



The Crusader Connection

September 30, 2009

SECONDARY PARENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

We have had a very disappointing participation rate from our 6th-12th grade students in our Helping Hands fundraiser. This time last year, we had 3,000 more forms turned in by our students. This is due to the fact that only 93 out of the 322 students we have in 6th-12th have turned in forms. That means **229 of our secondary students have not turned in even one form!!** With only 29% of our secondary students participating, we have no hope of reaching our financial goal for this year. We realize times are tough economically, and we are certainly not asking for this money to come out of your pockets. We also recognize the fact that the people you normally send forms too may now be unemployed. Yet with all this being said, we still believe that each student could turn in at least 7 forms for this fundraiser. It may take some more planning and consideration on your behalf to come up with these sponsors, but we believe it can be done. Please help us!! We are doing everything we can to try and keep our tuition rates affordable in these trying times, but in order to do this, we have to raise a designated amount of funds to meet our financial needs and responsibilities. Thank you. **THE DEADLINE FOR ALL HELPING HANDS FORMS IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH.**



WRITERS WORKSHOP

Writer's Workshop for K5 through 7th grade is scheduled for Friday, October 9th. It will take place in the church sanctuary starting at 7:50 and ending at 12:07.

UPCOMING DATES

Oct. 01	Family Library Night K2-K5
Oct. 03	Basketball Yard Sale
Oct. 05	Deadline for Helping Hands Forms
Oct. 08	Football Parent Meeting
Oct. 09	Writers Workshop K5-7th
Oct. 14	PSAT Test (Juniors)
Oct. 15	End of First Nine Weeks
Oct. 15	Storybook Character Day K2-5th
Oct. 15	Reading Showcase Day
Oct. 16	No School / Extended Care Open
Oct. 21	PLAN Testing for Sophomores
Oct. 21	Report Cards Go Home



USED HOMECOMING DRESS SALE

On Saturday, October 3 in the school cafeteria from 9-12 you may bring gently used formal dresses to be sold or come to shop for a used dress. You will need to price your dresses from \$25-\$75 dollars.



3rd ANNUAL YARD SALE AND CAR WASH



The boys and girls basketball teams will be having their 3rd annual Yard Sale and Car Wash on Saturday, October 3, from 7am to 12pm. If you have anything you would like to donate for the Yard Sale, please contact Mr. Duncan or Mr. Fawbush.



CASH 4 CLASSES SCA IS CURRENTLY RUNNING IN 3RD PLACE!

Have you heard about the Cash 4 Classes program?? Simply shop at any of the local Westfield Malls and turn in your receipts to either the concierge desk at the Brandon Mall or to the SCA office to earn points and help SCA win up to \$10,000 for 1st place winner, \$5,000 for 2nd place and \$2,500 for 3rd place. Our school is currently running in 4th place but we are very close 3rd. For more details see the flyer on the SCA website at www.SCAcrusaders.com.

There's also a sweepstakes for a \$1000 shopping spree, with each entry our school earns additional points so be sure to fill out an entry form. Thanks for your support.

Please visit our website @ www.SCAcrusaders.com for additional information.

Lunch

Cost: Preschool \$2.75 K5-5th \$3.50 6-12 \$3.75

10/5-10/9

- **Monday**– Baked Chicken Strips, Whipped Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Fruit, Drink
- **Tuesday**–Loaded Baked Potato, Green Beans, Fruit, Drink
- **Wednesday**– Chicken Parmesan, Parmesan Noodles, Salad , Fruit, Drink
- **Thursday**– Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Fruit, Drink
- **Friday**– Pizza, Chips, Ice Cream, Drink



Also Available Daily, Baked Chicken Strip Wrap, Salad, Ham & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ Uncrustable. All are served with chips, dessert or fruit and a drink

CAR POOL BEING SOUGHT

If you live in the Valrico area or travel thru the Lithia Pinecrest area on the way to school, we have a parent of a high school girl who is looking for a car pool. If you might be interested, please contact Mr. Duncan, and he can get you in contact with them.



MISSIONS TRIP SCHEDULED FOR SPRING BREAK 2010



SCA is offering a mission trip to Jamaica for high school students and interested parents. For more information contact Linda Norton via email @ (lnorton@scacrusaders.com). Plan to attend the information meeting on Thursday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. This trip can be life-changing, so please consider your involvement prayerfully.

8th GRADE BAKE SALE & PECAN SALE



Come prepared! Every Thursday during lunch, 8th graders will have a Bake Sale with cookies, brownies & root beer floats. Also, don't forget to order your pecan's for your holiday baking needs. All orders are due by Oct. 30th. Order forms are available in the front office. Thanks for your support.

SIA VOLUNTEER NEWS

HOMEROOM INFORMATION

By this time you should have received a letter of introduction and a volunteer commitment form from your child's homeroom parent. If you have not received your letter please contact the SIA office at SIA@scacrusaders.com with your name and your child's name/grade so that we can get the information to you. Please return your completed commitment form as soon as possible.

CLASS PICTURES

On October 8th Ritoba Enterprise will be at SCA taking Class Pictures. Please make every effort to have your child at school on this day.

UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

October 8th Class Pictures
November 13th Fall Festival and Auction

CLASS DIRECTORY

If you want your contact information to be in the class directory you must return your completed form to the SCA Office by October 1st. Extra forms are available in the SCA Office.

SCA ATHLETICS

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, October 1
@ Bradenton Christian 7:00

Tuesday, October 6
@ Shorecrest Prep 6:45

Friday, October 9
Citrus Park Christian 6:00

JV VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, October 6
@ Shorecrest Prep 5:30

Friday, October 9
Citrus Park Christian 5:00

MS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, October 1
@ Bradenton Christian 5:30

Tuesday, October 6
@ Shorecrest Prep 4:30

CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, October 3
Don Bishop Invitational
@ Brandon HS
VG-8:00 VB-8:35 JV-9:10



MANDATORY FOOTBALL MEETING FOR PARENTS

On Thursday, October 8, we will be having a mandatory football for meeting for parents of the students who have displayed interest in playing for our team in May. We also would like to invite any parents of younger students who plan to play in the future as well. We will be meeting in the cafeteria at 6:30, and food will be provided. We plan on providing information for where we are currently at financially in regards to the football program and providing parents with other necessary information. Please mark your calendars for this date, so you can be there. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Duncan or Mr. Holmes.

2009 Fall Baseball Schedule

October 1 vs. Riverview
October 5 @Bloomingtondale
October 8 vs. East Bay
October 12 @Brandon
October 19 vs. Strawberry Crest
October 22 vs. Wharton
October 26 @Riverview
October 29 vs. Bloomingtondale

All games are on Monday and Thursday, and all start at 5:00pm



FOOTBALL NEWS

SCA Football is coming soon! Spring Football practice at SCA will begin May 1, 2010. In order to prepare for our inaugural season, there are many team needs for the program. Here is a list of needs for our football program with approximate costs, all checks should be made payable to SCA Football. Any questions please contact Mr. Holmes.

- 5-Man Sled- \$4,200
- Goal Posts- \$2,500
- Goal Post Padding- \$200
- Oklahoma Chute- \$600
- Dial-a-Down Chain Set- \$550
- Sideline Markers- \$237
- Pylons- \$150
- Chain Gang Vests- \$40
- Blocking Shields- \$1,195
- Coaching Platform- \$250
- Kick Off Tees- \$12
- Extra Point Tees- \$6
- Easy Hold Football Holder- \$32
- Helmet Cart- \$300
- Shoulder Pad Rack- \$600
- Kicking Cage- \$135
- Gatorade Coolers- \$272
- Inline Hydration System- \$330
- Field Marking System-\$220
- Football Equipment Cart- \$290
- Commercial Washer/Dryer- \$1,500
- Game Balls- \$250
- Practice Balls- \$280

In addition to these needs, our biggest Capital Needs will be the following:

- Uniforms- \$25,000-\$30,000
- Equipment/Dressing Facility- \$5,000
- Bleachers- \$20,000

NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Christian College Fair

The Seffner Christian Academy College Fair is rapidly approaching! The fair is Tuesday September 29, 2009 from 1:30-4:30 in the SCA gymnasium. This will be a great time to get more information on your colleges of interest and to practice mingling with college recruiters! All students and parents are invited to attend J

SAT and ACT

SAT: Sign up to take the SAT at www.collegeboard.com. Cost: \$45. (Next tests: 10/10, 11/7)

ACT: The writing section is optional; however, you must sign up to take it because colleges require it. Sign up to take the ACT at www.act.org. Cost: \$47 (with writing section) (Next tests: 10/24, 12/12)

SCHOLARSHIPS

<u>SCHOLARSHIP</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>REQUIREMENTS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
Barnes Scholarship/St. Petersburg Times	12	Strong academics, has overcome an obstacle. Apply at www.sptimesfund.org	\$15,000 for 4 years	10/15
Burger King Scholars	12	Minimum 2.5 GPA, work part time (not necessarily at Burger King, community service, financial need (1040 form required); apply at http://www.haveyourwayfoundation.org/ .	Tuition	2/1
Coca Cola Scholarship	12	Academics, service, etc. Apply at www.cocacolascolars.org	\$1,000	10/31
DeBartolo Family Foundation	12	Academic excellence despite financial obstacles; essay; must include copy of tax returns. Applications are in Guidance or apply at www.debartolofamilyfoundation.com	\$10,000-\$20,000 for 4 years	4/2
Prudential Spirit of Community Award	12	Community service. Apply at www.prudential.com/spirit .	Tuition	10/26
Wendy's Heisman Scholarship	11- 12	Seniors; athletes, strong academics, community service. Apply at www.wendysheisman.com .	\$5,000	10/1