

# Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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Worship = Walk the Talk

As I mentioned in last week's Newsletter, QCS faculty and staff are going on a spiritual



retreat this weekend, a time of relaxation, reflection, worship, and challenge. And, in keeping with QCS's tradition of excellence in professional development, we have invited Gareth Evans, a respected pastor who has ministered around the world, encouraging and challenging the church. Please check out his website - - [www.garethevansministries.org](http://www.garethevansministries.org) - - where you will find many resources, including books, sermons, and biblical teachings on everything from finances to praise and Worship. I encourage you to check it out.

Not only are the staff benefiting from Gareth Evans' ministry, he will be conducting a series of Chapels for the Secondary School, teaching, encouraging, and challenging our students. Every year we set aside a special week with a dynamic speaker to challenge our students, and this year is no different. QCS is dedicated to helping parents and churches meet the spiritual needs of students, preparing them to impact the world for Jesus Christ.

I'm very much looking forward to this weekend and benefitting from the teachings of an experienced pastor.

Blessings,

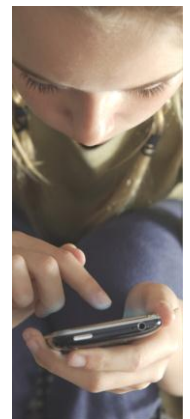
## Do You Know Where Your Children Are?

- Adults spend 15+ hours a week on internet
- 2 – 3 new Twitter accounts are activated every second
- Twitter averages 50 million tweets a day
- 41% of business owners said Twitter delivers great value for their company
- Webinars and Podcasts are top resources for business professionals
- Wikipedia has more than 14 million articles written by 75,000 contributors in 260 languages viewed by 684 million viewers
- The average online viewer watches 12.2 hours of online video each month
- YouTube is the 4<sup>th</sup> most visited site on the Internet
- YouTube is the #2 search engine on the web, only surpassed by Google
- Facebook has over 350 MILLION active users on a global basis – a 40% increase over 6 months
- More than 65 MILLION of these users access the site through a mobile device
- The average user spends more than 55 minutes a day on Facebook
- Facebook offers more than 70 translations
- Purpose driven fan pages have created more than 5.3 BILLION fans
- Social media has taken over as the web as the # 1 activity
- Still think that social media is a fad?
- Think again

*From the Social Media Energy*

In past days, kids used to talk on telephones with cords and couldn't escape their parent's presence unless hiding in the closet. The television was in the living room because that's where we lived. And the radio, record player was all part of the family entertainment. Parents were present.

But today we are listening to our own beat, doing our own thing with the ipods, ipads, cell phones, computers. And who is checking? It still is the parent's responsibility to see what their children are doing on the social media. My concern is that all what they do is positive – whether Facebook or chat lines or instant messaging. Parents, do you know what your child(ren) are doing with the social media today?



## School Calendar

- Fri/Feb 4 - **half school day – dismissal at NOON!**  
- staff retreat/professional development
- M-F/Feb 7 – 11 - **Speaker Week** with Gareth Evans
- Thurs/Feb 10 - Parent Meeting at 4 PM in the chapel  
- update on the board's activities  
- director's report
- M-F/Feb 21–25 - ES Readathon – watch for details
- Fri/March 4 - last day of third quarter
- M-F/March 7-11 - Carnival week – Spring Break  
- Washington Trip
- Mon/March 14 - 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter begins

## Sports

Thank you to all of the students and fans who supported the QCS basketball team last Friday vs. Morning Star.



It was great to see so many people stay and cheer on the Eagles to a 57-37 victory! Please continue to support all of the QCS sports teams.

Wednesday February the 9th Ladies High School Soccer Team @ Union High School. Game time approximately 4:00pm

Friday, February the 11<sup>th</sup> Men's High School Basketball Team vs. Union School @ QCS. Game time approximately 3:30pm.

## Educational Tip of the Week

### Teach Your Child to Embrace Diversity

Don't allow racial slurs, jokes about people with disabilities or rude, sexist remarks to be tolerated in your home. Remember, what is practiced at home is shared in school.

## Returned Check

**Husband:** "The bank just returned this check."

**Wife:** "Isn't that nice of them? What can we buy with it this time?"

## Breathe

A lady on a commuter train was reading a newspaper article about life and death statistics. Fascinated, she turned to the man next to her and said, "Did you know that every time I breathe somebody dies?"

"Really!?" he said. "Have you tried mouthwash?"

## Alphabet

The kindergarten class was learning the letters of the alphabet.

"What comes after 'T'?" the teacher asked.

Johnny quickly replied, "V."

## Introducing . . .

Jennifer Edgerton

I was raised in a wonderful Christian home with five brothers and sisters, mostly in Florida and Tennessee. I studied Early Childhood Education at Trevecca Nazarene University in Nashville, TN from 1992-1996. In 1995, I met my husband Todd on a mission trip to Venezuela.



In 1997, we were married, and I taught middle school for five years while he attended Moody Bible Institute's aviation program. Our son Kyle was born in 2001, and the next spring we moved to the Central American country of Guatemala where our daughter Megan was born. We spent four wonderful years working for our church's communications office for the Mexico and Central America Region.

After a couple years of training and preparing in the US, we arrived in Haiti in November 2008 to work with Mission Aviation Fellowship. Kyle (4th gr.) and Megan (2nd gr.) are QCS students, and this year I began teaching elementary art classes in the afternoons. I have really enjoyed searching for new projects, discovering the diverse artistic interests and abilities of the elementary students, and watching them teach and learn from each other. Whether drawing, painting, building, creating, coloring, sculpting, cutting, learning about some of the great artists or relating art to other subject matter we want to honor God through our work. His creation is definitely the greatest source of inspiration.



## Sycamore Corner

Did you know . . . ?

You can see what is on for lunch today on Sycamore!

On the home page, in the top right hand corner, there is a tab marked "Lunch". No more wondering what is on the menu 😊

## Gearing Up for 2011 – 2012!

Re-enrollment forms for the upcoming academic year will be going out on March 21 and will be due on March 31. Students who are not reenrolled by March 31 will not have a place reserved for the coming year..

## Something New

During the remaining Thursdays in February, we will be having **Open House in the Elementary School from 8 A.M – 10 A.M.** for parents and perspective parents to come and see what is happening in the classroom at Q.C.S. The ES chapel would be a part of that experience. If you know of a family desiring to send their child(ren) to QCS in the new school year, make sure that they too know that they may visit on Thursdays in February 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

Do drop in and see us in action ☺

## ES Art Class

This week first graders worked with home-made play dough using the following recipe:

No-Cook Playdough (from a cookbook for new parents called Feed Me; I'm Yours)

1 cup white flour  
1/2 cup salt  
2 Tbsp. vegetable oil  
food coloring  
1/4-1/2 cup water

Mix the first four ingredients. Add food coloring to the water. Gradually add small amounts of water until mixture attains the consistency of bread dough. You may not use the entire amount of water. Store in an airtight container or plastic bag. It lasts a long time!



Some of our QCS sculptors are quite creative!!



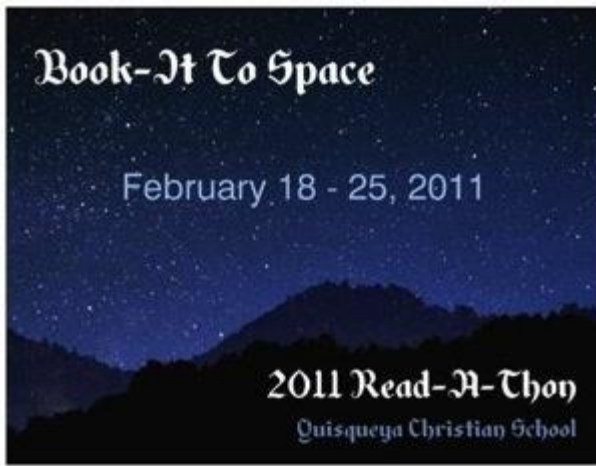
## Just in time for the Read-A-Thon

This week we have processed 60 brand new books which were donated to the Library by the Alex and Myrtle Chabot Memorial Fund. The titles of some of these books are found below.

*Grimm's Complete Fairy Tales.* by Grimm  
*The Magician's Elephant.* by Kate DiCamillo  
*The Secret Garden.* by Frances Hodgson Burnett  
*When I Get Bigger.* by Mercer Mayer  
*Just Grandpa and Me.* by Mercer Mayer  
*Just Go to Bed.* by Mercer Mayer  
*Me Too!* by Mercer Mayer  
*All By Myself.* by Mercer Mayer  
*I Was So Mad.* by Mercer Mayer  
*Runny Babbit.* by Shel Silverstein  
*How to Behave and Why.* by Munro Leaf  
*My First Book of Sign.* by Pamela J. Baker  
*Oh, the Places You'll Go.* by Dr. Seuss  
*Marley and the Kittens.* by John Grogan  
*The Polar Express.* by Chris Van Allsburg  
*Your Favorite Seuss.* by Dr. Seuss  
*Pee Wee Scouts – Blue Skies, French Fries* by Judy Delton  
*Pee Wee Scouts – Cookies and Crutches* by Judy Delton  
*Pee Wee Scouts – Bad, Bad Manners* by Judy Delton  
*Pee Wee Scouts – Lucky Dog Days* by Judy Delton  
*Moans and Groans and Dinosaur Bones* by Judy Delton  
*The White Stallion* by Elizabeth Shub  
*The Song of Francis* by Tomie dePaola  
*Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village* by Laura Amy Schlitz  
*The Chronicles of Narnia – Beyond the Wardrobe* by E. J. Kirk  
*Make Way for Ducklings* by Rober McCloskey  
*The Return to Narnia – The Rescue of Prince Caspian* based on book by C.S.Lewis  
*Narnia Chronology - From the Archives of the Last King* based on the books by C.S.Lewis  
*Mary's First Thanksgiving* by Kathy-jo Wargin  
*Superhero Swamp* by John Trent, PhD  
*Fruit and Vegetables from Around the World* by 123 Publishing  
*Greater Estimations* by Bruce Gold Stone  
*Discovering the Bible – Samson and Delilah and other Old Testament Stories Retold* by Victoria Parker  
*Simple Cooking Fun* by Teacher Created Resources (2 copies)  
*Clue School: The Lost Lunch Mystery* by Cathy Hapka  
*Clue School: The Case of the Missing Cat* by Cathy Hapka  
*Words at Work* by Mim Harrison  
*The Reason for God, Belief in an Age of Scepticism* by Timothy Keller  
*The Wisdom of Solomon – A Solomon Lapp and Friends*  
*Amish Storybook* by Wanda E. Brunstetter  
*Devotions by Dead People* by Lynn Lusby Pratt  
*Elsie and the Raymonds* by Martha Finley  
*Amistad* by Joyce Annette Barnes  
*Return to the Hundred Acre Wood* by David Benedictus



Mr. A. R. Chabot  
Librarian



The students will receive their sponsorship sheets this week for the read-a-thon. Watch for them. Why not also become a reader with your child at home for the duration of the Read-a-thon?

It would be interesting to see how many children aim for the **8 - 8 - 8 - 8 challenge** – eight books in eight days for 8 dollars from 8 people.

The monies raised will be TeachHaiti – to help them with their educational sponsorship program enabling Haitian children to receive an education who otherwise wouldn't. Visit their web site <http://www.teachaiti.org/>

### Classroom Work

The students were asked how Jesus lived during our Bible class and then some of the responses were read into the class microphone. Interesting.

*I believe that Jesus lived a compassionate life. He didn't go around boasting about His capacity and powers, But He healed many people and did so out of love. However, Jesus had God helping Him each and everyday. Whatever God wants, Jesus wants. So He went around doing Godly actions.*

*Jesus felt everything a normal human being feels. He lived a painful, but loving life.*

*Throughout His entire life on earth, Jesus stayed on track. He came to earth with a mission and He accomplished it.*

*The main word that would describe his life would be compassionate.*

Jodie  
 English class  
 1. fat  
 2. cat  
 3. bat  
 4. hat  
 5. mat

An example of the spelling work happening in the pre - K class ☺



### Art Class . . . . Continued

Here are just but two of the illusions used in class. The students enjoyed seeing what they could see and what some of the others did not see. It is all a matter of vision? How's your vision? What do you see? What do you not only see in these two pictures, but what is your vision in life - your overall purpose for living from day to day?

Do you know how many hairs are on your head? On average people have the following number of hairs:  
 Blondes: 146,000  
 Black: 110,000  
 Brown: 100,000  
 Red: 86,000



Each hair has a lifespan of about 3 to 7 years. Good news for many people is that you can lose up to 50% of your hair before it becomes noticeable.

Also hair is virtually indestructible. Pipes and drains become easily clogged because hair is not destroyed by cold, change of climate, water, other natural forces, many types of acids or corrosive chemicals.

A reminder of the **parent meeting** in the Chapel on **Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 P.M.** Both the Director and the Board will give reports.