And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints. - I Thessalonians 3:12-13

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# Cornerstone Christian School



# Pre- K, Elementary & Middle School

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## Administrator's News

By Mrs. Schrag, CCS Superintendent

We are all familiar with the story of the Israelites as they approached the Promised Land and Moses commissioned the twelve spies to serve in reconnaissance and exploration of the land. They traveled the length and breadth of the land, documenting the soil and agriculture of this land, taking note of the cities and their people, and came back with this report-

At the end of forty days they returned from spying out the land. And they came to Moses and Aaron and to all the congregation of the people of Israel in the wilderness of Paran, at Kadesh. They brought back word to them and to all the congregation, and showed them the fruit of the land. And they told him, "We came to the land to which you sent us. It flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. However, the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very large. And besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there. Number 13:25-28 The land was exceedingly good, just as the Lord had promised, overflowing with abundance. And the very next sentence alters the direction of the conversation. "However, the people who dwell in the land are strong, and the cities are fortified and very large. And besides, we saw the descendants of Anak there." And in this one word, "However", the peoples' greatest fears were being realized. Losing their perspective, the Israelites were caught up in the fear of the moment, forgetting what they knew about God's character, forgetting the

abundance of the land and His promises that were given to Abraham over 430 years ago, they turned on Joshua and Caleb even threatening to kill them.

Joshua and Caleb tried to persuade the people, urging them to remember the Lord's promises, pleading with them not to rebel against the Lord. And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes and said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, "The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceedingly good land. If the Lord delights in us, He will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey. Only do not rebel against the LORD. Numbers 14:6-9a

With remarkable miracles, God had led the Israelites out of slavery, through the desolate desert and up to the very edge of the Promised Land. He had guided them, protected them, fed them, and fulfilled every promise. Could they not be faithful to their God? Could they not remember His promises? Could they not trust the Lord? (Continued on page 2)

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Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not fear the people of the land. Their protection is removed from them, **and the Lord is** with us; do not fear them. Numbers 14:9

So what "howevers" are in your life? What "descendants of Anak" Are towering over you? Overshadowing the Lord's promises, His plans and His purposes?

Do not be as the Israelites on the borders of the Promised Land, refusing to move forward in faith. Be encouraged and be brave. *The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Psalm 46:11* 

### **Events & Info**



### **CCS Book Fair**

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Pre-K – MS Campus Don't miss it.

### **PTF Meeting**

Monday, Nov. 6, 7:00 PM At the Pre-K – MS Campus

### MS-HS 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Cornerstone Music Exhibition

Thursday, November 9, 6:30 PM At Avery Presbyterian Church, 1910 Avery Rd E, Bellevue, NE 68005

### Thanksgiving Break - No School

Wednesday, November 22 - Friday, November 24

# Senior Trip Fundraiser Pancake Feeeeeeeeed with the Pancake Man - pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 - 7:30 PM Pre-K - 8<sup>th</sup> Campus

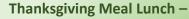
### **High School Orientation -**

You are invited to join us for an evening of information and fellowship. This evening will be an introduction to the CCS High School program. Our teachers will share what your student can expect for high school and answer questions about this important chapter in your student's life. Some topics include: daily schedules, graduation requirements, homework, college and career readiness, missions trips, clubs and activities, and athletics.

- When: Monday, November 13, 2017
- Where: High School campus, 16405 Clay Street
- Refreshments: 6:30 pm
- Presentations and Q & A: 7:00 pm

This event is for both parents and students with a focus for families of an eighth grade student.

Please RSVP by November 9 to the school office (402) 291-2260 or (402) 292-1030.



November 15<sup>th</sup>

Our tradition has been to serve a Thanksgiving meal for lunch on the Wednesday prior to the week of Thanksgiving. All students will be served a meal and one milk. We also have a menu for students with special dietary needs. Look for more information on how you can participate in this much anticipated







3rd Grade Science Experiment - Photos shared by Mrs. Anna Keeney





Third Grade Friends at Recess – Photos shared by Mrs. Anna Keeney





### **Miss Lexi Dick**

Miss Lexi Dick is our Staff Spotlight for November. Lexi grew up on her parents' farm just outside of Munich, North Dakota, and lived there for 18 years. She is the middle child of three. She has an older sister, Logan, and a younger brother, Wyatt. Lexi is proud to say she became an aunt to a little girl in February.





Lexi attended college at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She student taught first grade and preschool and received a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education.

Miss Dick is in her third year of teaching third grade at Cornerstone. She expresses her thoughts about being at Cornerstone this way, "I have really felt God's call to Cornerstone. I learned of my teaching position only a week before graduation in August of 2015. I moved to Omaha within two days after graduation, and I began teaching the following week. I feel so blessed to be working with such great teachers and at a wonderful school! Teaching with two of my uncles, Greg Friesen and Allen Hubert, is fun, too!"

**Fun Tidbits**: Some of her favorite activities are painting, biking, and spending time with family and friends. Growing up, her family was into extreme sports: wakeboarding, wake surfing, and dirt biking. Her family got into dirt biking in her early teen years, and they have a dirt bike track on the farm.

**Favorite scripture verse**: "Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus." - Philippians 3:12

### **Cornerstone Alumni Are Working for the School**



Miss Abby works as a kindergarten para every Wednesday afternoon in Mrs. Veentra's classroom.



Miss Lacey works in Cougar Care every day.

# Cornerstone Christian High School Did You Know?

- CCS graduates have been offered
   \$1.3 million in college
   scholarships.
- Two high school students, Akela Dramse and Jordan Strong, were selected for the NSAA All-State Chorus, 2017.
- CCS offers six varsity sports for boys and girls - volleyball, football, cross country, basketball, track, and soccer in addition to Spirit Squad (cheer and dance) and Winter Guard
- CCS offers clubs/activities including Archery Club, worship team, PULSE service club, pep band, Quiz Bowl, and National Honor Society.
- The high school faculty has a combined 109 years of teaching experience.





A & B 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Teams – Photo by Mr. Severson



High School Archery Team Practicing their shots – Photo by Mr. Severson



### Needed – Substitute Lunch Help for the High School!

Periodically we need someone to fill in at the high school as a substitute lunch room volunteer. Sometimes we know of this need several days in advance, sometimes it is at the last minute. Please contact me If you would be willing to have your name added to the substitute list.

Thanks so much,

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Cornerstone High School Office

