

THE Elementary Edition of HPCA NEWS



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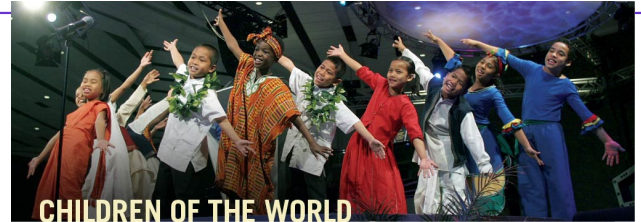
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WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!!

Welcome to High Point Christian Academy Elementary School. We have already completed two weeks of school and are in full swing! If your family is new to our school this year, you are not alone --- we have 70 new families in the Elementary Division! We welcome you and encourage you to be involved in the many activities and opportunities on our campus. It is a privilege to serve every family at HPCA. We are blessed with a wonderful school community and a faculty and staff that are not only exceptional, they have a heart to serve. We pray for our students and their families daily and we are thankful that you are here.

SPECIAL CHAPEL Sept 3rd, 9:30am

The "Children of the World" choir will share a high-energy and inspiring program of song and testimony in an effort to provide us a brief snapshot of conditions and needs in other parts of the world, as well as what God is doing in lives all over the world. The program will last about 40 minutes and we will have the opportunity to contribute a love offering to help orphaned and disadvantaged children receive clean water for survival. You are welcome to join us for this special event.



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Wow! Our students blew the top off of our goal and read over twice as many books this summer as they have in the past! We asked for 1200 books to be read this summer (instead of the usual 800 or so) and our students soared to **over 2000** books read! Mrs. Guy is beaming! Mrs. Haire, well, she's still trying to get the duct tape off. But, it was worth it! We are all so proud of our readers. You did a fantastic job of meeting the challenge and surpassing the goal. Enjoy your Summer Reading Celebration coming up on September 10th! After such a great summer, I wonder what the challenge will be next year . . . hmmm . . .



DRESS CODE

Be sure you review the Elementary Handbook and follow the guidelines of the dress code. When dress codes are maintained, it promotes neatness, decreases competition, ensures modesty and decreases distractions in the learning environment. Some studies show that behavior is improved and team spirit is strengthened. Our guidelines include references to hair styles, shoe options and Friday attire. Please be familiar with the policy and refer any questions to the school office.

From time to time, the elementary students will enjoy a "Dress-Down" Day, which still follows guidelines in the Handbook, but is a change from the uniform policy. The first "Dress-Down" Day will be Thursday, September 10th, for the outstanding response to the Summer Reading Challenge!

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FRUIT FRENZY

Get ready for an 8-week blitz of Navel Oranges and Ruby Red Grapefruit to come our way September 11 – November 16, and then they're gone! At \$20 for each 2/5 bushel, we hope to sell 4,000 boxes of this delicious produce just in time for the holiday season. The most exciting part is that the monies raised will go towards transportation and technology needs at HPCA. For the Elementary School, that means SmartBoards! So get ready to enjoy great fruit for a great cause.

TRAVEL TO TAIWAN

Chapel, Sept 24th, 8:15am

We have the great opportunity and awesome privilege to learn about the mission work in Taiwan and the challenges and experiences of one particular missionary family - - - the Curlee Family! At our September 24th Chapel, Keith and Page Curlee, who are missionaries here from Taiwan for this school year and have their four children at HPCA, will be sharing with our students about the culture, the dress, the food, the language, and the work of sharing the Gospel in Taiwan. Parents are welcome to attend!

SCHOOL TRAFFIC

Our morning and afternoon traffic is already settling down as parents become familiar with the traffic pattern and decide the best drop-off and pick-up procedures for their family. We thank you for demonstrating a patient and cheerful disposition, which is so necessary those first few days. In the mornings, remember to pull all the way down to the last door to drop off so others can drop off their child behind you at the same time. In the afternoons, use the crosswalk and watch for signals from the traffic attendant. If you have any questions about the traffic patterns, please feel free to contact Mrs. Haire.