



**FAITH**  
CHRISTIAN  
SCHOOL

# Faith Footnotes

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Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will. **Romans 12:2**

September 14, 2009



## 30-DAY FORECAST ~ Mark Your Calendars ~ Future Events



Fri	Sept 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lifetouch School Pictures
Fri	Sept 18 <sup>th</sup>	12:30 Dismissal: Teacher In-Service
Wed	Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Hearing and Vision Screening
Thur	Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>	Prayer Force
Thur	Oct 15 <sup>th</sup>	In-Service - 12:30 Dismissal
Fri	Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Break - No School
Thur	Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Parent/Teacher Conferences - 12:30 Dismissal
Fri	Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent/Teacher Conferences - 12:30 Dismissal

### Hearing and Vision Screening September 23

Per the Dept. of Health Services, a hearing screening must be administered to any student in K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. If you have not provided documentation of hearing/vision results from their physician, they should have this screening done at school. **Please fill out and return the envelope to the school office by Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Screening is also available for students not in the grades listed above.

**SCRIP order this week.** Please have forms turned into the office by 9:00 am Tuesday morning.



### School Pictures



Lifetouch is coming to take pictures **THIS Friday September 18<sup>th</sup>**. Picture packets were included in last weeks folder/envelopes. If you are interested in purchasing pictures please return your order **WITH PAYMENT** on the day of the pictures. All Students must be dressed in uniform on this day. They may wear chapel uniforms or regular uniforms. **No theme T-shirts please.**

Make checks payable to **LIFETOUCH**.

We are in need of two parent volunteers. Any volunteers will receive free pictures for their child.

### Faith Night at the Field

Unfortunately, the Dbacks game fell on a night that made it difficult for many families to attend. This "Faith Night at the Field" will be cancelled, but keep your eyes open, as we may try to do a similar event in the future.

If you sent in a payment, you may stop by the office to pick it up, or you can call the office and ask us to void and/or shred your check.



### Theme T-shirts



I'm sure that by now you have seen this year's theme T-shirt. Anyone interested in ordering a shirt, should fill out the half sheet form included in the Faith Footnotes today and return it to the office by this Friday. Shirts are \$15 each.

## Association Meeting Recap

We are so thankful for all of the parents who attended the first Association Meeting of the school year. The association is made up of the Faith Christian School board, faculty, and parents. For those of you who missed it, here are some of the topics that were discussed:

The school year has gotten off to a great start. We have a great group of students and we can already see that God is doing amazing works in the hearts of these young people. A desire for spiritual growth is stronger in these students than we have seen for many years. The secondary retreat was a wonderful time of fun and fellowship in the beauty of God's creation. The elementary adventure was scheduled to take place the day after the association meeting. (It has since taken place and was an overwhelming success.) The spiritual theme for this year is from Romans 12:2. The students are very excited about the theme t-shirts, and they are also available for purchase for anyone who wishes to buy one.

Faith Christian School has added several gifted teachers to our staff this year to replace key teachers who did not return. Ellen Walker moved to Sierra Vista and Angel Gregg has stepped into a different role on our staff due to the birth of Garin Marshall at the beginning of August.

Faith Christian School has been blessed with several foreign students this year and we are excited about the cultural benefits our students will receive by having them here.

Parent volunteers are valuable to us and we appreciate those who have signed up to assist us this year. We have many ongoing fundraisers during the year which are often spotlighted in the Footnotes. It is very important that our families participate in these fundraisers. We also hope that you will get friends and family involved. Some ongoing fundraisers are Box Tops, SCRIP, Fry's, and Bashas.

We have 2 primary fundraisers each year—The Golf Marathon and the Spring Auction. It is extremely important that every family participates to make them a success. The Golf Marathon is coming up on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Information about the Golf Marathon can be found in the office. You do not need to be a golfer to participate. Information about the Auction will be coming later in the semester.

Faith Christian School is under a lease with First Baptist Church of Mesa that enables us to stay at this facility until 2010, with the option of extending the lease. It has always been the vision of Faith Christian School to have a facility of our own. Although we began a process of looking for and gaining funds for a permanent home last year, God has lead FCS to a new opportunity. His hand has been fully in the workings of a relationship with a new church plant of East Valley Bible Church called Christchurch. Through much prayer and discussion, the Board and Administration feel lead by the Lord to partner with this like-minded church, and we are excited for the ways this will support our goal of discipleship through Christian education. Christchurch is currently in the process of securing a facility at Sossaman and Main St where FCS would relocate for the 2010-2011 school year. The facility was previously a school and will serve as home for the church and school while a permanent facility will be built (estimated 3-5 years). We will announce a tour of the facility later in the school year. A question and answer time took place about this venture. Please contact Mr. Buckingham if you have any questions about this.

Just so you can be aware, some changes may be coming to the Tuition Tax Credit Program in order to remain above reproach in their business dealings. This will most likely come in the form of removing the option to designate a student for donations. All Tuition Tax Credit Companies will most likely make similar changes.

Be encouraged! The sacrifice that you are making for Christian education is of great value—far greater than you may ever know.

Feel free to call the office about any of the topics that were discussed and mark your calendar for the next meeting in the Spring. It will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Theme T-Shirt Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mark the number of shirts you would like to order next to the size you would like. Shirts are \$15 each.

_____	Youth Medium	_____	Adult Large
_____	Youth Large	_____	Adult X-Large
_____	Adult Small	_____	Adult XX-Large
_____	Adult Medium	_____	Adult XXX-Large
Order Total: _____			

Please return this form with payment to the office by Friday, September 18th.

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# Elementary News

**\*Time Change\***



Please note that the Elementary Ceremony will be on Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. This is a time change from the published school calendar.



## **K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Hall of Flame Field Trip Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.**

Students should wear their theme t-shirt and uniform bottoms, and should bring a towel, as they will participate in a water brigade and WILL get wet. They may also wish to bring a change of uniform. Please apply sunblock before your child arrives at school. The group will leave at 10:45 and will have lunch at a park near the museum. Students must bring a sack lunch and a water bottle. The group will return by 3:00.

### **Drivers are Needed!**

Because the secondary students will also be taking a field trip this day, we have been unable to find another driver for the bus. We are looking for parents with larger vehicles who are willing to help transport students to and from the Hall of Flame. If you are willing to drive and would like to chaperone, please call the office ASAP. The cost for chaperones will be \$6.



A BIG THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO HELPED MAKE THE ELEMENTARY ADVENTURE SUCH A SUCCESS.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CAME AT 7:30 TO SET UP, SENT YUMMY GOODIES, AND SUPERVISED THE DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES.

THE KIDS HAD A BLAST, AND I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

MRS. BORTA

## **3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Bible Book Club**

Two of our parents will be heading up a book club for the girls in the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade class. Please see the notice in the envelope today for more information.

## **Elementary Academic Calendar**

### **This Week:**

**Tues., 9/15**  
5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> – Math

**Wed., 9/16**  
1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> - Math  
5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> - History

**Thur., 9/17**  
3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> - Bible

**Fri., 9/18**  
3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> – Math



Please check your child's folder for all testing information.

# Junior High and High School News

## 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

Play: *Comedy of Errors*.

Date: Friday, Sept. 25

Time: 9:00-12:45

Cost: \$10

Dress: Chapel dress or something more formal. Ladies must consider modesty.

**Please send in your money this week, as the school has already submitted payment.**



Shakespeare

## 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

Date: Friday, Sept. 25

Time: 9:00-12:15

Cost: \$15

Location: Chase Field  
Uniform dress required.

The student will receive 2 tickets to the Diamondbacks game that evening.

**Please send in your money this week, as the school has already submitted payment.**

## Wild West Field Trip

If you were not in attendance at the meeting, a flyer has been enclosed detailing the spring trip. Please contact Mrs. Smith with any questions and watch for more information as it becomes available.

Sophomores and Juniors  
Please read the enclosed information about the PSAT and the PSAT class.

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Tests This Week

### **Tuesday**

7/8 History

9/10 American History

11 US Government

7/8 English

### **Thursday**

9/10 English

# Sports Extra



## Girls' Volleyball

### THIS WEEK:

**Mon., Sept 14 4:30 pm vs Redeemer**  
**Home @ 1<sup>st</sup> First United Methodist Church, 15 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Mesa**

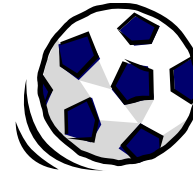
### **Directions:**

Take Brown Rd. west to Val Vista, Val Vista south to Main, Main west to Center. Center south to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. The church will be on the corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Center. The gym is at the south end of the property.

Transportation will be provided. Students may be picked up from the game after it is over around 5:30 or back at the school at 6:00. If you pick your child up at the game, please let Coach Thompson know before you leave.

### NEXT WEEK:

**Mon., Sept 21 4:30 vs 91<sup>st</sup> Psalm**  
**Home @ 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Church, 15 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Mesa**



## Boys' Soccer

### THIS WEEK:

**Thur., Sept 17 4:00 pm vs Arrowhead**  
**Away @ Paseo Park, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd., Phoenix**

**Directions:** Take Brown Rd. west to Greenfield, turn right. Take Greenfield to 202 West. Take 101 north, I-17 north. Take Pinnacle Peak exit and turn left. The park is located on the corner of 35<sup>th</sup> and Pinnacle Peak Rd.

Students will be transported to the game. They may be picked up from the game after it is over or back at the school at 7:00.

### NEXT WEEK:

**Mon., Sept 21 4:00 vs 91<sup>st</sup> Psalms**  
**Home @ Hohokam Park in Mesa**

**Fri., Sept 25 4:30 vs Bios**  
**Away @ Freestone Park in Gilbert**



**Show your Falcon spirit!**  
**Attend the games and cheer for the Faith teams!**