

Happy Thanksgiving



Early Dismissal

Dates

November 9

November 23

December 14

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!!!**

NO SCHOOL

November 11

Veterans Day

And November

24 and 25, 2011

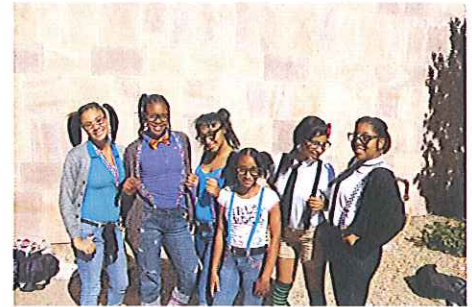
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**Keep Checking your
Child's Grades!!!**



Agassi's 'Grand Slam' tournament raised record-breaking funds BY Brian Tam

The Andre Agassi Foundation for Education (AAFE) raised more than \$26.1 million at the 16th Grand Slam for Children benefit concert. The Andre Agassi Foundation for Education raised a record amount for the school. The funds will benefit the Andre Agassi College Preparatory Academy (Agassi Prep), a tuition free public K-12 charter school serving students in historical West Las Vegas.

"To have a school that has high expectations is to give them a future of their choosing," said Agassi. According to The Las Vegas Review Journal, the Grand Slam featured international stars and noted artists - from music to comedy - to build awareness and raise money for the Foundation's biggest fund-raiser. A star-studded lineup of performers including Michael Buble, Jimmy Kimmel, Martina McBride, Smokey Robinson and Train, with surprise appearances by Gladys Knight, Signature Group and comedian Jeff Ross performed at the event.

Agassi Prep was opened in 2001. In 2009, the first senior class graduated, with the entire class accepted into college. The foundation works to provide underserved children in Las Vegas with a first-class K-12 education to prepare them for excellence in college.

"I am both astounded and humbled by the generosity and compassion of our community, the artists, sponsors, partners and donors," said Andre Agassi. "This record-breaking evening will make a positive difference in students' lives as we continue to work to transform education."

Thanksgiving Day Traditions

1. Turkey and Trimmings

From the first Thanksgiving to today's turkey burgers, turkeys are an American tradition dating back centuries. According to the National Turkey Federation, 95 percent of Americans eat turkey at Thanksgiving.

2. Time Out for the Pigskin

Throughout the United States, football on Thanksgiving Day is as big a part of the celebration as turkey and pumpkin pie. Dating back to the first intercollegiate football championship held on Thanksgiving Day in 1876, traditional holiday football rivalries have become so popular that a reporter once called Thanksgiving "a holiday granted by the State and the Nation to see a game of football."

3. Parading Around

The first American Thanksgiving Day parade was held in 1920, organized by Gimbel's Department Store in Philadelphia, not Macy's as most people believe. The NYC Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade tradition actually began in 1924, and has grown into an annual event of balloons, bands, and floats, enjoyed by more than 46 million people each year in person and on TV.

4. Making a Wish

Does your family fight over the wishbone from the Thanksgiving turkey? Known as a "lucky break" the tradition of tugging on either end of a fowl's bone to win the larger piece and its accompanying "wish" dates back to the Etruscans of 322 B.C. The Romans brought the tradition with them when they conquered England and the English colonists carried the tradition on to America.

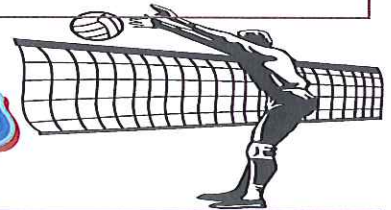
5. Giving Thanks

Last, but certainly not least, Thanksgiving is about giving thanks for the people and blessings of the past year.

From pre-meal prayers to providing holiday meals to the homeless, the holiday is truly a celebration of praise and thanksgiving.



Agassi Sports



**Spirit Week was a huge success.
Staff and Students had a great time
dressing up and showing SPIRIT.
We may have lost the football game
but we had a lot of SPIRIT.
Students, parents and staff all had a
great time. Thank you to all who chap-
eroned the dance.**

The Varsity Volleyball team had a successful season in that they were very competitive with all the teams in our conference. Starters for the Varsity team included Shanice Allen, DoMonique Burns, Briana Guillory, Jayde Porter, Corla White, Brittany Williams, and libero, Kadie Taylor. While we did not have as many conference wins as we did last season, the team worked hard together, rallying around our new Varsity setter, Corla White. Corla, along with Jamecia Sanders, were brought up from the J.V. team midseason. Last Thursday we had senior night, and we were able to take one game away from Lake Mead Christian Academy, which is a first for our school. The volleyball team will start working out again in the spring, for intramurals, which will be open to all eighth grade and high school girls who would like to have a spot on either the J.V or Varsity teams for the fall 2012 season. We plan on having a very intensive intramural season, adding more days per week than we have in the past.