

# **Up Coming Events**

# Wednesday, November 27th:

• Early Dismissal—11:00am



## Thursday, November 28th:

- Thanksgiving Day
- No School



### Friday, November 29th:

• No School



## Monday, December 2nd:

- Boys basketball Practice-6th-8th
   Grade · 3pm 4:45pm
- Competition Cheer Practice · 3pm- 4:45pm

### Tuesday, December 3rd:

- Boys basketball AWAY vs.
   Calvin Christian
- 6th-3:45pm
- 7th- 4:45pm
- 8th-5:45pm
- Pick-up at Calvin @ 6:45pm

### Wednesday, Decemberth

- Happy Birthday Ms. Tyler K1
- Boys basketball Practice-6th-8th
   Grade · 3pm 4:45pm
- Competition Cheer Practice ·
- 3pm- 4:45pm

# **REMINDERS**



# PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



# **Band Announcements**



## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL REHEARSALS:

Monday, December 2: Sixth grade - after school 3:10 to 4pm: This is the day back after Thanksgiving break, and not a typical band day. Students will need to remember their instruments! Wednesday, December 4th: 7th and 8th grade rehearsal after school 3:10 to 4pm

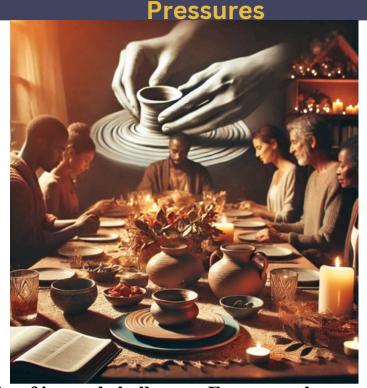
Thursday, December 5th: Jazz Band 7:50 am BAND CONCERT

The Christmas Concert is Tuesday, December 10th at 7pm in the school gym. Detailed information was sent home to all band parents on Tuesday, November 26th. If you did not receive the email, please contact Mrs. Russell at <a href="mailto:Srussell@calvary-academy.com">Srussell@calvary-academy.com</a>

## SOLO CONTEST INTEREST FORMS

The deadline for solo contest interest forms has been extended to Tuesday, December 3rd. The forms have been emailed home, and are located in all 6th-8th grade band google classrooms.

### Prayer Corner- Family, Friends, and Faith: Navigating Holiday



The holidays bring a mix of joy and challenges. For some, they are a time to savor memories, laughter, and connection. For others, they bring anxiety, pressure, and the weight of expectations. While we love our families and cherish our friends, holiday gatherings can often come with unsolicited comments, awkward questions, and the ever-present push for perfection. The turkey might be a little dry, someone might comment on your weight, or a relative may ask a question that cuts deeper than they'd imagine. Amid all the preparations—staying up late to clean, cooking elaborate meals, visiting ill relatives, or juggling the demands of work and family—it's easy to feel overwhelmed and unappreciated.

Here's a gentle reminder: get off everyone else's potter's wheel and stay on God's. Don't let the pressures of life distract you from the life God wants for you. Enjoy your family. But don't do it with the pressure of trying to impress or please them. Do it with the assurance that God is already pleased with you.

We have too much on our plates—work, family duties, volunteering—but none of it should overshadow the greater purpose God has for us. Let's refocus. You are not here to become the person others think you should be. You are here to become the person God created you to be.

No apologies. No compromises.

"Am I trying to win over human beings or God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I wouldn't be Christ's slave."

**Galatians 1:10 CEB** 

"People are trapped by their fear of others; those who trust the LORD are secure."

Proverbs 29:25 CEB

As you navigate this holiday season, let faith lead you. Celebrate not with the pressure to perform but with the joy of knowing that God's love for you is unconditional. Be present, love freely, and let the rest take care of itself. God's approval is the only one that truly matters.

Thank you, Veronica Boyd