

December 2019



## Merry Christmas

What a beautiful and special time of year, and what a perfect time to let our families know just how much we appreciate YOU! So from all of us here at PCS, we want to wish you a very blessed holiday season with the merriest of Christmas's & the happiest of New Year's. We want to thank you for all the love and support that you give us on a daily basis—we are so thankful for each one of you, and for all of the joy you bring each one of us. God bless you, and Merry Christmas!



## Principal's Place



PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

# The Aslan Announcer

No matter what time of year it is, the stress of life never seems to be on vacation. The holidays often bring more worry than cheer as we try to negotiate family relationships, plan the perfect Thanksgiving meal, and somehow buy the perfect gifts for everyone on the list. Springtime brings with it taxes and allergies. And then summer comes along – and even our vacations often stress us out! What can be done to bring real and lasting peace into our lives? Francois Fenelon weighed in on this question when he wrote:

*"Real peace in this life must be attained with a full view of one's own imperfections, neither slurred over nor tolerated, but, on the contrary, condemned to the full extent. Then one bears the humiliation of one's frailty in peace, because there is no more clinging to self. We are trou-*

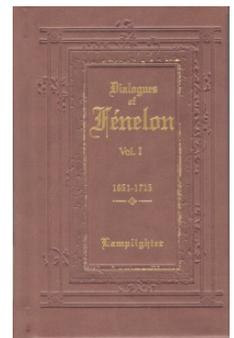
*bled by our own faults more than those of other people, not because they are our own, but because it is our duty to correct, to conquer, to renounce, to humble ourselves, in order to accomplish the will of God, even through the sacrifice of ourselves. The disposition which you need to cultivate is faithful attention to the light thrown upon your imperfections. Try not to vex yourself by forestalling the future, any more than by fretting over the past. Resign yourself to God, and do with simplicity the best you can, according to the light of the present moment."*

Fenelon understood what Paul was communicating in Philippians 4: ". . . do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and earnest entreaty, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace

*of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

Making ready a people prepared for the Lord, Mark Hamby

This devotional will bless you with simple reminders of God's eternal truths, and his gentle counsel will help you to face the stresses of the day with a sense of joy and purpose.



# A Reminder - Nit Free Policy

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Fall and winter are prime seasons not only for the flu bug, but for another bug as well - the head louse. Head-lice incidence peaks shortly after school starts, particularly among younger children. These tiny head invaders are most often found in preschoolers and elementary-school students because children that age tend to play together and have close head-to-head contact in closed

spaces, which makes transmission easier. We strongly suggest keeping long hair in a ponytail or braid, something up and out of the way at all times. While there are no cases currently at PCS, it is wise for parents to be watchful for itchy scalps in their children. If your child does develop an itchy scalp, please do check his/her hair for lice and nits. If lice and/or nits are detected, PCS'

nit-free policy requires that parents notify the school, treat the child's hair, and have a final check by Mrs. Gilbertson *before* returning to class. This is imperative in preventing the spread of lice. If you have any questions about this policy, please contact Mrs. Gilbertson, 530.672.6657.



## More PCS Notes & Networking

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### Pastor Appreciation Day!

Volunteers are needed to help with Pastor Appreciation Day on Thursday, February 6th, 2019. Please contact Ellen Walker at 530.672.6657 or receptionist\_pcs@yahoo.com.

### Student Medications

If your child requires cough drops, over-the-counter medications, or prescribed medications, please remember that **PCS policy requires** that a medication permission form be completed and submitted with the medication or cough drops (prescribed medication requires a physician signature). Forms are available from the *Resources/Misc Forms & Resources* section of our website, and in the school office. Parents, please bring in the medication to the school office; please do not send the medication with your child. Thank you!

### Last Minute Shopping to do?

Thanks to partners like eScrip, Smile.Amazon.com, the new Box-Tops app, and Safeway, PCS has

raised money for our school! Signing up for eScrip is easy.

Simply go to: [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) and register your card. Whenever you use your registered card, a portion will be donated to the school. If you have any last minute shopping to do, or use Amazon.com frequently, don't forget to *sign in through Smile.Amazon.com* or our school website so we can receive a percentage of the purchase for our fundraising account. Thank you so much!

### Yearbook Photos

Parents, if you have taken any pictures of school days and activities that you think would be a good addition to the yearbook, please email them to our yearbook coordinator,

**Jessica Borba** at:

[jessamania@yahoo.com](mailto:jessamania@yahoo.com)



### PCS AmeriGas Fundraising Receipts

Thank you to all of our families who have brought in AmeriGas receipts. AmeriGas will donate a percentage of amount spent on your receipt to our school's general fund, and every little bit counts, so make sure to save your AmeriGas receipts for us!

### Providence Christian School

PCS is on Facebook (@providencechristianschool) and Instagram (pcs.shinglesprings)! We think these are going to be a great resource for our families—an easy go-to place for updates, events, and a chance for you to see a little glimpse into everyday life here on campus. We are excited to see how this grows! We also have a PCS Parents Facebook Group—if you would like to be added to that group, please contact Jenny Schofield in the office at 530.672.6657 or [providence.christian@yahoo.com](mailto:providence.christian@yahoo.com).

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## Providence Christian School

### Administration

Pastor Jerry Shore *School Chaplain*  
Gail Gilbertson *Administrator/Principal*  
Ellen Walker *Receptionist*  
Kellie Bellmer *Bookkeeper*  
Jenny Schofield *Secretary*

**Office Hours:**  
**8:45 a.m.— 3:15 p.m.**



## December

December 10: Piano and Guitar Recital, 6:30pm. in the gym  
December 12: Kindergarten & 4th Grade Christmas Caroling at EDH Senior Care Center, 9:15am—11:30am  
December 17: PCS Board Meeting, 3:30pm  
December 18: 2nd & 3rd Grade Christmas Caroling at Eskaton Village Placerville—9:30am-11:30am  
December 18: 1st Grade Field Trip to Nimbus Fish Hatchery, 9am—11:30am  
December 20: PCS Choir and School Christmas Performance, 7pm, upstairs in the main church sanctuary  
December 23 - January 5: Christmas Vacation — NO SCHOOL

## January

January 6: Return to school  
January 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – NO SCHOOL  
January 23: 1st Grade Field Trip to El Dorado County Sheriff's Office 9am—12pm  
January 28: PCS Board Meeting, 3:30pm

*Please visit our website Event Calendar for the most up-to-date schedule!*