

# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

KINDERGARTEN TO 6TH GRADE

From the Desk of:  
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Family Life Academy



## Upcoming Dates/ Activities

- 12/6 - U of A Nursing students to present a "Health Fair" for our students
- 12/9,10 & 11 - "Festival of Carols"
- 12/13 - School will visit Geico Office to sing Christmas Carols
- 12/15 - FLA Pre-school Christmas program
- 12/19 to 1/2 - Christmas vacation, No school
- 1/3/2012 - "Back to school!"
- 1/19/2012 - Our next Parent/Teacher Fellowship

## Tuition Payments

Please have all tuition bills paid up by the end of December so that we can close out our 2011 records.

## 3rd Quarter Lunches

Lunch and milk order forms, for the 3rd quarter, are being sent home today. The "new" lunches will begin the week of January 9th. Please take note.



December 2011

## Festival of Carols

I have been allowed to offer complimentary tickets to Friday night's (12/9) performance of "Searching for a King." This is Christ Community Church's annual Christmas *Festival of Carols*. Contact me if you would like tickets.



## Merry Christmas

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving!! Now, may your Christmas Season be blessed with love, peace, health and joy! I want to personally wish everyone a Merry Christmas!

## And a Blessed New Year!!



## "Thank You" & AZ Tax Credit

Thank you for all who attended our service on the 20th and letting your kids sing. This was our 1 big push for tax credit funds. The children were wonderful!! I want to take another opportunity to encourage you and your family and friends, to consider contributing to Family Life Academy through a **tax credit** with the State of Arizona. These tax donations directly reduce children's tuition. Tax payers filing as married are eligible to contribute **up to** \$1000 and if you file single or as head of household you are eligible to contribute **up to** \$500. And, this can be in addition to public school tax credit donations. A new law allows you to donate up to April 15, 2012, and it can count towards your 2011 taxes. Please encourage your family and friends to take advantage of our Arizona Tax Credit and save your friends some tax dollars. You can pick up the forms in the school office.

## Health Fair

Connie Miller, Nursing Instructor at the U of A College of Nursing, is bringing some of her students to conduct a "**Health Fair**" for our school, on December 6th. We will cover topics such as personal hygiene, oral/dental health, nutrition and fitness. Lots of fun and learning!!

## Our May 4 Spring Music Program

Dear Parents,

Many of you have been hearing whispers of things to come, namely, the annual musical production which will be on May 4th this year. Through whatever means, information you have received has been only partially true or misunderstood. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to clarify those misgivings and assure you of our quest for excellence.

The term “Talent Show” does not represent the format of the program. A better way to describe this year’s style of production would be as a “variety” or “vaudeville” type show. Each class is taking on their own performance piece AND participating in other whole-school pieces that will showcase many styles of performing arts: vocal and instrumental music, dance, drama, art, comedy, classical, contemporary and so on. All of these things are already in the plans and we will begin rehearsing in January, which has always been the practice for our spring musical.

I did, however, give your children a “heads up” about the talent audition that so many of you have already heard about. The individual talent spots are limited. The purpose of these spots is to provide entertainment while changes (costumes, props, sets, etc...) are being made between acts. A small one or two person act with limited set up and tear-down is a perfect segue between bigger, more labor intensive acts. I explained this to the children so that they can be thinking about what they wanted to do for the audition, emphasizing that there will only be about five or six spots for that kind of performance. We talked about the word “excellence” and what that would look like in a solo performance, what an audition is and what to expect. All children who want to audition for those interim spots are welcome, but it is not the thrust of the production. Every child will participate in more than one part in the production and many will even be “crazy busy.” As is my style, the whole thing will be big and “blingy.”

Around the end of January more information will be coming about the details and how you can help. Any further questions you might have can be directed to me: Louanne Oppel at [louanneoppel@comcast.net](mailto:louanneoppel@comcast.net), or you can text/call me at 834-4777.

In Him,

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Music Teacher, FLA

