

THE BRIDGE

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all information can be found on our school website
www.beacheschapelschool.com

Important Dates

Senior Week.....	5/14-5/17
Senior Awards Breakfast.....	5/18
Graduation.....	5/18
Field Day.....	5/22
K5 Graduation.....	5/23
Last Day of School/Awards.....	5/24
Report Cards Mailed.....	5/25
Vacation Bible School.....	6/4-6/8
Summer Camp.....	6/4-7/27

Principal's Corner

Dear BCS Family,

We have almost completed another successful school year full of growth and learning. During this last month of school, we are enjoying many exciting things.

This month we celebrated Teacher/Staff Appreciation that was organized by our PTO and Room moms. Faculty and staff enjoyed breakfast, lunch, massages from Massage Envy and a surprise from Natural Life. This means so much to all of us to be recognized by our precious parents. Thanks to everyone who helped organize this event.



In addition, we had our wonderful Sports Banquet on May 1st, where our best athletes and our athletic program were showcased. Athletics has continued to grow strong in numbers and quality. The banquet was an awesome event, with a fantastic turnout.

On Tuesday, May 8th we will be receiving a visit from the Rush Revere Team during our morning chapel. Parents are welcome to attend and visit the 2nd and 3rd grade Wax Museums directly following chapel. The students are very excited for the Rush Revere visit, and you can see them pictured here in their patriotic attire.

Our teachers are diligently preparing our students for the upcoming final exams, with only weeks until the final day of school. Parents, please help us keep your students focused, so that they may finish this school year strong and be able to enjoy their summer, stress free.

The Senior Class is gearing up for Senior Week, the Senior Breakfast and Awards, as well as Graduation. We are praying for the seniors as they complete their last year with Beaches Chapel School and move on to begin their exciting futures as responsible citizens.

We thank you parents for sending your students to Beaches Chapel School and allowing us another year to partner with you on building their academic and spiritual foundation.

May God continue to bless you and your family.


Vivian Pinner Watson, Principal

Language Arts @ BCS



Middle School Language Arts

The middle school Language Arts program at Beaches Chapel School focuses on several different areas. The development of reading, writing and grammar skills is the primary function of our curriculum. However, it is also our desire to encourage our students to develop a love for literature and an understanding of how the written and spoken word shapes and influences our world.

Sixth, seventh and eighth graders have the opportunity to read a variety of literary works throughout the school year. Each grade level reads at least one novel each quarter. They are exposed to such authors as Wilson Rawls, Lois Lowry, Linda Sue Park, Christopher Paul Curtis, John Steinbeck, Edgar Allan Poe and Langston Hughes, just to name a few. We also utilize our close reading skills to read and analyze short stories and poetry. Overall, the goal is to instill a love and appreciation for reading and communicating.

Middle school is a time of preparation. It is imperative that as we read, evaluate and discuss, we look towards what will be required and expected in high school. Vocabulary, writing, grammar, communication, and reading are the building blocks that will allow us to successfully transition to the rigorous expectations of high school.



Middle School Summer Reading List

6th Grade

Where the Red Fern Grows
by Wilson Rawls

7th Grade

Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
by Mildred D. Taylor

8th Grade

Chains
by Laurie Halse Anderson

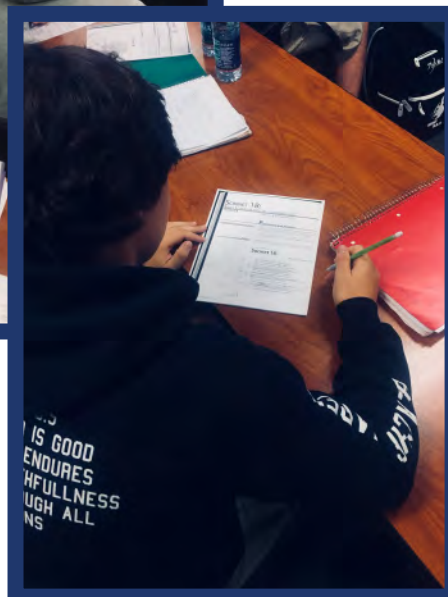
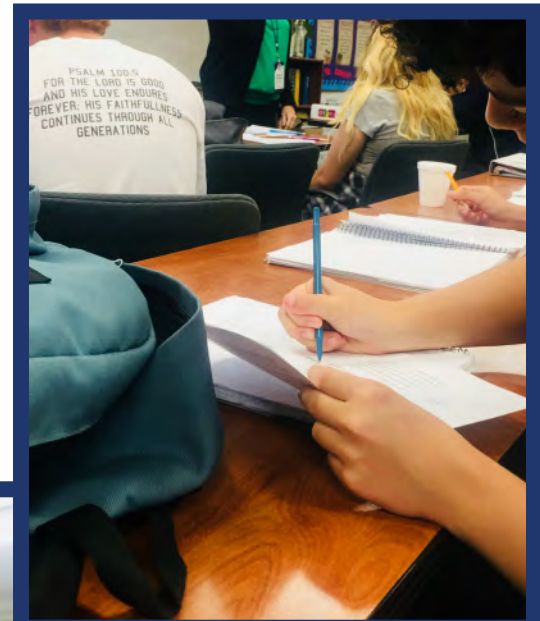
High School Language Arts

High School English encompasses four areas of Language Arts: reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

The novels and plays taught reflect a variety of time periods, cultures, and backgrounds. We read classic literature, including authors such as Shakespeare, Steinbeck, and Fitzgerald, along with more contemporary writing and plays, by writers such as Ernest J Gaines, Sue Monk Kidd and Arthur Miller.

Students are challenged to read beyond the lines by making inferences, drawing conclusions, and identifying author's purpose. There is a heavy emphasis on writing, focusing on a variety of styles including expository, persuasive, analysis, and research.

Students examine texts with a close reading and learn to 'unlock' the meaning within a literary work. There is an understanding and appreciation of the writer's style, language, and, setting.



High School Summer Reading List

9th Grade

The Outsiders
by S. E. Hinton

10th Grade

Of Mice and Men
by John Steinbeck

11th Grade

Into the Wild
by John Krakauer

12th Grade

The Stranger
by Albert Camus

Dual Enrollment

The Stranger
by Albert Camus
AND
*How to Read Literature
Like a Professor*
by Thomas C. Foster

BCS ATHLETICS

Summer Athletic Activities:

BCS Basketball Summer League (*High School*)

BCS Basketball Summer Camp (*All Ages*)

FSA Basketball League (*Elementary & Middle School*)

FSA Basketball Camp (*All Ages*)

PVC Volleyball Camp (*Upper School*)

For more information, contact our Athletic Director, Jason Trent at jason trent@beacheschapel.com.



At our 3rd Annual All-Stars Game, we honored our cheerleaders and basketball players, from the littlest to the oldest!



Through the STARS program, many students are learning the skill of chess. This has opened up a new world of tournaments and challenge.

Trystan and Aidan Stinson, as well as Dylan Lund have competed in several tournaments throughout Jacksonville and the state of Florida. They have been very successful and now have a love of chess.

Trystan, a 1st grader who has been playing for about 8 months, says he loves chess because it “smartens my brain and I learn so much from it.” He shared that because of his state championship. He is “the #1 first grader in the state of Jacksonville.” His brother Aidan, a 5th grader, who has been playing for a little over a year, said that chess “helps him think more strategically than what is right in front of him.”

Dylan Lund also is a 1st grader and has jumped into the sport in the last three months. He has competed in a team tournament and loves chess because it makes him “think harder than I normally do.”

We are proud of these Beaches Chapel students who are learning and achieving in chess.



Prom



Prom Queen

Alison Conner

Prom King

Russell Borthwick



Our 3rd Annual Fun Run was a success!! Our students worked hard and raised \$3,500 that will go towards school improvements. Pictured below are all of our prize winners from this year's race. Our top two FUNdraisers were Skylar Luzar and Dylan Lund. Together, they raised \$1,200!



WASHINGTON DC TRIP



Our 7th and 8th graders had an excellent time on their Washington DC trip. They visited the White House, Capitol, National Monuments, museums, and other historic sites.

Beaches Chapel School goes to Costa Rica

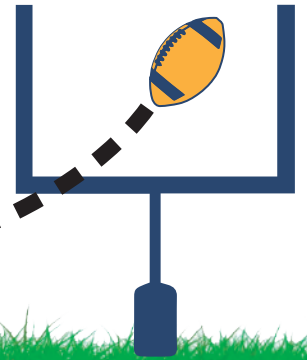
This year our seniors went to Costa Rica again to share the love of Christ with the people of San Ramon. Mrs. Bass' 3rd grade class made cards in Spanish for the seniors to take to the kids there. The children there were so excited to receive these gifts from our school. Beaches Chapel School is truly leaving a legacy of love in the communities there.



Join us this summer!



JUNE 4-8
9AM-12PM
VBS @ BEACHES CHAPEL CHURCH
\$10 per child



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BEACHES CHAPEL SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

- **2-4 Year-Olds** @ *Preschool Campus*
- **K5-3rd Grade** @ *Main Campus*
- **4th-6th Grade** @ *Main Campus*

- JUNE 4-8: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**
- JUNE 11-15: LEGO WEEK**
- JUNE 18-22: COOKING WEEK**
- JUNE 25-29: WACKY SCIENCE WEEK**
- JULY 9-13: ARTS & MUSIC WEEK**
- JULY 16-20: COOKING WEEK**
- JULY 23-27: CHEER & SPORTS WEEK**

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