

APOSTOLIC ACADEMY "Bulldog Faith"

A Faith Tabernacle school Newsletter for keeping parents in the know

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Learning to Seek Forgiveness

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. (Eph 4:32).

If your child is the offender of a brother or sister and saying "I'm sorry" isn't enough; restoring a damaged friendship may require teaching the offender to take a more humble approach. Few of us would think of approaching God with a bare approach of "I'm sorry" for blatant sin but rather we confess and name our sin before him in brokenness. Pride causes a person to practice self-defense and justify words spoken or actions taken. Humility causes us to fully accept responsibility and we blame nobody else for our error.

It may be that reconciliation requires a humble acknowledgment of our error before the offended. Few hearts can remain hard when we offer a heartfelt apology that includes God having convicted us of our sin coupled with an acknowledgment of the offending words or action followed by a contrite plea seeking forgiveness.

This approach is likely to result in the offended offering their own request for forgiveness. It may be they recognize a possible part in the event or for being hard hearted in the matter. If by chance the offended party fails to grant forgiveness then teach your child to remain humble and sincere while waiting on God to melt the resistance.

Offering our Children Security

The Bible remains the only constant in a world that is in a state of flux. It is a best seller because it has never been proven wrong nor has it led men astray. Many have tried to find fault in its pages and all have failed. The Bible boldly foretells of future events with accuracy and detail and would have been discredited long ago if it did not contain divine truth. The Word is not a book of fables and stories but rather is the revealed Word of God putting in print the foretelling of events such as Israel's four hundred years in Egypt (Gen 15:13), the circumstances of Jesus Christ's birth (Isa 7:14) and the precise details of His sufferings and death found in Isaiah 53 and Psalms 22.

As the world grows more confused and spiritual darkness covers the land, read the Bible and explain it to your children—the Comforter is always nearby.

Events

- Pastor's Holiday (no school)—Apr 11th
- **♦** Box tops for Educ

Our Spring drive netted more than 800 box tops bringing our total for the year to 2,710. Our top contributors (Thanks all!)

- ⇒ Micah Palmer 135
- ⇒ Mariana Williams 133
- ⇒ Austin Boyer 125
- ⇒ Sister Gardner 108
- ⇒ Darlyene Wren 106
- ⇒ Olivia Cox 46
- ⇒ Jenna Pugh 41
- ⇒ Nachelle Ince 41
- ⇒ Jaslyn Nash 38
- ⇒ Anthony Sheared
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- ⇒ Caleb Huggins 18

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2017 Pre-Enrollment

It's time for us to consider student enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year. We will automatically re-enroll your student unless you advise the school otherwise. An enrollment fee of \$50 per student is due by June 30th. After which the fee is \$60 per student. Tuition is being increased from \$1,250 per year to \$1,500 for the first three children per family and is divided into 10 equal payments starting in August. A 5% discount is given for advance payment of the full academic year tuition prior to the end of August.

Better Snacking

There is much belly-aching going on at school! Snacks are a routine part of the day and more often than not include chips of some type and especially anything hot and spicy. The popularity of chips is not without some expected irregularities (to put it politely). We suggest alternative snacks including raisins, trail mix, granola, carrots & other vegies, yogurt, apple slices, orange wedges and nuts. Snacking on these things will promote digestion and less sluggishness in the classroom during the day. You can expect student rejection of healthy alternatives until they acquire a taste so don't give up too early on the initiative.

AA Field Day

Will be celebrated on Monday, May 23rd. We received a quick response to our request for volunteer parent support. The committee went to work quickly to select a location and begin making plans for the big day. We hope many of our parents and grandparents find time to come join us .

2016 Graduates

Those of you wanting a list of names so you can prepare cards and gifts for our graduates, we're happy to report four K5 graduates: Jecenia Contreras, Adalia McClure, Nevaeh Nash and Raéshaun Steadham. Terrance McNutt, is our one distinguished High School graduate. The High School graduation program is

scheduled for Friday May 20th at 7PM in the Sanctuary and our K5 graduation program will be Thursday May 26th at 7:30PM. A reception in Riddle Hall will be held following our High School graduation (no reception will be held for the K5 graduates). Please make plans to attend and support all of our graduates!



Godly Virtue

The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame. (Prov 29:15)

The book of Proverbs makes frequent mention of the importance of properly disciplining children. God places children in an Apostolic family so they can find direction in life. They may complain and whine about your rules and restrictions but known and enforced limits provide them a sense of security.

According to the cited Proverb proper discipline includes two elements: a rod and reproof. Physical discipline alone is insufficient; parents should train, correct, instruct and explain verbally. Reproof is spoken correction done in kindness and love not in harshness.

"...the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning. Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones." Prov 16: 21, 24

Likewise verbal correction alone is insufficient. Physical correction teaches consequence for wrong doing. Without it bitterness will grow as the result of the recurring "lectures." Practice the rod and reproof together.