

Genesis Christian School

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

December/January 2021



DECEMBER



GCS: CHRISTMAS BREAK		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2	3	4
12/20 - 1/2		5	6	7	8	9	10	11
"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" - Acts 20:35				*****	Christmas Store	*****		
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					Out of Uniform Ugly Christmas Sweater/Shirt	Early Release 11:30 - NO AFTERCARE	No School Teacher Work Day	
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			***** Christmas Break *****					
		26	27	28	29	30	30	
			***** Christmas Break *****					

Merry Christmas!

Early Release & No Aftercare
Thursday, December 16th
 Staff members will be participating in their school Christmas fellowship

Please be sure to make transportation arrangements if needed, as students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

It's a SNOW DAY!



Saturday, December 11th 2-4 p.m.

We will have SNOW on the ground
and blowing through the air!

Never seen snow in Florida?
Just wait for our special snow day!



Snow Games



Ice Cream



Hot Chocolate/Muffin Treats



Human Snowman Building Contest



and more!

Hosted by Genesis Christian Church - (941) 627-0248



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"Ugly" Christmas
Sweater/ Shirt
Day

DECEMBER 15TH, 2021

Merry Christmas!

\$1 to participate

Reminders

\$1 to participate in our Out of Uniform day on December 15th

There will be NO AFTERCARE December 16th (early release)

January

1/3/22 - Kids return

1/6/22 - PTF Meeting 6:30 pm/Report Cards

1/17/22 - No School MLK Day

1/19/22 - Out of Uniform: Crazy Hat/Sock Day

From the Principal

Seeing God in the Process

Christmas isn't confined to just 24 hours of a tiny little day. It's not even limited to Christmas break. It's an entire season, from the day after Thanksgiving until December 25. Christians celebrate the entire process leading up to Christmas Day. This is called Advent. Advent is a fancier way of saying, "arrival." It's a time of waiting, of anticipating the coming of something (or someone) great. The holiday season is our time as Christians to wait with great joy and expectation for the birth of Christ. Of course, we celebrate Christmas Day, but there is much to celebrate in the days leading up to the day of Jesus' birth. Sometimes it's easy to become focused on the end goal that we forget to appreciate the process of getting there. When we elevate the end over the means, we miss out, because often God does some of his greatest work along the way. For him, it's all about the process, and less about the final destination.

This holiday season, don't focus on your lists of things to do- your Christmas lists, your grocery lists, the list of parties to attend, and everything in between. Don't aim for Christmas Day and miss out on the enjoyment of the days leading up to it. Forget about the presents needing to be wrapped and focus instead on being present in each moment. Take time to celebrate God in the process. He is at work this Christmas season. Don't wait until December 25 to notice.

REFLECT

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RESPOND

1. We all find satisfaction in achieving our goals, but do you enjoy the process? Can you see God at work along the way?
2. One of God's names is Immanuel, God is with us. He is with us every moment of every day— in the big moments and in the small, seemingly insignificant moments. Make a point to enjoy him in all of the moments today. Be on the lookout for Immanuel throughout your day

Blessings,
Dr. Porter and Genesis Staff