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CHAPEL HILL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
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From the Principal's



Christmas Traditions: The Christmas Tree

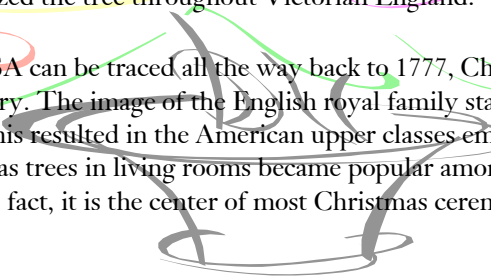
The Christmas tree is a symbol of Christmas. Christmas is about traditions and memories, and symmetric and beautifully decorated Christmas trees are something that the entire family will always value and remember. Every year, between 25 and 30 million Americans celebrate Christmas with Christmas trees, thus, the scent of a freshly cut Christmas tree enlivens the Christmas spirit among most Americans.

In 16th-century Germany, fir trees were decorated both indoors and out with apples, roses, gilded candies, and colored paper. In the Middle Ages, a popular religious play depicted the story of Adam and Eve's expulsion from the Garden of Eden. A fir tree hung with apples was used to symbolize the Garden of Eden -- the Paradise Tree. The play ended with the prophecy of a saviour coming, and so was often performed during the Advent season.

Tradition has it that Protestant reformer Martin Luther first adorned trees with light. While coming home one December evening, the beauty of the stars shining through the branches of a fir inspired him to recreate the effect by placing candles on the branches of a small fir tree inside his home

The Christmas Tree was brought to England by Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert from his native Germany. The famous *Illustrated News* etching in 1848, featuring the Royal Family of Victoria, Albert and their children gathered around a Christmas tree in Windsor Castle, popularized the tree throughout Victorian England.

Although the first Christmas tree in the USA can be traced all the way back to 1777, Christmas trees did not become popular in the USA until the middle of the 18th century. The image of the English royal family standing in front of a Christmas tree was copied and brought to the USA in 1850. This resulted in the American upper classes embracing the Christmas tree. In the following decades, the tradition of Christmas trees in living rooms became popular among the rest of the population. Today, it serves as the family's center of attention. In fact, it is the center of most Christmas ceremonies all over the world.



Spelling Bee Wed., Dec. 3rd

4th Grade 9:05 am
5th Grade 9:45 am
6th Grade 10:30 am

Grand Bee - 9:15 am
Thursday, Dec. 4th

Verse of the Week

My soul glorifies
The Lord, and my
Spirit rejoices in
God my Saviour.



Luke 1:45



Mark Your Calendar

Dec.

3 – Mid-Term II
5 – Mid Terms Go Home
20 - Jan. 2 – Christmas Break

Jan.

5 – School Resumes
19- MLK Day – No School
22- End of 2nd Quarter
23-Records Day – No School
29-Report Cards Go Home
31-Bowl-A-Thon

Lunch Menu

This weeks lunch order is the second in our new two week menu rotation. Selections have changed, so please look over the new menu carefully. The 'Elephant Week' order coming home today will be for the week of Dec. 8th. Orders are due by Thurs. morning at 9:00am.



Our Mission

Building a solid foundation for future generations through quality elementary Christian education.

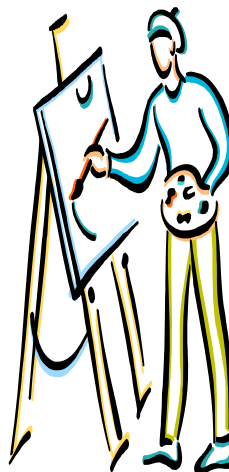
Our Vision

Chapel Hill Christian School, in partnership with the home and church, cultivates a Christ-like character in students through a caring and nurturing staff by providing a quality elementary education that integrates Biblical values and academic excellence.



Special Congratulations For a Job Well Done

During Thanksgiving Break, Mr. Massa and Mr. Wilmington took eight 6th grade boys from CHCS to play in the Hoban High School "Castle Classic Basketball Tournament" for private schools. After only being together for two practices prior to the tournament, our CHCS boy's team went undefeated in 5 games to win 1st Place! Thank you Dominic, Ezra, Michael, Chris, Gabe, Aaron, Nate & Matthew for using the talents God has given you, and thanks also to Mr. Massa and Mr. Wilmington for showing these young men what hard work and working together as a team can accomplish! We're very proud of all of you.



Masterpiece
of the Week

Adam
Hyde
3C

You can view
Adam's
masterpiece
outside the Art
Room Door

Biggest Winner 2009

The CHCS Biggest Winner 2009 is coming your way! The program will be beginning the week we get back from Christmas break. What a great way to start the New Year! The introductory brochure and signup sheet will be coming home this week. If you have more than one member of your family participating, you may pick up more forms in the office – or just make as many copies as you need. Let's make 2009 the healthiest year of your life!



Christmas Shoppe December 9th, 10th & 11th

Something for everyone!!
Gifts ranging in price
from 25¢ to \$5.00



Be sure to check your
child's Lesson Aims this
week for the day their
class will be shopping!!!

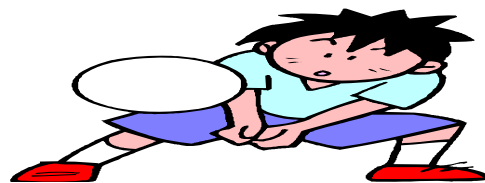
The CVCA Soccer Team will
be speaking in Chapel on
Monday, December 8th.
Parents are always welcome
to attend.

CHCS INTRAMURAL NEWS



BASKETBALL UNIFORMS
ARE PAST DUE. ANY
UNIFORM NOT TURNED
IN BY WED., DEC. 3RD

WILL BE CHARGED.



VOLLEYBALL PERMISSION SLIPS
HAVE BEEN SENT HOME. THEY ARE
DUE BACK BY WED., DECEMBER
10TH. TEAMS WILL BE FORMED
BEFORE CHRISTMAS BREAK WITH
PRACTICES BEGINNING THE FIRST
WEEK OF JANUARY.

Wellness

December Physical Activity Calendars have come home with each student. These calendars are to give ideas of things to do for your student and/or your family. We are encouraging students to pick 3 activities per week. Don't forget to initial each activity they try. You can also still turn in your signed November calendar.

There are three different levels of calendars, early childhood, elementary, and secondary. Extra copies are available in the Information Racks located in the school foyer.



Christmas Chapel
will be Friday,
December 19th at
9:30 am.

Volunteer Needed

We are needing someone to oversee our Market Day Program beginning with the January order. If you are available, interested, or would like more information, please contact Caren at 330.929.1901, ext. 25.

Please remember to put your child's name on all items of clothing. With so many sweatshirts and jackets looking alike, this will help alleviate confusion. Thank you!

Lost Coat

On November 18th, someone mistakenly picked up a Girls ¾ length, size 10-12, black coat with red and gold stripes on the sleeves. Please check your student's coat to make sure you did not pick up the wrong coat in error. Thank you.



We would like to sincerely thank our friends at Anderson Graphics for their generosity and willingness to go the extra mile!

