

FOURTH BAPTIST CHRISTIAN SCHOOL WARRIORS

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Dear VIP:

Another busy summer was started with our Outreach Basketball Camp at Parker's Lake Playfield in Plymouth. A good number of neighborhood kids came out and participated this year. Our on-site basketball camp was held the week of June 25 and we had about double the number of participants from last year. The camp was coached by Kip Wellin, head boys' basketball coach from Community Baptist in South Bend, IN. Our next two camps, soccer and volleyball, will be held concurrently during the week of August 6.

Members of the Maranatha Baptist Bible College Volleyball Ministry Team will be heading up our volleyball camps and our own Coach Don Hopper will head up our soccer camps. The school and church also set up an interactive booth at the "Music in Plymouth Event." This exhausting (and very hot) event was held on July 3 and we saw thousands of people come through for the music and fireworks. A number of area businesses set up interactive booths at the event.



Things are beginning to hop around here as we head into the home stretch before we start year #47 at FBCS. We have been able to add some positions this year and have had to replace several teachers. The first replacement was our long-time fifth grade teacher, Miss Kay Wohlenhaus. Miss Wohlenhaus is taking a one-year sabbatical to care for her aging father. While we will miss her, her capable replacement for the year is our own Mrs. Deb Leith. Mrs. Leith taught for us previously and her children attend the school. Mrs. Leith will do a great job for us in fifth grade. Central Seminary's Dr. Dan Brown accepted a position with Faith Baptist Bible College's (FBBC) Seminary in Ankeny, Iowa. This, of course, necessitated a change with our kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Mary Jo Brown. Mrs. Brown was an excellent teacher for us and will be teaching in the education department at FBBC. Her replacement will be Mrs. Julie Roman, a St. Cloud State University graduate, and the wife of Pastor Doug Roman of Bible Baptist in Otsego. Replacing Mrs. Jessica Shevy (K4), who will be staying at home with her first baby, six-month old Quentin, will be Mrs. Rachel Tanis. Mrs. Tanis is a graduate from Maranatha Baptist Bible College with a degree in Elementary Education, specializing in Early Childhood Education.

Other positions added this year include:

ESL – Miss Kara Gotzman and Elementary P.E. – Miss Becky Benson

Praise the Lord! Enrollment has surpassed our end of the 2011-12 school year total and we still have the month of August to go.

Accreditation is on-going and we have made some significant progress in our self-study. Mr. Jared Page has been assisting me in this endeavor this summer. The visiting team is on target for a spring visit, so we will be working hard to complete the process before Christmas Break. We will give an update on accreditation at our Alumni Event.

Don't forget to mark January 18-19, 2013 down for our "Alumni and Friends" Weekend. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Bob Hazard and we are planning another great set of events for that weekend. More information will be coming.

Soccer Scoreboard Update: We have ordered our Warrior soccer scoreboard and have received permits for installation. We are working hard to get that scoreboard up before our August 28 home soccer opener against Owatonna Christian.

Thanks so much for your interest and prayers. Please get in touch with other alumni that you know and let us know if they are not receiving the VIP Newsletter. We continue to add alumni to our database as we receive email addresses.

We are looking forward to another great year. Please keep praying for us.

In Christ,

Alan J. Hodak, *Administrator*