



# Stallion Pride

The Williamsburg Academy Newsletter

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Monday  
1-17-11

No School  
MLK Day

Wednesday  
1-19-11  
PTO Hot Dog Day

Wednesday  
1-26-11  
PTO Pizza Day

Thursday  
1-27-11  
Junior Class  
Ring Ceremony

Wednesday  
2-2-11  
State Lit. Meet

Saturday  
2-5-11  
Stallion Pride  
Clean Up Day

Tuesday  
2-8-11  
Middle School  
Quiz Bowl

Wednesday  
2-16-11  
State Spelling Bee @  
WA

## Scientists in Training

Miss Laura Jones and her eighth graders enjoy spending time in the Science Lab. Students gain valuable experience that will benefit them as they move through high school and on to college.

Hanna and Abigail discuss their experiment as Miss Laura observes.



Peyton, Ben, Josh, and Ryan make observations and record their data.



## Straight From the Horse's Mouth...

WA Family,

In continuing with outstanding academic excellence and following in the footsteps of Williamsburg Academy alumni, the Class of 2011 continues to lay the foundation of academic fortitude for our underclassmen to follow! The Class of 2011 consists of **25** seniors that have submitted approximately **100** college admissions applications.

**The BEST PART!!!!** – Our seniors are surpassing past statistics and raising the bar for future generations! Below is a list of the colleges and universities that they have already received acceptance for Fall 2011:

*Clemson University – (Early Acceptance Offered), Furman University, The Citadel, College of Charleston, Charleston Southern University, Francis Marion, Winthrop, Wofford, Columbia College, Johnson and Wales, Presbyterian, Coastal Carolinas University, Coker College, USC – Sumter, Converse College, Midlands Technical College, Florence – Darlington Technical College, Tri-County Technical College, & Williamsburg Technical College*

Additionally, our senior class is still waiting on a plethora of acceptance decisions including: Clemson University (February), University of South Carolina, Francis Marion University, and the University of North Carolina.

I would like to commend these **25** individuals and Ms. Webster for an outstanding effort in continuing Williamsburg Academy's tradition of academic excellence!

Upon your earliest convenience, please visit Ms. Webster's Williamsburg Academy's college counseling website to view all data and information available to our families: <http://www.williamsburgacademy.com/xguidance.htm>

Again, **CONGRATULATIONS** seniors!

M. Evan Powell  
Head of School

# Library News



The Accelerated Reader Christmas Craft party was a huge success. Students made Christmas tree ornaments and decorated Christmas tree sugar cookies. The readers enjoyed hot chocolate, cookies, a Christmas movie and treat bags! The top readers were:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Bethany Hudson
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Catherine Boyd
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade – Qing Zheng
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Regan Cowley

First graders began Accelerated Reader (AR) Tuesday, January 4th. All first graders went to the computer lab and took their first quiz on the book, A Hat for Minerva Louise. The first graders did extremely well and are excited about participating in the AR Program!!!



Students in grades 1 – 5 are encouraged to read for the Accelerated Reader BINGO BASH.

Points' requirements are as follows:

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| 1st grade — 6 pts. | 2nd grade — 7 pts. | 3rd grade — 8 pts. |
| 4th grade — 9 pts. | 5th grade — 10pts. |                    |

You must earn your points and have a 75% average on all tests to meet your goal.

# Pancake Supper



December 6th was the date for WA's Pancake Supper and Christmas Caroling. It was a night filled with fun for all the students and parents who participated. Everyone gathered on the bus and headed out for some caroling fun. Students visited the Kingstree Nursing Home and several other locations. They also paid a special visit to WA's former Head of School, Ms. Joan Thompson. After spreading some Christmas cheer, everyone returned to school for a pancake supper and were treated to a Christmas movie. Thanks to everyone for their generous support and especially to the IGA, Bi-Lo, Coopers Country Store and Williamsburg Packing. This fund raiser earned over \$400 to go towards the purchase of risers for the music department.

# We Need Your Trash to Help Earn Cash

Under the direction of Mrs. Terri Hudson our school has been involved with the Terracycle Program for over a year. Thanks to her dedication and to the dedication of the students and parents involved WA has earned over \$250 from the Terracycle Recycling Program. Please visit the website [terracycle.net](http://terracycle.net) to see what kind of things the students have been making with our “trash” and to get lots of information on what can be recycled. Please continue to collect the following items and send them to school:

Any brand drink pouches, bags of cereal, chip bags, glue bottles/sticks, candy bags, candy bar wrappers, non-working cell phones, cookie wrappers/bags, plastic ziplock bags, writing instruments, spread containers, lunch kit wrappers and trays, bags from shredded cheese, empty inkjet cartridges, tortilla bags.... the list is endless. Thanks for your help!

## Box Tops For Education

Mrs. Abby Tisdale has been collecting the Box Tops for education. These proceeds benefit the PTO. SO far this year we have raised over \$300.00. Keep clipping those Box Tops. You can go to [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for more details and product listings.

## Shane Mouzon Presentation



Mr. Mackie Flood, owner of Sunshine Kartway, Shane Mouzon Memorial Race winner Cla Knight, and his crew chief Mr. Matt Cantrell present a check to Booster Club president, Mr. Dean Brown and Head of School, Mr. Evan Powell. All proceeds from the race were donated by Mr. Flood to the WA Booster Club in Shane's memory.

**The Second Annual Shane Mouzon Memorial Race is scheduled for November 5, 2011.**

# Students “Shine” on Earthshine Field Trip



Our sixth and seventh graders enjoyed a three day field trip to the mountains of North Carolina on December 8-10. Students stayed at the EarthShine Lodge and participated in a program of team building that consisted of a high ropes course, a zip line course, survival hikes and more. It was a wonderful experience for the students as well as the chaperones. Many new bonds were formed and unforgettable memories were made.



## DNR Art Contest

### Reel Art

Any student in kindergarten through twelfth grade who is interested in competing in this DNR contest, please see Mrs. Terri Hudson for details. You may also visit the website for contest rules. [www.dnr.sc.gov/aquaticed/reelart/index.html](http://www.dnr.sc.gov/aquaticed/reelart/index.html)

## Disguise a Turkey Contest

### Winners

4K– Josie Tisdale, 5K– Ryan Corey, Sydnee Floyd, Austin Ard, 1st Grade– Kenzie Hancock, Courtney Strong, 2nd Grade– Thomas J. Owens, Bethany Grace Hudson, 3rd Grade– James Allen Moore, Catherine Boyd, 4th Grade– Adam Moore, Carli McCants, 5th Grade– Mack Ard, Marti Easler



Parents: If you are sending a payment to Miss Liz by your child, please ask them to put the check in the payment box outside Miss Liz’s office. You may also want to put the check in an envelope with Miss Liz’s name on it. Some students have simply been putting checks on teachers’ desks and we want to make sure that no payments are misplaced. Thank you for your cooperation.

# Annual Giving Campaign Underway

The WA Today Alumni and Friends Newsletter was mailed out over Christmas, kicking off our Annual Giving Campaign. Below is a copy of the letter included in the mailing from December. Our goal is have 100% participation from parents, faculty, and alumni. Please help us reach this goal by making your donation to the Annual Giving Fund today. The size of the gift is not important, your support is what matters most. A big thank you goes out to all of those who have already made their contributions!

Dear Williamsburg Academy Alumni, Family, and Friends,

On behalf of the Williamsburg Academy Development Foundation, I am excited to have the opportunity to give you an update on our school and to ask for your financial support through our annual giving campaign.

As WA moves into its fourth decade of serving the students in Williamsburg County and surrounding areas, I challenge each alumni to take a moment to reflect on how Williamsburg Academy has shaped your life and I encourage WA parents to consider how important their child's education at Williamsburg Academy is to their future success.

The purpose of Williamsburg Academy is to create a safe and nurturing environment while providing students with an academically challenging curriculum that promotes critical thinking, social and moral responsibility, creativity, and teamwork. The school's mission includes encouraging each student to do his or her personal best while becoming an independent thinker and lifelong learner. We cannot fulfill this purpose without your financial support.

The annual giving campaign makes a substantial impact on the quality of education that Williamsburg Academy provides. It is through the kindness and generosity of donors that we are able to continue to offer the best education possible and remain the School of Choice for the students of Williamsburg County and its surrounding areas. Therefore, it is our hope that EVERYONE will make their annual giving contribution this year. No matter how large or small, your donation will be put to good use.

Although Williamsburg Academy receives a portion of its operating costs from tuition, a gap exists between what tuition provides and the school's total operating budget. Also, no tuition money is used for the funding of athletics or scholarships. Generous support from alumni and friends strengthens the Williamsburg Academy experience for all students.

Your gift to the Annual Fund will help Williamsburg Academy achieve the following:

- Be competitive in attracting and retaining outstanding teachers
- Acquire new technology
- Develop new facilities for school growth
- Support the school's athletic program along with the Booster Club

Any contribution is greatly appreciated and is tax deductible as the Development Foundation has 501(c)3 status. Gifts may also be made in honor or in memory of loved ones. I have taken the opportunity in past years to donate in honor of my family members who worked so hard to give me a quality education at WA. Won't you do the same?

With kindest regards,

Elizabeth Ann Chandler Wieber (Class of 1994)  
Alumni of the Year 2009