



IN THE LOOP

FRIDAY DEC. 15, 2017

Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest,

And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

Luke 2:8-14

We hope you enjoyed our Fine Arts Christmas Celebration, **The Story of Jesus**. It was a blessing to see so many families and friends come together to celebrate the birth of our Savior!

UPCOMING CALENDAR

DECEMBER

18,M – 22,F High School Semester Exams / Noon dismissal Grades 9-12

22,F End of 2nd Quarter / Noon dismissal Preschool – Grade 12

25,M – 29,F No School / Christmas break Preschool – Grade 12

JANUARY, 2018

M,1 – Tu,2 Preschool CLOSED Christmas Break

1,M – 5,F No School / Christmas Break / Grades K4VPK-12

3,W Preschool through K4VPK-Wrap return

8,M Grade K5-12 Classes Resume / Third Quarter and Second Semester starts

12,F Second Quarter Report Cards Released

15,M NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Preschool-Grade 12

18,Th Countdown to Kindergarten | 5:30-7pm (see attachment for details)

22,M-26,F SHARK WEEK

23,Tu New Family Open House for 2018/2019 | 7pm

27,Sa SHARK WEEK Homecoming Social | Grades 9-12

DISCIPLESHIP

Middle and High School Chapel

The Twelve Days of Christmas wrapped up today with our Christmas Ugly Sweater Day, having a contest in both middle and high school. We had prizes for the winners, and prizes for the locker and window decorations as well! In addition, the students had a blast playing fun "reindeer" games. Between exam preparations going on and teachers bringing the semester to a close, our Campus Pastor, David Ramos took time to remind us that Jesus is the reason for the season. We are so grateful to be part of Atlantic Christian Academy, where we can honor and glorify our Savior, Jesus Christ!

ACA is so proud of our **Mexico Missions Team!** God's Word reminds us to serve others and to go and make disciples of all nations. We have an excited group of Juniors and Seniors who are preparing to go to Ensenada, Mexico from February 10-17, 2018 to "Share the Story". We can't wait for them to experience this life changing missions trip as they take part in changing the life of a very special family, for whom we will build a house! This opportunity has challenged our students to put feet to their faith. We look forward to seeing God do BIG things in each of their lives, as they work together to serve and love in Mexico.

Questions? Please contact Jacque Rasku at jrasku@atlanticchristianacademy.org

ACADEMICS

High school students (and 8th grade students taking Algebra I and Physical Science) will take exams beginning on Monday. The schedule is as follows:

	Monday 12/18	Tuesday 12/19	Wednesday 12/20	Thursday 12/21
8:00-9:45am	1st period	3rd period	5th period	7th period
9:45-10:00am	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:00-11:45am	2nd period	4th period	6th period	Make-ups

These are half-days for Grades 9-12 only. High school students need to be on campus during the dates/times they are taking an exam, otherwise they are permitted to stay home to study and prepare.

Calling all students in the Class of 2022!

We are excited to offer your 8th grade student the opportunity to participate in our end of the year trip to Washington D.C. taking place May 14-18, 2018! Your soon to be high school students have been studying U.S. Government this year, and we look forward to providing a memorable experience that will bring to life what they have learned in the classroom. This week long trip will also offer the students a time to unify as a class as they move forward into High School here at Atlantic Christian Academy.

[Please view the attached video](#) in the link below that has been prepared for you with more detailed information.

To sign up for this year's trip, please use the following steps to register online:

- 1) Go to www.appleseedexpeditions.com and click LOGIN at the top right of the page.
- 2) Click on "New Traveler Application" at the bottom of the new window.
- 3) Enter the Trip ID (atl2406) and then create a user ID and password. The system will then take you to a list of links that will direct you to each section that needs to be completed and signed. Please be sure to complete all steps, as you are not registered until you have finalized your registration and paid the deposit.

Thank you! We are excited to see what God has in store for our eighth grade, Class of 2022!

Questions? Contact Jacque Rasku at jrasku@atlanticchristianacademy.org

ACA Juniors and Seniors

There are **free ACT and SAT test prep booklets** available in the guidance office.

Questions? Contact Jessica Schulte at jschulte@atlanticchristianacademy.org

SAT

Sign up collegeboard.org

Registration Deadline: February 9

Next Testing: March 10

ACT

Sign up actstudent.org

Registration Deadline: January 12

Next Testing: February 10

Class of 2018 The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) opened on October 1. Please visit studentaid.ed.gov to get started. Questions? Contact Jessica Schulte at 561-686-8081 or email jschulte@atlanticchristianacademy.org

Many of our students love to doodle on their papers and notebooks. We are excited to share with you the [attached video](#) describing an activity you can do with your child that uses doodling as a fun way to increase reading comprehension and vocabulary development. This activity can be adapted for any age, so check it out!

ARTS

Elementary School 5th Grade Praise Team rehearsal will take place this Tuesday from 3:00-4:00pm, and will resume after Christmas break on Tuesday and Thursday, beginning January 9.

Questions? Contact Brittany Milito at bmilito@atlanticchristianacademy.org

Middle School Worship Team rehearsal will resume every Monday and Wednesday from 3:00-3:45pm after Christmas break beginning on January 8.

Questions? Contact Sumitra Rios at srios@atlanticchristianacademy.org

Photography Club continues to meet each Wednesday at 3:15pm in Mr. Hanagan's room. If you are interested in entering photos or digital art for FACCS, be sure to stop by next Wednesday to submit your work for approval.

ATHLETICS

The **Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball** teams are on fire! Both teams toppled the Gators in Belle Glade. The ladies beat Glades Day by 45 points, ending the game at 58-13 and the gentlemen ended their game with a score of 61-53. Keep up the great work, Sharks!

Varsity Boys and Girls Soccer both continue to practice diligently and play their best despite facing tough competition from bigger schools.

Middle School Girls Soccer and **Middle School Boys Basketball** tryouts have been extended! If you would like to try out, we encourage you to come out Monday, December 18 and Tuesday, December 19!

Upcoming Sports Tryouts:			
Dec 18 & 19	3-5pm	Middle School Girls Soccer	
Dec 18 & 19	3-5pm	Middle School Boys Basketball	

There are no athletic events scheduled for this week.

REMINDERS



Visit the ACA School Store to take care of your last minute Christmas shopping!

Items can be purchased online and shipped directly to your home. Check out the ACA backpack, duffle bag, shark shirts, tumblers, and more! Visit ACA.kpapromotions.com to pick up spirit gear for the whole family! GO SHARKS!

Please remember to like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram for snapshots of campus life at ACA. You may also refer to our website to obtain the most current information including a calendar of upcoming events at your school.

As always, contact us with any questions or concerns @ **561-686-8081**.

Café Menu December 18–22, 2017

M Cheesy Chicken Alfredo

Tu Chicken Mash Bowl

W Chicken and Waffles

Th Grill Day! Chicken, hot dogs, or burgers with tater-tot casserole and corn on the cob

F Noon dismissal / cafeteria will be closed

Karen Davis

Director of Admissions and Communications

3 John 4 "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth."