

BRADFORD BULLETIN

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ARTWORK AT BRADFORD

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

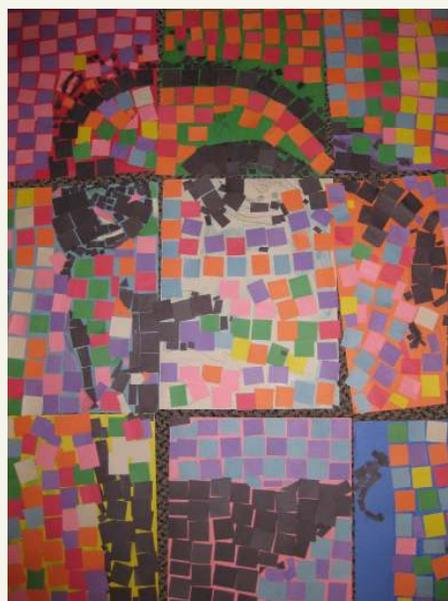
- **NO SCHOOL Monday** - Today marks the end of the third quarter. Monday, March 23rd is a teacher work day.
- **PROSPECTIVE PARENT NIGHT:** Mar. 24th, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
- **Third Quarter Reports:** Friday, March 27th
- **Application Fee Waived** for any application received before Mar. 31st See note inside.
- **RE-ENROLLMENT Letter** Due by JUNE 1st.
- **MEMORY WORK:**
- This week: 1 John 1:9
- Next week: REVIEW

SPECIAL PRAYER

- **Tuition assistance:** We would like to find sponsors for at least four students. Please pray for increased giving.
- Wisdom as we make plans for next year.



As we finish our look at the Roman Empire, I thought it would be fitting to make Roman style mosaics. The picture above shows our Latin declaration, "Christ, the King." The mosaic below was especially fun because the students did not know what the final picture would be. Each student worked on a section, and then we assembled it when they had completed their parts. The picture is a portrait of Constantine the Great, the first Christian emperor (and last to rule over a united Rome). The picture was taken from the Statue de Constantin, Musée du Capitole, Rome. The picture to the right is a familiar figure from the close of the Medieval Period. This drawing of



Martin Luther posting the 95 Thesis was an exercise in "drawing what you see." We have been working to train the artist's eye. We often draw how we think something ought to look instead of how something actually appears. I took a small illustration and cut it up into one inch squares. The students then had to replicate the unidentified lines and squiggles on 8"x 8"



paper. I did not reveal the subject matter until we were finished. I was very pleased with how accurate the students are becoming. These and other pieces will be on display at the Open House on Tuesday.

Language Arts

Our 1st graders finished the Veritas Phonics program this week. We were able to do

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some formalized assessments and spent extra time on grammar. We introduced interjections and conjunctions. We also spent time reviewing and practicing handwriting. The kindergarten students continued working on consonant digraphs (TH, SH, WH, and CH). We read the story *Runs from Guns*. It is the amazing Civil War story of Wilmer McLean who is quoted as saying, "The War started in my front yard and ended in my parlor." Ask the Kindergarten students for more details.

Math

Our kindergarten students continued to work on doubles plus one facts this week. We are also constantly reviewing how to count money, grouping and tally marks, patterns, and counting by 2's and 5's. The first graders are identifying geometric solids, reviewing minus 9 facts, and measuring using centimeters. They also began learning about lines, line segments, and parallel lines.

Please be sure to let your friends and neighbors know about the Open House next week. It is geared towards PROSPECTIVE PARENTS, but you all are welcome and encouraged to come. It would be nice to have our students there in dress uniform.

I read a disturbing article today titled, "Barna Survey Examines Changes in Worldview Among Christians over the Past 13 Years," and thought I would share:

...although most Americans consider themselves to be Christian and say they know the content of the Bible, less than one out of ten Americans demonstrate such knowledge through their actions.

The article further states:

...Christian families, Christian schools, and Christian churches would be wise to invest more effort and tangible resources into helping young people understand and adopt the core ideas of Christianity, and to reinforce those concepts through their own lives.

May we be part of the solution. The full article can be found at www.barna.org/barna-update/article/12-faithspirituality/252-barna-sur.

Peace and Grace!

TALKING POINTS - RE: ART

WHAT MAKES BRADFORD ACADEMY CHRISTIAN AND CLASSICAL?

CHRISTIAN?

- All things are under the dominion of Christ and for the glory of Christ!
- God is the ultimate CREATOR.
- He created all things GOOD.
- All good things are from Him
- We can enjoy His good gifts to His praise.

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

CLASSICAL?

Content

- Emphasis on historic Western culture and great works
- Particular (though not exclusive) interest in classical, renaissance, neo-classical, and related genre.
- Bias towards the objective verses the subjective.

Method

- Use of the Trivium as a framework for teaching methodology
- GRAMMAR, LOGIC, RHETORIC of Arts
- Respect for the elements and qualities of formal balance, proportion, decorum, and restraint



RE-ENROLLMENT

Please complete the re-enrollment form and return it to Mr. Johnston as soon as you can. You may elect to make the deposit at a later time **on or before June 1st, 2009.**

The details for our tuition policy and how to apply for financial assistance can be found online. Please review this policy and contact me if you have any questions. Remember the *Lump Sum Discount* is available until June 1st, 2009.

Don't forget!!!

PROSPECTIVE PARENT NIGHT

TUESDAY, MARCH 24th
6:30 to 8:30

OPEN HOUSE

There will be opportunity to visit the Bradford rooms and see what the students are learning.

Informational Presentation

7:00 - 7:20

Q & A

7:20 - 7:45

Psalm 18:28

For You will light my lamp;
The LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.

John 14:6

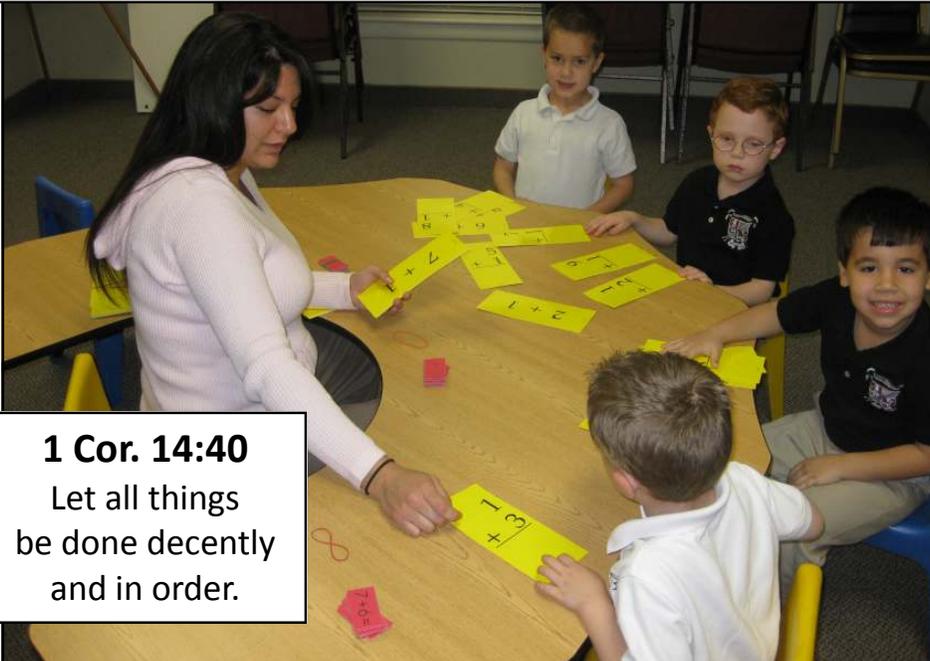
Jesus said to him,
"I am the way, the truth,
and the life.
No one comes to the Father
except through Me.

Proverbs 21:23
Whoever guards his mouth and tongue keeps his soul from trouble.

1 Cor. 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.



Is. 40:28

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

1 Cor. 14:40

Let all things be done decently and in order.



I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

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