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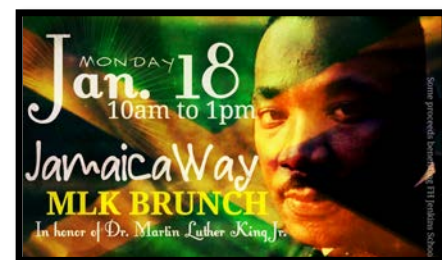
JamaicaWay Supports FHJ Prep

As you entered the doorway of JamaicaWay (midtown location) late Monday morning January 18th, you couldn't miss the host of individuals present to support F. H. Jenkins and local restaurant owners David and Ouida Bradshaw. Patrons from our constituent churches and community came and enjoyed a wonderful brunch hosted at the restaurant in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

David and Ouida Bradshaw made the decision to host a brunch on this day to celebrate and support the efforts that F. H. Jenkins Preparatory School is making to educate young Black children in the Nashville community. As long time supporters of quality education, and former educators in their own right, David and Ouida continue to support education through their restaurant business.

In late December, Mrs. Bradshaw contacted the principal to share with her the concept of having an MLK Day brunch to support the school. Not only, was a fundraising brunch recommended, but she stated that she would like for the school to receive 50% of the day's earnings.

F. H. Jenkins says thank you to JamaicaWay for ALL of their support!



Save the Date!

Black History Program

February 27th

Come join us as we celebrate Black History! The program will be held at 6pm at Hillcrest SDA Church

Leap Day Savings

Now—February 29th

Leap into savings by registering your scholar for the 2016-2017 school year! Reserve your scholar's spot for \$150 AND receive 50% off your 1st month's tuition.

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F. H. Jenkins Flames Charge Forward

The F. H. Jenkins Winter Athletics program is in high gear. All four basketball teams are doing very well, but most of all our scholar-athletes are developing their skill, teamwork and leadership qualities. Players continue to participate in the Nashville Youth Basketball Association weekly training camps on Sundays. In addition, a professional trainer was brought in to give players a real fitness workout.

Competitively, the basketball program is exceeding initial expectations with an eye on making some history. The Pee Wee Flames, under Coach David Mosley are growing each game. The Elementary Boys (Jr. Varsity) have posted a winning record under Coach Corey Bean ('94). Our Lady Flames, (Middle School Girls Varsity), coached by April Lee ('98), Cristy Singletary, and Keisha Knight ('98) are currently ranked 4th in the Middle TN Athletic Conference. The Middle School Boys (Varsity), team led by Coach Dontae' Jones are currently ranked 3rd in MTAC. Both Girls and Boys Varsity teams are likely to host 1st round playoff games in MTAC, which would be a first for FH. Jenkins.

A great example of the basketball program's success came on Thursday, January 7th at Madison Campus Elementary School, where the Flames won 3 out of 4 games. Our Jr. Varsity, Varsity Girls, and Varsity Boys all won by double digit margins. The Pee Wee Flames almost pulled off the upset against an older Madison squad, losing by two. Certainly the future is bright at F. H. Jenkins and our focus is on a possible championship run for both Boys and Girls in the MTAC post-season tournament this February 9-13.



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Does Multi-grade Work? The Data Shows...

This year, for the first time scholars at FHJ Prep are combined in 3-grade class groupings (K-2nd; 3rd-5th; 6th-8th). Some parents and constituents expressed concern about whether this configuration could support excellent teaching and learning.

Recognizing the role of assessment is to provide valuable information for teachers, scholars, and parents regarding areas of strength and areas of growth, FHJ Prep uses two primary assessments: Iowa Assessments and STAR Reading and Math assessments. The Iowa Assessments are taken twice a year, once in the Fall (October) and once in the Spring (May), for 3rd through 8th graders only. Because these assessments are not able to provide our teachers, parents, and scholars ongoing data throughout the academic year (nor do they assess all grade levels) we have adopted the STAR Reading and Math program, which allows us to see how students are growing during throughout the year.

How does FHJ match up with other South Central Conference schools?

Iowa Assessments are given to all students in the South Central Conference. The SCC Office of Education provided a report indicating the grade levels in which schools across the conference showed proficiency in reading and/or math. For example, was the grade four in the proficient range for reading, or was grade seven in the proficient range for math? We are proud to announce that out of 10 SCC schools, we had the greatest number of proficient classes.

Are scholars growing academically?

Scholars at FHJ took a Fall STAR Reading and Math assessment in September so that the instructors could identify where scholars were starting. In December, scholars took an interim assessment, in both reading and math, to see how much they had grown and to identify further areas of need and strength. The expectation at this point in the year is for scholars to have shown a minimum of four months' growth. A scholar who entered with a 3.2 (3rd grade, second month) grade equivalent in math should, by December, have a grade equivalency of 3.6 (3rd grade, 6th month).

The data show that the average scholar growth for 6th-8th math, 3rd-5th math and reading, and K-2nd reading is over 12 months, in just four months. Our scholars and teachers are working diligently.

What is our teaching and learning strategy?

At F. H. Jenkins we believe strongly in differentiated instruction. Due to the fact that scholars grow and develop at different levels, we tailor our instruction to their needs. This method is used for scholars on all levels. Teachers are constantly monitoring scholars' academic needs and behaviors to further differentiate instruction to their needs.

F. H. Jenkins is proud of its scholars and all of their hard work. We are appreciative of our parents and guardians who continue to expand our scholars' learning experiences outside of the school setting.

Read with the Bruins

F. H. Jenkins' faculty and staff are proud of Mr. Daylin Alford (2nd grade). During the winter holiday, scholars in grades K-4 participated in a reading challenge hosted by the Belmont Bruins. Scholars across the city of Nashville were encouraged to read over their holiday break. One winner was selected from each participating school. F. H. Jenkins' winner was 1st grader—Daylin Alford. Daylin was invited to attend a Belmont vs. TSU game where he was invited to center court and announced as one of the local school winners. Keep up the good work Daylin! Readers are leaders!



Classroom Highlights

Mrs. Pelote's Class

The Kindergarten through 2nd grade class recognizes the importance of a healthy body. Physical education is a major component of our curriculum and is also great fun at FHJ. Thank you Pastor Fordham for donating balls and jump ropes to our class.



Ms. Tapp's Class

This month the scholars at FHJ Prep have continued to strengthen their literacy skills. They've been learning how to use the structure of the text to better comprehend the content being read, as well as learning the different ways characters are revealed in literature, and how to analyze them. Through their Book of the Month lesson, they've also had the opportunity to read about historical events through different lenses and discuss their similar and differing viewpoints.

Ms. Washington's Class

During our school-wide Christmas celebration, students participated in a STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activity where they were challenged to construct a sleigh. Using marshmallows, toothpicks, and paper, each sleigh was to be constructed to hold the maximum number of "presents" (marbles). Scholars had to determine the best use of the materials given to support the most weight. This was the first of many STEM challenges in which scholars will participate this year.



Partner With Us

Are you interested in partnering with F. H. Jenkins?

Included in this section are different ways in which you can lend a hand.

Volunteer Opportunities

Lunchroom Attendants: Monitor students during the lunch period to allow our teachers to take a short break.

Aftercare Workers/Tutors: Help students with homework and monitor students after school

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