

A monthly newsletter from
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FRESH START AT STUDENT RETREAT

Christiane Anton

PARRISH — On August 16-17, the junior and senior high students were able to lay aside the weight of schoolwork to relax in a two-day school retreat. This year's retreat was held at DaySpring Conference Center. Over



Students enjoyed games, preaching, and delicious food at the Dayspring Conference Center in Parrish.

the course of these two days, students had the chance to contemplate God's role in their lives and to focus on fun, food, and friendship.

students were able to share testimonies of God's work in their lives. Senior Abigail Birney said, "Kids shared their testimonies and you could tell God really moved in their lives."

This year's guest speaker was CCS alumnus Caleb Suttle, youth pastor at Bible Baptist Church. Pastor Suttle had the privilege of bringing God's Word and presenting the message of salvation. After the message,

Pastor Suttle also challenged the students to be Christians whom God can use. "Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me." (Isaiah 6:8)

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Tyler Greenhalgh, junior

Apart from daily teaching, the students were involved in a variety of games such as three-object kickball, line soccer, and--a student favorite--Cat in the Hat. These fun games allowed students to bond with new and returning classmates. Junior Tyler Greenhalgh said, "Pastor Nicholson's games were very exciting and competitive. My favorite game was ultimate football." This year's retreat was a major success in creating lasting friendships and spiritual growth among the students.

CALENDAR of EVENTS

September:

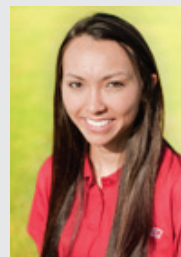
- 3: Labor Day
no classes or daycare
- 6: Picture Day
- 20-21: Band Festival (7-12)
- 21: Band Festival Concert
7:00 p.m.
- 26-28: Teacher Convention
no classes (VPK-12)

October:

- 5: Grandparents' Day
early dismissal
- 7-10: Missions Conference
- 18: End of First Quarter
- 25: Fall Concert (7-12),
7:00 p.m.
- 26: Parent Conferences
3:30-6:00 p.m.
- 29-11/2 High School Festival (7-12)
Greenville, South Carolina

To view the entire calendar, visit the website and click the calendar at the top of the page.

Scientific *DEVELOPMENT*



CCS is thrilled to welcome Mrs. Ruth Ann Babin to our science faculty. Mrs. Babin just completed her bachelor of science degree at Pensacola Christian College. She is

newly married to her husband Jeff and is excited to lend her expertise to our junior high students in mathematics, science, Bible, and physical education. She is also co-sponsor to the junior class. Be sure to say *hello* to Mrs. Babin if you see her and give her a Community welcome. You can send her an encouraging email at rbabin@commbapt.com.

Christiane Anton is a junior honors student at CCS where she has attended since preschool. She and her family attend Bible Baptist Church in Bradenton. She enjoys calligraphy, basketball, and volleyball.



Band Festival

The 2018 **Suncoast Christian Schools Band Festival** is hosted by Providence Christian School in Riverview. Band students in grades seven through twelve will attend the festival on Thursday and Friday, September 20-21. Lunch will be provided both days, and dinner will be provided on Friday before the concert. Family and friends are invited to attend the concert on Friday, September 21, at 7:00 p.m.

More information and directions are available on our website: communitychristianfl.org. Just search for *band festival*.

Teacher Convention

Most of the CCS faculty and staff will attend the **Southeastern Christian School Convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on September 26-28**. There will be no classes for students in K4 through grade twelve on those days.

Our teachers will benefit from training and collaboration with other educators around the region. This is required training for our staff and helps us keep up with our accreditation standards. Please remember to pray for safety as our teachers travel and for a great time of learning and refreshing for them.

Campus Improvements

Campus improvements are ongoing. With covered sidewalks, new fences, and building renovations, visitors can see God's blessing in action at CCS. Pardon our dust as we continue to work to improve our facilities for God's glory!

Security Update

The administration has added **active shooter training to the drill schedule this year**. Staff will instruct students what to do during the drill and will practice with students before the drill actually takes place. Parents with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact the office.

Picture Day

Practice smiling for picture day on Thursday, September 6. Photographers from Strawbridge Studios in Melbourne will be on campus to photograph all students, faculty, and staff.

Meet your Crusaders...

Varsity Soccer



Coach Repholz, Brandon Brooks, Nicholas Dos Santos, Daniel Tran, Carlos Fernandez, Daniel Mendez, Christian Dusenberry, Ben Gullett, Braidon Farrell, Alex Guzman, Colin Farrell, Diego Mendez, Bryce Dowdy, Jacob Brower

Varsity Volleyball



Jackie Saldivar, Jessie Ascencio, Alyssa Zern, Abigail Birney, Lyndi Casto, Coach Sheffield; Makayla Von Borstel, Annalisa Moore, Emily Birney, Anna Tran, Jaela Mazzone

Junior Varsity Volleyball



Amelia McCormack, Amber MacDonald, Bella Hunt, Sarah Tluczek, Cara Hunt, Elaine Yantas, Coach Repholz; Gracie Bollom, Peyton Greenhalgh, Rose Tresca, Nikki Relao, Kaitlyn Sak, Breanna Brooks (manager)

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