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FIRST SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL October 27th 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Tell your family and friends to join us on Friday, October 28th for our annual Harvest Festival. Activities will include a slide, cake walk, raffle, face painting, games in each classroom, and snacks. The event begins at 6:30 and ends at 8:30.

The snacks and games all require tickets. Money will be exchanged only at the ticket booth. Game tickets are four for \$1.00, general raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and basket raffle tickets are \$3.00 each or 10 for \$27.00.

Children (and adults) may dress up for this event if they choose. No scary or evil costumes please (e.g. witches, devils, ghosts, vampires, etc.).

Flyers are available in the office for you to pass out to your friends or post anywhere you would like. Please help us spread the word by taking flyers to hang up at businesses as well.

To make the festival a success, we need many volunteers. We have sign up sheets posted in the downstairs hallway next to the water station. If you cannot come in, please call the office, and we can add your name.

CANDY DRIVE: We are starting a classroom candy drive/contest on October 2nd. This candy will be given out to the children as a prize for playing the classroom games. We are asking everyone to bring in bags of wrapped candy (no gum, scary wrapped candy or powdered items) to the classroom. The teacher will record the weight of the candy, and the classroom who brings in the most candy per capita will have an ice-cream party! The contest ends October 26th at 3:30 p.m.

GENERAL RAFFLE: There will be a general raffle with a variety of items we will raffle off at the festival. We are asking for donations of gift cards, items, and services. Please go out into your community and ask businesses if they would like to donate to this event. A letter for tax purposes will be available in the office if needed.

BASKET RAFFLE: Each classroom has a themed basket which will be raffled off at the Harvest Festival. We would like each parent to donate at least one item for the basket please. A letter about the baskets went home with the children last week. The themes are as follows:

Preschool: Cooking Time

Kindergarten: Family Activity Night

1st grade: Me Time

2nd grade: Hello Pumpkin

3rdgrade: Arizona Sports Teams

4th grade: Basket Full of Sunshine

5th/6th grade: Family Camping

Thank you all so much for all of your help!

PETTING ZOO AND PUMPKIN PATCH IN SCHOOL FIELD TRIP OCTOBER 19

This year we are going to have the pumpkin patch and petting zoon on site! The children will be able to pet various farm animals and pick a pumpkin to take home. We will need donations of pumpkins and hay as well as volunteers for this fun event. Please email, message on Class Dojo, or call the office if you are available to help.

The students will be dismissed at 11:30 on this day because it is also parent-teacher conference day.

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MANDATORY PARENT / TEACHERCONFERENCES OCT 19th & 20th

The first nine weeks of school will be over soon. In grades K-6, we schedule <u>mandatory</u> parent/teacher conferences for Oct. $19^{th} \& 20^{th}$. On the 19^{th} , classes will dismiss at 11:30 for grades k-6. Preschool classes are not affected.

We do offer childcare until 5:30 on the 19th. Lunch <u>will not</u> be served on the half day. If your child will be staying after class, please send a lunch. **Childcare charges begin at 11:30 for all students.**

Please sign up for the conferences in the office starting October 2nd. Remember, your child's report card will be issued <u>only</u> at the conference.

HONORS CHAPEL WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25TH @ 9:30

The students in $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ grade work hard to achieve a GPA score. Anyone with a 3.0 - 3.4 receives an Honorable Mention Award and the students with a 3.50 - 4.0 score receive Honor Roll Award. We like to recognize them for their accomplishment by having a special Honors Chapel for them. We invite the parents of the students who are receiving the award to come and anyone else who would like to attend. Check your child's report card to know if your child will be receiving an award. The students in preschool and kindergarten will open the program by singing a song. Then the awards will be given, and lastly the students in $1^{st} - 6^{th}$ will sing. We welcome any of you to attend. We will have this event every quarter. Check the yearly calendar for the dates.

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP NIGHT



Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 19th for our family fellowship night. Stop by Peter Piper Pizza on Speedway and Silverbell between the hours of 11:00 P.M.– 7:00 P.M. and 15% of your total purchase, including tokens, will be donated to the school. You must tell the cashier you are from First Southern Christian School in order for our school to get credit.

We will have a special host between the hours of 5-7 p.m. who will be helping us and engaging the children in special games and contests. If you cannot make it out in the evening, you can go anytime between 11-7 p.m., and the school will still receive credit.

Tell your family and friends to join us!

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" program will kick off on Oct. 18th. The children will have a special chapel to introduce the event.

Basically, each family will receive a shoebox to fill with small gifts. You can find a complete list of items in the brochure that will go home with your child on the 12th. Please pay close attention to the "<u>DO NOT INCLUDE</u>" list which consists of lotion, toothpaste, shampoo, liquids, medication, candy, or glass. If you want to pack more boxes, you can use any regular size shoebox or shoebox size plastic container with lid.

This project blesses so many children around the world. Please feel free to join us on the 18th to watch the precious video that explains the event.



Thank you in advance for your help!

<u>First Southern Baptist Church</u> <u>Fall Festival</u>

First Southern Baptist Church Fall Festival will be Tuesday, October 31st from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Bring the whole family. There will be music, food, carnival games, kids zone, and whole lots of fun!

This is a free event!

TUCSON ROADRUNNERS HOCKEY GAME ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022

Our students have been invited to sing the National Anthem on Faith and Family night for the Tucson Roadrunners Hockey Game on Friday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m. We have done this in the past, and it is really a lot of fun. The audience is very well entertained during these games, and the kids have a lot of fun. It will be a great time for FSCS family fellowship. Your child should have received a flyer for this event. I will have more available at pick up if you need another one. It has a code to scan to purchase tickets. I will also email a link.

Hope you can come!

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Philippians 4:4