

# The Fourth Wall

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## Reminders

Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

Clothing Sale

Gym - 12-8pm

Friday, October 17th

Clothing Sale

Gym - 9am-2pm

Saturday, October 18th

Clothing Sale

Gym - 8-11am

Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

Individual Student Picture

Make Up Day - Uptown Aud.

Parents Prayer -Church

Prayer Room - 8:30am

Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Noon Dismissal - All Grades

No Adventure Program

Parent/Teacher Conf. Grades

3-8

25<sup>th</sup> Anniv. Basketball Game

Gym - 6:30pm

Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

No School - Grades K-2

Noon Dismissal-Grades 3-8

No Adventure Program

Parent/Teacher conf. Gr. K-8

Sunday, October 26th

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Pavilion/Rec. Fields - 12pm

"He who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."

Proverbs 11:25

## Perimeter School—A Leader Among Leaders

Susan Crist, Lower Elementary Principal

Whether you are a new or veteran Perimeter School parent, you may have heard the word *ChildLight* around here from time to time. But, what does this title mean? Since our school just hosted a conference with 11 schools represented from 5 states, some as far away as Colorado, and an internationally known speaker from the UK, it seemed like a great time to give an update. Let's start at the very beginning...

After its founding in 1983, Perimeter Christian School began to start and facilitate the formation of other schools at the various Perimeter Church campuses in the Atlanta area. These unique covenant schools were inspired in part by the philosophy of education eloquently explained by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay in her book, *For the Children's Sake*. This book highlights a model of Christian education built around the philosophy of Charlotte Mason, which focuses on the premise that a child is born a person and is an image bearer of Christ. As we all should know, since we have read her books, Susan Schaeffer Macaulay is the daughter of the late Francis Schaeffer. (One little known fact that Susan shared with me at a conference at the Charlotte Mason College in 1999, is that her book, *For the Children's Sake*, has sold more copies than all of her father's books combined!) Born in South Africa in 1936, Randal Macaulay was converted from atheistic existentialism within a week of his arrival to study law at Cambridge. He married Susan Schaeffer and they had 3 children of their own, and also suddenly and unexpectedly "inherited" 2 extra children (ages 3 and 7) for whom Randal and Susan were designated guardians when their parents were tragically killed.

When Perimeter Church divided into separate churches around Atlanta, an association of schools at those 4 locations remained along with Crossroads Christian School to form the Perimeter School Association (PSA). These schools met regularly to encourage one another and to share ideas and best practices. In 1993, a small group of PSA educators met with

... a covenant Christian community

Susan Macaulay at a conference and began to fan the flame of implementing Charlotte Mason's educational philosophy in contemporary education. Gradually the emphasis on applying new ideas and refining the older ones increased in all the schools.

In 2003, PSA chose to broaden its membership from only covenant schools to include schools and school educators who are committed to the educational philosophy of Charlotte Mason as understood and applied from her writings. The name *ChildLight Schools* (CLS) inspired by Susan Macaulay was chosen for this new association<sup>1</sup>, now with a website, representation in 5 states, and a dozen schools. The desire of the *ChildLight Schools* is to continue to grow and serve one another in keeping the truth of sane and inspiring Christian education alive and well.

As the main visionary in this movement in the United States, Bobby Scott, calling upon his longtime relationship with the Macaulays, organized this year's *ChildLight Schools* conference around Ranald's heart cry: *Rekindling the Vision*. Those of us who were blessed to be in attendance experienced a profound and prophetic discussion of the intersection of Christianity and philosophy through the ages. We can now join with Ranald and his non profit organization, *Christian Heritage*, whose goal is to "demonstrate to contemporary society that Christianity was and is a living faith with the power to change people and therefore to shape history." May God be praised as we share with our students and with you as parents and friends this shared missional vision.

<sup>1</sup>Macaulay, Susan Schaeffer. *For the Children's Sake*. (Wheaton: Crossway Books, 1984) 166

## Announcements

If you have an announcement for the 4<sup>th</sup> Wall, please submit it to Martha Mahony at: [mmahony@perimeter.org](mailto:mmahony@perimeter.org). All announcements need to be submitted by 4pm on Tuesdays. If you have any questions, please contact Martha Mahony at the above email address.

### PCS Children's Clothing Consignment Sale (all grades)

Our Semi-Annual Consignment Sale is scheduled for October 16, 17 and 18th in the gymnasium. Hours are Thursday 12:00 - 8:00pm, Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm and Saturday 8:00 - 11:00am (many items 1/2 price on Saturday). Perimeter School Parents may begin shopping at 11:00am on Thursday, 1 hour before the public will be admitted. Sale volunteers may enter at 9:00am; sellers may enter at 10:00am. Seller spaces are full but there is still room for volunteers. For more info please call Cindy Gaskins 770-232-0148 or email [cindygaskins@gmail.com](mailto:cindygaskins@gmail.com). You may also view the website at [www.IConsignMine.com](http://www.IConsignMine.com) for complete details.

### Individual Picture Make Up Day on Tuesday, October 21st (all grades)

Students and staff who were absent for picture day are scheduled to have their pictures taken next Tuesday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Teachers will be given a schedule as to when the students are to report to Uptown Aud. For what to wear, please refer to picture day clothing guidelines at the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> Wall. If you feel your student needs a make up for any other reason, a parent needs to contact Martha Mahony at [mmahony@perimeter.org](mailto:mmahony@perimeter.org) in order to get on the schedule.

### 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Enrichment Day Carpool Change Starting October 24<sup>th</sup> (grades 1 & 2)

In an effort to provide increased carpool security during parent-led Enrichment Days, *effective Friday, October 24, 2008*, we will implement "rainy day carpool" procedures for the 12:00 dismissal. Students and Enrichment Day parents will line up in the hallway outside of the entrance near the elementary office. Students will be escorted to their cars via the porte-cochere exit where parents should line up their cars. Parents who wish to collect their child(ren) bypassing the carpool line should inform the teacher on duty at the entrance. Thank you for your understanding as we strive to improve our security measures *for the children's sake*.

## Perimeter School Celebrates 25 Years on October 26th!!! (all grades)

Thanks to our own Perimeter School Dad, Rick Thompson, you may now go to [www.perimeter25th.com](http://www.perimeter25th.com) for online registration and details regarding Perimeter Christian School's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. You will want to submit your own PCS story, check out old pictures and register yourself and your guests for what is anticipated to be an exciting commemoration of 25 years! Deadline for registration is Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Registration forms are available in both school offices.

## PCS Staff vs. Alumni Basketball Game (all grades)

As part of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration there will be a PCS Alumni vs. Staff basketball game on Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm in the Gym. Please see flyer at the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> Wall for all the details!

## Perimeter Chess Club Starts Monday, October 20th (all grades)

Looking for a fun and exciting way for your child to build critical and strategic thinking skills?

Looking for something that far outdistances videogames in developing the mind?

Here's your chance to give your child a lifelong skill!

Chess begins Monday, Oct. 20 for all grades. It is not too late to register.

K-3rd grade Club meets Mondays at 12:00pm by the 1st grade bathrooms, goes upstairs to new small group rooms **C-3012 and C-3013** for lunch and then chess from 12:30-1:30pm. Please pick up your child at 1:30pm at the Portico at the Day Entrance.

4-8th grade Club meets Mondays from 3:00-3:45pm in the **DEPOT**. Please pickup your child at 3:45 at the Portico at the day entrance. Both Chess classes are taught by Jim Mundy.

For schedule and fee info as well as registration forms, please contact [gary.daniels@gmail.com](mailto:gary.daniels@gmail.com) for the K-3rd grade class, and [ptatgenhorst@gmail.com](mailto:ptatgenhorst@gmail.com) for the 4th-8th grade class.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Yearbook Pictures (8<sup>th</sup> grade)

8<sup>th</sup> grade individual outdoor yearbook pictures will be taken on the afternoons of Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow. 1 parent volunteer is needed each day to help from 12:30-3pm. If you can help, please email Martha Mahony at [mmahony@perimeter.org](mailto:mmahony@perimeter.org). Thanks!

## Veterans Day Program (all grades)

- Program date and start time will be ***Tuesday, November 11, 2008 at 9:30 am.*** This is a change from the school calendar.
- **Slide Show - Pictures** for the Veterans Day slide show are being accepted from now until ***October 29<sup>th</sup>***. Each family is allowed to submit 2 pictures of living veterans for the show. If you submitted pictures last year you do not need to submit them again. New pictures *must be submitted digitally* to [lmead@perimeter.org](mailto:lmead@perimeter.org). Hard copies of old photos can be personally scanned or professionally (e. g. Wolf Camera) and sent digitally. Please include name of veteran, military branch and years served, as well as their relation to the church/school. If a veteran is deceased, please indicate so that we can include their picture in the reception slideshow following the main program. If there are any changes to last year's pictures, please notify Lauren Mead the above email address.
- **Honor Stars** - Be looking for the "stars" in your student's book bag. Be sure to write the name of a relative or friend who served (or is serving) in the U.S. Armed Forces. Indicate the military branch and rank. Cut out the star and return to your child's teacher by ***November 4<sup>th</sup>***. They will be displayed at the Veterans Day Program on ***Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup>***. Extra stars can be copied on your own or picked up in either school office.
- **A Personal Invitation** - may be sent to a veteran that you know. If you would like, please fill out the sheet (in either office) with the name and address of anyone you wish an invitation to be sent. Names submitted in the past are already included on our mailing list and do not need to be resubmitted unless the information needs updating. We will accept requests until ***October 29<sup>th</sup>***. You are welcome to stop in and pick up some invitations and place around your neighborhood or send to friends and relatives. This event is an open invitation to the community.
- **Parent Information** and Student Guidelines for the Essay and Poster contests may be found at: [http://www.perimeterschool.org/images/PERIMETER007/PERIMETER007\\_24384.pdf](http://www.perimeterschool.org/images/PERIMETER007/PERIMETER007_24384.pdf), and [http://www.perimeterschool.org/images/PERIMETER007/PERIMETER007\\_24385.pdf](http://www.perimeterschool.org/images/PERIMETER007/PERIMETER007_24385.pdf)

## Crosswalk Reminder - It's the Law (all grades)

When driving in carpool please be sure to stop for any persons who are at the crosswalks. Pedestrians have the right of way at crosswalks as per Georgia law and that applies for those in the Perimeter parking lot areas as well. Thank you for your attention to this.

## Special Message from Bobby Scott Regarding Future Head Lice Procedure (all grades)

I know all of you applaud our School Nurse Karen Lemon for her extra effort in dealing with our unusual health issues this year. However, in regard to our recent practice to check the ENTIRE school for lice, this was commendable but it is not to be our future arrangement. We would like to have Karen retain a sound mind and be a part of our school! Our procedure will be simple:

- 1) If by your own inspection or that of an outside party, it becomes apparent that your child has lice or nits, you are to contact the school nurse. This is appropriate as we are a covenant family. (a link to methods of proper inspection and treatment will be provided to you)
- 2) We will make it known to the parents of your child's class only that a case exists. There should be no stigma with this...it is not a health hazard or disease and can be picked up in numerous ways. Chill.
- 3) After treatment, our school nurse will be required to check that lice and nits are eliminated for the child to return to school.

If you have questions regarding this procedure, please contact me. If you want to know more about head lice and the inspection and treatment procedures, please follow these links: [PCS Lice Treatment Check-off List](#), [Lice 2008.pdf](#). If you have difficulty downloading this document, please contact any of the school receptionists via e-mail or phone and ask them to e-mail you this document as an attachment.

Hopefully this makes sense and did not leave you scratching your head!

## Box Tops! (all grades)

It is almost time to redeem our first collection of Box Tops! The deadline is October 31<sup>st</sup>. Please collect and submit these for the library. Last year we raised over \$1000. We hope to double that this year.

Thanks for all the cereal, tacos, cakes, and brownies you eat for us!

## Inside Perimeter School Class (all grades)

The first Inside Perimeter School Class has been scheduled for November 21, 2008 from 7-10 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please inform your friends and family members. This is their opportunity to learn more about the school and the application process. The Inside Perimeter School Class is a prerequisite for beginning the application process. Perimeter Church families have priority enrollment through January 12, 2009. To register for the class, call 678-405-2307. (Additional classes will be offered).

## PCS Families Applying For a Sibling (all grades)

For the 2009-2010 school year you are encouraged (but not required) to attend an Inside Perimeter School Class. Instructions to obtain the application online will be available in both offices beginning October 1, 2008. The admissions office will be accepting applications November 3, 2008. For priority enrollment, sibling applications must be received by January 12, 2009.

## Perimeter Family News Section

Do You Have News? If you have an announcement that would be appropriate for the Perimeter Family News Section, e-mail the information to: [mmahony@perimeter.org](mailto:mmahony@perimeter.org). Deadline each week: Tuesday by 4:00 pm. Announcements can run for 2-3 weeks.

## Election Help

Want to know more about early or absentee voting, go [www.Perimeterchurch.org](http://www.Perimeterchurch.org) and search for Civic Concerns. On the Civic Concerns home page, further election resources will be added in coming days. Get ready to vote in one of the most crucial elections of our lifetimes.

## Attention Fulton County Registered Voters - Advance Voting Opportunity at the Northeast/Spruill Oaks Library - (3 Minutes down Old Alabama from the Church)

This should catch your interest! ANY Fulton County registered voter may VOTE EARLY - REGARDLESS OF WHERE YOUR USUAL FULTON COUNTY VOTING PRECINCT IS. The closest location to Perimeter Church is at the Northeast/Spruill Oaks Library on Spruill Road (Turn right onto Old Alabama from Perimeter Church, Spruill Road/Library will be approx 1 mile on your right). Dates/times are: Monday, Oct 27th - Friday, Oct 31st from 8:30am-7pm. During advance voting, you may vote in the regular manner showing one of 6 forms of photo ID. You may vote here even if Spruill Library is NOT your usual voting precinct location. They are encouraging people to vote in advance if possible to save time, because they are expecting a huge turnout (87% of registered voters) to vote in this election. In addition, the ballot is 4 pages long, and includes referendums, and county seat elections, as well as the presidential election. To view this 4-page sample ballot go to: [www.fultoncountyga.gov/county/elections](http://www.fultoncountyga.gov/county/elections), then when you're at the home page, click on the SAMPLE BALLOT choice at the left. For additional information on early and advance voting in Fulton County, please go to: [http://www.fultoncountyga.gov/county/elections/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=36&Itemid=61](http://www.fultoncountyga.gov/county/elections/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=36&Itemid=61)

## Mike Sheffield a Candidate for Georgia Court of Appeals

My name is Mike Sheffield. I am Olivia (2008 PCS graduate) and Matthew Sheffield's (7<sup>th</sup> grade at PCS) father. I am running for a seat on the Georgia Court of Appeals which is a statewide judicial race that is on the ballot this November 4th. The race is non-partisan so we don't run under a party label. There are 7 of us running, and the top 2 finishers go to a runoff in December. If you would like more information, please contact Mike at [mmsheffield@earthlink.net](mailto:mmsheffield@earthlink.net).

## Perimeter Church Children's Choir

**The Perimeter Church Children's Choir is Back** for 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders. There will be an informational meeting October 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the Uptown Auditorium. Choir rehearsals will begin October 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Uptown Auditorium. Call Cherie Heringer at 678-405-2396 to pre-register.

## Anne Frank Exhibit at Northeast/Spruill Oaks Library

The ANNE FRANK EXHIBIT is currently on display at the Northeast/Spruill Library and will be there through the entire month of October. It is very informative and it is free. I highly encourage you to see this worthwhile exhibit in the center of the library which includes thirty-two 6-foot tall posters with descriptions, other WWII Holocaust photos, and the actual kitchen setup in the Anne Frank hidden apartment in Holland. The Library is located at 9560 Spruill Road off Old Alabama across from River Pines Golf Course. Phyllis Tatgenhorst, PCS Parent

## Appalachian Adopt-A-Child Project 2008

***"Go Tell it on the Mountain that Jesus Christ is Born!"***

It is the 8<sup>th</sup> year of providing gifts for the children of the Appalachian Mountains. These children live in McCreary County, one of the three poorest counties in Kentucky... *But there were the faithful who cried out to God. He heard!*

*God loves to use His people. How you can help . . .*

***Gifts for Children, Ages 0-16***

If you would like to sponsor a child, we will provide you with the child's name, age, size, their wishes, needs, and a picture.

**\$\$\$\$\$\$** If time does not allow you to shop but you would like to make a financial donation, money helps to fill Uhaul gas tanks, buy Evangucubes, food for Christmas Party etc.

**Donations:** We treasure donations of gently used clothing, household items, furniture and food.

**Give the Gift of your Time:** We need volunteers to load the U-Hauls heading for Kentucky on **Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00p.** Help is also needed to sort donated items, pick-up donations and wrap presents.

**Join our Email Prayer Team:** Choose one day out of the week you would like to pray for our Appalachian families and Community.

**We have over 330+ children depending on our love this Christmas.**

**Learn more from this video:** [www.godtube.com/view\\_video.php?viewkey=2a4af0d524ecedcff9e8](http://www.godtube.com/view_video.php?viewkey=2a4af0d524ecedcff9e8)

**The Families of McCreary County, Kentucky Thank You!**

**Contact Eva Buckingham:** [Eva@buckinghaminc.com](mailto:Eva@buckinghaminc.com)

**770/569-4998 (h) 404/271-4998 (c)**

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## Next Generation Focus (NGF)

...is a tax-exempt non-profit organization formed to provide financial aid to children so that they can participate in enrichment activities including, but not limited to, after-school programs, academic programs, and sports programs. Our Mission is to invest in children by providing financial support to qualified children to participate in enrichment activities. These activities build character, teamwork, social responsibility and awareness, academic achievement, and other beneficial qualities.

NGF also focuses on Community Services and provides volunteer activities to teach children civic responsibilities and develop character.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.nextgenerationfocus.org](http://www.nextgenerationfocus.org). If you'd like to donate time or resources, please contact Amy Sol or Boumi Johnston at [info@nextgenerationfocus.org](mailto:info@nextgenerationfocus.org).

## Perimeter Church's Solid Rock Band Needs You!!!

We need a guitar player in 4th, 5th or 6th grade to join the rest of the band and worship God with extreme joy that only He can give. Would you like to join us? We have rehearsals on Friday's from 5:00-6:30 at Perimeter Church. We play during both services once a month. Email- [tunefisher@gmail.com](mailto:tunefisher@gmail.com) to find out more info. THANKS!!!

## JH Ranch Informational Meeting: for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their parents

For those interested in hearing about the Parent & Son/Daughter Adventure at JH Ranch in California, an informational meeting will be at the home of Shawn and Carol Walls on Sunday, November 2 at 4:00. JH Ranch is a Christian guest ranch in northern California with a ministry of building relationships between teens and their parents, as well as a program of leadership skill development for teens. Come enjoy dessert and coffee and hear about the experiences of parents and teens that have been to JH Ranch. JH Ranch staff members will be there to tell about the programs and to answer questions. Hosts are: Hyunju and Hyungho Lee, Markie and Joel Manby and Carol and Shawn Wells. If interested, please RSVP to the Walls at 770-772-4434.

## Carpool Options for Johns Creek Area

Interested in carpooling to school in the morning? We're trying to conserve gas these days. We're in Parson's Run Sub-Div. off of Parson's Rd. & 141, just across from Northview HS. Please contact Beth Krah @ 770-354-8948 or via e-mail at [bkdesigns@hotmail.com](mailto:bkdesigns@hotmail.com). Thanks for your consideration!

## Lost PE Clothes

Lost P.E. clothes - Gray T-shirt (new) - XS & blue mesh shorts - probably S. Sadly, both maybe nameless, shorts might have 'Wood'. Lost on Picture Day (9/16) in the girls' bathroom on the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade hall. If found, please return to Makayla Wood (Mrs. Mondl's class). Mrs. Jenkins class was in the bathroom at the same time so maybe the P.E. clothes were mixed in with those girls.

## Need Your House Painted?

Might I humbly suggest my dear husband, Dan, as the man for the job? He has been in the business for over 30 years, knows how to do the repairs that so often go with interior or exterior work, shows up on time, finishes on time, and most importantly HE IS WILLING TO WORK WITHIN YOUR BUDGET. Call him at 770- 623- 4447 and tell him Mrs. Duffy sent you. ☺

## For Sale - 2002 HONDA Odyssey 5DR EX-L RES -

Well maintained, very good condition inside & out.

Fern (Gray) Interior - Honda DVD Entertainment System with AM/FM/Cassette/CD stereo, DVD Player, Flip-down 7" LCD Monitor (ceiling), Remote, Rear Control, 2 Wireless Headphones, Leather Seats, Cruise Control, Power Window & Sliding Doors

Granite Green (Gray) Exterior - Security System, Remote Keyless Entry, Alloy Wheels, Luggage / Roof Rack

Pictures available, 111K miles, \$9,500

Contact: Pam Wood 678/358-0510 or [Pam.Wood@Daugherty.com](mailto:Pam.Wood@Daugherty.com)

# Individual Yearbook Make Up Picture Information

(All pictures will be taken in the Uptown Auditorium)

**Tuesday, October 21st, 2008**

## **What to Wear (Grades 1-7):** You can choose:

1. Regular PCS Dress code outfits
2. Dressy clothes- **see guidelines below\***
3. Other polo style shirt (solid, patterned, stripe, etc.)

### **\*Guidelines for dressy clothes:**

1. **Girls:** dresses, skirt/top or dressy pants/top. An outfit you would wear to a nice dinner out (i.e. no jeans or t-shirts!)  
**No spaghetti straps, low cut or tight fitting garments.** Please be sure dresses or skirts are dress code LENGTH!
2. **Boys:** solid color or white dress shirt with a tie and jacket.  
**(except 8<sup>th</sup> grade - must wear white dress shirt, tie, and jacket - see note below)**

### **Also, please note:**

#### **Grades 3-8 :**

**Please bring dress code clothes to change into after your picture has been taken.**

#### **Grades K-2:**

**You may stay in your picture clothes for the day.**

## **What to Wear (Grade 8):**

**Girls:** dressy clothes following the guidelines above.

**Boys:** white dress shirt with a tie and jacket.

# **PCS**

## **Staff vs. Alumni Basketball Game**

**Please join us for a fun-filled evening and cheer for our Alumni and PCS staff as they play each other in a basketball game that will not be soon forgotten. (You might be surprised who you see on the court!!)**

**Wednesday, October 22, 2008  
6:30pm in the gym**

**\$2.00 admission**

**Staff Coach: Carson Peterson  
Alumni Coach: Chris Burns**

**Buy your tickets early - we expect a sell-out crowd!**

**Tickets will be on sale Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> in both school offices AND at 12:00 and 3:00 carpool.**



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