

GRACE GRAPEVINE

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"We love because He first loved us."

1 John 4:19

We are so thankful for God's love! We are learning some parables in **Kindergarten** Bible class. We like the story and song of the Wise man and the Foolish man.

The **Kindergarteners** enjoy subtracting in Math class. We are also reviewing the penny, dime, nickel and quarter. We like to use real coins.

In Science, we are ending our 2 month unit on animals. It has been fun to learn about all the creatures God made, and how he cares for them.

Enjoy your winter vacation!

Mrs. Tibbitts
Kindergarten

*"But God demonstrates His own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."*

Romans 5:8

This week in Bible class, **First Graders** learned how God took care of all David's needs and protected him from his enemies. Like David, we should remain faithful to God and not return evil for evil, but good for evil, knowing only God has the right to punish.

In honor of George Washington's coming birthday and President's week, we made tri-corner hats and puppets. Then we made patriotic mobiles of two of our favorite presidents who trusted God, George Washington and Abe Lincoln.

In Science class, **First Graders** learned the difference between tame and wild animals and their needs. We enjoyed seeing a film about baby animals. We look forward to a visit by Trudi the miniature schnauzer some nice day soon.

Enjoy a fun, safe vacation!

Mrs. Warren
First Grade

"In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?"

Psalms 56:10-11

In **Second Grade**, we are looking forward to vacation! But when we return, we will finish our study of courage with a final look at Daniel's life. He continues to pray to God even

though it could mean his death. God honors his courage with miraculous protection in the lion's den.

In Arithmetic, we will learn the Roman numerals up to 1,000. We will also learn how to write a journal entry. We have finished our History book and will start our Health book. We will learn about healthy food and what our body needs to stay healthy.

Have a great vacation!

Miss Ohlin
Second Grade

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8

In **Third Grade** Bible this week, we discussed how Christians should be witnesses for Christ everywhere – near or far away. The **Third Graders** learned about Philip who shared about Jesus with an Ethiopian when he was traveling. In conjunction with the lessons, we started reading Escape, a book about a missionary family in Africa.

In Science, the **Third Graders** completed a unit about the different environments and the animals that live in these environments. They finished making a diorama of their favorite environment.

I hope you all have a wonderful winter break. Take some time out to play and relax with your **Third Grader**. They are great kids! It is a privilege and a joy to be their teacher!

Mrs. Green
Third Grade

"But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved."

Ephesians 2:4-5

In Bible class this week, the **Fourth Graders** learned about one of the great foundations of our Christian faith: salvation is by grace alone. We learned that grace is showing love or mercy to someone who doesn't deserve it. We read the story of the thief on the cross as a great example of God's grace demonstrating that salvation is not by any good works. The **Fourth Graders** know that after salvation our good works come from an obedient heart as we love, serve and glorify God; but they do not get us into heaven. How amazing is God's love

that His grace is sufficient!

In **Fourth Grade** Math, we are starting to multiply fractions. In **Fourth Grade** Heritage, we are finishing our unit on the Civil War and learning how the country was re-united.

The **Fourth Graders** are all looking forward to Winter Break! We wish you all safe travel and lots of family fun next week!

Mrs. Carlson
Fourth Grade

“But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before Him.”

1 Corinthians 1:27-29

In **Fifth/Sixth Grade** Bible class, we studied how much grace and love the Lord has for us when we repent and turn from evil ways. We learned this through the story of the Prodigal Son and through God’s continual deliverance of the Israelites during the time of the Judges.

In **Sixth Grade** Language, we have chosen a historic place on which to do a research paper. We read about Stonehenge and how unique and interesting the stones are. Now, we get to write an interesting paper for others to read on places such as Pikes’ Peak, Hiroshima, Pearl Harbor, and the Alamo.

The **Fifth Graders** are now beginning a study on different types of graphs in Math. We’ve made barometers in Science and plan to create simple clouds this week.

In the **Fifth Grade** History Class, we have been learning about Rome. We watched some humorous yet educational films to supplement the textbook. In **Sixth Grade** History, we have been learning about how we gained all the land that makes up the United States. 15 Million dollars went a long way back then!! Also we have learned about many people who gave their lives to protect our land like the men who died at the Alamo.

The **Fifth/Sixth Grade** Store will be opening up after vacation. The kids are excited to start. This year we will be offering corndogs and hotdogs as a lunch option. Thanks in advance for your support!!

Have a great vacation!

“Star student of the week”: * **Rebecca LaValley** *

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney
Fifth/Sixth Grade



Our Annual Auction is Coming!

Hold the date! G.C.S. will be having their 5th Annual Auction on May 15th. 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.

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!

- 3/6 Kathy DeFilippo
- 3/13 Pastor John Ritter
- 3/20 Cindy Morin
- 3/27 Anoli Bragdon

Calendar of Events

- 2/20 Progress Reports Home
- 2/23-27 **No School – Winter Vacation**
- 3/4 Jeans-N-Sneaker Day
- 3/6-7 Prayer Vigil-7:00pm – 7:00 pm
- 3/16-3/20 Spring Fever Week
- 3/24 Last After School Club for 3rd Quarter
- 3/25 Magazine Drive Begins
- 3/30 1st Magazine Collection Day
- 3/31 **No After School Club**
- 4/1 Jeans-n-Sneaker Day
- 4/2 ½ Day of School– Optional Parent/Teacher Conf.
- 4/2 2nd Magazine Collection Day
- 4/6 Last Magazine Collection Day

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.

Spring Fever Week **March 16th – 20th**

- Monday, March 16** *Pajama Day* – Modest attire, slippers, robes, teddy bears etc. are all welcome.
- Tuesday, March 17** *Green Day* – (**School Dress**) Wear green for St. Patrick’s Day.
- Wednesday, March 18** *Hat Day* – (**School Dress**) Wear your favorite, funniest, prettiest or whatever hat.
- Thursday, March 19** *Beach Day* – (**Sneakers required**) Nice summer clothes, modest length. No biker shorts or short shorts allowed. Sunglasses, hat and beach towels are all welcome.
- Friday, March 20** *Patriotic or Twin Day* – (**Chapel Dress**) Wear Red, White and Blue **OR** Dress as twins with a friend.



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.