

Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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Under Construction

In September, the school year stretches out, full of endless possibilities, new supplies, academic challenges, athletics, and new relationships. And in April, with fourth quarter well underway, the school year will shortly be over, and at QCS, we intend to finish strong, learning life-lessons until the last day of school. The events of this year will take a long time to process - - the disruptions caused by the earthquake: families living apart, evacuations, classes being rearranged, and buildings destroyed. Through out the process, QCS has remained stable, focused, and committed to its mission: "to equip students with the necessary academic and spiritual training that prepares them to impact their world for the glory of God. Quisqueya Christian School shall provide a biblically based program based on and correlating with the American system of education."



It is with this mission firmly in mind that we prepare for next year - - recruiting the best teachers, welcoming new students, planning new programs, and reaffirming our commitment to excellence. And I'm pleased to report that QCS is on-schedule for a good start for next year! At the same time we plan for next year, now is also the time to celebrate the successes of this year - - much learning has taken place and much more will take place. Colleges and Universities are accepting our Seniors, and we will celebrate them in a special way in our annual Commencement Exercises.

If you know of families who want the QCS experience for their children, who want a Christ-centered school that celebrates excellence, send them our way!

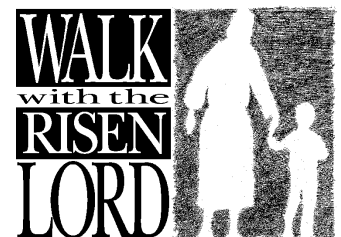
Blessings!

Thursday was my day to lead the chapel devotions. I decided to try to combine science and scripture. Using some of the resources I have I was reminded of my peculiarities. I am also a lunch inspector besides a principal and science/math teacher. I go around the picnic tables and see what the children are bring from home and eating at school. Some bring nutritious snacks and others eat just 'junk' food. This reminds me of a section in science stating *You are what you eat*. Really? It does have an influence on your physical appearance and your growth and . . .

At times I wish it would also be that easy to see what our children are like. Outwardly, it is not problem. I hear the words they speak. I see their actions in class and outside of class. Their actions speak loudest when they think that I am not looking. However our outward appearance does not really tell all about who the person is. I need to be a heart inspector and look at the heart and mind of a person. Wouldn't it be great for parents if they could see the hearts of their children to see who they really are and what their real thoughts are.. That is an impossibility for me,.but a reality for God.

The students love soft drinks. I compared the densities of a few cans of by seeing which cans, or even plastic bottles would float or sink. The students did not see the outward appearance but some quickly hit bottom while some slowly sank and still others floated. Why did they sink? Sugared soda is heavier than the artificial sweetener. If I had a can of a diet soft drink the experiment would have had stronger conclusions.

What separates the students at QCS?
The academics?
Their politeness?
Their mannerisms?
Their work ethic?
Their relationship to the Lord?



I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

School Calendar

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| May 18 | Tues | - Flag Day – no school |
| May 26 | Wed | - Kindergarten program grade 6 step-up grade 8 promotion |
| May 26 | Wed | - noon dismissal for all |
| May 27-28 | | - Teacher work days |
| May 29 | Sat | - Graduation |

Aug 17 First school day for the 2010/2011 school year!

Watch for the tuition schedule after April 14th.

Educational Tip of the Week

During the next several weeks, Educational Tips for the Week will focus on ways to help your child develop social skills. We hope you find the ideas and suggestions helpful.

Make Good Manners Standard Operating Procedure in Your Home

Always say *please*, *thank you*, and *excuse me*. Your child will mimic your good manners and use them frequently in school.

Courtesy is contagious. A cheery "thanks for the ride" brings a warm "you're welcome" from the bus driver. An apologetic "excuse me for bumping into you" brings an accepting "that's okay" from a classmate. Teachers and other adults notice well-mannered children. When children are noticed in a kind way, smiles and compliments brighten their day.

WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking, saw you make my favorite cake for me and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in God.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.



When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking, learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked at you and wanted to say, "Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking."

--- Author Unknown

Do you still have school textbooks at home but your children are in the States or . . . ?

Please drop off the textbooks at school so that I am able to get a proper accounting of the number of textbooks and make the proper preparations for the new school year.

Praise/Prayer Corner

- Thank You Lord for Your travelling mercies each and every day
- Thank You Lord for the neat bunch of kids at QCS. Continue to work in them and through them so that they will serve You always.
- Thank You Lord for the way that You are using QCS in times like these.
- Help us to finish this year well and at the same time make the proper preparations for the new school year.