

THE LANTERN

The Newsletter of Kaufman Christian School

3rd Quarter - 2012/2013

Important Dates:

- Apr 1 ~ Bad Weather Day
- Apr 5 ~ K5 Graduation Pics,
Picture Re-Take Day
- Apr 9 ~ Progress Reports
- Apr 15 ~ School Board 7 p.m.
- Apr 16 ~ \$2 Tuesday
- Apr 19 ~ Open House 6:30-8:00
- Apr 20 ~ 5K/1 Mile Run
- Apr 22-26 ~ Test Encouragement
Week
- Apr 26 ~ End of 6 Weeks
- Apr 30 ~ Progress Reports,
Testing
- May 1, 7 & 8 ~ Testing
- May 20 ~ Chimettes & Recorders
8:15 a.m. (2nd, 3rd, 4th &
6th Grades)
- May 21 ~ \$2 Tuesday, K4/K5
Dress Rehearsal 8:15
a.m., K5 Graduation: 7 p.m.
- May 22 ~ 1st Grade Program 8:15
a.m.
- May 23 ~ Last Day of School,
Awards Day, Early
Release, End of 2nd
Semester, Workday for
Teachers

From the Administrator's Desk...

By: Christy Butler

Lessons From the Wash and Wag

By Christy Foldenauer

The following article came to my computer over a year ago. I recently re-read it and it made me think of our small school, KCS, and our church CBC. We don't have a fancy facility, a lot of things are in constant need of repair, and the exterior of our buildings are not all that attractive to the eye. However, the ministry that takes place inside these walls almost 7 days a week is what is truly important.

I'll never forget pulling into a small, one stoplight town for a ministry engagement. I coasted up to the church address, bewildered. The sign on the building read "Wash & Wag." Must have the wrong address I thought. Then, I saw it. The striking ministry glossy with the words: This Sunday, Christy Foldenaur (they spelled my name wrong)! "This church meets...in a Wash & Wag." I argued with God. I pleaded for humility and grace in the moment. Finally, I conceded that if He wanted to use me in a Wash & Wag, I would bring my best. I went to meet my host and settle in for the night. The next morning I spoke on limiting labels. The smell of wet dog permeated the air. Yet, in a very untraditional space, something remarkable happened. People arrived with open and responsive hearts, and God did a work among them. He also began a fresh work in me.

In the book The Selfless Way of Christ: Downward Mobility and the Spiritual Life, Henri Nouwen describes the humility of Christ and asserts, "The divine way is indeed the downward way." Following Jesus means being willing to meet in the Wash & Wag where ministry happens for 60, not 600. Humble situation, humble place, humble hearts....sounds like Jesus would be right at home.

At KCS, we minister to about 70 students each day, and prayerfully their families as well. We aren't fancy, a lot of things are in need of repair, but as a staff and faculty, we pray that what goes on inside these cinder block walls, honors and glorifies God and is ministry of service to our families and community. Thank you for the daily opportunity to be a part of your family's life.



K4 News

Submitted by: Judy Reznicek



The K-4 class has enjoyed making two of Eric Carle's books. The first one we made was "Brown Bear, Brown Bear". This helped us learn to read our color words. The boys are pictured with this book.

Our class is reading one vowel words well now. Now we have begun to learn to read and mark two vowel words. We love to read!

Then, as we have been working on the days of the week, we made our version of "The Very Hungry Caterpillar". The girls are pictured with this book. Stop by our room on open house night to see what else we have been doing.





Our picnic with P foods when we studied the letter P.



The K-4 class started going into the library this semester to pick out a library book to keep in our room each week. We enjoy learning about the library. Also, we started going to P.E. in February and walking in the mileage club. The students are showing off the feet that they have earned on their necklaces along with their P.E. dollars. We look forward to each Tuesday and Thursday!



K5 News

Submitted by: Regina Stoy

100TH DAY OF SCHOOL

Everyone brought 100 things like goldfish, pretzels, etc. We mixed it all together and everyone got a baggie full of "trash". We made necklaces, glasses and a ladybug to celebrate the 100th day of school.



ITALY

Travelling around the world.



FOXY ROXY DAY

Our class had an outbreak of chicken pox like our alphabet character, Foxy Roxy. We wore pj's to school and had chicken noodle soup and popsicles to help us feel better.



WHERE IN THE WORLD IS FLAT STANLEY?

In our class, we read a book about a boy who got flattened by a bulletin board. His name is Flat Stanley. In the book, Flat Stanley's family mailed him to visit a friend in California. Come join us for Open House and see the exciting places the Kindergartener's Flat Stanley visited.



VALENTINE'S DAY

Happy Valentine's Day!



GROUNDHOG DAY

We made groundhogs and learned a song to share with the school during morning opening.



BOOKS, BOOKS & MORE BOOKS!!

We made books to reinforce color, number and snappy words. We used penguins, snowmen and hearts.

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1st Grade News

Submitted by: Monique Renfro

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In honor of our Trip Around the World, the first grade students are learning to write a special kind of poem called haiku. This Japanese style of poetry is about syllables, rather than rhyming. It is always three lines long with the first and third lines having five syllables and the middle line having seven. The poem is usually about something in nature, but it doesn't have to be. With a little bit of help, this is what the students came up with!

Mice are very cute!
They are good little creatures.
I really love mice!

Houston Blankenship

Ladybugs are cute!
I like their pretty black dots -
Sitting on a leaf.

Haley Busch

Bailey is my dog.
She always jumps up on me.
I love her so much!

Jett Glover

Manziel is so tough!
Number two will win the game -
Aggies always win!

Jaxson Jedlicka

Hamsters are fuzzy.
They are cute, fat, and chubby.
I really want one!

Spencer Kirby

Manziel is so cool!
He won the Heisman Trophy -
He is tough and rough!

Allen Niedzwecki

Bunnies are so cute!
They're fast and they jump real high -
Like to eat carrots.

Pierce Pilcher

Monkeys are so cool!
Chasing each other through trees -
Eating bananas!

Xandyr Seyda

Pretty butterflies!
I like to see them fly fast.
I like to catch them.

Hannah Spohn

Waffle is my friend -
Like one of the family.
She is a cute dog!

Mason Starr

Rainbows are pretty!
They have so many colors -
Like pretty flowers!

Emma Watson

I love my puppy!
Chasing us around the house -
He is very weird!

Alexis Wilson

2nd Grade News

Submitted by: Kathy Treadwell



We have begun our big Texas unit. We are learning about our great state. We are making a notebook, collecting souvenirs, designing ranch brands, and tasting food. We all agree that Texas is the best state!

Some things we really like about Texas:



Abi - Roses

Amanda - Our flag



Ben - The heat!

Jared - Texas food



Levi - Deer leases

Pierce - Bluebonnets

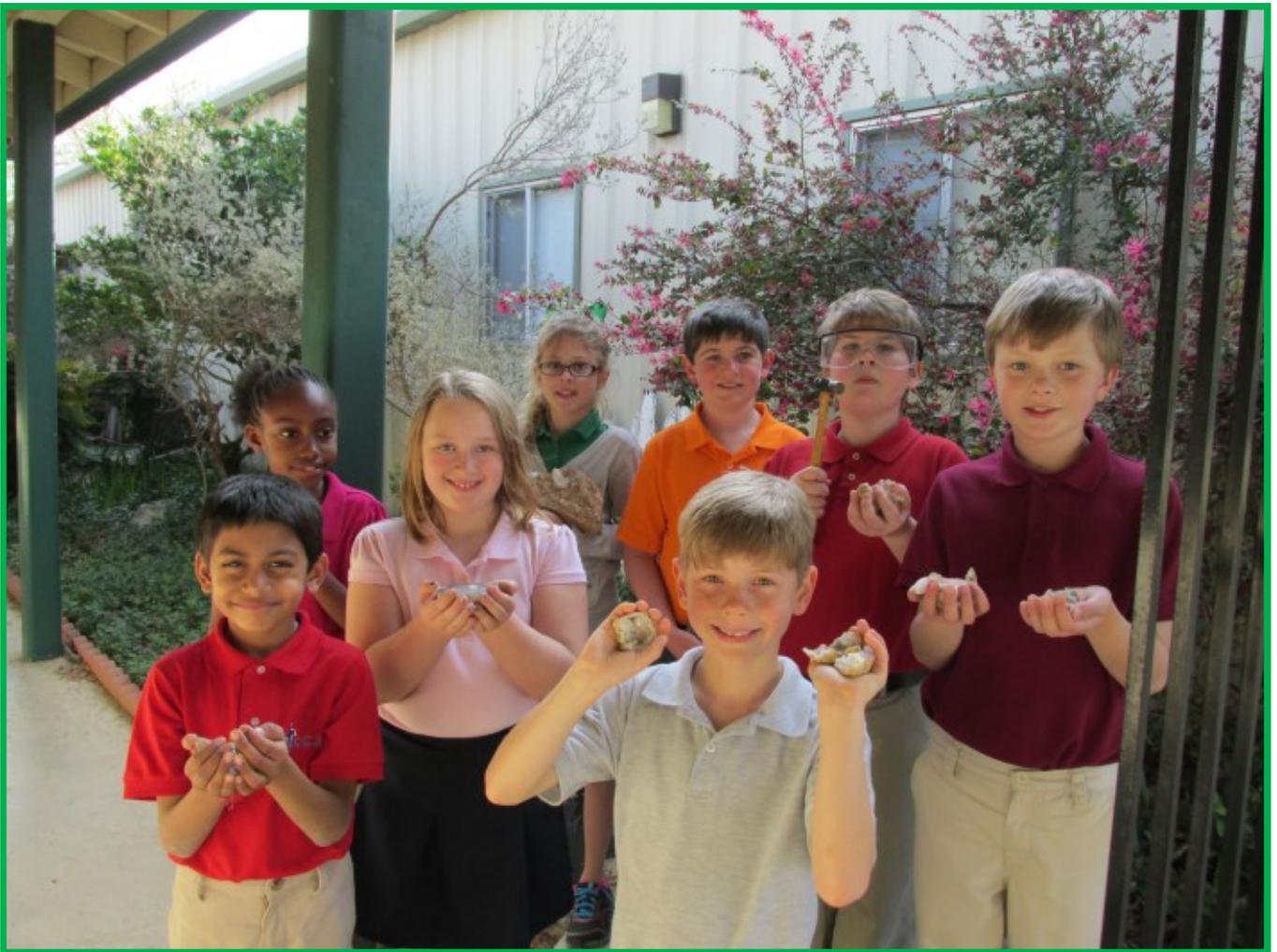


Thomas - Six Flags

Caleb - Longhorns

THIRD GRADE “ROCKS”

Thank you parents for your support all year. Thank you for supporting our auction and all the projects that we have attempted from catapults, to building ships, to state project boards, numerous book reports, and learning all our multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction tables. Below, you see our geodes. We cracked open our very own geode and discovered the beautiful crystals that God had designed inside. We investigated color, texture, shape, and hardness just like a real geologist. These 3rd graders are soon to be 4th graders. It just doesn't seem possible!

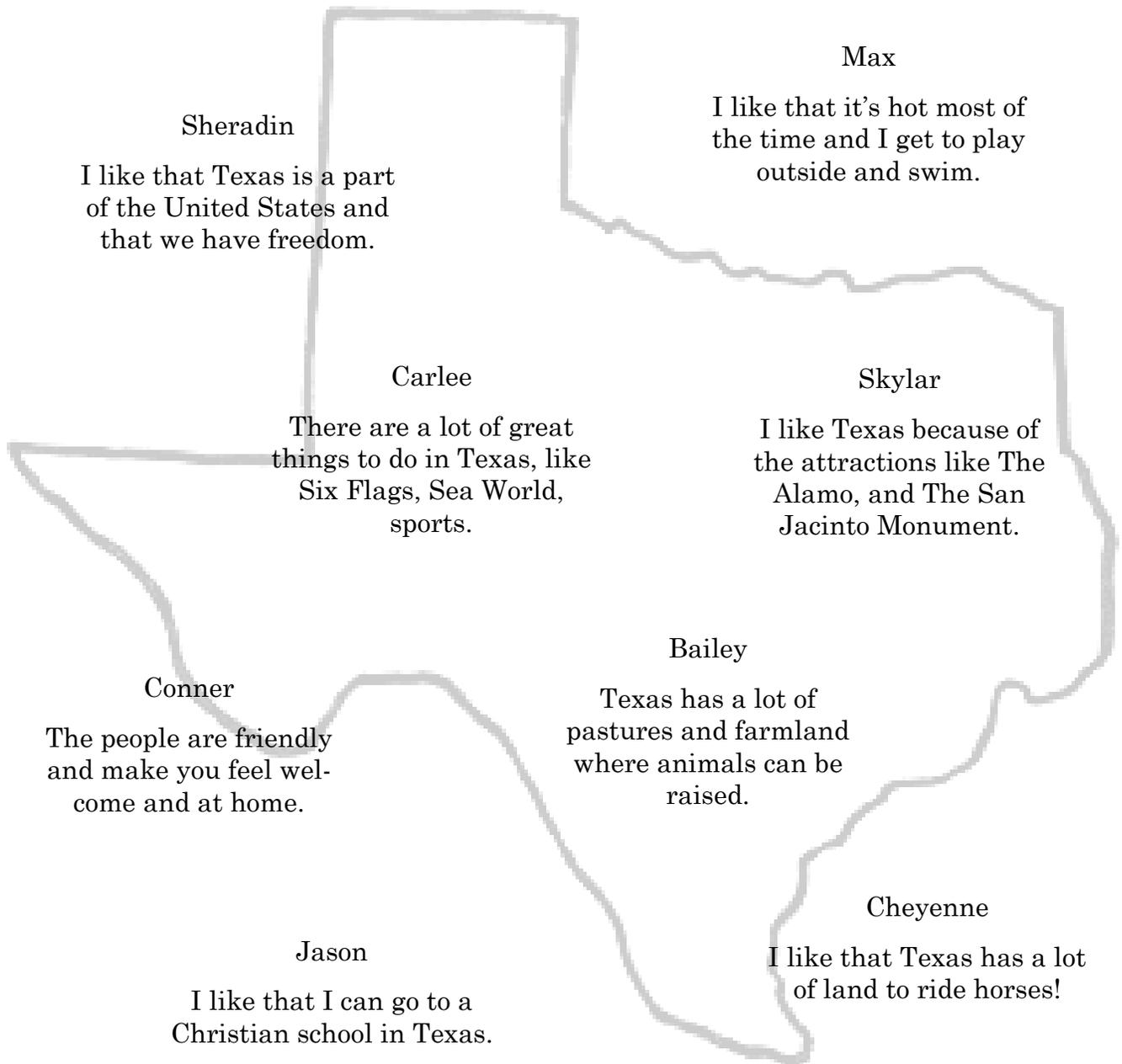


Fourth Grade News

Submitted by: Christy Butler

The 4th grade class is currently doing their Texas State Notebooks. The study lasts 6 weeks and looks at Texas' history, geography, landmarks, famous people, and many other aspects of the state.

The students have each shared what they like about living in Texas.



6th Grade News

Submitted by: Linda Butler

Sixth graders have been writing poems. In our collection, you will find triplets, quatrains, cinquains, and free-form selections.

Frogs

They are slimy and squishy.
They sit on lily pads and eat flies,
all day long.

~ Hagen

Texas

Hot, dry, humid
Chasing cows with horses
Trotting in the heat of the sun
Friendship

~ Tanner

Christmas

Presents galore
Family is together
Feels happy all around the house.
Christ's birth.

~ Annabelle

Oak Tree

I think it is amazing
As amazing as can be
That the smallest of acorns
Will grow into might oak trees.

~ Marilyn

Balancing

Balancing,
it's like a
circus act,
it's hard
for us, but
easy for
a cat.

~ Mollie

Summer

Fun in the sun
Swimming, tanning, running
Happiness, spending time with
friends

Season

~ Clacie

Nature

When I'm near nature I feel alive.
I listen to the wind,
the deer,
the waterfall in the distance.
I breath in the fresh air,
And I wonder what it would be like,
To live in the wild.
Forever.

~ Erin



April 20th 2012

8:00 a.m.

Register by April 5th and save!!

Participants 18 and younger - \$20

Participants 19 and older - \$30

Race Day Entry - \$35

For more information:

www.kaufmanchristianschool.com



OPEN HOUSE

Friday, April 19th is our annual Open House, from 6:30 - 8:00. If you have friends or family who are interested in KCS, this is a great time to invite them to see what great work our kids are doing, as well as meet our teachers.



Kaufman Christian School's School Board Members:

Ed Busch, Christy Fortner, Bridget Terry, Ursula Wilson, Michael Ramirez, Alyssa Gisler, and Mark Hines (non-voting member - CBC Elder Liaison)

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

At Kaufman Christian School, you have the opportunity to join the wonderfully supportive group of benefactors known as our "Friends of the Future," whose tax-deductible donations can be designated to one of the following areas of ministry:

Music

Facilities

LIBRARY

Technology

Personnel

Cody McWha / Jessi Oliver

Scholarship Fund

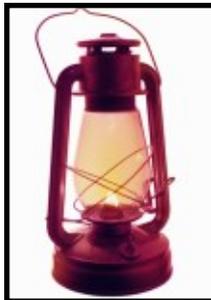
Praise:

- God's faithfulness to our school, students, and faculty.
- Those who support KCS with their time, talents, and resources.
- The blessing of being able to read the Word and pray openly in our school.

Prayer:

- God would be glorified in and through KCS.
- Our 5K would be successful.
- God's continued provision for the needs of KCS.

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