Raiders News

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Devotion: It's the End of the World... And I Win

Everyone will hate you because of me. But not a hair of your head will perish. Stand firm, and you will win life. Luke 21:17-19

What does it take to be a winner? When you play a video or board game, you try to make all the right moves so you can win. When you play a sport, you practice a lot because you want to win the game.

What does it take to win as a child of God?

In our reading from God's Word, Jesus paints for us what seems like a "no-win" situation—a something that's impossible to win. He describes a world like our world today—a world where there will be wars that ruin nations; people who teach lies instead of telling the truth; natural disasters and terrible sicknesses that take lives; and many other frightening things. Jesus promises that all of these things will happen in the years before he returns.

If things aren't tough enough for followers of Jesus, Jesus then adds, "Everyone will hate you because of me." As people drift away from Jesus, they will not want to hear what God says in his Word. They may even hate Christians for what we believe. Some people will be thrown in jail and put on trial just for following Jesus. Some may even lose their lives for him. That's frightening. Does that makes you wonder if following Jesus is a "no-win" situation?

Listen to what Jesus promised: "Not a hair of your head will perish. Stand firm, and you will win life." After describing the ways we could lose as children of God, Jesus guarantees victory for us. As followers of Jesus, we will win because Jesus has already won the victory for us. Jesus has already defeated the sinful world. He has already crushed the power of the devil. He has already conquered death—and given us the victory.

We win! So stand firm until Jesus comes back. Hold on to him no matter how tough life gets. We do that by spending time with him in his Word. There he promises to be with us, protect us, love us, and give us his peace. He also promises to come back and give us the eternal victory of heaven.

So stand firm. Victory is already ours in Jesus!

PICTURES FROM OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SCHOOL PROJECT











Thanksgiving Food Drive

Join us in giving thanks to God by helping others in need by bringing in non-perishable goods for our food drive. Please place your donation of non-perishable goods in front of the altar and pulpit on Wednesday, November 23. Thank you.



GOT SCRIP?

Do you go to Starbucks every week? Shop at Target often? You can use Scrip to raise money for our school while also shopping for yourself or grabbing gift cards for a special occasion.

- Scrip is our school fundraiser that uses gift cards to help raise money for our school. In the past we raised money to purchase a laminator and playground equipment.
- Easiest way to order Scrip is through the RaiseRight app. If you prefer to order in person further information and order forms can be found in the office.
- The Scrip order this year is due Thursday, December 1
- For more information please contact Jenny Mangini @ jenmangini@aol.com or call/text (619)873-7952.







Save the date for Christmas in Clairemont!

On Saturday December 17 from 6-8pm everyone is invited to Christmas in Clairemont! Celebrate Christmas with a live nativity at 6:30pm, live music and caroling, crafts, cookies, coffee and more throughout the evening.

We are seeking adults to be Live Nativity cast participants! Please contact Sarah Rodrigues if you'd like to get involved with this. (Rodriguess@refsd.org)



Christmas in Clairemont





Enjoy a live nativity play, live music and caroling, storytelling, crafts, cookies, coffee and more!





Saturday, December 17 6:00 - 8:00 pm Live Nativity at 6:30pm



Tech Tip

The world today is so interconnected. More and more children own cell phones and have access to technology than ever before. Access to cell phones can keep our kids connected to their parents, but it can also lead to children having access to websites and other dangers of the internet well before they know how to navigate them. If you are looking for a simple phone to give your kids that will allow them to call and text and have some basic other functions but no access to the internet, check out <u>Gabb Wireless</u>. Gabb is a phone company that is designed for students. They are currently running a Black Friday sale where you can get a discounted phone with a 1 or 2 year commitment to their service.







Hot Lunch - Orders due by noon on Friday!

Treat your student to a hot lunch! Thanks to parents volunteering to help, we are able to offer a limited hot lunch program. Each entree item will be served with a small bag of chips and a fruit or vegetable. Prices and available items are listed on the online order form. A new order form will be available every Monday.

ORDERING CLOSES AT NOON on the Friday prior to each week of lunch choices. There will be no late orders as volunteers will be ordering, purchasing, and preparing items according to preorders.

Orders will be billed through FACTS at the start of the following month. Sorry, no credit or refund for students absent due to illness or other unexpected absence.

Volunteers are needed to help on hot lunch days. We're asking for two people to help, from 11am-12:15pm. Click here for more information and to sign up: https://signup.com/go/aeuwobT

Raiders Basketball Starting Soon

Students in grades 4-8 are invited to join the boys or girls basketball teams. Using our God-given abilities to learn to play a sport is a blessing! Our extracurricular sports teams are a great way to stay active, learn new athletic skills and develop individual and team strengths. We emphasize individual goals and achievements, positive Christian sportsmanship and commitment to the team. Coaches are volunteers or school staff



members who are excited to maintain a positive environment while bringing glory to God through sports.

Boys basketball team practices will be Mondays and Thursdays, 3:15-4:45pm, beginning November 21. The boys will have a Grades 4-6 team (referred to as the B Team) and a Grades 7-8 team (referred to as the A Team). The boys teams will play in a league from mid-December through January, two tournaments in February and additional games.

Girls basketball team practices will be Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:15-4:45pm, beginning December 13. The girls will have one team of students from grades 4-8. The girls league will take place from February through March, and the team will have games in January along with two tournaments in February.

A sign up sheet for both teams was sent home with students this past week – the form is also found here http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/forms-and-information/. We're looking forward to another great season of Raiders Basketball!



School Uniform Store

Is your child growing too fast? Does it feel like you're buying school uniforms all year round? Well look no further for you children's uniform needs. Reformation has a well stocked Uniform Store that is open 5 days a week, Mon-Fri 8am-9am and 2pm -4:30pm. We have boys and girls sizes from 2T up to Xtra Large.

This year, on the last Monday of the month, we will be putting out clothing on tables to make shopping that much easier. Our next "open store" will be **Monday, November 28th**. Drop on by for some awesome deals! And don't forget, we are always accepting donations of "gently used" uniform items to add to our collection.

Bible Class for Grades 5-8

Mrs. Jessica Bohl has started a new bible class for grades 5-8. This class will meet in room 18 from 9:30am to 10:15am. We are looking forward to covering topical bible studies to help our students prepare to be the light in our broken world. This class will be covering "Tough Quesions Reasoned Answers" by Dr Paul Kelm. See you there!



Kids4Christ Sunday School

Kids4Christ (Sunday School) is back in person! Children of all ages will meet in the gym for a fun, interactive series of Bible lessons.

When: Every Sunday 9:30 - 10:15AM
Where: PreK-K & Grades 1-4 in Room 16

Administrator: Barbette Lowndes

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Reformation Family Calendar

November

24-25 Thanksgiving Break - No Grade School or Preschool **30** Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)

December

- **7** Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)
- 11 Sacred Christmas Concert at CLHS (4:00pm)
- 14 Advent Worship Service (7:00pm) and Soup Supper (5:45pm)
- 16 1-8 Grade Christmas Program 7:00pm
- 17 Christmas in Clairemont
- 18 PK/K Christmas Program 10:30am
- 21-26 Preschool Christmas Break

Dec. 21 to Jan. 3 Grade School Christmas Break



Chapel Service - Wednesdays at 8:30am Worship Service - Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am Kids4Christ - Sundays at 9:30am Foundations 101 - Sundays at 9:30 am

A monthly calendar is updated on our website, and a full school year calendar is available also. Click here to review these calendars. (http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/)



For we are Gods workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance so that we would walk in them. Ephesians 2:10



About Us



The eternal truths of God's Word are the foundation of our school, its curriculum, and all its activities. Our goal in Christian education is to provide each child with the maximum development of God-given spiritual, physical, and mental abilities. We offer Christian education in our Preschool (ages 2.5-5) and Grade School (K-8).

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