

NOVEMBER 22, 2021

# CALVARY SCHOOL NEWS

TO KNOW JESUS AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

## Rise and Shine!

*"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever." Daniel 12:1-3*

The bedroom door creaked open. Footsteps pitter-pattered across the floor. Then came a soft and gentle voice, "Rise and shine!" It didn't matter how nicely Noelle's mom spoke those words every morning—Noelle didn't like it one bit. "Ugh! No! Not yet!" she complained. "Rise and shine!" her mother said again. This time Noelle pulled the sheets up over her head and groaned, "Nooo! I don't want to wake up!"

Noelle was not being very helpful or responsible. She needed to get up and get ready for school. Thankfully, her mother was very loving. She kept encouraging her to "rise and shine" until she finally did.

How about in your house? Are there some people who struggle to "rise and shine"? Would you rather be asleep or awake?

Even though many people love to sleep in, there is a day coming soon when all people will rise. That day is called judgment day. Daniel 12:2 says, "Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt." This verse is telling us that when Jesus comes back, all those who have died will have their bodies rise from the grave. Some will awake to everlasting life in heaven, some will go to everlasting death in hell.

There are days when our sins make us like Noelle. When we sin, we act like we don't want to rise and shine in the light of God's love. Sin leads us to be spiritually sleepy as Satan tries to lead us to fall asleep forever in unbelief. Satan wants us to spend eternity away from God and in hell.

Thanks be to God that Jesus has taken away all those sins! And thanks be to God that our mighty Savior also gives us the strength to remain strong in our faith. Jesus will help us to be awake, on the watch, and ready for his return. What a day that will be! Not only will Jesus raise us from the dead, but we will shine in the brightness of his love and glory. Daniel 12:3 says this about believers, "Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever."

Stay connected to Jesus in his Word, in worship, and in prayer. That will help you to be ready for the wonderful day when Jesus comes back and says to you, "Rise and shine forever!"

**Closing Prayer:** Jesus, thank you for saving me from sin and sending your Spirit to give me faith in you. Help me remain strong in the faith until the day you return and raise me to life with you forever. Amen.



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## GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

### Thanks!

- To our parents, chaperones, trip leaders and students for a successful Texas History Trip!
- To all faculty, parents, and students who participated in last Friday's Early Childhood Literacy Night!

**Donate to Calvary's Food Drive!** There is one more day for Knight Groups to collect non-perishable food items for those in need in our community. The group that collects the most donations by this Tuesday will be honored with the Knight Group Spirit Award in chapel on December 1st. Parent volunteers are needed to help deliver food donations to Feed Lake Highlands at 10 AM on November 23rd. Sign up to help in the Calvary App.

**Christmas Art Contest:** Tomorrow is the last day to submit masterpieces for the Christmas art contest.

**Tuesday Chapel & 15 @ 15:** This week we will hold chapel on Tuesday morning at 8:25 AM, and parents are invited to join us. We will not hold our usual Tuesday 15 @ 15 this week, and instead we encourage parents to join us for chapel in the morning and our Knights' Football Experience and Nacho Bar in the afternoon beginning at 1:15 PM.

**Knight Group Tuesday:** Today, our Knight Groups are receiving their colored school t-shirts. These shirts are to be worn to school this Tuesday and may also be worn on Spirit Fridays. Jeans and athletic shorts are permitted along with Knight Group shirts this Tuesday for our Knights' Football Experience.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV 22	Jr. Choir Practice, 3:30 – 4:15 PM
NOV 23	Chapel & Offering, 8:25 AM Knights' Football Experience & Nacho Bar
NOV 24-26	Thanksgiving Break
NOV 29	Calvary School Photography Quarter 2 Midterm
DEC 8	Grades 3-8 Sing – Advent Service, 7:00 PM

**Knights' Football Experience & Nacho Bar:** Celebrate Thanksgiving at Calvary with food and football! We welcome parents to join us at 1:15 PM this Tuesday, November 23rd for some light-hearted fun! Students will join their Knight Groups to participate in our Knights' Football Experience, allowing students of all ages to learn and participate in football skills. From 2:30 – 2:50 PM, parents and faculty/staff will have a scrimmage against our grade 7-8 students. We'll also have a Thanksgiving nacho snack bar for parents and students alike to enjoy! Click [HERE](#) to donate items to the nacho bar.

**Thanksgiving Break – No School:** There will be no school November 24-26 as we celebrate Thanksgiving with friends and family.

**Christmas Gift Exchange:** Today, students are exchanging names within their classrooms for our Christmas gift exchange which will take place during classroom Christmas parties on December 17. Ask your child for his or her gift exchange form after school today. Gifts are to be brought to school on Wednesday, December 15, and are to be \$5.00 to \$10.00 in value.

**Children's Christmas Service:** Over the next three weeks, we will be preparing to share the message of Jesus' birth through word and song in our Children's Christmas Service. This service will be at 6:30 PM on Friday, December 17. We look forward to joining together with our Calvary family for this special worship service.

## KNIGHTS' FOOTBALL EXPERIENCE

Tomorrow Calvary students will participate in a Knights' Football Experience. This event will allow students of all ages to learn football skills as we build leadership and teamwork in our student body.

We welcome parents to join us at 1:15 PM to watch their children enjoy football fun! Students will be divided into their Knight Groups and will cycle through the football stations outlined below.

### Schedule

- 1:15 Teams Gather
- 1:20 Session 1 - Pass
- 1:30 Session 2 - Punt
- 1:40 Session 3 - Agility Relay
- 1:50 Session 4 - Kick
- 2:00 Session 5 - Nacho Bar
- 2:10 Session 6 - Touchdown
- 2:20 Clean-Up
- Scrimmage Prep

Remember to dress your student in the Knight Shirt that will be sent home today! Support this event by donating items to our [Nacho bar!](#)



## CALVARY SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY

On Monday, November 29th we will welcome professional photographer, Canon Sawyer, to Calvary. She will be working to gather professional candid pictures of teachers, classes, and classrooms throughout the morning. These pictures will be used to update Calvary's website and marketing materials.

All students should wear their Calvary logo polo shirts on this day. Families have given consent to photography as part of their enrollment documents, however, if you'd prefer that your child not be photographed, please let the school office know by Monday morning. Thank you!

## PRINIPAL'S MESSAGE

*"Oh give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endures forever." Psalm 136:1*

For many of us, those familiar words of Psalm 136 are said before meals as we give thanks for our daily meals. Yet, it becomes easy to say the words without really giving them much thought.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this week, it's the perfect time to truly focus ourselves and the children we serve on God's amazing goodness and mercy. God's greatest gifts are spiritual. Our sins are forgiven, our guilt is removed, and we have the sure hope of our heavenly. Yet, God daily gives us so much

more - family, friends, clothing, food, house, home, and other earthly blessings beyond our ability to count.

We so often find ourselves complaining, and we forget the unending goodness and mercy of God. Take time this week to truly take the words of Psalm 136 to heart with your children and spend some time with them counting God's blessings and thanking him.

Prayer for the Week: Dear father, thank you for all the spiritual and earthly gifts which you graciously give to us each day. Forgive us for ungratefulness and help us to live in true thanksgiving every day. Amen.