

February 13, 2009

Warriors,

This week you should have received your enrollment packet for the next school year. It is important that you return the reenrollment packet as soon as possible as we are well along in planning for next school year. We continue to seek ways to improve our school and expect 2009-2010 to be no different. Many are facing economic challenges that make staying at SRCS a difficult choice. We want to keep all of our families. If you need help with tuition, please contact me at jsatterly@sevenrivers.org or Margaret Whitchurch at mwhitchurch@sevenrivers.org. Our church is also committed to work toward helping with tuition.

The school year always brings about unplanned changes, especially in the classroom. This year has been no exception. Earlier this week, Mr. Albert Salfarlie resigned his teaching position. As a result, Rachel deBeer has returned to teach Precalculus, Chris Eckart was reassigned to teach Chemistry, and Julie Poling will take over the Literature elective. Recently, Brian Norman took a leave of absence with Dan Shipes taking those classes. Both Mr. Mitchell (Bible) and I (US History) have recently stepped into the classroom as well to provide better opportunities for our students.

The second grade is hosting the annual Cupid's Café today. Students turn their classrooms into a restaurant and become the staff. Parents and guests will dine under candlelight with a special menu. Proceeds will be donated to the *Kianga Kids Mission* in Nairobi, Kenya.

Last night the girl's basketball season came to an end in the State playoffs, losing to Trinity Christian in Deltona. Coach Kiernan and the team had a great season, advancing to the state tournament for the first time since 2004. The boys seek to recapture the District Crown in tournament action Friday and Saturday night in Ocala.

Remember there is no school on Monday or Tuesday. Monday is a holiday and on Tuesday, the faculty will attend an in-service meeting hosted by Christian Schools of Florida in Orlando. The speaker is Dr. Jim Drexler, Dean, Social Sciences and Masters in Education Program, Covenant College.

Earlier this week our juniors and seniors met Dan Iverson, our church planter in Japan. They have also established a school there and this is one of the Christian schools we support around the world. In April, we are honored to host four teachers from the Christian Schools in Belize (another one of our sponsored schools) for two weeks. It is an awesome opportunity to see the fruit of these ministries firsthand.

Blessings,

Joel