


Gap Rap Newsletter

Growing in academic, social, physical and spiritual maturity.

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YEAR END CONCERT

Tomorrow night, Thursday, May 11th at 7 pm will be our end of year Spring Musical Concert. The students are excited to present, "Be Our Guest." Please make sure students are at the school at 6:45 pm dressed in black and white.

GRADUATIONS

All are welcome to attend our Kindergarten and 8th grade graduation ceremonies. The kindergarten class graduation will be held on Monday, May 15th at 7 pm in the Standifer Gap Church Sanctuary. The 8th grade graduation will be on Wednesday, May 17th at 7 pm, also in the Standifer Gap Church Sanctuary.

RE-ENROLLMENT

Please complete your child's re-enrollment packet and pay the \$100 fee to hold their spot at our school. New applicants are currently being reviewed for acceptance. If you are not returning for the 2023-2024 school year, let us know ASAP so that we can plan.

SKATE PARTY

Our annual end-of-year skate party will be on the last day of school, Friday, May 19th. A permission slip was handed out last week. Please fill out the slip and return it to the front office with payment by next week, **May 10**. Parents and siblings who would like to skate must indicate as such on the paper and pay the admission fee. You can find a copy of the permission slip in the front office or on our website. Families who have contributed 18 or more hours of volunteer time (and logged their time in the book) will not have to pay admission for the skate day! School will begin as normal on May 19, and we will drive over to the roller rink for 10 am. Dismissal will be at noon from the skate place.

AWARDS

On Thursday, May 18 each teacher will be handing out awards to students in their classrooms. This awards ceremony will take place in the afternoon just before dismissal (starting at 2 pm). Parents and grandparents are welcome to attend.

HOT LUNCH

Next week, hot lunch will only be available on Tuesday and Wednesday. There will be no hot lunch Thursday or Friday. Please check with the front office to settle your students' hot lunch account balance. If you owe, please pay ASAP. If you have a credit balance, it will automatically be rolled over to the next school year unless the front office is otherwise informed.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

We are currently accepting applications for a part-time teaching position for English & Social Studies (7th/8th). If you are interested, contact Kent (kkast@gccsda.com).

SUMMER TUTORING

Ron Malloch is a specialist in solving reading, math, and written language difficulties. If you would like your student to be tutored this summer, Ron would be happy to help. Call him at: 423-305-3995 or 423-396-4409. Pick up a card with Ron's info on it from the front office.

REMEMBER THIS

* Volunteer Hours

Please log your volunteer hours in the yellow binder in the front office. Those with 18 **logged** hours will get free admission to our end of year skate party!

* Student Progress

Parents can check grades with their FACTS Family Portal login.

* Card Processing Fee

There will be a 5% fee applied to all card payments made in the front office. We encourage you to make payments by cash, check or ACH (online).

* 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



May & June Birthdays

SUMMER Birthdays

JASMINE	MAY 2
PETER	MAY 5
JAKE	MAY 6
GRANT	MAY 6
JARETH	MAY 14
ISABELLA	MAY 16
ELIZABETH	MAY 18
GERNIK	MAY 18

YOLI	MAY 30
HANNAH	JUNE 11
ALIA	JUNE 28
LENNOX	JULY 3
IAN	JULY 6
ABBI	JULY 21
ISLA	JULY 31

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- May 10 - Pathfinders Mtg 6:30 pm
- May 11 - End of Year Concert 7 pm
- May 15 - Kindergarten Graduation 7 pm
- May 17 - 8th Grade Graduation 7 pm
- May 18 - Awards Ceremony 2 pm
- May 19 - Last Day of School - NOON Dismissal & End of Year Skate Party!

MORE LIKE JESUS

"If you have experienced the courage that comes from unity with Christ, if you have experienced the peace and life-giving warmth of his love in your heart, if you have experienced the enlightening and transforming power of the Spirit, if you are now tender and compassionate in heart, mind and character, then—if you want to make me happy beyond words—be united in love, purpose, motive, method, and constant care and concern for each other. Don't do anything for selfish reasons or seek to promote yourself ahead of others, but in humbleness and love be more concerned for the welfare and good of others than for your own. Each one of you should not only be concerned with your own health and growth, but also work to help others become the healthiest Christians they can be. Your attitude, motives and mindset should be that of Christ Jesus, who, though by his very nature has always been God, did not use his divine power, might, knowledge or other prerogatives to promote himself. But in order to save his creation, he willingly laid all those abilities aside and voluntarily made himself, by comparison, powerless. He made himself as powerless as a slave—a real human being. And after becoming human, he voluntarily humbled himself to perfectly reveal God's character of love, choosing to love at all costs. He wouldn't even use his power to prevent his own death on the cross and thus he overcame selfishness with love! This is why (because his love is without limit) God has exalted him to the highest place in all the universe and has given him a name of recognition and respect above any other, so that at the name of Jesus, every intelligent being—whether in heaven or on earth—will bow in acknowledgement of his true character and worthiness, and every intelligent being will confess that Jesus Christ is truly Lord—the eternal visible expression of God's glory and character. Therefore, my friends, as you have always followed my instructions in applying God's Remedy to your lives when I was with you, it is even more important now, that I am gone, that you continue to apply God's methods to your lives with reverent admiration and humility, because it is God himself working in you to heal, restore and recreate you perfectly in his image, enabling you to understand the truth and empowering you to do what is right—all in perfect harmony with his will." (Philippians 2:1-13, The Remedy)

Jesus came to take away the **FEAR** & **SELFISHNESS** in our hearts, and to heal them to be selfless and loving.



Do you trust Him to heal your heart?