


# Gap Rap Newsletter

Growing in academic, social, physical and spiritual maturity.

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## STRAWBERRY FUNDRAISER

Thank you so much for your orders! We reached our goal! The strawberries are set to be delivered during the week of March 7. If you have not paid for your order yet, please do so in the front office as soon as possible! An email will be sent out when strawberries arrive to the school!

## PICTURE DAY

Class & graduation pictures will be taken tomorrow. Our photographer will also get photos of all students who missed the first picture day and those who have signed up for re-takes.

## SOCCER

Girls & boys, 4th - 8th grade are invited to play Soccer with Standifer Gap! Please sign up on our website by clicking Students | Sports | Soccer. There will be a minimal fee of \$30 (to buy uniforms). If this fee would prevent your child from playing, please talk to Mr. Kast. Our first game will be a home game vs OAKS on March 9.

## PROCESSING FEES

Beginning March 1, 2023, there will be a 5% processing fee added to all credit/debit card payments *made in the office* using our credit card machine. To avoid this fee, you may pay by cash/check in the front office or you may use the online payment option (available on our website). If paying online, we encourage you to pay by ACH (entering your bank routing number and account number) rather than by card, since the school still gets charged a hefty fee to process card payments this way as well. You can do your part to help us minimize these payment processing fees by paying with cash/check or using the ACH option online.

## ROUND-UP DAY

Our annual Kindergarten Round-Up Day will be on Monday, March 20, 1 - 3 pm. Current students get to "move up" a grade for the afternoon, while prospective students are invited to come check out the school and see what it's like! This is NOT just for Kindergarteners so get the word out to your friends and family about our school!

## EDUCATION FAIR

Students have been assigned projects to showcase at our upcoming Education Fair on March 7 at 6:30 pm. Join us for a "Cultural Extravaganza" to explore the many different cultures from around the world! For more information about what is expected from your child and their project requirements, you may ask your child's teacher for details as these are projects that are to be done at home.

## COMFORT KITS

The Women's Ministry at SG Church is collecting items to put together "comfort kits" for the American Red Cross and the Homeless Ministry. You can help by donating items! A list has been included in the Gap Rap email sent out and a collection basket is in the school & church foyers.

## STUDENT SUPPORT

Want to know more about the Student Support Services we offer at Standifer Gap? Go to our website, click Students, then Support Services.

## REMEMBER THIS

### \* Yearbook Pictures

Do you have any pictures from field trips, student Sabbaths, or school events that you'd like to share for the yearbook? Send them to Stephanie by email or text (423-653-1557).

### \* Check Grades

Parents can check grades with their FACTS Family Portal login.

### \* Snack Shop

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

### \* Online Payments

You can pay tuition, hot lunch and more online through the link on our website. Please use the ACH (direct debit) option!!

### \* Ukulele/Guitar

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

### \* Support & Shop



# FEBRUARY

## Birthdays

**REGAN**

**JESAIAH**

**JEREMY**

**MAGGIE**

**LOGAN**

**FEB 4**

**FEB 6**

**FEB 6**

**FEB 16**

**FEB 24**

## CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Feb 22 - Pathfinders 6:30 pm
- Feb 23 - Picture Retake Day / Class Photos
- Feb 25 - Student Sabbath - Grades 6-8
- Mar 7 - Education Fair "Cultural Extravaganza"
- Mar 13-17 - Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
- Mar 20 - Kindergarten Round-Up/Move Up Day
- Mar 31 - Agape Feast

## MORE LIKE JESUS

### STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

*at Standifer Gap with Ms. Adams*



Greetings, here is what student support services was involved with this past week at Standifer Gap!

In 1st grade small group we talked about conflict resolution and how we can express our feelings and what we need in different situations using I-messages. These messages look something like "I feel \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_, next time please \_\_\_\_\_."

In 2nd/3rd grade small groups we also discussed conflict resolution and met the problem solving puffer fish. This creature taught us about the importance of resolving conflicts in a positive way and we were able to make a puffer fish flipbook to help us remember to share how we are feeling, listen to one another, make a plan for moving forward, apologize, and move on.

In the 4th/5th grade class lesson we talked about anxiety, what anxiety feels like, and ways that we can help manage anxiety. Some things we discussed were noticing how we are feeling, taking some deep breaths or box breathing, counting down from ten, and using positive self-talk. Some of the positive self-talk examples students came up with were: "You will do great; you can do this", "I've got this; try something new!", and "It's good to try my best; let's work this out".

In the 6th-8th grade class lesson, we talked about what it means to live out kindness. Here is what 6th-8th had to say about living out kindness in their lives: "I will be considerate of others' feelings and not only think of my own", "Spread kindness to everyone, not just one person", and "I can care for others, ask them if they are ok, spend time with them and be kind to them".

Feel free to continue these conversations at home!

*Ms. Bree*