. Carlson  
Fourth Grade

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*“If the Lord delights in a man’s way, he makes his step firm; though he stumbles, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with His hand.” Psalm 37:23-24*

In **Fifth/Sixth Grade** Bible class, we continue to study the judges raised up in Israel. We learned that Gideon was fearful at first when God chose him to lead Israel against the Midianites, but his faith helped him through. We need to remember as our memory verse suggested “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.”

The **Fifth Graders** will soon use their creative writing skills to write a narrative about a memorable experience in Language. The **Sixth Grade** Language class is wrapping up a unit on reference materials and will soon write their own research paper. They will choose a place to study and write about.

The **Fifth Graders** have begun a weather unit in Science and will soon be observing the weather and the clouds. In the **Sixth Grade** Science class, we are beginning the last chapter in the book which is about Matter and Chemistry. We enjoyed our trip to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium. When we watched “The Dawn of the Space Age”, we felt like we were in a rocket flying over the surface of the moon. We saw the beginning of the Space Age by observing the launching of Sputnik 1 and saw different parts of the International Space Station, the lunar moon walk and even heard the voice of an astronaut quoting Genesis 1 as he orbited the moon.

In the **Fifth Grade** History class, we are enjoying a study of Rome. In the **Sixth Grade** History class, we are finishing our look at the Civil War and will be learning about the settlement of the Western Frontiers.

Happy Valentine’s Day and thank you to all the parents who have been sending in items for our parties and also for chaperoning our field trips.

“Star student of the week”: \* **Austin Buda** \*

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney  
Fifth/Sixth Grade

## On The Grapevine

**CHAPEL:** You are invited to join us from 8:45-9:30 a.m. each Friday morning for Chapel. **Mrs. Busch** will lead Chapel with our music director, **Mrs. Zibby Robinson** leading the singing and **Mrs. Colette Hatch** as our piano player. Parents and friends are always welcome to attend!

2/20 Pastor Mike Sacco

3/6 Kathy DeFilippo

3/13 Pastor John Ritter

3/20 Cindy Morin

3/27 Anoli Bragdon

**DO-THE-RIGHT-THING-COURT** *Congratulations* to those found “guilty” in court today.

<b>Olivia Bourque</b>	<b>Gr. 1</b>	<b>Paul Connolly</b>	<b>Gr. 1</b>
<b>Sarah Litman</b>	<b>Gr. 1</b>	<b>Jordan Petrocelli</b>	<b>Gr. 2</b>

## Calendar of Events

2/16 **No School – President’s Day**

2/20 Progress Reports Home

2/23-27 **No School – Winter Vacation**

3/4 Jeans-N-Sneaker Day

## P.E. Reminder

Skiing has finished, therefore starting next week P.E. is back to Thursdays. Please be sure your student wears their P.E. clothes on Thursday and Chapel Dress on Friday.

## Magazine Drive

Our Annual Magazine Drive is coming up in March. Be sure to be saving your renewals and be thinking of family and friends who may have some as well. More info. will be coming home soon.

## Box Tops and Campbell Soup Labels

Please round up any **Box Tops for Education** and **Campbell Soup Labels** you have and send them in by **Wednesday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>**. We will be sending them in during vacation. Keep saving for the next collection. Thanks for your continued support.



## Our Annual Auction is Coming!

Hold the date! G.C.S. will be having their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Be thinking of what you can donate or possible a business you have contact with. If you are interested in helping out with the planning, organizing or setting up, please call the school office.



## G.C.S. Elementary Registration for 2009/2010

Registration is now open to the public and the Reg. fee is \$150.00 for Grades 1-6. Tell your friends and neighbors that registration for Kindergarten is also currently underway and the Reg. fee is \$100.00. For more information, please call the school office @424-2552.