



August 17, 2005

What's Up at Calvary?

Matriculation Chapel

Calvary Episcopal School extends a warm welcome to forty new students who have joined our school family. Matriculation Chapel is our official enrollment and welcoming of new students. Parents of new students are especially invited to attend this chapel. The chapel, which will be held on Tuesday, August 23, begins at 8:05am. **All CES students are required to wear Dress Uniforms on August 23.**



New Parent Coffee

New parents to CES, the Calvary PTO (CPTO) invites you to join us for a coffee in your honor on Monday, August 22 after chapel. New parents will meet CPTO officers, the director, **Mr. Smith**, the rector, **Fr. Frankie Rodriguez**, learn about volunteer opportunities, and have a chance ask any questions you may have about the school.



Library News

Have you met the new librarian, **Robin Krig**? **Ms. Krig** comes to CES most recently from the Katy school district. She

has been in education for thirty years, many of them as a librarian. She enjoys storytelling, puppetry, and watching children become avid readers!

Because of commitments made before she came to our school, Ms. Krig will be at CES on Monday and Friday only for the first semester. She is in great need of library volunteers! This is your year to get involved and help with the library. She needs no less than ten parents from each grade level to help run the library Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, plus help with the very special projects on the days she is at Calvary. There are even jobs you can do from your home.

Mrs. Krig will need help with Story Time Star, a Kindergarten reading incentive program. She needs volunteers for the book fairs, the Birthday Book Club, and the Bluebonnet and Lone Star competitions. Everyone will want to come and help with the Evening Bed-Time Story Night.

Please consider helping in the library this semester. Call the library volunteer coordinator, **Cae Stell**, at 281-341-7554 or email her at caestell@ev1.net so she can put you in the schedule or set you up to help with those wonderful projects. If you're at school, tell **Ms. Sawicki** to put you on the library list.

Football and Volleyball Time

Our middle school students have been practicing before school even started for the beginning of football and volleyball season. The time has come for the first games! The CES Crusader

volleyball and football teams play next week.



Our first volleyball game will be played on Tuesday, August 23rd. vs. Imani School. Imani School plays their home games at Spike Sports, which is where this

game will be played. The game starts at 4:30pm.

The first Football game of the season is Friday, August 26th vs. Southwest Christian Academy 4pm. All football games will be played at the SWCA field.



We wish the best for a great season for our athletes and **Coaches Wiser and Morris**. (Athletes need to note that no uniforms will be issued without the submission of their physical forms and athletic fees.)

So...What Did You Do With Those Surveys?



In the spring we surveyed parents to get feedback about our school...what was working for you, and more importantly, what we could do better. These surveys, including the

open-ended responses, have been shared with faculty and staff. They have begun writing goals to address issues that had a recurring theme. As these goals are completed, they will be shared with you. We have a commitment to continuous improvement! Thank you for taking the time to express your thoughts on how we can make that happen!

Strike up the Band Program

Speaking of surveys, one of the questions asked was what we could do to make



CES a better place. A number of responses requested a band program. Beginning this fall, students in grades 5-8 may join the band, being taught by **Mr. James Talton**, a veteran of beginning band programs. Band instruction will be on Monday and Tuesday mornings at 7am in the multi-purpose room. Students will be instructed on the flute, trombone, clarinet, trumpet, saxophone or percussion. The monthly band fee is \$50 with a \$50 enrollment fee. Information was handed out to students, but, if it didn't get home, call the school office. There will be a band parent meeting in the solarium on Friday, August 19 at 3pm for any parent who would like additional information.

Middle School Retreats- Date Changes

Sixth and seventh grade students will be on their annual retreat on Wednesday, September 14-Friday, September 16.

Please note that this is a date change from what had been previously reported. Sixth



graders will be at Camp Allen near Navasota, and seventh graders will enjoy The Outdoor School near Marble Falls. Any parent wishing to chaperone is asked to call the school.

St. Thomas Van Ministry

Did you know we have students from Wharton who commute to and from CES every day by van? Thanks to St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Wharton, this ministry provides transportation for eight students each day. We are indebted to St. Thomas for this wonderful ministry and



appreciate all they do for our Wharton students and CES!

Teaching Safety in the Computer Lab

Ms. Fiddes is new to the computer lab, but not new to computers! She worked in the computer business world for many years. She will be teaching all aspects of computer usage, appropriate for the grade and age of the children she teaches.



One important aspect of computer class is computer safety. Ms. Fiddes will be teaching internet etiquette and on-line safety. Speaking of safety, we have been notified by a number of parents who are concerned with the safety issues of products such as "Dust Off" that is used to clean computer CPU's and keyboards. It seems that can it can cause injury and death to anyone who would inhale this product. Parents should be aware of the dangers with their own children, and be assured that we do not have any cleaning supplies out anytime children are in session at school.

Email Addresses...Do We Have Yours?

Our main mode of communication at CES is via email. We send out a number of notices each week, as well as the "What's Up at Calvary?" If you are not receiving emails, please call the office and provide us with a current email address. Our email server was changed this summer. As a result, some addresses that we previously had may have been dropped. So, please let us know if you are not getting our emails.



Tardies and Early Pick Ups

Children who arrive at school after 8am are tardy. They will need to come to the school office to receive a tardy slip, and will then be taken to the chapel. Parents of children who are chronically tardy will be notified. Your help in getting children to

school on time (chapel is part of the required school day) is greatly appreciated.

Parents who need to pick a child up before school is out are required to come to the office and sign him/her out. Parents who pick up their child in the building when the bell rings may meet him/her in the Parish Hall at dismissal rather than in the office or hallways.

LOGOS

LOGOS is the church/school Wednesday evening program for children and families. CES families are invited to the August 28th church-wide lunch for SPLASH DAY after the 11:15 service. The LOGOS staff will provide a simple lunch and talk about LOGOS-what it is about. The Parent Orientation is set for Wednesday August 31 at 6pm. There is a \$10.00 discount for registration before September 1. The first LOGOS session is September 7. Anyone wishing to participate can register for SPLASH Day on line at the LOGOS pages and register children for LOGOS on-line at the LOGOS pages, also by clicking on the LOGOS link from our school home page.

COMING UP AT CALVARY

(Our Official School Calendar can be found on our website at www.ces-richmond.org.)

Friday, August 19-3pm, Band Parent Meeting (Grades 5-8), solarium.

Monday, August 22- New Parent Coffee after chapel, in the Solarium.

Tuesday, August 23- 8:05, Matriculation Chapel; 4:30, Volleyball at Imani School

Tuesday, August 30-7pm, School Board Meeting. (This is a date change from August 23.)