

# FIRST SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## All School Field Trip

We are excited to be taking the children on a field trip to the Marana Pumpkin Patch on Friday, October 31st. The cost is \$8.50 per person and includes a wagon ride to the pumpkin patch to pick a pumpkin, jumping pillow, farm play land, train ride, straw mountain, and petting zoo. The school must enter as a group so if you are meeting us there, please wait for the rest of the group. Please send your child with a water bottle with their NAME CLEARLY MARKED ON IT. Everyone will need to bring a lunch, and we will have a picnic together after the activities. Please fill out and return the permission slip by September 17th.

## 38<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Tell your family and friends to join us on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> for our annual Harvest Festival. Activities will include an obstacle course, slide, cake walk, raffle, face painting, games, and snacks. The event begins at 6:30 and ends at 8:30. No dinner will be served this year.

The food and games all require tickets. Money will be exchanged only at the ticket booth. Pre-ticket sales will begin Monday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> in the office. Tickets will be five for \$1.00 from Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>. The cost will be four tickets for \$1.00 on the day of the event.

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 will be available in the office by Oct. 9th 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.

**We will need many volunteers for this event. Sign up sheets are on the hallway bulletin board. Any help is appreciated. Thank you!**

## MANDATORY PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES OCT 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

The first nine weeks of school will be over soon. In grades K-6, we schedule **mandatory** parent/teacher conferences for Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. On the 18<sup>th</sup>, classes will dismiss at 11:30 for grades k-6. Pre-school classes are not affected. (This schedule will also apply for the half day on Oct. 26th.)

We do offer childcare until 5:30 on both half days. Lunch **will not** be served on the half days. 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 1<sup>st</sup>. Remember your child's report card will be issued only at the conference.

## CANDY DRIVE BEGINS

Our annual candy drive begins Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. The candy is given out as prizes at the Harvest Festival so we will need a very large quantity. The drive is a competition between classes so your child will be reminding you often to send in candy. The top two classes will have an *ice cream party* for bringing in the most candy. Candy is totaled by pound and calculated per capita. A graph will be in the hallway to track the totals. **Please do not send in any gum, pixie sticks, or candy that represents anything scary.**

Thank you for your help!



## Chapel Offering

Please do not forget our Compassion International students. We sponsor Jeki (8) from Indonesia and Carlos (9) from Bolivia. We ask each student to please bring 50 cents to chapel each Wednesday. Many of the students are forgetting this. Please help as we teach them the importance of missions. Read about the children we sponsor on the bulletin board in the main hallway. Thank you!



## **FAMILY FELLOWSHIP NIGHT**

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 18th for our family fellowship night. Stop by Panda Express on Speedway and Silverbell between the hours of 11:00 A.M.– 10:00 P.M. and 20% of your purchase will be donated to the school. You must present a paper flyer or show the flyer on your phone to the cashier in order for our school to get credit. These are available in the office and will also be emailed. Tell your family and friends to join us!

## **Join us for a FUN filled night!!**

The Paint Night Fundraiser will be on Friday, November 30th at 6:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. under the ramada next to the school. Please purchase your tickets in advance at the school office. Cost is \$30 per person.

**OUR SCHOOL WILL RECEIVE 50% OF THE PROCEEDS!**

## **SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

The Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" program will kick off on Oct. 10th. 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 10th. Please pay close attention to the "DO NOT INCLUDE" list which consists of lotion, 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 10th to watch the precious video that explains the event.



**Thank you in advance for your help!**

## **SECURITY FENCE BY RAMADA**

We would like to put up a security fence which would enclose the ramada for an extra security measure. We would install an additional camera and have a buzzer system at the gate entrance. We are selling raffle tickets to win a **2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit donated by Jim Click** to raise the money for the fence. The tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. We accept cash, check or credit card payments. Even people from out of state can purchase tickets. The prize for 2nd place is a **TRIP** to any where in the **WORLD** and 3rd place is **\$5,000**. Spread the word!

First Southern Baptist Church Fall Festival will be Wednesday, October 31st from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bring the whole family. There will be games, food, jumping castle, trunk or treat, and a whole lot of fun! This is a free event.

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