

Eagle Eye News

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United We Soar!

TO BE A CHRISTIAN WITHOUT
PRAYER IS NO MORE POSSIBLE
THAN TO BE ALIVE WITHOUT
BREATHING.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

CALENDAR

October

24 Friday Pizza

26 5K Run & Walk

27-31 Red Ribbon Week

28 Health Screenings

November

10 School Pictures

15 Excel Sabbath

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(all students participating)

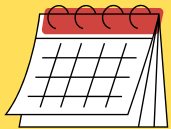
20 Excel's Thanksgiving Program

(evening)

21 Noon Dismissal

(no pizza, no after school care)

24-28 Thanksgiving Break



A Message From The Principal:

*Philippians 4:6 – Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
present your requests to God.*

Prayer is one of the most beautiful gifts God has given us. It's not just a routine or a few quiet words before a meal—it's a conversation with the Creator of the universe. Through prayer, we open our hearts to God, share our worries, our joys, and our needs, and invite Him to guide our thoughts and steps. Prayer reminds us that no matter what we face, we are never alone.

In our fast-paced world, it can be easy to forget to pause and pray. Yet when we take even a moment to talk with God, we find peace that the world cannot give. A simple prayer whispered in faith can bring calm in the middle of chaos, direction when we feel uncertain, and strength when we are weary. Prayer doesn't always change our situation immediately, but it always changes us—shaping our hearts to trust God more deeply.

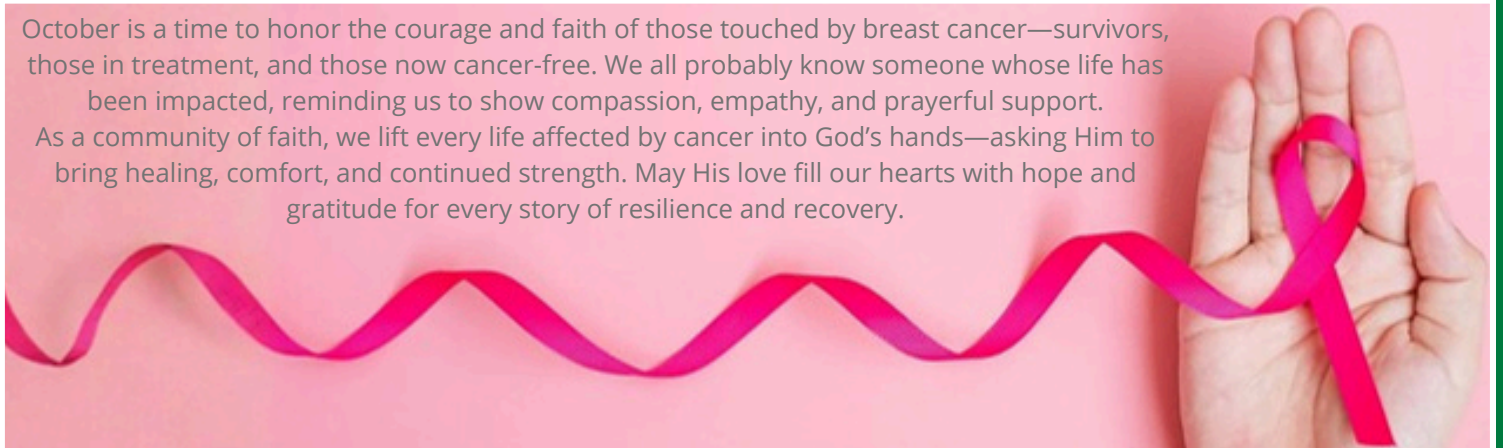
As a school family, let's model a life of prayer for our students. Let's pray together in the classroom, before meetings, on the playground, and in our homes. When children see adults turning to God in prayer—thanking Him, asking for help, and listening for His voice—they learn that prayer is powerful and personal. They see that God cares about every detail of their lives.

Let's encourage our students and families to bring everything to God in prayer. Whether at school, home, or church, prayer strengthens our faith and brings peace to our hearts.

Blessings,
Ms. Ellis 🙏

October is a time to honor the courage and faith of those touched by breast cancer—survivors, those in treatment, and those now cancer-free. We all probably know someone whose life has been impacted, reminding us to show compassion, empathy, and prayerful support.

As a community of faith, we lift every life affected by cancer into God's hands—asking Him to bring healing, comfort, and continued strength. May His love fill our hearts with hope and gratitude for every story of resilience and recovery.



Meet our **EXCEL**lent Eagles!



KingDavid
2nd grade

Q: What is your favorite Bible story?

A: I like when Jesus was taken up into Heaven.

Q: Would you rather ride up high on the back of an elephant or on the back of a fast cheetah?

A: Cheetah, because if I fall off I'm already closer to the ground so it wouldn't hurt too much.

Q: Do you play any instruments? Which one would you like to play?

A: I play the piano. I have a keyboard at home. I like the guitar though.

Q: What's your favorite Bible story?

A: My favorite is the story of Job.

Q: Would you rather walk 5 miles or ride a bicycle for 15 miles?

A: I'd rather ride a bike for 15 miles.

Q: What kind of food do you like to eat/cook the most?

A: I love burritos!!!



Amahra
8th grade



The Skit That Failed

Tessie sighed. Time for performing the skit that she and her friends had prepared was running out. Still Candace did not show up.

"Where is she?" Tessie whispered to Gus, another student in the group hoping to perform at the school talent show that evening.

Gus shrugged. "We worked on this for so long—I don't think she would miss it without telling us. Something must be wrong."

The next morning, the group gathered to watch a play performance. Candace waved when she saw Gus and Tessie waiting in the lobby.

"So exciting!" Candace cried. "We get to see real actors!"

"Candace, we were supposed to be real actors last night. What happened? We couldn't do the skit because you didn't show up," Gus replied.

"Oh, I know. I thought about going but then decided I just didn't want to do it. I told Mom I wasn't part of the skit anymore." Candace shrugged. "I'm always responsible. I just needed a chance to be irresponsible this one time."

Gus and Tessie shook their heads in disbelief. Later, the two friends joined Tessie's mom during lunch. They described what happened with Candace's decision to abandon them at the talent show.

"Well, you could kick Candace out of your group of friends and never create another skit with her. Or act as if it's no big deal and pretend nothing happened," Tessie's mom offered.

Gus and Tessie frowned. "I don't like either of those ideas, Mom," Tessie said.

"There's another way which I hope you choose. I know you both have trusted Jesus to rescue you from your sins, so I know you also want to follow His ways. Here's what Jesus did. He came with both grace and truth. That means He showed people love and mercy but still called out their sin."

"So, Jesus wants us to still love Candace but also be honest about how she disappointed us?" Gus asked.

Mom nodded. "When friends tell us the truth in a loving way, it gives us a chance to look to Jesus to help us change."

"Let's go talk to Candace, Tessie," Gus said. "If Jesus shows us grace and truth, we can try to do the same with Candace."
-Allison Wilson Lee

How about you?

Have you ever been let down by a friend or loved one and wondered how to handle it? In His life on earth, Jesus showed us how to be honest when another person hurts us while still showing that person love. As we grow in knowing and following Jesus, we can learn to offer others grace and truth too. Trust Him to help you tell the truth in love.

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
John 1:17 NIV

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Austin - 10/6

Pamelo - 10/9

Weyimi - 10/23

Zeal - 10/25

Kaelynn - 10/30



RIDDLE OF THE WEEK

What starts with a 'P', ends with an 'E',
and has thousands of letters?

(Hint: it's a 2-word answer)

Answer: A Post Office!

