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**Upcoming Events...** 



**Ephesians 1:3:** *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus* Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

Hello, HPCA Friends and Family! The above verse is our school's final memory verse for the year. Each month, the students memorize one section of Scripture related to our school theme, "Blessed to be a Blessing." Ephesians 1:3 encourages us to praise the God who has

provided us with every spiritual blessing. God has called and equipped each of us in different ways, but His love compels all of us to use our gifts to bless others. HPCA has certainly received an excess of those blessings this year! Here are a few examples:

- Earlier this year, the school's laptops were stolen four days before our computer-based standardized testing was to begin. This lab had taken us more than three years to complete. The amount of prayers and support that poured in was amazing. I can joyfully report that we have a complete, new lab again and we began our spring standardized testing earlier this week!
- HPCA also had to replace the exterior door due to the theft. This was an expensive project, but within a few weeks of the incident, friends of the school donated funds that completely covered the cost!
- Recently, HPCA was awarded a grant that will bless the school in many ways. With the funds, we will be able to replace another main exterior door, partner with a church to bless our parents with the Alpha course, install a school-wide intercom system, and create a new promotional video!
- For the past 14 years, HPCA has been blessed by the commitment and many contributions of board member Andrew Heyer. During his time on the board, Andy has served as Treasurer and President (at the same time for a few years!). This will be Andy's final year on the board. While it is difficult to see him go, we are thankful to Andy for all the dynamic ways he has blessed HPCA!

I am always awed by the love and support our school receives. Thank you for taking an interest in what God is doing in Hunting Park! As we look toward an exciting future, I encourage you to consider how you might be able to get involved. This newsletter is packed with many opportunities, including coming to graduation, joining us in back-to-school cleaning this summer, making a financial donation, and supporting us with prayer. Thank you and God bless!

Kindergarten Graduation June 13th. 10:00 am 8th Grade Graduation

June 14th, 10:30 am

Back-to-School Cleaning Saturday, August 24th & Monday, August 26th

Annual Fall Gathering Friday, November 15th



"All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need."

- Acts 2:44-45

We are pleased to announce the creation of the Acts 2 Legacy Circle to recognize our generous donors who have included HPCA in their estate planning. Anyone who names HPCA as a beneficiary of their will, living trust, life insurance, retirement plan, life income gift or other estate plan, will become a member of HPCA's Acts 2 Legacy Circle.

For further information and assistance, or to obtain a gift declaration of intent form, please contact Jen Deane at 215-324-9180 or jen@hpcaphilly.org.

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.

by Kevin Deane. Principal





2013-2014 SGA

(clockwise from top left): Jacob, Treasurer Adrian, President Josiah, Secretary Desirae, Vice-President

In April, sixth- and seventhgrade nominees gave campaign speeches during chapel prior to an all-school vote. On May 1st, the new Student Government Association (SGA) officers were installed.

This group of young students could not be more excited for their leadership roles in the upcoming year at HPCA.

President Adrian was encouraged to run after an enjoyable term as HPCA's treasurer last year. Our new secretary, Josiah, saw being part of student leadership as a cool opportunity to get involved. Jacob, our treasurer, and Desirae, our Vice-President, are looking forward to trying to help improve the school and plan more activities during the school year.

Theme Week, one of their favorite weeks of the year, is an area of excitement for the officers and they have already begun brainstorming ideas. These visionaries have big hopes for fundraisers and events and are even looking into the possibility of getting a healthy vending machine as a new funding source. We can't wait to see all the creativity this group will bring to HPCA next year!

## WAYS TO HELP

Please consider making a contribution to our general operating fund. The amount still needed to reach our fundraising goal is \$58,000 by August 31st, 2013. You may also donate online at hpcaphilly.org. Thank you!

Send us your Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, and used ink jet cartridges

Participate in our back-to-school cleaning days (see front for dates)

## **MATH OLYMPICS**

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, nineteen fifth- through eighth-grade students competed in the Northeast Regional Math Olympics. The students have been going to an after -school Math Club, led by teachers Ms. González and Mr. Figueiredo, once a week in preparation for the event. They competed against more than 12 other schools. Congratulations to Tony, an 8<sup>th</sup>-grade student, who placed first in the Reasoning category!







On April 26th, HPCA held its 8th annual Race for Education. Grades Pre-K through 8th each ran for one hour with the support of their sponsors. We also had five "special runners," adults who ran alongside our students and raised money for HPCA.

Together, participants ran a total of 3,773 laps (754.6 miles). **The total amount of contributions (including pledges) is \$23,285!** Thank you!

**Many thanks** to our volunteers and business sponsors, including Chick-Fil-A in the Gallery at Market East, Pepsi, Navy representatives, our special runners, parent supporters, and a generous donor who blessed us with Race for Education t-shirts! A special thanks to Delaware County Christian School, who graciously allowed us to use their track and transported all our students and staff!

Check out the pictures and video at www.hpcaphilly.org/2012-2013.cfm.