THE PARENT SCOOP

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE PARENT VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION



Quick View:

Early Dismissal - August 18th at 11:30 (LS) and 11:45 (M&US)

Inceptio -August 23rd at 8:15 AM

Back To School Nights:

- Aug 24th (Lower School) - Aug 31st (Upper School)

First Fridays

Prayer Warriors

Lunch Duty



Gearing Up For 2021

We're almost there! Here's a few things new parents might have missed in all the hurry of getting ready for first day of school.

Some Things You Might Have Missed:

- **Inceptio:** In our latin-loving community, our Inceptio ceremony starts the school off right: in prayer and in celebration of our community. More info to come.
- **Hot Lunches:** These begin 9/7 and as long as we have enough volunteers, should continue through the year. More info to come.
- Masks: While you probably didn't miss the announcement about students needing to wear masks on campus unless exempted, you might have missed the need for solid-colored masks. Land's End is a good resource, click <u>here</u>.
- **Send Utensils & Napkins With Lunch:** Please remember to send utensils and napkins with your student's lunch. On days when you're participating in the hot lunches, utensils and napkins will be provided.
- **First Friday:** Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students are paired with their 5th grade or senior "buddies." It's a sweet ceremony to celebrate a Faith Christian School tradition that helps the younger children acclimate to school life. The younger students receive the benefit of a mentor and example, while the older students receive the benefit from developing empathy and leadership skills.
- **Lunch Duty:** If you haven't signed up for Lunch Duty, click <u>here</u>. We are just a few spots away from August being fully covered!



FCS PVO Prayer Warriors

In addition to helping to make sure our students have a FUN experience at Faith Christian School, the PVO Board formed a Prayer Warrior team, cochaired by <u>Saralyn Hamilton</u> and <u>Laura Powell</u>. It meets on Wednesdays after drop-off in either the outdoor chapel or in other locations to be announced. Look for the notices on Facebook and Instagram.

We asked the PVO Prayer Warriors a key question about prayer. Here's their responses:

Q. How do we develop the habit of prayer in our children?

Model Prayer As A Response To Life

As always, modeling what we want our children to do is the best way to teach anything. Children do what they see their parents do. We start by informing our children about things happening in the world (in an ageappropriate manner, such as the recent earthquake in Haiti, floods in India, etc.) and then demonstrate how to take them immediately to God in prayer. This sets a good example of how to pray instead of worry (Phil. 4:6). It also demonstrates our conviction that God is a good God who cares about and is intimately involved in what is happening to humans. Lastly, it also demonstrates that we can and do care about others outside our immediate community.

Encourage Listening As Well As Speaking In Prayer

We also train our children to listen as much as they speak while praying. This training teaches us that prayer is a part of a relationship—a two-way relationship—and that praying what God has said to pray is more effective as a solution than simply praying "at" a problem. This often relies on the instruction of the Holy Spirit bringing to our minds scriptures we've hidden in our hearts. When we listen as well as speak, we often hear how we can become a part of the solution to the problem about which we are praying...a perfect way of being God's hands and feet!

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