

## Lakeland Christian Academy

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## Dear Parents:

The "Christmas Countdown" has begun. There are only three and a half weeks until Christmas break. We are in the midst of our Christmas Bake Sale. The last date to order is Thursday, December 14. If anyone is available to help package on or before Thursday, December 21 (last pick up date) please let us know. Many hands make light work.

We have been blessed with a very warm fall. However, with the cooler temperatures, students are needing mittens/gloves, touques, jackets, etc. Please ensure that your child's name is on their winter gear as many of the children have very similar things. That will help students keep track of their winter clothing as they are going out on break and coming back in. If your child's belongings do get misplaced, please look in the Lost and Found box that is on the shelf above the coat racks in the foyer. If your child comes home with something that does not belong to them, please bring it back and place it in the Lost and Found box. Also the students need to have indoor footwear every day.

Thursday, December 21, is our last day of school before the Christmas break (December 25 to January 5). We will be having a Christmas party that afternoon and school will be dismissed at 3:00 p.m. For our Christmas party we have rented the pool from 1:15-2:15. The students will need modest swim suits and a towel. The students return to school work on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

As you know, in an effort to encourage school spirit and team work, as well as have a lot of fun, we have divided the students into three teams. Our team challenges for the month of December are going to be during our Christmas party on December 21. Each student is encouraged to dress in "Christmas" fashion (no Santa Claus themes please) that day. Pictures and words on clothing will be acceptable and encouraged to see which team can foster the greater Christmas spirit. We will be having a hot lunch for our party. You will be contacted later to discuss how and what you can contribute to our Christmas dinner.

Please note that we will be at the rink playing sneaker hockey and broomball for gym every Thursday starting this week and in December and skating in January. Your children will need a helmet that fits properly, with a chin strap, to ensure safety if they fall and skates in January. Please ensure that your children's skates are sharpened for January. It is not easy to skate on dull skates.

Please encourage your child to complete the school work and Scriptures that are listed on their "Honor Roll" slip that went home with the student's report cards, as this is the requirement to fulfill one quarter's work. Our second quarter ends January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please note, some of our students are starting to run low on school supplies. Ensuring that students have pencils and erasers goes a long way towards completion of their goals. Students are also encouraged to use highlighters in their PACEs to help them study.

Please pray for the students and staff. We believe that God has greater and greater things in store for us as we progress through this school year. We know that each life that is a part of Lakeland Christian Academy is going to be changed as we press on in the things of God.

God bless you,

Lynda Amesmann Principal