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Transforming Hearts and Minds



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Hello, HPCA family and friends!

We are almost at the end of our sixteenth year and are so thankful for God's provision in so many different ways! We are thankful for His provision of financial blessings, new and returning students, amazingly dedicated teachers and support staff, involved parents, faithful volunteers, and supporters of HPCA. I have been at HPCA for nearly fourteen years and continue to be amazed at the awesome works God is doing and how He uses the body of Christ to help accomplish His mission at HPCA.

This year, we passed out a survey to parents to assess different areas of the school. We were very pleased and encouraged by their responses. **It's obvious that our parents also see the awesome works God is doing at HPCA.** At the end of the survey, there was a section asking parents to write ways they would improve HPCA. Here are some of their responses:

"I especially like and appreciate HPCA for offering quality Christian education to my child and others in the neighborhood. I feel that HPCA is doing a wonderful job!"

"Although my child has only been at Hunting Park Christian Academy since this past September, we have really enjoyed her time here. I appreciate the communication with the administration staff and all of the hard work from the teachers. Overall, we have had a positive experience and I highly recommend this school to everyone I know. We look forward to the future with Hunting Park Christian Academy. Thank you, everyone."

"They are doing a great job, all staff. Just keep up what they are doing."

"My daughter loves going to school every day."

Parents also rated different aspects of the school. There were two areas that rated higher than the others. First, they felt the teachers were competent, loving, and caring. Second, they felt that HPCA is equipping their children spiritually by teaching the Bible and allowing opportunities for their children to express their faith. **It's great to know that parents see we are carrying out our intended mission to provide a quality, Christian education.**

As an HPCA parent myself, I get to witness firsthand how special HPCA is. My son is currently in second grade, and each year I have thought to myself, "My son has the best teachers ever." **I love sending him to HPCA each day because I know he will learn, be loved, and experience God.**

As both a parent and an administrator at HPCA, thank you for all you've done for the students, families, and community. God bless!

Upcoming Events...

Kindergarten Graduation
June 16th, 10:00 am

8th Grade Graduation
June 17th, 10:30 am

Back-to-School Cleaning
*Saturday, August 22nd
& Monday, August 24th*

WAYS TO HELP

- Make a financial contribution to support the work of HPCA
- **Business Owners:** Donate to our scholarship fund through OSTC (Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit)
- Join our prayer team
- Consider including HPCA in your estate planning
- Send us your Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, and used ink cartridges
- Volunteer at HPCA (tutor, help with building work, teach a special lesson, lead a chapel)
- Participate in our Back-to-School Work Days (see above)
- Organize a drive for back-to-school supplies
- Organize a donation drive for Good Stuff Thrift Store

Mission Statement: Hunting Park Christian Academy's mission is to provide an affordable, quality, Christian education that celebrates a diverse community and leads children to know and serve the Lord.

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THEME WEEK

In May, HPCA held its annual "Theme Week," designed to provide fun, school-wide activities for students. The week consisted of:

Compassion Day: Students did a car wash, bake sale, and craft sale to raise money for World Vision. Praise God that HPCA students raised \$800!

Teacher Appreciation Day: Students dressed as what they want to be when they grow up. They also wrote notes of thanks to their teachers for helping them accomplish their dreams. Teachers were treated to an extended catered lunch.

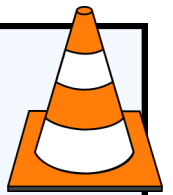
STEM Day: Classes visited Esperanza Health Center and learned about the benefits of growing your own fruits and vegetables. At HPCA, they did many different hands-on science experiments.

Boot Camp Day: Students headed to Hunting Park, dressed in camouflage, where they completed an obstacle course while being guided by Drill Sergeant Moore.

Spirit Day: Students went back to Hunting Park and divided into teams to complete various team-building activities. We also celebrated our soccer and basketball teams at a rally.



SUMMER RENOVATIONS



This summer we have many exciting projects happening around HPCA! We are so thankful for the support we have received this year and that we have the ability to complete some needed renovations. This summer, we plan to:

- Repair ceiling leaks
- Fix/replace basement ceiling, floors, & walls
- Renovate four main bathrooms
- Replace heater
- Assess and improve radiator system

If you would like to contribute toward any of these building projects, please give online through PayPal or send a check to the school with "Building Renovations" as the memo.

Praise God that we already have one project completed. We want to thank Langhorne Presbyterian Church for funding our window replacement project! We were able to replace all basement windows and the windows in five classrooms. (see pics below)



2015 Race for Education

On April 24th, HPCA held its 10th annual Race for Education in Hunting Park! Pre-K through 8th grade students each ran for one hour with the support of their sponsors. We were thrilled to have 15 "special runners," adults who ran alongside our students and raised money for HPCA.

We wanted to make this our most successful Race for Education ever, in honor of our 10th year. Proceeds this year will go toward renovating our four main bathrooms. **The total amount of contributions (including pledges) is \$30,200!!!** We are excited to announce that this was our best Race ever!

Many thanks to our business sponsors, including Chick-Fil-A Whitman Square and Coca-Cola, our special runners, volunteers, parent supporters, student sponsors, student runners, and a generous donor who blessed us with Race for Education shirts!

Check out the pictures and video at www.hpcaphilly.org/2014-2015.cfm.

