

The

Warrior Beat

A NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES, ALUMNI, AND FRIENDS OF NORTHUMBERLAND CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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ORIENTATION

Tuesday, August 23
Kindergarten only—6:15 pm
K through 12—7:00 pm

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Thursday, August 25

NO SCHOOL

Monday, September 5

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Friday, September 30

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*Romans 11:36 For from Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things.
To Him be the glory forever! Amen.*

Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Alumni, and Friends,

“TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING; IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE YOUR PATHS STRAIGHT.” (PROVERBS 3:5-6)

Next week over 200 students and staff will be singing these wonderful words from Proverbs. They express the desire of our hearts for these precious young people. We long to see a generation grow up who trust in God and who see their need of Him, not leaning on their own understanding, but acknowledging Him in ALL their ways. We desire this for their blessing! Indeed, “blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her.... Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her will be blessed.” (Prov. 3:13-18) Please pray with us day by day that God will be at work among us to give to our students and staff a passion for God that will affect everything we do and say. Pray that students will grow in their love and delight in Jesus Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Col. 2:3).

We are excited to welcome all of you to the 40th year of NCS at our **Parent-Student Orientation on Tuesday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m.** We would like as many parents and students as possible to attend the meeting. Important information will be distributed for both parents and students. Parents will receive achievement test scores for their children going into 2nd through 9th grade. Students will receive their class schedules. There will also be time to talk with teachers and to visit with other students and parents.

A **Health History Update** and a **Transportation Form** were sent home with the monthly statements for you to complete and return before or at the August 23 orientation meeting. Any parents of kindergarteners or preschoolers who have not yet turned in their child's immunization records and physical report, **MUST** do so **BEFORE** the first day of school. You must also show the original birth certificate to the office before the first day of school. This is important for us to be in compliance with state laws. There are several other important papers enclosed with your newsletter.

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Parents' Council

WHO ARE THEY?

The NCS Parents' Council is made up of parents who have children currently enrolled in the school and who have been recommended by the teachers and staff to serve in this supportive role. Currently, there are 12 parents serving on the council for a two-year term. They are: Jared Treas (chairman), Grace Brubaker, Bethany Daku-Treas '95, Patty Furman '91, Bill Hudson (vice-chairman & secretary), Josh Knauss '95 (Dir. of Development), Julia Schoepner '84, Dan & Grace Severn, Jeff Ulmer, Jeanie Wesner, and Bonnie York with Doug Wesner '82 serving as the overseeing staff member.

WHAT DO THEY DO?

The NCS Parents' Council is a group of parents who coordinate the various support activities which are essential to the health of the school. Parents are encouraged to contact the Parents' Council to learn of needs and to offer their gifts and time to the ministry of the school. Through the efforts of this group, the staff and parents will more efficiently partner together in attaining our goal of developing in each student a passion for excellence in learning, service, and worship.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

One of the primary ways you can support the teachers, staff, and students is through the many volunteer opportunities available throughout the school year. Such things as publicity, helping at the concessions stands during soccer and basketball seasons, assisting with fundraisers, planning and helping with special events like School Orientation, Teacher Appreciation Day, Grandparents Day, and Field Day are just some of the ways you can be of service at NCS.

Please prayerfully consider how the Lord could use you in this vital part of the ministry here at NCS, and please contact Jared Treas at 490-8786. Thank you!

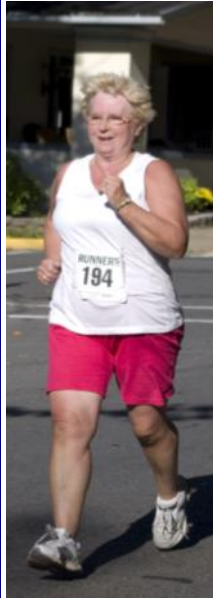
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We look forward to seeing you and your children in the very near future! Do continue to uphold us in prayer. May the Lord give us a wonderful year together, and may He be glorified in all we do!

By His Grace,
Pastor John Rees

5K Fall Fudge Run

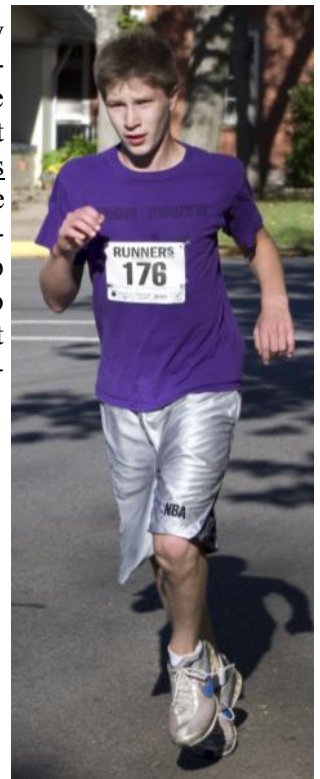
**Saturday
October 8
9:00 AM**



The Third Annual Pineknotted 5K Fall Fudge Run will start at 9:00 am from King Street Park in North-



umberland. The entry fees are \$15 by October 1 or \$20 thereafter. Registration forms can be picked up at the school office or printed out online at www.norrychristian.net. Checks should be made payable to NCS. The first 100 registered runners will receive a free T-shirt and awards will be given to the top male and female runners as well as fudge awarded to the top three competitors in each age group. Contact Race Director, Bethany Daku-Treas '95, at 570-473-9499 or bjoydt@yahoo.com for information.



**Mark your
calendars now to
be part of this
exciting event!**

ATTENTION NCS ALUMNI!

If you are an NCS alumnus, we would love to hear from you and find out what is happening in your life since your graduation. Simply send an email to jak-nauss@norrychristian.net with a brief paragraph and a picture, and perhaps we will be able to feature you in one of our upcoming Alumni Spotlight sections of the *Warrior Beat*. Also, **Homecoming is scheduled for October 7 & 8**, so please put that on your calendar. More details will be available in the next newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you!

Joshua Knauss '95 Director of Development

Development News

Steward 100%, Not Just 10%

In Christian circles, the term *stewardship* is often used to replace *development* when it comes to a fundraising program; but while stewardship involves giving, that is only one piece of the puzzle. Stewardship is not just how you handle the tithe, but how you handle the other 90% of your income, as well. Stewardship is foundationally understanding that we are not owners of things, but managers.

At its core, stewardship boils down to three major points:

1. God owns it all.
2. We are all stewards.
3. We have a responsibility to manage it for His glory.

Where we go wrong:

Our culture's embrace of materialism influences many of us more than we would like to admit. We find ourselves susceptible to this error because we have not taken the time to determine what Scripture says concerning finances and to put it into practice. For those of you who have taken the time to read and apply Scriptures in the area of finances, remember—this process is not a once-and-done deal, but rather something we must continually review.

Jesus gave us 2,350 verses about money and possessions; 15% of everything he said has to do with money. As I challenge myself and seek to train my children to think and act biblically concerning all that God gives us, I encourage you to view every financial decision as a spiritual one and seek to manage all he has given you for His glory.

If you would like more information and resources on Biblical stewardship, please contact **Josh Knauss '95**, Director of Development at 473-9786 or jaknauss@norrychristian.net.

Eagle Scout Project

New Shed Arrives at Soccer Field!



On Monday, August 8, we had a shed delivered for our athletes to use for changing rooms. NCS Junior and Boy Scout Kyle Owens, has donated his time to complete the shed as his Eagle Scout project. He helped with the site preparation for the shed, and he will be putting in a wall to separate the boys and girls sides and will be installing electricity for lighting. It certainly will be nice to have a place in which our athletes can change for games. The shed was made and delivered by Yoder Barns & Storage in Mifflinburg. Part of this year's *Warrior Walk* will help cover the cost of this improvement to our athletic facility at the field. Thank you, Kyle!





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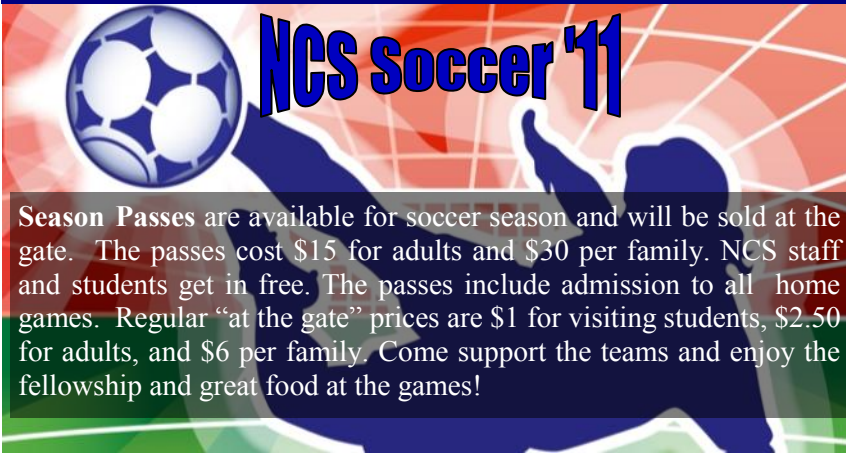
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Events and Prayer Calendar

<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <h1 style="margin: 0;">September 2011</h1> </div>				1 A—CCCS (b) <i>Mrs. Bailor</i>	2 A—SJM (B) A—Lady Patriot Tourn. (G) <i>Mrs. Bowers</i>	3 A—Line Mt. Tourn. (B) A—Lady Patriot Tourn. (G) <i>Mrs. Brubaker</i>
4 <i>Mrs. Clark</i>	5 No School <i>Mrs. Ermert</i>	6 A—JMS (G, B) <i>Mrs. P. Furman</i>	7 <i>Mr. Geise</i>	8 H—BMS (B, b) <i>Mrs. Harris</i>	9 A—NCA (G, B) <i>Mrs. Hayner</i>	10 <i>Mrs. Hoffman</i>
11 <i>Mrs. Hudson</i>	12 H—MCS (G, B) <i>Mrs. King</i>	13 A—WCA (G, B) <i>Mrs. Knauss</i>	14 <i>Mrs. Lloyd</i>	15 H—CCCS (b) <i>Mrs. B. Reich</i>	16 A—CCCS (G, B) <i>Mrs. T. Reich</i>	17 <i>Mrs. Renno</i>
18 <i>Mrs. Richey</i>	19 H—SCA (G, B) <i>Miss Ross</i>	20 H—Muhlenburg (G, B) <i>Mrs. Severn</i>	21 <i>Mrs. Shaffer</i>	22 H—MCS (b) <i>Mrs. E. Ulmer</i>	23 A—MCS (G, B) <i>Mrs. R. Ulmer</i>	24 <i>Addison Bower/ McKenzie Boyer</i>
25 <i>Jackson Conner/ Noah Conner</i>	26 A—BCS (G, B) <i>Isaiah Fegley/ Tamiah Fegley</i>	27 H—JMS (G, B) <i>Erik Ferster/ James Geise</i>	28 <i>MaKenna Hoffman/ Alexander Kadryna</i>	29 H—Mifflin County (b) <i>Juliann Klinger/ Ella Sofia Markunas</i>	30 Mid-Qtrs. sent home H—GCS (G, B) SAN <i>Micah Minnier/ Morgan Minnier</i>	Soccer Codes: B—Boys Varsity b—boys jr. high G—Girls Bold Print—League Game

Sports News



Season Passes are available for soccer season and will be sold at the gate. The passes cost \$15 for adults and \$30 per family. NCS staff and students get in free. The passes include admission to all home games. Regular "at the gate" prices are \$1 for visiting students, \$2.50 for adults, and \$6 per family. Come support the teams and enjoy the fellowship and great food at the games!

Transportation Reminders

General Reminder:

—The school building is open at 7:30 am, and students must be picked up by 3:15 pm.

Drop-off Reminders:

—Please use the side of 5th Street closest to the Main Doors so students do not have to walk across 5th Street.

—If parents must come into the building, please park in the lower parking lot and obtain a pass if accompanying your student to their classroom.

Pickup Reminders:

— Please call the office by noon if there is a change to how your child is transported home.

— Students riding buses are dismissed through the double doors on 5th Street near Orange Street.

—Parents who park in the lot or walk to pick up their children should meet them in the main lobby.

Dock Area Pickup Reminders:

—Enter from 6th Street onto Sheetz Avenue. Four lines of cars are formed facing the building. Your child(ren) will be called on walkie-talkies to come to your car. Exit via Pond Alley onto King Street.

Lunch Program

As you may remember, NCS now participates in the National School Lunch Program. Enclosed with your monthly statement is the menu for August/September. Enrollment forms for the Free and Reduced Price lunches for the 2011-2012 school year will be handed out at the Orientation meeting on August 23. A copy will be sent home with your child if you do not pick one up at the meeting. **Please take the time to fill out the forms and return them to the school office by September 9.** These forms must be filled out every year because incomes or family sizes may have changed over the course of a year.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The lunch program is in need of a few volunteers to help serve lunch. It would involve about 2 hours a day, from 11 am to 1 pm, and your lunch is on us! You could help just 1 day a week or as many as you'd like. Help on Tuesdays and Fridays is definitely needed at this time. If you would like to help, just call the school at 473-9786 and ask for the kitchen. Thanks!

Bev Reich, Lunch Program Supervisor

Fundraising

Just a reminder from *Mary Mahoney* to keep collecting the **Giant BonusCard** numbers from your family and friends! The A+ Rewards program kicks off in September. You may submit your names and numbers by using the sheet distributed at Orientation, by calling the school office, or by signing up online. Anyone who shops in a PA Giant Food Store can participate as long as their BonusCard number begins with "4 8". There's no need to do or buy anything more than you typically would!



We need **YOUR HELP** to reach our ultimate goal of **2000 numbers!**

ALSO, from our R & R Cards Coordinator, *Marjorie Nelson*: "I trust everyone has had a wonderful and relaxing summer vacation! As you may or may not know, the gift card program at NCS doesn't take a break. The school has realized a profit of almost \$1200 since the beginning of June! Many thanks to those families that continued to participate and purchase gift cards over the summer months.

The next gift card order will be placed on **Monday, August 29**. We keep many gift cards on-hand, however, with new retailers added periodically. Be sure to check out the complete listing on a Restaurants & Retailers order form. If you have any questions, please contact Marjorie Nelson at nelsonclan6@verizon.net or 570-850-4756. I look forward to the upcoming school year and the blessings the Lord is sure to provide!"

Patti Geise and Patti Wenrich, Campbell's

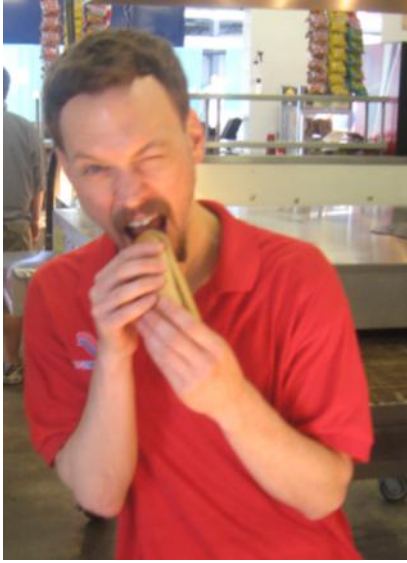
Labels for Education coordinators, would like to encourage everyone to continue to clip and save their UPC codes from their Campbell's products. This easy fundraiser helps the school obtain much needed equipment and supplies. Look for the new list of eligible products and bonus labels at the Orientation meeting on August 23!



BoxTops for Education coordinator, *Cheryl Delsite*, reports that we have set a goal of \$3000 for the 2011-2012 school year from this easy fundraiser that allows us to raise money for NCS without having to sell or buy anything. Please continue to clip and send those Box Tops in to the school office throughout the year, and let your family and friends know about this simple way to earn money for our school. Thank you!

Little League World Series 2011

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

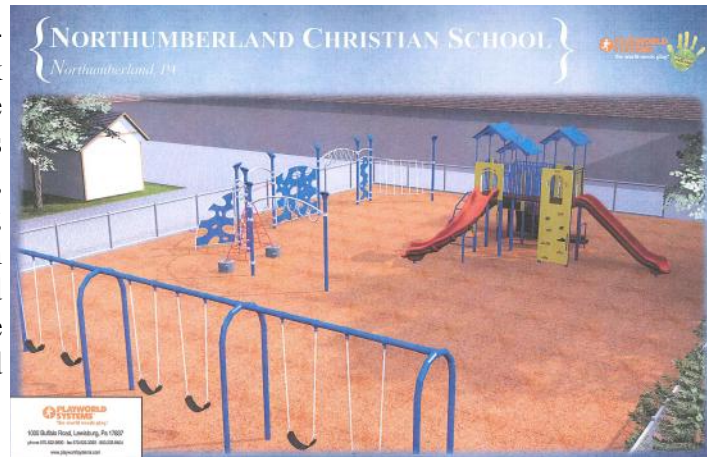


August 18, 19, 20, 22, 26, & 27 are the dates for our second opportunity to work at the Little League World Series concessions stand in South Williamsport, PA. Over the course of six days, 148 volunteers including NCS family, friends, relatives, and neighbors are needed to fill the shifts we've been given. This is a great time of fellowship and fun, not only with the super people you get to work with, but also with people from literally all over the world who are there to watch Little League Baseball at its best! This easy fundraising opportunity has allowed us to reduce the number of smaller sales we've had throughout the school year to just one or two. If you would like to get on the schedule, it's not too late; there are spots still available! Please contact coordinator **Grace Severn** at gse6602172@aol.com or 570-594-1923.



Playground Progress

The next time you come to the school or are just driving through Northumberland, make it a point to check out the progress on our new playground located in the alley at the back of the school! Ground preparations were done on some of the hottest days of the summer, and the walls were poured in between thunderstorms; but the efforts of those enduring the heat and the rain paid off. A team of volunteers wielding drills and drivers spent a Saturday putting the pieces of the equipment together, and it should be completed and ready for use by the start of school.



THANK YOU . . .

In addition to thanking the handymen from our school family that helped with the assembly, we would like to extend a special thank you to the following men for their oversight and work in bringing this project to completion: **Jim Page, Tom Ross, Marc Thayer, Paul Scanzillo, and Doug Wesner '82**. Look for pictures of the completed playground in a future edition of the *WarriorBeat*.