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Summer of 2017

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Verse for the Summer: "Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know." - Jeremiah 33:3

Upcoming Events:

- 6/9:** Report Cards Mailed (grades 3–12)
- 6/12–16:** Basketball Camps at FBCS (gr. 3–12)
- 6/26–7/1:** Teen Camp @ Northland
- 7/10-15:** Junior Camp @ Camp Chetek
- 7/31–8/4:** Soccer & Volleyball Camps at FBCS (gr. 3–12)
- 8/14:** Soccer/Volleyball Pre-season begins
- 8/22-24:** Teacher In-Service Days
- 8/24:** Parent/Student Orientation—7:00pm
- 8/25:** Rosemount Varsity Soccer/Volleyball Jamboree
- 8/28:** First Day of School for school year 2016-17!
- 8/30:** Fall PSEO Semester Begins
- 9/4:** NO SCHOOL—Labor Day
- 9/5–7:** Grades 7–12 Kick-Off Retreat at IRBC
- 9/13:** PSEO Drop Class Deadline
- 9/16:** Fourth Baptist Church Harvest Fair (1:00–3:30pm). All are invited!
- 9/18:** FBCS SportsWalk

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **God's Blessings on FBCS**—We are excited about our enrollment numbers for next year, and we continue to receive admissions inquiries. We praise the Lord for His goodness and blessings upon our school. We plan to purchase more Chromebooks for use in our secondary grades for next year and have purchased a lot of better desks to replace the smaller wooden ones in our secondary classrooms as well. We will be purchasing 15 new magnetic boards, a new mimeo smartboard for a new classroom, a couple of projectors for classrooms that still need them, and we will also be buying three new document cameras (they work like a transparency projector, but project an image on paper up on the whiteboard).
- **Summer Reading Challenge Cards**—went home with your student's Lexile level noted. **Please encourage your child to READ this summer at or above their Lexile level.** Reading books that are 5–50 pts above the student's Lexile level will stretch their reading comprehension and improve their overall scholastic ability. If you have questions about Lexile level, please ask your child's teacher or e-mail Mrs. Melody Bruffey, mhbruffey@fourtbaptist.org, or check out www.lexile.com. We have a list of books with Lexile noted as possible reading suggestions on our website under the **News & Info** tab, **Summer Reading Challenge**. After all books read with number of pages and Lexile level noted, cards are to be signed by the parent and returned to their teacher on Wednesday, August 30th.
- **Sports Camps! Download our registration brochure**, print, complete and return with payment to our school or church office. Basketball Camps; June 12-16; Soccer/Volleyball Camps are July 31–August 4. Cost for the camps is \$55 elementary, and \$80 secondary.
- **Teacher Farewell**— We honored several teachers leaving us at the end of this school year 2016-17 with a cake reception on Wed, 5/24. We are grateful for their years of service and ministry to our families here at FBCS. Leaving us are: Mr. Tim Hallada (JH Science/Health), Mrs. Julie Bee (3rd grade), Miss Karis Burggraff (K4), and Miss Rochelle Lunde (Spanish 1&2). We are also saying good-bye to Mrs. Naomi Williams (ESL teacher), who wanted more time to devote to her family and be a help to her husband who is the Central Seminary Provost. She will sub for us on occasion. Miss Lydia Hodak will no longer be teaching 4th grade, but just received her Master's degree in Special Education from Bethel University. Her initial plans have changed and she will now be able to continue teaching at FBCS as our ESL and Special Education teacher.
- **New Teachers in the fall**—We are pleased to announce these new teachers for the coming school year 2017-18: Miss Hannah Seest (K4), Mrs. Jody Faithfull (3rd grade), Mrs. Kris Gustafson (4th grade). New secondary teachers include: Mrs. Cyndi Mumford (7-8 Keyboarding, 11th-12th English/Literature, Speech), and Miss Emma Anderson (Spanish 1&2, World Studies–8, Health-9, World Geography-10, English-10.)
- **Box Tops for Education**—Thanks for everything you have sent in this year. Please continue to save Box Tops throughout the summer! Since May got too busy to do a Box Tops store, we will do one in September. Funds received through this program pay for our elementary merit trips.

