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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one."

Matthew 6:9-13

My senior Bible class finished reading N.T. Wright's *The Lord & His Prayer* last week. This short book contains a thoughtful analysis of the Lord's Prayer presented to us in Matthew 6:9-13. Throughout the book, Wright challenges his readers to not just use the Lord's Prayer as a "spiritual version of the baby's mug and spoon set" but to engage in Christ's words, allowing our focus to be intentional and direct when we pray.

Today is All Saints Day, a day to honor Christians that have come before us. Those who created, cemented, and consecrated tradition and passed on truth to us. This morning reciting the Lord's Prayer and today being All Saints Day, I reflected on past Christians' tribulations. Stephen, a first-century martyr, called on God as he was stoned to death for believing in the resurrected Christ. Did he recite the Lord's Prayer as I do? I wonder about the 2nd and 3rd century Christians facing persecution from the Roman officials, did they recite the prayer? For close to two millennia, Christians have prayed this prayer with intention and devotion. For me, it brings comfort that generations have called on "Our Father in heaven," when rejoicing or worrying, with tears of joy or sorrow. "How much more ought we to cherish and marvel at the fact that for nearly two thousand years people have prayed this prayer. When you take these words on your lips you stand on hallowed ground" (Wright). I pray that our graduating seniors cling to this prayer as they mature in their faith and that the Lord's Prayer's hope, grace, and truth provide a guiding light for them.

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PUMPKIN DROP 2022



TCPS has been doing an annual pumpkin drop for several years, though during the pandemic it was paused. Thankfully, life has returned to normal. On Friday, October 28, the Cleveland Fire



Department helped us drop pumpkins from heights of 50-80 feet!

We witnessed the creative minds of students K-12 be put to the test by seeing new and fun designs for their pumpkins. Compared to last year, Dr. Fletcher made the rules significantly more difficult and increased the drop height 3-fold! About 30 pumpkins were dropped, with 6 surviving! Many congrats go to the winners of the Golden Pumpkin!

It was exciting to see which designs survived the drop, and perhaps even more exciting to watch most of them explode. Everyone was ecstatic and had tons of fun and we can't wait to do it all again next year! The chant of "3 - 2 - 1: Drop that pumpkin!" will be forever on our ears!

Written by 11th Grade Class



HUNTSVILLE FIELD TRIP - SENIOR CLASS

Last week, the senior class went on a field trip and spent the day in Huntsville, Alabama. In the morning after we left the school at 8 a.m., we arrived at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, and the first thing we saw was a big rocket. We walked around the museum for a while and learned a lot about how to live in space and what life is like for astronauts. To the distaste of many of us, we learned that crickets are included in many meals for the astronauts. Along with learning about spaceships and astronauts, we also stopped for a second to solve a kiddie puzzle, which was the highlight of the trip for many of us.

After the museum, we went on to learn about physics through some 'hands-on' methods. This includes riding the 'G Force Simulator', which was a ride that spun us around extremely fast and went into 3Gs, which is 3x our normal gravitational force. Inside the ride, we were going so fast that it felt stationary, but with more gravity, so it was hard to even lift our arms. After that ride, we rode the 'Moon Shot', which shot us up into the sky so quickly and dropped us so that for a while, we felt weightless.

After lunch at Newks, we learned the most important fact of the day that planetariums are the best place to take a nap. And also that Jupiter's red 'eye' will vanish in like 10-15 years. Anna and Cole felt brave and dared to ride the multi-axis simulator. Anna rode with a smile, while Cole rode with a "raging headache", as he quotes. After being spun in all directions, including upside down, Anna walked away with a shoulder injury abrasion, and Cole walked away without his dignity. At the end of the day, we gained so much more knowledge, and some of us even gained...love. Ask the Seniors for more information.

Written by 12th Grade Class

NOVEMBER FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT: PEACE



Madeleine Naquin, 1st Grade: Madeleine is a peacemaker by all accounts. She doesn't get her feathers ruffled and her calm presence is soothing to those around her.



Eliana Adams, 4th Grade: Eliana exhibits an easy going attitude and remains calm even when classmates are unsettled. She shows others how to "live at peace with everyone " as Paul writes in Romans 12:18.



Jonathan Adams, 8th Grade: Jonathan is not only full of God's perfect peace, but he is also a peacemaker. He brings the Prince of Peace wherever he goes and through his gift of piano.



Ava Longsworth-Orr, 11th Grade: Ava exhibits peace and beauty through her "gentle and quiet spirit" (I Peter 3). She possesses a deep, abiding peace of God that is not dependent on circumstances and is a gift to others.

BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY













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