

LIFTED ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023



Fall for
Jesus
he never
leaves

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"I am fearfully and wonderfully made: your works are wonderful. I know that full well." PSALM 139:14

SAVE THE DATES!



CHURCH & SCHOOL CLOSED
Monday, Oct. 9th, due to the
Columbus Day Holiday!



HERITAGE DAY
Friday, Oct. 13th in the Classrooms.
Kids come representing their country!



LIFTED GALA - OCTOBER 21ST
The event will be held at the Pullman
Hotel at 6 PM. Get your tickets and
submit your auction items now!









HARVEST FESTIVAL & TRUNK OR TREAT - OCT 31
Class Parties @ 10 AM with costume
parade and games! Trunk or Treat @
6PM Dress up, bring your family, and
enjoy a good time with candy,
costumes, and community fun.

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hello October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3  PICTURE DAY	4 Awana Christian Scouts Clubs 7 PM	5	6	7
8	9  CLOSED Columbus Day Holiday Men's & Women's Discipleship @ 7PM	10	11 Awana Christian Scouts Clubs 7 PM	12  PTF Parent Teacher Fellowship Zoom Meeting 7PM	13  Heritage Day	14
15	16	17	18 Awana Christian Scouts Clubs 7 PM	19	20	21 LIFTED GALA EMBRACE THE PROMISE 6 PM at the Pullman Hotel
22	23 Men's & Women's Discipleship @ 7PM	24	25 Awana Christian Scouts Clubs 7 PM	26	27	28
29	30  SPIRIT	31 Fall Class Parties @ 10 AM (Half Day) Annual Fall Festival  6-9PM	November 1 Awana Christian Scouts Clubs 7 PM	November 2	November 3	November 4



THE PRINCIPLES OF THE PRINCIPAL DR. ESTELLE C. MYERS

Dear Parents,

Fall is here and change is in the air. The month of October typically sparks the transition from the lazy days of summer to the bustling activities of learning and personal growth, as well as preparation for the upcoming holidays. Well, this year isn't any different! In fact, we have added even more activities for you and your families to be involved in. In addition to bringing in school supplies for our mission project in Malawi, we have also added our annual gala to the mix. "Embrace the Promise," the theme of our Gala this year, is shaping up to be the event of the year that you won't want to miss. Our school is growing, and we need more space to continue to expand all the way into Middle School, but we need your help. There is still time to donate auction items, purchase tickets, or become one of our sponsors for the event. Christian Education is such a wonderful and worthy cause to invest both your time and money. There is no greater way to ensure the success of the next generation.

October also marks the end of the first quarter of school, and your children are doing an amazing job. As I visit each classroom, I am pleased to see the ease in which our teachers are working with your children, and how well your little ones are listening and soaking up everything they hear. We are celebrating in this month's issue, the Student of the Month and the Star Student for each class from the previous month of September. Our Star Students are those who have been exhibiting those character traits of obedience and love consistently throughout the month toward their classmates. The Student of the Month award is recognizing those students who are excelling intellectually in learning new academic skills. Students will typically be recognized in the second chapel of each month, this month they will be recognized on Thursday, October 12, at 10 AM. Parents are always welcome, and encouraged, to attend as well.

We want you to bring your child, so that he/she can "show off" his/her accomplishments. It has been statistically proven that children do significantly better in school when they see their parents directly involved on their school campus. Especially when it comes to preschool and elementary children in the formative years, they feel that school is important when mom and dad come to school and view their accomplishments as important too.

People often ask what makes your school different than other Charter or private schools? Most schools simply focus on providing a solid academic education that will help get their students into the best schools when they go off to college. And while that is a good goal, it should never be our primary goal. We have all seen in this country what can happen when teachers, parents and students simply focus on what man views as important.



We inherit a well-educated, immoral society that ignores the differences between males and females, that gives excuses for stealing and killing, and seeks to take away the fundamental rights of parental involvement in the life decisions of their children. This is what happens when we make man the ultimate authority in our lives instead of God. This is a real problem today.

At Lifted Academy our first priority as teachers, parents, and leaders is to raise healthy children in all aspects of their development, but especially in regard to their spiritual development. We freely share with our students that God is our authority and that it is His truth, found in the scriptures, that we follow and teach. And it is that truth which forms our character and values which we live by every day.

What good is it to have an educated society that is falling apart? And while society doesn't seem to want to address the problem, we here at Lifted Academy do by placing as much, if not more value on developing the character within your child, as we do in providing excellence in academics. Ultimately, it is the child's character that will affect his life not only today, but throughout his life. In a society that seems to be morally bankrupt and lacking in sound judgment, it is all the more important that we have a strategy for leading our children down the right path in this life and the life to come. Our school's theme verse is found in **Proverbs 22:6 is**

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

While the Proverbs are not promising anything, they are principles that teach us that there are certain consequences to specific behaviors. Here we find that if parents and teachers and pastors are intentional in truly leading children down a godly path, they will follow it, even when they get older. Hopefully, next month I will feel well enough to teach the Parent Seminar on how to “Effectively Raise Children with Character” But in the meantime, as we teach our children this month, let's all be good examples of what true Christianity looks like:

“This is true religion: to visit the orphans and widows in distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world.” James 1:27

May God bless you all as you seek to put God first in all things.

Blessings,
Dr. Estelle C. Myers
School Administrator



MIGHTY 2'S

MS. CLARA CABRERA



Fall Is Here at Lifted Academy.

We hope you are all feeling welcomed this first month back at school. First of all, I want to thank you all for being part of Lifted Academy and trusting us with your children. Secondly, I want you all for your participation in our first Open House which was very gratifying to meet all of you. Lastly, I want to thank all of our grandparents who attended and participated with all the children in our classroom and outdoor activities during Grandparents' Day.

We are very pleased with everything we have accomplished in this first month of school. We have worked on the children's adaptation to the new environment and their interaction with teachers and classmates. We have also worked on primary colors, numbers 1-8, and basic shapes. For the month of October, we will continue to work with shapes, colors, and numbers.

Each month I will be choosing a Student of the Month and a Star of the Month to celebrate their achievements and performance in our classroom.

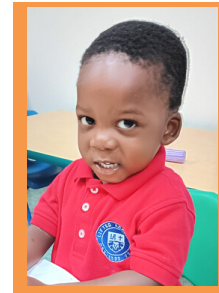
Our Student of the Month is Lens Joseph, Lens is a very intelligent boy, super focused in circle time and class activities, and he recognizes many of his colors as well as the names of his classmates already! We also want to recognize Ellie Cabeza as our Star Student this month. Ellie loves following routines, is respectful towards her teacher and classmates, and she loves interacting with her friends. Congratulations to my bright and beautiful students!

Please look forward to our upcoming dates:

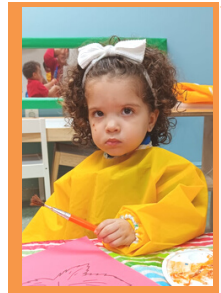
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We hope to see you all participating with us throughout this month!

God Bless,
Ms. Clara Cabrera



LENS JOSEPH
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ELLIE CABEZA
STAR STUDENT



BLESSED 3'S

MRS. SHIRLEY SERNA

Dear Parents,

The beginning of this new school year has been very engaging for our students. The children are enjoying all of their new and different learning centers in the classroom and they are learning how to complete the tasks corresponding to each area. They are developing new skills as they play and interact with their classmates.

We are also learning about God and His principles in the Bible. This month we have been learning about the book of Genesis. We have studied how God created the world, created all of us, and how He made us all so unique in His own image.

In September, a group of firefighters also came to visit us on campus. Through the Fire Truck Demonstration, we learned how these community helpers are ready to help in case of an emergency. They taught us about fire safety and the importance of staying away from fire, as well as how to call 911 and be protected from a fire.

I want to remind you to always ask your children about their day here at school. Help your children by reinforcing everything we are learning in class. This will help the students retain the information that they have been hearing in class.

We want to thank the grandparents who came to celebrate with our class last month. It turned out to be a beautiful joy. The students loved making the gifts for their grandparents and they enjoyed decorating their snacks together. It was a memorable day.

We want to highlight two students for their special accomplishments this month. Our Star Student is Nathaniel Martin. He is always smiling, is respectful to others, and is willing to help his classmates throughout the day. Our Student of the Month is Austen Castro. Austen actively participates in circle time and accurately answers questions to the topics covered in class. Congratulations to you both!

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We hope you can participate in all these activities.

God Bless you all,
Ms. Shirley



AUSTEN CASTRO
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



NATHANIEL MARTIN
STAR STUDENT





VPK

MRS. CATALINA DEL REAL & MRS. MARIA JOSE GROSSY

Looking Back...

The school year has just begun, and I have already seen progress in your children. We are very excited, and look forward to the rest of the school year!!!

We had a great month. The children worked so hard on the presents and cards for the Grandparents' Day. They enjoyed making them! We want to thank the parents for their cooperation. We also want to thank the grandparents that came, they all seemed to have a wonderful time...Thank you all so very much!

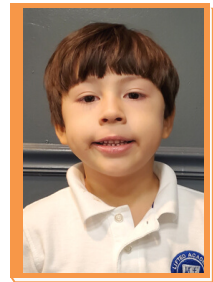
We have been observing the children very carefully, and we noticed how Gabriel Camero listens carefully to everything that is new to him. He answers questions if the teacher specifically asks him and Gabriel's answers are, most of the time, correct. He has a passion for letters and words. Well done Gabriel. We also noticed how friendly Jeana Diaz is. She talks and plays nicely with all of her classmates, and Jeana is always willing to help her friends and the teachers too. Good job Jeana. We are blessed to have these children under our care and in our VPK class. Gabriel Camero is our Student of the Month, and Jeana Diaz is our Star Student this month. Congratulations to both, and may God continue to guide them in everything they do.



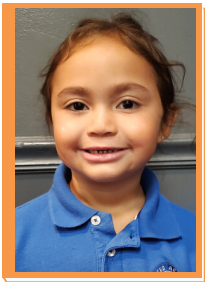
Looking Ahead...

This month the themes are "Be Community Helpers", "Using My Senses", "Outside Our Door" and "We're Detectives!"

In Writing, the children will practice the correct strokes used to make the letters Pp, Tt, Oo, and Xx. We will also work with discriminating rhyming from non-rhyming words, and producing our own oral rhymes. Then, we will match letters and use sensory words. In Reading, the children will continue to add new words to our growing sight word list. We will continue to work on creating sentences with the sight words and understanding their meaning. We will also continue practicing letter and letters sounds. Each week, we will read a different story, and practice ways to comprehend and retell its sequence of events. In Math, the children will master recognition of the numbers 1 to 5 and their values. They will also describe, reproduce, predict, and extend patterns. In Science, the children will observe and learn by using their senses. We hope to expand their knowledge of their body, and how we use it to relate to the environment. We will work on describing the weather, using the senses. We will also sort objects into groups, and use our senses to describe patterns found in nature.



GABRIEL CAMERO
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



JEANA DIAZ
STAR STUDENT

In Bible, this month we will learn to trust in God and be kind and loving to others. The stories we will be covering are: "The First Family and The Fall" Genesis 2:18-3:24, "Cain and Abel" Genesis 4:1-16, "Noah Trusts God" Genesis 6:9-9:17, and Abraham's Faith and Trust in God, and The Gift of Isaac" Genesis 12:1-9; 21:1-7. It would be very helpful if the children listened to the stories at home as well. It would reinforce what they have learned here in school. The character traits that we will be focusing on with the children are justice, honesty, integrity, trust, and faith. Pray with us for your children, that they will begin to trust in God in all circumstances.

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May God bless you enormously!

Ms. Catalina del Real & Ms. Maria-Jose Grossy



KINDERGARTEN

MRS. DALIANA CORRALES

Dear Parents!



October is here! I can't believe how fast the time goes. I have enjoyed getting to know your children. I can say that this class is a very smart class and competitive. They are very hungry to learn and explore new things. Now the kindergarteners are used to our routines. They feel proud of themselves when they know how to read spelling words as well as the books that we are studying in class. Thank you, parents, for reinforcing reading at home with flashcards and the reading log. Remember this is a process that they are doing very well at, but they still need our help to continue achieving our goals. In Math they have been learning about shapes, patterns, and numbers 1-10 and their correspondence. Getting to know the concepts of more, greater, less, fewer, and comparing objects are also being taught. In Social studies, the students are learning about our community helpers, such as police officers, mail carriers, dentists, and firefighters. The kindergarteners really enjoyed it when the firefighters came to school and did their demonstration.

The children were able to go through the firetruck and meet real heroes.

The students have been learning about God's creation and the amazing opportunity we have to respond to Him with love. They are learning to be obedient, that all of our actions have consequences, and that we may choose to follow Jesus and accept him as our Savior. Psalm 37: 27 says: "Depart from evil and do good". The students are learning that choices are a necessary part of life. As we went through the story of Adam and Eve, and Noah, we saw that the choices between good and evil have everlasting consequences.

For the month of September, I have some students that we would like to recognize and congratulate. I would like to congratulate Vinh Ayme as our Student of the Month. Vinh is doing very well academically. He likes to participate and tries very hard to follow rules. I also would like to congratulate Aranza Medrano as our Star Student.



VINH AYME
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ARANZA MEDRANO
STAR STUDENT

Aranza has shown the godly character traits of love as she is friendly and helpful to everyone. Congratulations to both of you and keep up the great work.

Keep in mind important events and dates that are coming up this month:

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Once again, thank you for all your support. We really appreciate all you do! If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I am here to help you.

God Bless you,
Mrs. Daliana Corrales

1ST GRADE

MRS. BARBARA ARROYO

Hello parents,

It seems like the beginning of the year has flown by. I cannot believe we are already coming into the month of October. So many fun and exciting things have taken place so far, not just academically but socially as well. The students, as well as myself, enjoyed having their grandparents here to celebrate Grandparents' Day. It was a fun morning for everyone, and I am sure the grandparents felt loved. The children also enjoyed having silly socks day. It was cute seeing all the kids in their silly socks. Lastly the children enjoyed a fun-filled morning exploring our local public library and seeing all the wonderful things it has to offer. Academically the children have been learning a lot. In Phonics and English, we worked on all our letters and letter sounds and we have begun doing spelling. The children have also begun learning how to compose complete sentences. For math, we have worked closely with grouping and making sets with tens and ones. We also worked on addition with word stories and counting by 1's, 5's, and 10's. In Bible we learned all about the Creation Story, Adam and Eve, and King David. In Science we learned about how to use our five senses and we learned why Science is important. In Heritage Studies we completed our first unit which was all about families, and they learned about the first family Adam and Eve. The students have also continued to enjoy P.E with Coach Guillermo and art with Mr. Andrew. They are also doing music again this year, but we now have Mr. Isaac teaching it and they are loving it. Mr. Isaac is a wonderful addition to our teaching staff, and we are blessed and lucky to have him.

When you see him, please be sure to give him a warm welcome. Now that I have filled you in on all the fun and exciting things that have occurred this last month let us take the time to congratulate two well deserved children.

I want to bring my attention to two wonderful students that deserve applause and recognition. I want to recognize and congratulate Connor Gonzalez-Orbegoso as our Student of the Month. Connor does very well academically and participates enthusiastically in the class. I also want to congratulate Alejandro Perez as our Star Student. Alejandro has shown the godly character trait of love and is friendly and helpful to everyone. Congratulations to both of you and keep up the great work. Let us now shift our focus to what we will be accomplishing this month academically.

In Phonics and English, we will be completing the Unit 1 assessment which will let me know how they are performing thus far and will help me to see where the children need the most help. We will be starting on unit 2 which will introduce word syllables, adjectives, and different letter blends. We will also be reviewing nouns and verbs that we learned in Unit 1. For math, we will be working on subtraction facts up to 6 and data using graphs. Some of the graphs we will be working with are bar graphs, pictographs, and circle graphs. For science, we will be looking closely at the scientific method, and I will be conducting fun experiments with the class. In Heritage Studies we will be talking about our community and community helpers while also learning about the government and understanding the election, and voting process. For Bible time this month, the students will learn all about Moses and God's promises to him and his people.



CONNOR GONZALEZ-ORBEGOSO
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ALEJANDRO PEREZ
STAR STUDENT

They will also learn about Solomon dedicating the temple. Our monthly Bible verse is **Psalm 139: 14, "I am fearfully and wonderfully made."** Our Unit memory verse is **Deuteronomy 32:4, "No one else is like God."**

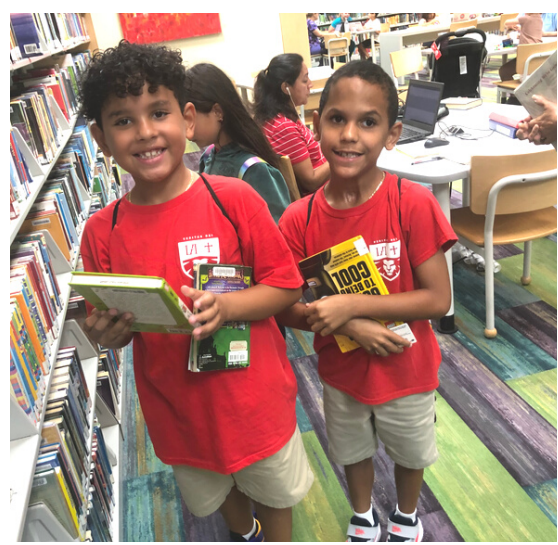
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In closing, I want to thank you, parents, for all that you do. You help make our class the best it can be. A big thank you also to Elaine for doing an amazing job as a room mom and helping put together our basket for the gala. I appreciate all you do! Let us continue to make 1st grade the best class ever.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask. I am here to help you and to make sure your children have an amazing school year.

God bless you,
Mrs. Barbie



2ND GRADE

MS. LINDSAY RUIZ



REBECCA MYERS
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



KAYLANA MUNOZ
STAR STUDENT



Dear Parents:

So far, the beginning of the school year has been wonderful and exciting. The students are already learning how to be independent, organized, and responsible. The students are all very special and unique. During the month of September, I've been reviewing basic concepts for all subjects. In Phonics and English, we worked on run-ons and fragments. The students learned different types of sentences and how to write a correct sentence. For math, the students learned how to subtract using manipulatives. My second graders are reviewing place values using manipulates as well.

During our Bible class, we learned all about the Creation Story. In Science, we learned about "Science Inquiry" to use our five senses and we learned why Science is important. In Heritage Studies we studied all about communities and community helpers. The students enjoyed and learned community helpers by doing a special activity in class.

During the month of October, we will learn different concepts in our subject areas. In Phonics and English, I will introduce different types of poems. The students will learn how to write a poem. In Math, my students will learn how to add two-digit numbers using models. In science, they will learn all about Matter, and I will be conducting steam experiments. In Heritage Studies we will be learning "How Government Works" by reading the lessons and having class discussions. During Bible time this month, the students will learn all about Abraham and the promises God made to him.

Last, I would like to congratulate Rebecca Myers as our Student of the Month. She is doing very well academically. I would also like to congratulate Kaylana Munoz as our Star Student. Kaylana has shown the Godly character trait of love and is very helpful by keeping our class nice and organized. We will continue learning and enjoying our subject areas in fun ways.

God Bless,
Mrs. Ruiz



3RD & 4TH GRADE



MS. DANAI PADRON &
MS. ROSALIE DE ARMAS

Hello Parents,

The month of September seems to have flown by. This was an exciting month with lots of things happening. The children had a great time honoring their grandparents on Grandparent's Day. They had so much fun painting the picture frames and getting everything ready for that day. Thank you to all the grandparents who were able to enjoy that morning with us at the school. Now that the fun aspect of this month has been mentioned, let's discuss what the children did academically.

In English, we finished reviewing the subject and predicate. We also learned about sentences and fragments. For Math, we learned about Place Values and the students also learned about Roman Numerals.

Isaiah 45:18 says, "For this is what the Lord says— he who created the heavens, he is God; he who fashioned and made the earth, he founded it; he did not create it to be empty, but formed it to be inhabited— he says: I am the Lord, and there is no other".

In Science, students learned how God created the earth's design in a unique way. They learned about the characteristics of the inner and outer planets. For Bible, we have been learning about The Fall and the effect Adam's sin has on mankind all over the world. Our Bible verse for the month is Psalm 94:19 which says, **"When the cares of my heart are many, your consolation cheers my soul".**

In the month of October, the students will be learning about Christ as a Prophet in Bible. In math, they will be learning about Line Plots, Bar Graphs, Circle Graphs, and Coordinate Planes. The students will also be learning and reviewing Weather and Climate in Science.

I would like to congratulate Ethan Bonilla as our Student of the Month. Ethan has shown academic excellence and hard work. I would also like to congratulate Alanie Delgado as our Star Student. Alanie has shown obedience, friendliness, and a very good knowledge of the Bible topics.

Important Days to Remember in October:

- Thursday, Oct. 5th: PTF Meeting at 7:00 PM
- Friday, Oct. 6th: Field Trip to Berry Farm Pumpkin Patch
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- Friday, Oct. 13th: Heritage Day
- Saturday, Oct. 21st: Lifted Gala at the Pullman Hotel
- Monday, Oct. 23rd - Friday, Oct. 27th: Scholastic Book Fair
- Friday, Oct. 27th, Teacher Workday - No school K-4th Gr.
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Thank you, parents, for all that you do for our classroom.

God Bless You,
Miss Danai



ETHAN BONILLA
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ALANIE DELGADO
STAR STUDENT



SCHOOL PICTURES

