

# Fairview Christian School & Child Center "Eagle News"

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2009-2010 School Year Theme Verses:

*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:4-7 (NIV)*

## Open House/Registration Night

February 11 will be our annual Open House. Beginning at 6p we will open our school to current and visiting families for a preview of classrooms and the wonderful educational program of Fairview.

Everyone is invited to attend! This would be a great opportunity for you and your friends to come and preview any or all of the classrooms, ask questions about curriculum, activities, etc.



Please be sure to tell your friends about this event as we have room to grow, and everyone should have the opportunity to be a part of the great learning environment that Fairview offers. We are planning on having a bouncy house, popcorn and more. There will also be two special booths. Guard-A-kid will be here for anyone interested in purchasing their product (see their website [www.guardakid.com](http://www.guardakid.com)). Also a Child Safety Seat Inspector will be available to hand out information and answer questions about car and booster seat safety. New families attending this event will receive a coupon worth half off registration (a savings of \$125 for K-8, coupon good until February 26). Returning families not able to be at this event may register by February 19 to receive half off registration. Re-registration packets will be going home today, can be picked up from the office or at open house.

## Hundred Coins for Hundredth Day to Help Haitians

The one hundredth day of school will be here soon - February 10! Students are encouraged to bring in 100 coins that day. Teachers will use the coins for learning activities. Friday, the 12<sup>th</sup>, during a brief all-school chapel, we'll put it all together and see what we have for the needy folks in Haiti. It will be donated to World Concern. Start checking those pockets, couch cushions, and piggy banks!

## Introducing... Kate Henderson

As I look back on my life, I can clearly see God's hand at work in preparing me to be a member of the Fairview community. I graduated from Grove City College (western Pennsylvania) with a degree in Christian Ministries/Youth Leadership and went on to volunteer as a Young Life leader for three years in Pittsburgh, PA. After receiving my Master's in Education, I taught English as a Second Language for four years in Pittsburgh (with a year and a half of substitute teaching prior to that). Then, God led me to Seattle to begin the MA-TESOL program at Seattle Pacific University. I'm now in my fifth year of teaching at Fairview, and I've been very blessed by the relationships I have with our super students and families, as well as with all my wonderful coworkers. Not only has it been a joy to become part of the Fairview community, but I've also enjoyed finding new hobbies, such as cycling (Lord willing, this will be my third year riding in the STP), hiking and scrambling, attending Husky basketball games, and delving into the culinary arts. Many thanks to all of you who have made Fairview (and Seattle!) such a special place. -Proverbs 3:5-6



## Box Tops for Education—Collection Contest

Don't forget to collect those box tops! Watch next week's Eagle News for an un-official count to see how close we are getting to our goal.



## Calendar Highlights

2/11—Open House/  
Open Registration night  
2/12—Awards Chapel  
2/15—No School/  
Presidents' Day—Child Center will be open  
2/16—No School/Mid Winter Break—Child Center will be open  
3/2—PTF Meeting—all are welcome.  
3/11—K-5th Grade Spring Program



## Eagles of the Week



## Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found table that has been placed in the main hallway for your child's missing items.



Clothes that are left after February 10 will be donated to charity or added to the uniform clothing exchange.

## from the West Wing

The title of a recent article from Charles Fay of the Love and Logic institute caught my eye. "Don't Raise a Kid Who Depends on Being Smart." An Interesting thought, particularly for an educator. Aren't we in the business of helping kids get "smart?" But as I read the article, the title began to make sense.

Dr. Fay stated, "Kids who believe that smartness is the key to success give up whenever they encounter things that leave them feeling not-so-smart." Dr. Fay had explained that as parents we often build this attitude into our kids by continually telling them how smart they are when they learn to tie their shoes, get an "A" on a spelling test, recite the ABC's, or do

## Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for ways to help out at school? Accrue support hours? Meet people at school? We have some opportunities for you.

Open House/Registration Night, Feb. 11

- Help set up and/or clean up
- Give tours
- Help at a station; welcome table, popcorn booth, bouncy house, etc.
- We also need door prize donations (can be counted as hours)

Contact Jen Laible at 206.282.4192 or jenlaible@earthlink.net if you are interested.

Thank you for supporting the school, our teachers and our kids!

## Helping Haiti

Just 8 more days to donate \$1 per ticket for the upcoming drawing to be held Thursday, February 11, during our registration night. The prizes include a dinner and movie for two (\$100 package), a Nintendo DS, and an Apple I-Pod Nano. Tickets may still be purchased before school, after school and at mid-day pickup from early childhood.

Two other ways of helping us raise funds for Haiti include:

- 1) Students can bring 100 coins each to our special 100th Day of school celebration on February 10.
- 2) Buy a candy gram for yourself or for someone else. Cost for the candy grams are 50 cents each. These can be purchased throughout the month and delivered to any student or teacher in the school.

"...let us run with **perseverance** the race marked out for us."  
Hebrews 12:1b NIV

a wonderful job on a science fair project. But wait a minute; isn't it important to let our kids know how proud we are of them when they do great?

Dr. Fay then stated: "Kids who believe that hard work and perseverance are the keys to success are more likely to keep trying when things get tough." So when they learn to tie their shoes, get an "A" on a spelling test, recite the ABC's and do a wonderful job on a science fair project, we can ask these questions: "Why did you do that so well? Did you work hard? Have you been practicing? Did you keep trying?" Suddenly it made sense to me. By shifting from statements of how

smart the child is to questions regarding how hard he/she has worked we begin instilling in our kids not only pride in what they have done but a positive work ethic. Now that's something that they can fall back on throughout life!

I would encourage you to ponder what Dr. Fay has suggested and begin trying it with your kids. Don't we all encounter hard things in life? And isn't it in the perseverance that we really feel a sense of accomplishment? Isn't it when we refuse to give up that the real victory is won?

Rejoicing in hard work,  
Mrs. West