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TRANSFORMERS

This weekend, all Secondary students are invited to attend our Transformers Holiday Camp. Saturday and Sunday April 9 & 10 from 10 am to 4 pm

We have a visiting team from the Philippines who will be leading this camp. Music, drama, martial arts, magic tricks, other activities.

Free lunch is provided and they may bring friends from other schools. This is for **secondary students only. (no younger siblings will be allowed)**

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Girls will be allowed to wear grey trousers next term.

Pre-school and Primary children will be allowed to wear track suits.

Blazers are also available in all sizes. We even have a few in primary sizes.

Girls may wear blue or black tights with their skirts.

Undershirts should be white. White turtleneck/ roll down collar sweaters may also be worn. Gloves may not be worn in class.

Calendar

Last day of Term One April 8

First Day of Term Two May 9

Thursday, June 2 Public Holiday

Friday, June 3 – School Holiday

School Fees

School Fees for term 2 are due before May 9, 2011

Office Hours

School Office will close April 8

Office Reopens April 27 @ 8 AM

God has a plan for us to communicate with our children. Do we know it? If we do, are we following it? I'm certain life would be easier if we followed Christ's example. I found this wonderful challenge by Neil Anderson in his daily devotional, Daily In Christ, for March 9. Hopefully it will help you understand, connect and communicate values to your children.

Romans 15:7 commands us to "accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God." Christ accepted us unconditionally, but do we accept our children in the same way Christ accepted us?

There are four concepts we deal with as parents in communicating with our children: authority, accountability, affirmation and acceptance. We usually line them up this way:

We exert our parental authority over them. We demand that they be accountable to us. When they respond to our authority and comply by being accountable, we affirm them. When they put together a positive track record of affirmative behaviours, we convey our love and acceptance.

The reason we have such difficulty communicating with our children is that we have it all backward. Look at God's approach to us as His children. At which end of the list does our heavenly Father start? He starts by expressing His love and acceptance (John 3:16; Romans 5:8). Our children won't care how much we know until they know how much we care. Paul instructs us to "accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God" (Romans 15:7).

When your child shares something personal with you, what is he looking for initially? Not a lecture, not a list of rules he must obey, but acceptance and affirmation. "Tell me I'm all right," he begs. "Give me some love and hope."

When you know that you are unconditionally loved and accepted by God and affirmed in your identity as His child, you voluntarily submit to His authority and hold yourself accountable to Him. Similarly, when your child knows that you love him and accept him regardless of his failures, he will feel safe sharing his problems with you and responding to the direction you give. Children who know they are loved are free to be themselves, free to grow, and free to be the people God wants them to be.

**Please join us Easter Sunday, April 24
at Desert Streams Fellowship 10 AM**

