

The **Warrior Beat**

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

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Christmas Chapel Concert

Wednesday, December 23
10:00 am

Christmas Break

Thursday, December 24 through
Friday, January 1

End of Marking Period

Friday, January 15

No School

Monday, January 18

Report Cards Distributed

Wednesday, January 20

K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences

Thursday, January 21 - 12:00 - 8 pm

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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



“How we pray that God will give our students eyes to see the LIGHT of the GLORY of God in the face of Jesus Christ!”

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Alumni, and Friends,

As the Christmas season surrounds us, it is such a blessing to be able to point our students to the absolute centrality of the birth of Jesus Christ to all of history. Our whole calendar points to that great event by marking our years as either B.C. (before Christ) or A.D. (in the year of our Lord)! Yet millions of students in this country attend schools where they never hear anything about the most important person in history! Simeon had eyes of faith to see the infant Jesus as the “light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to Israel” (Luke 2:32), while most people in the temple that day saw nothing special in the baby Mary and Joseph carried. So today, multitudes who shop our malls hear no difference between “Jingle Bells” and “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing.” Without a knowledge of Jesus, people walk in darkness and desperately need His light. How we pray that God will give our students eyes to see the LIGHT of the GLORY of God in the face of Jesus Christ, and hearts that sing like Simeon, “My eyes have seen salvation!”

We are looking forward to a special time of festivities and opportunities to worship and to minister during this last week before Christmas. All the students in grades four through twelve will be presenting a short CHRISTMAS CONCERT at the school on Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Families, neighbors, and friends are invited to join us. 7-12 grade will also present a concert that afternoon as a ministry to the residents at Nottingham Nursing Center. Pray that God will use us to encourage the hearts of the people who attend these concerts.

MID-QUARTER GRADE REPORTS for grades 7-12 were sent home last week, and PLAN and PSAT SCORES for sophomores and juniors were sent home recently. If you have any questions concerning them, please call the office or any of the teachers. Your monthly statement includes the regular tuition and lunch charges and the charges for YEARBOOKS you have ordered. If you want to order a yearbook and have not yet done so, the price is now \$35.00, and you should turn in your order before Christmas vacation or email the school at ncs@NORRYCHRISTIAN.net.

CURRENT FAMILIES WITH PRESCHOOLERS OR KINDERGARTENERS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR SHOULD PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO GET THEM ON OUR LIST BY THE END OF JANUARY SO WE KNOW TO HOLD A PLACE FOR THEM.

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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 11 parents serving on the council for a two-year term. They are **Heidi Bingham, Jeffrey & Adrienne Breed, Patty Furman, Carol Gessner, Bill Hudson, Crystal King, Dan (chairman) & Grace Severn,** and **Jared & Bethany Treas,** with **Doug Wesner** serving as the overseeing staff member.

WHAT DO THEY DO?

The Parents' Council develops, promotes, and encourages avenues for parental involvement within the educational process of NCS and the programs the school offers. Many areas exist for parents to enrich and improve the programs available at NCS through parental leadership and support. Through the efforts of this group, the staff and parents will more efficiently partner together in attaining our mission statement goal of stimulating in students 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, folding and mailing the newsletter, helping at the concessions stands during soccer and basketball seasons, assisting with fundraisers, planning and helping with special events like New Family 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 at Northumberland Christian School. Thank you!

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K-6 parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for January 21 at the same appointment times as last quarter. If you do not remember those times, please contact the office. We will send home a reminder of the times with the January newsletter.

May the Lord grant you a wonderful vacation time with family and friends, and may He fill all our hearts with joy and thankfulness for His precious Son, Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, and our Emmanuel – God with us!

By His Grace,
Pastor John Rees

Christmas Chapel Concert

Parents, grandparents, friends, and neighbors are invited to join us on **Wednesday, December 23, at 10:00 a.m.** for a short Christmas Concert in the Augustine Refectory of the school. You may enter the building through the upper doors on Fifth Street.



ATTENTION

Alumni of NCS with children born in 2009:

We will be featuring our alumni's babies born in 2009 in the February edition of the *Warrior Beat*. Look in the January newsletter for more information on how you may participate.

Fundraising

R & R Gift Cards

The next R & R Gift Card orders must be in the office by **Monday, January 4** (this is instead of the last Monday of December). The next regularly scheduled day to order cards will be **Monday, January 25**. If there are any cards you would like to have available in the office on a regular basis, please let me know and I will try to accommodate those requests. We have a limited supply of Applebees, Burger King, Wendy's, Red Lobster/Olive Garden, and Dunkin' Donuts available in the office currently. Also, if you have a large order and you do not want to wait until the last Monday of the month to place it, please contact me and I can place a special order. You may reach me at 648-0277 between the hours of 3 and 9 pm.

Thank you for your ongoing purchases through this valuable fundraising opportunity!

Mr. Glenn Haas, Coordinator

Winter Weather and School Closings or Delays



School closings or delays will be announced on WKOK Sunbury, 1070 AM, 107.3 FM; WGRC Lewisburg, 91.3 FM; WPGM Danville, 96.7 FM; WNEP Wilkes-Barre, Ch.16 TV; WBRE-TV; and WYOU-TV.



Grandparents Day

After a last minute postponement due to inclement weather the previous week, NCS Grandparent's Day was held on Wednesday, December 16. Students in grades K-6 invited their grandparents to honor these very important people in their lives. The grandparents were treated to a brunch in the Augustine Refectory followed by a short presentation by the classes before joining the entire student body in a special chapel service held in the gym. We enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship and worship together. Thank you to all the grandparents for coming out and for your ongoing support of Northumberland Christian School.



Thank you, also, to **Carrie O'Neil** and **Grace Severn** for organizing and overseeing all of the details for this event, and to **Taci Deppen**, **Bev Reich**, **Bethanne Groninger**, **Caroline Owens**, and **Tavie Zerbe** for providing much needed help in making this event such a great success.

Mr. Josh Knauss, '97
Development Director



Classroom Corner

Sixth graders at NCS study History from 1815 to the Present. We spend several weeks learning about the Civil War. Two special guests have helped us with our study this year. **Mr. Mike Hayner**, a History teacher and Dad to students Terah Lee, Hugh, Rebekah, and Daniel, challenged us to think accurately about the causes of the War.

"Major General Winfield Scott Hancock," portrayed by **Mr. John Deppen**, father to kindergartener Molly, shared many amazing facts with us. He also helped us to better understand the heartache caused by the War's turmoil and broken relationships.



In May, we plan to tour Gettysburg. We are praying that our trip will be extremely profitable.

Mrs. Donna Gray
6th Grade Teacher

NCS Store

NCS APPAREL

Order yours today!

Check the website for a great selection of NCS apparel. There are embroidered hoodies, full-zip embroidered hoodies for adults, and a few full zip hoodies for children (screen printed) still available. Sweatpants are also available.



Pullover hoodie with "WARRIORS" embroidered in tackle twill and "NCS" embroidered below. \$35



Full-zip hoodie for adults with "WARRIORS" embroidered in tackle twill. \$40



Sweatpants with "WARRIORS" screen printed. \$18



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Events & Prayer Calendar

 <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">January 2010</div> 				(Basketball codes: g - JV girls; G - Girls Varsity; b - Jr. High boys; B - JV boys; V - Boys Varsity)	1 No School	2
3 <i>Moriah Ilgenfritz</i>	4 R & R Orders Due Away - CCCS b, G, V <i>Bailey King</i>	5 Home - Immanuel g, B, G <i>Joshua Knight</i>	6 <i>Abbey Lytle</i>	7 Away - CM Vo-tech (cars) G <i>Jacob Mowrey</i>	8 <i>Jacob Nelson</i>	9 Home - Living Word Academy (B) 12 p; (V) 1:30 @ SCA <i>Jordynn O'Neil</i>
10 <i>Dana Reigle</i>	11 Away - BMS (cars) b <i>Sadler Salsman</i>	12 Away - MCS g, G, V <i>Nicholas Scanzillo</i>	13 <i>Delaney Solomon</i>	14 Away - MCCA B Home - Triboro G, V <i>Ethan Underkoffler</i>	15 Home - NCCA G, V <i>Kyle Wesner</i>	16 EJ Play Day - TBA G <i>Dalton Bloom</i>
17 <i>Andrew Crago</i>	18 No School Away - Williams- port Home School g, b, G, V <i>Luke Donmoyer</i>	19 Home - JMS g, b, G, V <i>Aaron Dressler</i>	20 Report Cards Distributed <i>Madisyn Frye</i>	21 K-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences 12-8 <i>Andrew Groninger</i>	22 Home - CCCS b, G, V (SAN) <i>Caleb Harris</i>	23 Away - EJ (B), Away - MCS (b, g) TBA <i>Hannah Hunt</i>
24/ 31 <i>Katja Jablonski</i>	25 R & R Orders Due Home - Wspt Chris- tian (G) 6 p WCA (B) 7:30 p <i>Nicole Kirbas</i>	26 <i>Samuel Krewatch</i>	27 <i>Skylar Maze</i>	28 Away - Grace Prep G, V <i>Allison Moore</i>	29 Away - Immanuel g, B, G <i>Braiden Reich</i>	30 <i>Bethany Severn</i>