

# FIRST SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## First Southern Christian School's Annual Harvest Festival and 40 Year Reunion October 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

We are grateful and excited to have our annual Harvest Festival back this year! The festival events include: classroom games, cake walk, slide, raffles, snacks and a lot of fun and fellowship. This year we are including our 40 year reunion with the festival. We hope to have many alumni attend as we walk down memory lane. Many of our alumni already have students attending the school which is such a blessing. If you know of anyone who attended the school, please tell them to come on out to our festivities.

To make the festival a success we need many volunteers. We have signup 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 4<sup>th</sup>. 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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**

**1<sup>st</sup> grade: Me Time**

**2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Hello Pumpkin**

**3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade: Backyard Campfire**

**5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade: U of A**

Thank you all so much for all of your help!

## TUCSON PETTING ZOO FUNNY FOOT FARM & PUMPKIN PATCH FIELD TRIP OCTOBER 22

We will all be heading out to the Funny Foot Farm for a fun day of feeding, petting, and learning about many types of animals. We will also be able to pick pumpkins and play games. The cost for this trip is \$7.00 and includes a small pumpkin. They are unable to handle all of us at the same time so the preschool, kindergarten and first graders will go from 9:30 – 11:00 and the 2nd – 6th grades will go from 1:00 – 2:30. We will ALL meet at Curtis Park at 11:30 for lunch. I have reserved the ramada there, but some will need to bring blankets and or chairs to sit in the grass. If your child has an older sibling in the second group, then he or she can go with the first group. Save the date and look for a permission slip coming soon.

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**MANDATORY PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES  
OCT 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<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. 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. On the 14<sup>th</sup>, classes will dismiss at 11:30 for grades k-6. Preschool classes are not affected.

We do offer childcare until 5:30 on both days. Lunch **will not** 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 4<sup>th</sup>. Remember, your child's report card will be issued only at the conference.

**HONORS CHAPEL**

**WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> @ 9:30**

The students in 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 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 14th for our family fellowship night. Stop by Peter Piper Pizza on Speedway and Silverbell between the hours of 12:00 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 12-7 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. 13th. 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 13th. Please pay close attention to the "**DO NOT INCLUDE**" 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 13th to watch the precious video that explains the event.



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

**FISH HELPER NEEDED ☺**

Our lovely fish need a caretaker. We are able to feed them each day but we need some help keeping up with the regular maintenance duties involved with a fish tank. This would be once every three weeks. If you are interested in this position, please email, call, or talk with Mrs. Burger. I bet we could find some free school lunches for your child with this position.

**TUCSON ROADRUNNERS HOCKEY  
GAME Deadline Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>**

We have been invited as a church and a school to attend Faith and Family night at the Roadrunners Hockey game. If we can pre-sell 50 tickets, then our students will be allowed to sing the National Anthem. We need to reach this goal by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> so we can secure our students for the singing. I am pretty confident that we can do this. Please email, DoJo, or call the office if you plan to attend and have your child sing. 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*