


# Gap Rap Newsletter

Growing in academic, social, physical and spiritual maturity.

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## STUDENT SABBATH

The students in grades K-3rd will be participating in the SG church service on January 21. Students will need to be at the church by 9:45 dressed in black & white church clothing. Participation is part of your student's music grade. Please let your child's teacher know if they are unable to be there.

## SOCCER SHOTS

The winter season begins on Monday, January 23rd after school dismissal (3:15 pm). Kids aged 5-8 are invited to sign up through Soccer Shots (a link can be found on our website under Students / Sports / Soccer Shots).

## SOFTBALL

Boys and girls, ages 3 years old through high school are invited to register for softball with Collegedale Recreation Association. You have until February 19 to register. The season begins April 16. For more information and to sign up, check out their website at: [www.cdalesoftball.com](http://www.cdalesoftball.com)

## PICTURE RETAKES

For students who missed picture day, were not here 1st semester or who just want a picture retake done, Annette Heck Photography will be back at the school on Thurs, February 23rd. More info to follow regarding students who wish to sign up for retakes. Those who have not yet had their pictures taken will be signed up automatically. Please note that this will also be the day that graduation cap/gown (Kindergarten & 8th grade) pictures are taken as well as group class pictures.

## TALENT SHOW

This year, the Pathfinders will be planning and hosting the Valentine's Banquet & Talent Show. Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 12 at 5:00 pm. Young and old are invited to prepare an act for the talent show! If you would like to participate in the talent show or help in any of the planning or executing of the banquet, please contact Lucia Meeks at 423-605-2002 or Jessica Conine by email at [SGWarriorsPathfinderClub@gmail.com](mailto:SGWarriorsPathfinderClub@gmail.com).

## REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be handed out to parents today during dismissal. If your student is being picked up by someone other than a parent/guardian, you can pick up their report card tomorrow morning at drop-off or we will send it in the mail on Thursday.

## BASKETBALL

GCA is hosting a basketball tournament for the teams who have been playing each other this season. Our boys team will be playing; our girls team will not. The tournament is this Saturday evening, Jan 21, beginning with a worship at 6 pm. In order to cover costs (gym rental, materials and refs), there will be a \$5 per person / \$10 per family admission fee (players and coaches do not need to pay). The address to GCA is 397 Academy Dr SW, Calhoun, GA 30701. Pathfinders who will be attending the lock-in this weekend were talking about possibly going to the tournament as a group to cheer on their friends who are basketball players and also in Pathfinders.

## REMEMBER THIS

### \* Snack Shop

Students can purchase a snack in the front office for \$1. Those without cash will be charged to their hot lunch account.

### \* Jeans & T-shirt Friday

On Fridays, students may wear jeans (without holes/rips) and their school t-shirt/hoodie or a uniform shirt.

### \* Online Payments

You can pay tuition, hot lunch and more online through the link on our website. There is a \$25 minimum for credit/debit cards.

### \* Ukulele/Guitar

Wednesdays & Fridays at 7:30 am in the music room.

### \* Check Grades

Parents can check grades with their FACTS Family Portal login.

### \* Support & Shop



# JANUARY

## Birthdays

TEVITA	JAN 2
CHRISTOPHER B.	JAN 20
RANDY	JAN 31

## CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Jan 18 - Pathfinders Meeting 6:30 pm
- Jan 20-22 - Pathfinder Lock-In
- Jan 21 - Student Sabbath (K-3rd Grades) 9:45 am
- Jan 21 - Basketball Tournament @ GCA 6:00 pm
- Jan 23 - Soccer Shots 3:15 pm
- Feb 12 - Valentine's Banquet/Talent Show

## MORE LIKE JESUS

**"But the moral law, which is to be written in the heart, is the law of love. It is the expression of the very nature of the God of love as interpreted to us in the life and teachings of Christ, who said, "I have kept My Father's commandments." John 15:10. To keep this law is to love as God loves. To the natural heart this is impossible, and so God has promised to give us a new heart: "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you." Ezekiel 36:26. In harmony with this provision is the prayer of David: "Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a steadfast spirit within me." Psalm 51:10. We may call this conversion, or regeneration, or the new birth, or the new creation; but in any case it is the impartation of a new life from God, that life which is love, and is revealed in loving. Those who have this experience are "partakers of the divine nature" (2 Peter 1:4), and that nature is expressed in obedience to the divine law of love.**

**When the principle of love is implanted in the heart, when man is renewed after the image of Him that created him, the new covenant promise is fulfilled, 'I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them.' And if the law is written in the heart, will it not shape the life? ... Here is the true test. If we abide in Christ, if the love of God dwells in us, our feelings, our thoughts, our purposes, our actions, will be in harmony with the will of God as expressed in the precepts of His holy law.**

**And this experience is guaranteed to us by the promise of God, and is provided for us through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of love."**

**-William Warren Prescott, The Saviour of the World, pg. 81, Review & Herald 1929**