

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CHRONICLE

And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." Acts 2:38-39

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From the Superintendent's Desk

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Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?"

Matthew 16:24-26

If you have had a ten-minute conversation with Mr. Hood, Ms. Farmer, a CCS teacher, school board member, or myself, you have heard this phrase at least once, "Cornerstone Christian School is a discipleship Christian school, dedicated to bringing the Lord glory through every aspect of our school." One of the school's trademarks is discipleship. Discipleship is at the very core of who we are. It is a responsibility taken up by teachers in the classroom, students in the hallways, coaches at games and practices, families at special events, and administrators in how the school is managed and operated. Discipleship cannot be separated into an add-on program, because it permeates everything we do. Our purpose is to train students to become true disciples of Christ – not just people who have a Christian worldview.

Recently, a friend and I were visiting about what it means to be a disciple, and we decided that a good description would be that a disciple is a mentored, taught, and loved apprentice. Now, this is not a dictionary definition or one you would find in a Bible commentary, but it is one that seems to reflect the heart of God. The word used in the Hebrew texts is talmid and this word emphasizes the relationship between the rabbi, the teacher, and the disciple, the student. A talmid of Jesus' day would give up his entire life in order to be with his teacher and did not only desire to know what the teacher knew, but also wanted to be like the rabbi in every way. It was not enough just to know what the rabbi said, but the goal of any talmid was to become like the rabbi and do what the rabbi did and think as he thought. The disciple would follow his rabbi everywhere, in hopes of becoming just like him. There are even ancient stories that say disciples followed so closely they were covered by the dust of their rabbi's feet.

This is a wonderful description of what I pray is true of each of those in the Cornerstone family, students, teachers, and parents, that we seek to be a reflection of the Rabbi, our teacher, the Lord Jesus Christ, walking so closely that you are covered by the dust of His feet. With this in mind, Jesus's invitation, "Come, follow me" (Mark 1:17) takes back its original meaning. This is your student's potential at Cornerstone Christian School. And in your journey with our Lord Jesus Christ today, may you follow so closely that you are covered by the dust of Jesus's feet.

March

Mar 3	Kindergarten Konnection Noon Dismissal for Kindergarten
Mar 6	Walk-a-thon Kick-off; Blue Day
Mar 10	Third Quarter Ends
Mar 10	Middle School Theme Day
Mar 12	His Legacy Banquet
Mar 13	No School; Teacher & Staff In-service
Mar 14	Middle School Orientation; 7pm
Mar 17	Grades Sent Home
Mar 24	WAT Theme Day; Space

April

Apr 3	PTF General Meeting
Apr 6-10	No School; Easter Break
Apr 7	Midterm
Apr 18	Grades Sent Home
Apr 24 -28	Standardized Testing Week; Grades 4, 6, & 10
Apr 28	Spring Program

Notes from the Front Office:

MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION TUESDAY, MARCH 14th 7PM IN THE RANGE

PLEASE COME JOIN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS AS WE DISCUSS THE ADVENTURE OF MIDDLE SCHOOL. SOME TOPICS DISCUSSED WILL INCLUDE CURRICULUM, HOMEWORK, DAILY SCHEDULE WITH PASSING PERIODS, DRESS CODE, AND ATHLETICS. WE WILL BE SPEAKING ON THE TRANSITION TO MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HOW TO GUIDE YOUR STUDENT DURING THESE IMPORTANT YEARS. THIS EVENT IS FOR PARENTS ONLY AND IS A GREAT TIME TO MEET TEACHERS AND LEARN THE ROUTINES AND EXPECTATIONS OF OUR CCS MIDDLE SCHOOL!



IN LOVING

MEMORY

Leevi Johnson

3rd Grade

*Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid.
The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense;
he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation. Isaiah 12:2-3*

2023 Walk-a-Thon Kick-Off

This year's Walk -a-thon kick-off will be on Monday, March 6th at 2:30 pm with a pep rally complete with music from our band students, cheers from our cheerleaders, and more! Show your Cougar Spirit by dressing in our school colors...the more blue the better.

This is an all-school event, so everyone is invited to join us.

On the evening of Monday, March 6th beginning at 7pm, there will be an all-school parent meeting in the High School Chapel. We will be providing you with all the information you need to have about this year's event, as well as the paperwork that needs to be filled out. Childcare will be provided.

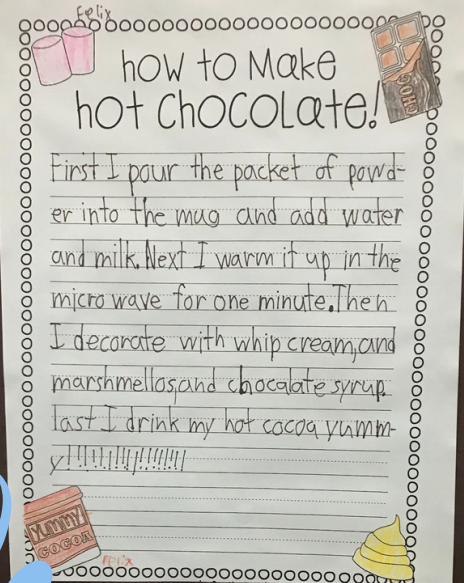
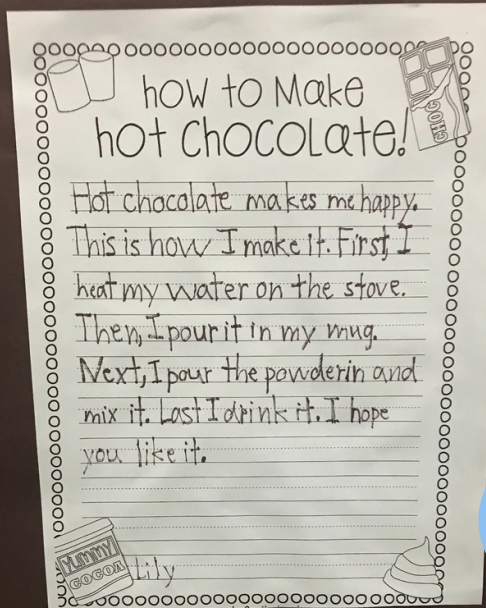


IN THE CLASSROOM



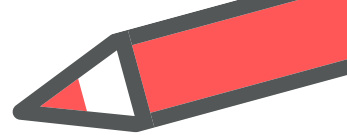
High School Biology students get a hands on experience dissecting worms!

2nd Grade
Students Practice
their handwriting
skills and create
recipes for
hot chocolate.
Here's a couple to
try at home!

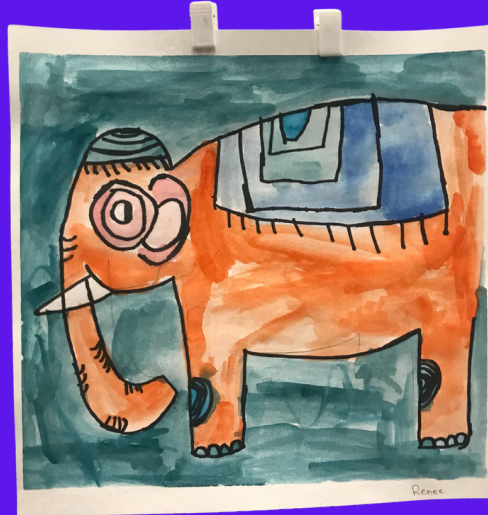


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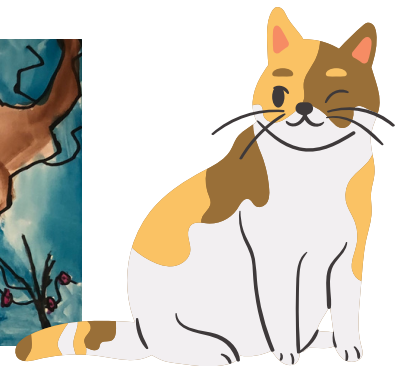




STUDENT GALLERY



Beautiful elephants by our 1st Graders!



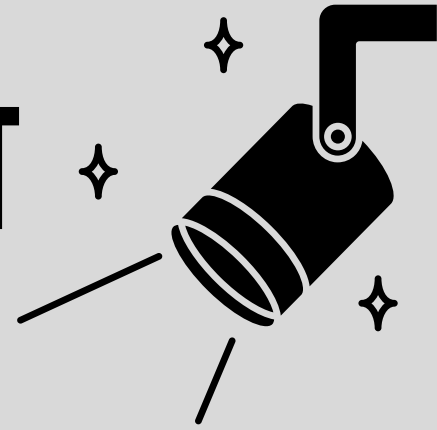
**Colorful cats
created by
2nd Graders!**



CORNERSTONE'S STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Bettes

5th Grade Para



Sara grew up going to church with her family and attending a Christian School where her mom taught 1st grade at. She became a believer at the age of 9 and is so thankful for the reinforcement of Biblical teaching that she received at her school. Sara is grateful for the opportunity for her girls to have something similar.

Mrs. Bettes and her family are native Texans and moved here to Omaha just over two years ago from the Dallas area for her husband's job. Sara and Shawn have been married for almost 20 years and have four fantastic girls. Roey, age 17, is a Junior, Piper is 16 and is a Sophomore, Nora is 10 and in 5th grade and last but not least is Conley, who is 8 and in 2nd grade. Some things about Omaha and living in this area that the Bettes' love are the great friends that they have met, the colder weather and snow!

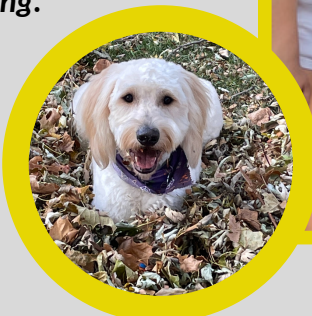
Mrs. Bettes has had a handful of jobs over the years, some of her favorites have been~ home school mom, art teacher, pre-k teacher and kids director at church. Currently, she is working as a Para in 5th grade. This is her first year here at Cornerstone and it has been a great year so far!

Outside of work, Sara loves being a part of her church, Citylight West, going to woman's Bible study, grabbing coffee with friends, working in the yard/outside and driving her kids around to all their activities. The Bettes' also have a Goldendoodle named Ranger who keeps them busy!

Sara's favorite Bible verse:

Isaiah 41:10, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

There have been many times in Sara's life when she's needed to wait patiently for the Lord for an answer or the next step. He has used these words to encourage her in the waiting.





IN FOCUS IN FOCUS



Classroom Valentine Parties!



Winter Formal



State Cheer Champs!



March



Cornerstone Christian School

Educating children to become learners – equipped with Godly character and Biblical Truth

April 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Girls Bball State @Lincoln	3 Girls Bball State @Lincoln Kindergarten Konnection	4 Mini Cheer Clinic 9-11am Girls Bball State @Lincoln
5	6 Walk-a-thon Kick-off	7	8	9	10	11 Boys Bball State @Lincoln
12 Boys Bball State @Lincoln	13 Boys Bball State @Lincoln No School, Teacher & Staff In	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day Track Doane Indoor TBA @Doane	18
19	20	21	22	23 Track Frontier Conf. Indoor @YutanHS	24	25
26	27	28 Track Yutan Relays 3pm @Yutan Girls Tennis 4pm @WoodsTennisCtr	29	30	31	

Girls Tennis Tuesday, March 28th
4pm vs. Lincoln Christian JV
@WoodsTennisCenter

--- All Dates & Times Subject to Change ---

