

SUMTER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

We thank the Lord for all His provisions and goodness to us and for each family He sends to be a part of this ministry. We appreciate your prayers. School is off to a great start, and our enrollment is 238.

THE PARKING LOT TRAFFIC flow is moving along well. Please remember to stay in your car unless it is parked in a parking space. NEVER leave your car running if you get out. The rows behind the steps at the high school building are not parking spaces. You may park in the spaces on either side of the light poles if you need to leave your car. We appreciate your help with this. The traffic chart that we distributed at Open House has helped. If you need this document, you can get it in the office or from the homepage of our website (www.sumterchristian.org).

THE FIRST PTF MEETING is Thursday, October 22, and will include music from Band 2 (grades 5-6) and Band 3 (grades 7-12). We will induct new members into the American Christian Honor Society. Congratulations to the following inductees this year: Rachael Horne, Taylor Parker, Megan Poythress, Alyson Shelton, Mitchell Herring, and Nicole Jackson. Returning members are Brienne Alsbrooks, Ashley Dannelly, Pam Scales, Kristin Babirad, Natalie Dyson, Kelsey Gainey, Ashley McGranaghan, Stacy McLeod, and Hannah Sealey. The program will last less than an hour, and teachers will be available afterwards to meet with you. Report Cards are issued this day.

THE SECOND QUARTER begins October 19. Parents are reminded that four tardies in a quarter constitute a one-day suspension (or as the handbook stipulates, a \$20 fee in lieu of suspension if the parent so chooses). A letter of notice is sent home when a child accumulates three tardies in one quarter.

PSAT TESTS are administered each year to all tenth and eleventh grade students attending SCS. The date for testing this year is October 14 (during that morning at school). The PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test) will help prepare them for the SAT. The fee for each student is \$15.00. This will be assessed to your account, and you can pay it any time in October. Specific information has been sent home with the sophomores and juniors.

THE ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL will be Friday, November 6, from 6:15-9:00 p.m. This is our thirteenth Fall Festival, and it will surely provide an exciting and fun time for parents and students. Make it a family night, and come support our senior class. All proceeds help them with their expenses for the senior trip in May.

THE COUPON BOOKLET SALE was successful. The students, with your help, raised over \$6,000. The exact amount will be reported in the next newsletter. We have now paid completely for all the new tile floors and carpet in the Rogers and Morgan buildings. We thank the Lord for His provision through you. We appreciate those parents that came every morning during the campaign to collect money and record the sales for all students. We could not have done this without you!

EDLINE continues to be a valuable asset. If you have not activated your account yet, you should take advantage of this service. You can access your child's Progress Report and other academic information online. This will keep you informed regularly of your child's progress, rather than waiting for Progress Reports and Report Cards to be sent home. Your financial statements are also available here.

FINE ARTS There are many areas where students can use their talents and abilities in fine arts (vocal and instrumental music, photography, art, crafts, Bible memory, preaching, recitation, etc.). We want you to be aware of the events available to your child and give you plenty of time for planning and practice. Rules will be sent home soon with those who sign up. The deadline to sign up for any participation is October 9. All deadlines for the various categories are absolute. All three bands will compete in the state competition next spring, and all band students are required to attend. Mr. Rollings, our fine arts director, can assist you with any questions you may have. You may call him at school or email him at finearts@sumterchristian.org. Music selections must be approved and submitted for copies by October 23.

YEARBOOK ads are coming in, and we appreciate your help with this. If you want to advertise your business in the yearbook or place a personal ad for your child, please contact Miss Coombs at school or email her at reelynn.coombs@sumterchristian.org.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION is going well. Please continue to send all Box Tops from General Mills, etc. to your child's teacher or to the office. Mrs. Linda Silvey is our volunteer coordinator for this, and we appreciate her help!

PRIVATE LESSONS are available in piano, brass, and voice. Call the school and ask for Mr. Rollings. The best time to reach him is between 11:40-12:20, or you may email him at steve.rollings@sumterchristian.org.

Coming Soon
FALL FEST
Nov. 6