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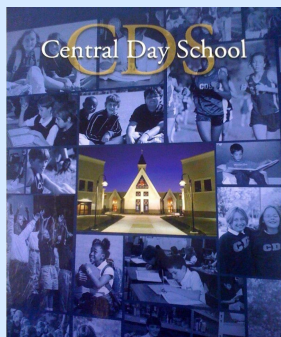


Barnes & Noble Bookfair

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser Event Night Monday, November 21

From November 18 –23, CDS receives a portion of the purchases made on these days when customers use the Central Day School ID number—10601227. You must use this number at the checkout for our school to receive credit. See the flyer in today's Informer or go to centraldayschool.com and click on Book Fair for all the details. Event night is Monday, November 21, and it is one of the highlights of the school year, so plan to be there from 5:30—7:30! All children who sign in on event night or whose parents make a purchase during the sales dates and submit a receipt will earn an out of uniform day! There will be door prizes, games, and more

fun. The new give-away this year is a Nook Simple Touch! Kids can wear their pajamas and have storytime with Mr. Spice at 6:30. Then, enjoy milk and cookies in the café following storytime. The event is a great combo of fun and fellowship! We need friends and family to help our school, too. Ask them to join in the shopping during the Bookfair dates to help CDS reach it's goal. Remember Barnes and Noble has more than books—there are games, movies, cd's, calendars, and great Christmas gift items—something for everyone! Adult supervision is required on event night. See you there!



CDS Yearbooks — Now Purchase On-line at cdsthunder.com

The CDS yearbook is a photographic keepsake of the 2011-2012 school year. It will be approximately 72 full-color pages bound in a custom hard cover. Yearbooks must be ordered and paid for in advance. The school does not always receive extra yearbooks, so don't take any chances or you may miss out! The cost is \$40 per book. The deadline for ordering is Friday, December 9. Yearbooks may be ordered by completing the form sent home last week and returning with payment (cash or checks made payable to CDS). They may also be purchased on-line at cdsthunder.com. Yearbooks purchased after December 9 will be \$50 while supplies last. Yearbooks will be distributed in May. Yearbook ads may be purchased separately. Yearbooks and ads are purchased on separate order forms. If you have any questions about ordering yearbooks, contact Teri Ford at teriford@centraldayschool.com.



KidzCentral This Wednesday Night

Central Day School families are invited to KidzCentral Wednesday, November 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Worship Center. Find out about this month's virtue – gratitude, letting others know you see how they've helped you. Following the KidzCentral program, there will be a Family Fall Celebration with games, activities, and snacks for parents and kids to enjoy. Shockwave and LiveWire will not meet this week. Children should be accompanied by an adult.



Kindergarten Thanksgiving Program

The Kindergarten classes will present their annual Thanksgiving Program this Friday, November 18, in the Worship Center at 2 p.m. Everyone's welcome!



Kindergarten Basketball Registration

Sign-ups are underway for kindergarten basketball. We hope to have enough players to develop one or more coed teams to play in an instructional league with several other area churches. We need lots of parental involvement – coaches and assistant coaches (both moms and dads are welcome). Please consider being a part of your child's team by committing to help. The registration fee is \$100 with a \$15 discount when registering by Wednesday, November 30. Final deadline to register is December 7. Teams will begin playing in January.

The Platform

I was an extremely active child growing up. There was little time in my life spent in front of the TV because there was always a tree to climb, a new trick to try on my bicycle, or some boy in the neighborhood that I had to out run, out hit in a baseball game, or out chase in freeze-tag. In the summer, my favorite activity was jumping off the diving board at the pool where my uncle was the lifeguard. From my earliest memories, I was doing some kind of gymnastics trick anywhere I could find a place to do it. The diving board became my new platform for gymnastics. Because I had little experience and no proper training for doing acrobatics off the diving board, I often got hurt and in trouble with my uncle because of the danger I put myself into. Not only that, I was jeopardizing his job. I sat out of the pool often! This past summer my young grandchildren stayed with me for three weeks. They had lived with us in Birmingham, so they were all accustomed to being with me. As a grandmother, I determined that I was going to take the opportunities seriously to teach my grandchildren about the love of God. A few years ago I began a Bible study with them that we continue to do when they come to visit. It's awesome! When they first arrived this summer, knowing that conflicts would arise between these perfectly precious little children, I began to build a platform of Scripture to spring from when those conflicts did arise.



From the first day, we practiced Scriptures that they already knew, such as Ephesians 6:1 which says, "Children obey your parents (*grandparents, too*) in the Lord" and Proverbs 15:1, "A gentle answer turns away anger". We also practiced the 10 Commandments everyday. Another passage we talked about was 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, which is a great platform for examining hearts to check whether we were acting in an unloving or loving way. During this time, the Lord spoke to me about building a platform or foundation in the Word so that during the times of conflict or other teachable moments, I would have a place to "spring" from. Because I had spent the time teaching and talking with them about these particular passages of Scripture and the blessings that accompany them when they are obeyed, the conversations I had with them during difficult moments had a reference point in their minds. They responded well. The choices are always difficult when caught in the middle of a conflict, but when a platform has been created, the chances of springing from it with accuracy are much greater and more effective. Many errors and injuries occur when trying to spring from a platform where readiness and preparedness are

absent, just like my inexperience in diving and flipping from the diving board resulted in much time spent sitting out in frustration. This does not have to be! Build a platform of truth for yourself. Prepare yourself for the next teachable moment or the next conflict with your child. Know the Scriptures and how to apply them in your relationships whether in your home or outside of your home. There must be a reference point from which you teach your children. Trying to figure it out in the moment will result in failure. Read the Bible EVERYDAY! Begin with a Proverb-a-day. Read them to your children. It will take extra time, so build it into your schedule. The Lord has commanded parents to teach their children. Making time is time obeying the Lord. You will reap the benefits if you do.

Psalm 119:9-11 How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word. With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

Psalm 1:1-3 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper.



Central Day School Is Now on Facebook!

We are passionate about sharing the message of our great Christian school with our families and the community. Check for updates, reminders, and stories of interest to our families. "Like us" and you can help spread the word about CDS! You can find our page at facebook.com/cdsthunder. If you have something interesting to share, email Jennifer Sisson at jennifersisson@centraldayschool.com.



*CDS will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holidays, November 23-27.
Have a blessed Thanksgiving!*