

# SUMTER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## MAY 2009 NEWSLETTER

May is a busy month, so please read the May newsletter and calendar carefully for the many activities and programs listed. If you have not enrolled your children for next year, please consider doing so soon. Accounts must be current before re-enrollment can be processed. Grades 1, 5, 6, and K4 are nearly full for next year.

**EARLY DISMISSAL MAY 22, 26, 27:** Grades 7-12 have exams until noon these three days; therefore, all other grades will be dismissed at noon, too. Many parents have children in both elementary and high school, and this schedule helps them with transportation. Elementary classes do not take final exams like high school, but these three days may be filled with tests and final projects due. Day Care will be available until 6:00 as usual.

**ACHIEVEMENT TESTING RESULTS** should be here by the end of school. We will send a notice home with the students when they arrive, and you may then get your copy of the results from the teacher. If the results do not come by the end of school, we will mail them in June.

**ALL ACCOUNTS** (tuition, Day Care, lunch charges, library fees, athletic fees, etc.) must be current before students may receive awards, report cards, and/or diplomas or before records can be sent to other schools or colleges. As stated in the Parent-Student Guide (handbook), *“Any payment made after May 10 for past due charges must be paid by money order, cashier’s check, cash, VISA, or MasterCard.”*

**FOOD CHARGES** will not be allowed after May 8 so we can collect all outstanding charges before the fiscal year ends. Please be sure your child has payment for lunches or snacks after May 8 (of course, students may bring their lunches or snacks from home). Students who attend summer Day Care will be allowed to charge food beginning Monday, June 1.

**AWARDS CHAPEL** is Friday, May 29. The student body nearly fills the auditorium, so we have limited seating for parents to attend. Parents who come may be seated in the last four pews until all students are seated, and then parents may sit on any available pews. The program begins at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude at approximately 9:45. Students then go to their homerooms to receive awards, certificates, and final report cards, after which they may leave school. Teachers will be here until noon if you need to see them. Day Care will be available until 6:00.

**THE BAND CONCERT** will be Thursday, May 14, in the church auditorium at 7:00 p.m. for all three bands (not the 15<sup>th</sup> as originally published). Parents and students who are interested in band next year are encouraged to attend. Beginning band is a part of the curriculum and is required for all fourth-graders.

**THE ATHLETIC AWARDS PROGRAM** will be Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 p.m. (not the 8<sup>th</sup> as originally published). Details will be sent home with the athletes.

**GRADUATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL** is Thursday, May 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of Sumter Bible Church. You are cordially invited to attend.

**GRADUATION FOR K3, K4, AND K5** is a joyous time to watch the children perform. These are good programs to invite friends to see, especially those who have young children and are looking for Christian education. The dates are listed on the calendar.

**NEW FACULTY** members for next year have not been determined yet, but the only changes we expect are in high school math and band. We will post the names of new teachers on the website as we know them.

**SUMMER CAMPS** are available for art and science. Some information has been sent with the students already, and more information will be sent home with them later. Call the office if you have questions.

### Summer Camps

Art .....June 8-12 & June 15-19  
Science....June 22-26

**THE SUMTER COUNTY COUNCIL** honors exceptional students each year in all county schools in the five major academic areas. A member of the county council will attend our graduation ceremony to present the awards. This year's recipients are Andy He (Math), Jackie Yanick (Social Studies), Darlene Cookey-Gam (English), Amanda Prince (Science), and Andrew Hutto (Foreign Language). We congratulate these students for outstanding work in these areas!

**SUMMER SCHOOL** is available to SCS students who need enrichment or to repeat a class. The cost is \$195.00, which must be paid by noon on Friday, May 29, since materials are ordered that afternoon. Classes begin June 8 and end July 22. Regular SCS dress standards apply. The daily schedule is 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please complete the form below and bring or send it to the office with the payment. If you have questions, please call the office. At least ten students must enroll before we can offer this service. If fewer than ten enroll, we will refund your money.

**SUMMER DAY CARE** is available for students enrolled in SCS this year or next year. The program operates on a Day Camp format: Bible stories, arts and crafts, group games, free playtime, field trips, cartoons and children's films, etc. The cost for this summer has been reduced by our board to \$2.00 per hour, a sizable discount on the current rate. We hope this will be a help to many of you in these tough, economic times. You may use the Day Care at your convenience. We will open at 6:45 a.m. and will close at 6:00 p.m. Day Care will be open every weekday during the summer except May 25 (Memorial Day), July 4, and August 14 (Open House for Sumter Christian School).

**THE BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION PROGRAM** has continued to be profitable. The amount collected from this year will be announced later. Please remember to collect the box tops during the summer for next year.

**VACATION STATIONS**, a summer enrichment book for students completing grades kindergarten through fifth grade, is filled with review of the material your child learned during this school year. It is developed to help students systematically review grade level material in ten weeks. Information and order forms have been sent home with the students. Please send orders to the office by May 12 so we may get the books before school ends.

This is the last letter that will be published for the current school year. I want to thank you for your prayers and support during this year. I also want to thank our teachers, without whom this ministry of Christian education could not be possible. God has blessed us with an excellent staff, and I appreciate their "labor of love" for the Lord and for your children. Please pray for us as we plan for next year.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL AND SAFE SUMMER!**



**SUMMER SCHOOL REGISTRATION - DUE BY NOON, MAY 29**  
(Please attach payment of \$195.00.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Subject \_\_\_\_\_

Reason (Circle one):    Repeat            Enrichment

Grade level \_\_\_\_\_

