



As your new Principal, I personally count it a joy and privilege to serve the Lord at FCS and serve you through quality Christian education. I am humbled to partner with parents for the education of their children. It is a sacred trust, which I do not hold lightly. I delight in seeing the children rise to the challenges they encounter throughout the year as they stretch and grow toward excellence. As a faculty, we are eagerly anticipating that God will move among us and accomplish great things over the coming months. We will focus on Micah 6:8 as our theme verse for this year: "He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?" The Lord REQUIRES us to Do justly; Love mercy; and Walk humbly. What a different place our world would be if we would all live with this in view!

We are looking forward to a great year together. The 2016 – 2017 school year is in God's hands. We are thankful for His continual provision for FCS. Welcome back to a year of growth and re-building as we pray for God's blessings in our school and in our school family.

In His Service,
Leeann Long
Principal
Faith Christian School



October Events

- October 4th**
1st Quarter Progress Reports
- October 10th**
Columbus Day - no school
- October 12th**
Picture Day
- October 13**
7th & 8th ESU Play "Our Town"
- October 14**
Senator For A Day
- October 19**
PSATs Juniors
- October 20**
In-Service - no school
- October 21**
In-Service - no school
- October 26**
Faith Serves!
- October 28**
Faith Walk!

AROUND THE SCHOOL

New Bus & Signage

Thank you to Mr. Welch and Mr. Rothwell for purchasing a new bus for the school. Our old bus had broken down towards the end of last year. It is essential to have a bus as it is used for field trips, sporting games, and other school activities. We can't thank you both enough for your generous donation. Thank you also to Mr. Nikles for providing signage for our new bus. It looks great! We truly appreciate all that our FCS parents, alumni, and friends do for our school.



We have a new playset!

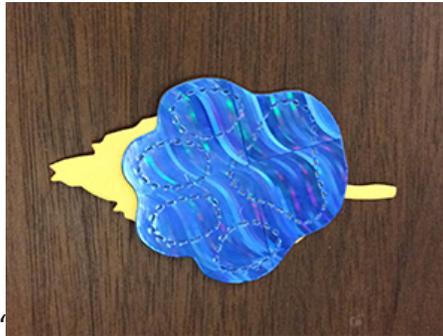
The commercial grade playground equipment was installed, complete with a climbing wall, playhouse, and other activities. FCS students have made good use of it already to swing and slide and have fun at recess. Thank you to everyone that has helped to fundraise for the playground over the years and to Mrs. Tilley for your work on this project for the school!

Inside FCS

There are signs of Fall both inside and outside the school!



How many of these paw prints have you spotted around the school?



September Recap

See You At the Pole



On September 28th, 2016, students from 7th through 12th grade, teachers, and parents attended the annual *See You At The Pole* to pray for our school.

We encourage you to continue to pray frequently for our school and to use our Faith Christian School Prayer Calendar.

Capitol Trip

Pennsylvania State Senator Mario M. Scavello graciously invited our 3rd – 12th grade students to be his guests in our state capitol in Harrisburg, Pa. on September 26th, 2016.

Senator Scavello personally covered all the expenses for the day. We were honored by his invitation and grateful for the experience!

Thank you, Senator Scavello!



New Teachers

We welcome our new teachers to our staff, and look forward to the rest of the school year!

Mrs. Tammy Zuhlke - 3rd & 4th Grade Teacher

Mrs. Zuhlke is an experienced teacher. She graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelors degree in Education. We welcome her to our staff.

Mrs. Nicole Barnard - History Teacher, grades 7 – 12

Mrs. Barnard earned both her BA Social Science Secondary Education degree and her MA Education degree at Biola University. She has her CA state certification and has 3 years of teaching experience. In addition to speaking English, she speaks Spanish and German.

Mrs. Gail Cleaver - Math Teacher, grades 7 – 12

Mrs. Cleaver earned her BS in Mathematics at Moravian College and has her PA state certification. She comes to us with 30 years of teaching experience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Faith Walk

Faith Walk, FCS's largest and only fundraiser for elementary students to participate in, is coming up fast! On Friday afternoon, October 28th student(s) will walk around Bangor track for one hour to raise funds for our school. These funds will be used for educational programs, school improvements, and FCS scholarships. Thank you for your support of Faith Christian School through Faith Walk.



Faith Serves!

Faith Serves is a very special day in the life of our school falls on October 26, 2016, this year. Faith Christian School high school students and parents will participate in FAITH SERVES to raise money for vital school improvements and educational programs. Student tuition alone doesn't cover all these expenses, and our tax dollars never reach our school. Our theme this year is "Faith Serves," based on Ephesians 6:7-8, "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does, whether he is slave or free."



High schoolers will be participating in a community service project at Streamside Camp, a local ministry to inner city and at risk youth, to raise money for the school. We will be sprucing up the facilities, raking leaves, cutting wood, and any other projects the camp may need done.

This is a vital fundraiser for our school and will enable the school to continue its ministry to children and their families throughout Monroe and Northampton counties in Pennsylvania and Northwestern New Jersey.

REMINDER!



Box Tops

Box Tops are due at the end of October! Please send your Box Tops in as soon as possible, as this is a valuable way for our school to raise funds.

Get Involved!

Join our Parent Association

At FCS, we recognize that our families are busier than ever. But as an association governed school, we need our parents to be association members. We can't do it all without your help! We encourage you to share your God-given gifts and talents at Faith. There are ways you can help every week, once a month or just a few times a year depending on your availability. Will you partner with us by joining one of our committees or helping in other ways? Call 610-588-3414 or email office@fclions.org for information on how to join the [Parent Association](#).

Parent Association Meeting

The next Parent Association meeting will be held on November 4, 2016 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. We encourage all parents that are not already members to join. As a member of the Association you can vote for board members and for the school's annual budget. In addition, members of the Association may serve on committees that help run the school.

Board Members & Committee Members Needed

Faith Christian School is in need of board members and also Association members to join committees; you can visit the [volunteer opportunities page](#) of our website to view Areas of Need. Volunteering is an important aspect of involvement at Faith Christian School. Every parent, alumni, and friend of Faith Christian is encouraged to become active in our school community. If you have an interest, please contact Ginny Jensen at 610-588-3414 or email office@fclions.org for an application.

Ski/Snowboard Club



The temperatures are dropping and you know what that means...It's time to sign up for SKI/SNOWBOARD CLUB!!!!

Hey, all you skiers and riders, invite your friends and family! Anyone is welcome to get these great discounted prices to Camelback Mountain Resort through FCS. You will be able to apply starting in mid-October. Registration will end on November 23rd and FCS will begin its 24th season on January 6, 2017. So start planning ahead now! More details to follow.

Ski/Snowboard Club (continued)

RETURNING THIS YEAR FOR THE SAME DISCOUNTED RATE!! – The Night Rider Pass for only \$99.00.

- Direct to Lift Access
- Ski from 3:00 pm-close, 7 nights/week – Valid once night skiing begins
- Ski open-close 7 days/week beginning March 1, 2017
- 25% off of retail rental rates
- 20% off retail repair rates
- Free ski check

The Value Pass is available for a discounted rate of \$169 for juniors age 6-18 and \$249 for adults age 19+. This price will remain throughout the prepaid registration period.

The Super Pass will be offered at an Early Season Rate of \$399 for juniors and \$599 for adults through November 30th.

What a great CHRISTMAS gift idea!!!

If you have any interest at all, please email Paula Thrasher at thrasherp@fcslions.org and the necessary forms will be sent to you.



Alumni News

Claire Boucher ('12) graduated from West Chester University in December 2015.

She will attend Bournemouth University in Dorset, England for one year beginning September 2016...pursuing a MA pursuing an M.A. in **Media & Communication** at Bournemouth University, Dorset, England in the fall of 2016.

Girls Basketball Coach Needed

Faith Christian School is in need of a Basketball Coach for the Middle School Girls team. Practices start in November. If you are interested and willing, PLEASE contact Mary Ellen Borrell for more details borrellm@fcslions.org



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