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FHJ Prep Family Grows

Smiling faces, music playing, picture taking, joyous tears falling, and balls bouncing—that's how the year began at F. H. Jenkins Preparatory School. On August 10th, the school doors were opened to our parents and scholars. Without a doubt there was excitement in the air. Upon entry, parents were greeted by faculty and staff, and had an opportunity to take pictures with their scholar. This was followed by a light breakfast for all, and a welcome by Principal Wood.

This year FHJ Prep opened new doors with the hiring of a Kindergarten teacher, as well as a literacy teacher for grades 3 through 8. Joining our team this year are Mrs. Jennifer Fordham (Kindergarten) and Mrs. LaTonya Ford (3rd through 8th Literacy/Social Studies). In addition, new volunteer adjunct faculty member, Mr. Robert Gordon (K-8 PE), has joined the team. Rounding out our team, is Mrs. Sylvia Chunn, our new Administrative Assistant.

The growth, however, did not stop in the faculty and staff department! We are so excited to say that we have almost doubled our enrollment in one year! We are so excited about our new family members, and the direction in which our school is going.

We would like to thank our constituent churches and community members for all of their support. We ask that you continue to pray for the endeavors of our school that we will continue to grow and represent Christ.

Save the Date!

Hillcrest Church Program

October 22nd

Come out to Hillcrest SDA Church and see our scholars lead out in worship.

Bible Expo

November 10th

Come see the Bible in action. Engage with our scholars around their favorite Bible stories.

Falls Sports

By Carlin Alford

The Flames are winding up their Fall sports program and it has been a very exciting season. The cross country team has had a banner run in the Middle TN Athletic Conference. On Monday, September 26th, the K-4th runners ended their running season with 2 top 10 finishers in Jamayla Duke (9th) and Zion Brown (4th). Jattori Nevers scored a 13th place finish and the K-2nd girls team finished tied for 4th in the championships. Also noteworthy, is that on September 19th Zion Brown scored F. H. Jenkins' first ever podium win, finishing 1st overall. The Flame runners broke records this season and we are not done.

The Lady Flames volleyball team has been battling all season long, playing some of the toughest competition in girls' middle school around the midstate. On Tuesday, September 27th, Chelsey Coes-Evans secured her place in Jenkins' volleyball history with 15 aces vs Madison Campus. The current record for one match is 24 held by former Lady Flame McKinlee Jeffries. The Lady Flames will wind down the regular season and prepare for the MTAC post season tournament that begins on October 11th.

It's "ty" Time

Integrity, nicety, celebrity, royalty, punctuality, these are just a FEW of the "ty" words used to describe our grandparents this year at Grandparents. The theme for the morning was "It's 'ty' Time."

In 1978, after much campaigning, the United States Congress passed legislation instituting Grandparents' Day. Each and every year the scholars at F. H. Jenkins scholars dedicate the first program of the year to their dear grandparents. Grandparents come from as far as Georgia and Mississippi to take part in this occasion.

As a part of this occasion, we also honor those that stand in the gap. We have scholars whose grandparents live many hours away, or are no longer living; therefore, we also celebrated our honorary grandparents.

During this year's program we had presentations from each classroom, who shared poems and songs. We even had a rap from the 3rd-5th grade boys ("The Grandma Squad").

We love our grandparents and look forward to celebrating with them again next year.

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FHJ Adopts Youngs Lane

By Wayne Hewlett

A group of 52 students, teachers and parent volunteers from the F. H. Jenkins Preparatory School put their commitment to community service into action at its monthly community service emphasis. The vision of Dr. Summer Wood, principal of F. H. Jenkins, was carried out along Youngs Lane in Nashville, TN, as children and adults picked and bagged litter. The event began with a devotion on the need to be witnesses in our community and the importance of being good stewards of the earth that God has provided for us. Organizer and pastor, Wayne Hewlett handed out road guard vests, pick up sticks, gloves and trash bags to ensure safety and security.

As the kids moved out onto Youngs Lane, guided by teachers and volunteers, the group was split to ensure coverage along the whole road. Led by Sgt. Briley of the North Nashville Metro Police Department, kids began the tedious process of cleaning up our neighborhood. Cars with interested spectators inside showed signs of approval by giving thumbs up to the kids. As kids ended the trash pickup many had interesting stories to tell one student remarked, "I never knew picking up trash was so much fun!"

F. H. Jenkins seeks to embody the principle that "true education develops the spiritual, mental and physical powers of each student; preparing them for the joy of service in this life and the higher joy of service in the life to come." Truly the joy of service was exercised on this day. Big thanks to the Metro Beautification section of Nashville and the leadership of Mrs. Adrienne Russell. Every month F. H. Jenkins will lead out in a community service event, for those that are interested in volunteering please contact our volunteer coordinator, Mrs. Claudia Adair (claudia.adair@gmail.com).

Alumni Spotlight

Luther B. Adair, II, MD, DABR, graduate of Morehouse College and Meharry Medical College, is a board certified radiologist with subspeciality training in abdominal radiology. Dr. Adair is a partner in a private practice based in Fort Wayne, IN; however, he practices radiology remotely from Las Vegas, NV, where he lives with his wife, Rachael, and dog, Quinn.

In addition to medicine, Dr. Adair is a strong advocate of enhancing education through the use of technology. He is one of the co-founders of Viewbox Holdings, LLC, which is a comprehensive group based on medical education, achievement, and scholarship. Viewbox Holdings created an iPad application for radiologists known as Viewbox which can be found in the iTunes store, and a children's book available in the Amazon bookstore called *Learning about Xrays with Lula and Ethan*.

Above all else, Dr. Adair has a passion for philanthropy and mentoring and would like students of F. H. Jenkins Preparatory School to realize that he is simply the product of the Nashville Adventist community, having graduated from F. H. Jenkins Elementary School in 1991.



Classroom Highlights

Mrs. Fordham's Class

In Mrs. Fordham's class, scholars have been discussing what they are going to be when they grow up. No need to fear! If our society is left in these young folks hands we will be in good shape! We have future dentists, train engineers, singers, and much more!

Mrs. Pelote's Class

Our first graders have been challenging one another with the very own addition math word problems! They even created their own visual displays to go with it. We are taking addition to another level at FHJ Prep!

Mrs. Ford's Class

This month scholars examined various types of literary heroes. This unit is meant to allow scholars to examine the qualities that build a hero. During this unit, scholars read and discussed the poem, "Gunja Din." After reading and discussing, scholars worked in groups to create oral and visual presentations of the poem's hero.

Ms. Washington's Class

Guided math is the way to go in Ms. Washington's class. Each day scholars engage in different math work stations, allowing time to engage in math in a variety of ways each day. One of the most popular stations is the math game station. What better way to reinforce math concepts than through a game? A favorite of many is Multiplication Bingo! Hope you know your multiplication facts!

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