



Dayspring Newsletter

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FROM THE BOARD

Hello DCA families! I hope you had a wonderful and blessed Christmas season with your families and found some extra time to just gaze upon the beauty that is Jesus, our Redeemer, born as a tiny baby into our world. It still amazes me and leaves me speechless (which is a rarity, ha!) I am so grateful to be called one of His children and further to have a great big family of brothers and sisters at Dayspring.

As we kick off the second semester, I want to THANK YOU for your generosity in giving to the annual parent fund drive thus far and encourage you to give if you have not. I know that most of us are feeling the financial squeeze of the economic situation in our country, and to some it might feel less like a squeeze and more like a vice grip, but I am in awe at the fact that God has thus far sustained DCA and blessed our school in so many, many ways. Our treasurer sent home a note this week that we need to continue to raise \$10,000 a month this semester to be on target with our budget. This is a very easily attainable goal if a lot of us give even a little!

Most of all, "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."
Hebrews 12:2

For the Board,
Jody Hilt
Board President

SPECIAL THANKS

THANK YOU DR. DUMS AND YOUR TEAM

Thank you, Dr. Dums and your team of volunteers for your help with providing the DCA community with H1N1 Vaccinations. We appreciate all the work that went into receiving the vaccinations, administering the vaccinations, and the paper work that followed the vaccinations. You have been a huge blessing to many people.

Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week -- Faculty & Staff Luncheon! It was wonderful! Thank you to the Olive Garden and the many people who contributed food and beverages. Thank you also, on behalf of the faculty & staff, for the many Christmas cards and gifts. We appreciate you too!

The science teachers at DCA were overwhelmed with thankfulness upon receiving an anonymous donation of science lab supplies worth an estimated \$700. Thank you for your generosity and partnering with the school to provide our students with a quality education in a Christ-centered environment. Another glimpse of Jesusness among us! We are blessed!

With grateful hearts we thank the Hughes family for the generous donation of a beautiful baby grand piano. It now sits in the main room and is a wonderful addition to the elementary fine arts program as well as chapel.



SPECIAL REMINDERS

Help DCA earn supplies for our school. We have recently registered the school in the MyCokeRewards Program. To help DCA see details below under Fundraising.

School Closing Information:

There are three ways to get information about inclement weather & emergency school closings for Dayspring:

1. On TV stations -- WDBJ CHANNEL 7 and WSLs CHANNEL 10
2. On-line at www.wsls.com or wdbj7.com
3. Sign-up to have school closings sent to your cell phone*.

Go to: www.wsls.com

Go to: Winter Weather Center

Click on: Closings & Delays

Right above WSLs - ON YOUR SIDE, go to: "For closings by cell phone, click here"

Follow procedure for signing up.

You can designate as many schools or businesses as you like.

Please consult media resources first.

Any delayed openings will always be two hours late (never just one hour). Students should report to their appropriate class by 10:25 a.m. on these days.

UPCOMING EVENTS



SCIENCE FAIR - Everyone is invited to the DCA Science Fair & Reception to be held on Monday, January 25 at Grace Covenant Presb. Church, 2101 Shadowlake Rd, Blacksburg

6:00-7:30pm

- Exhibits open for viewing
- Refreshments & fellowship time

6:45 pm

- Presentation of Awards

7:30 pm - Students pick up projects; take down of displays

Come meet other DCA families and share an evening of celebrating the student's work and discoveries! Invite your friends and neighbors too! Everyone is welcome!

Directions to Grace Covenant – Take Prices Fork Rd. to University City Boulevard. Turn on to Glade Rd (between Kroger and Volume Two). Go approximately ½ mile. Turn right onto Shadowlake Rd. Go ½ mile. The church is on the left. The displays and refreshments will be in the fellowship hall (rightmost side of the building).

CAN THE VAN and Share the Love of Christ! – During the first two weeks of February the DCA Student Officers will once again be holding a food drive to raise much needed items for a local food pantry. Details out soon!

PEP RALLY to celebrate completion of the Can the Van food drive and to recognize all of the DCA basketball teams including MS Boys, MS Girls, JV Boys, Varsity Girls, Varsity Boys. Tentative date is Friday, February 12. Details to be announced.

Winter isn't over yet – Need a nice warm hat!

This year the Juniors are having a homemade hat fundraiser to support the Jr/Sr Banquet. We're selling hats at Dayspring basketball home games, and we're going to put up posters which will have order forms attached to them. The price is \$10 for hats of colors listed (black, blue, white, gold, maroon and orange), and \$12 for specially requested colors. There will be posters/order forms at DP and Main Campus, and you can leave the forms at the Main Office or with Mrs. Bouldin at the Second Campus. You can custom make your own hat by choosing your own colors and the pattern. See attached pictures for two of the many color combinations available. There are Dayspring colors (royal, white, black) and Virginia Tech colors. They make great gifts! Take note, the kids' size hat is mainly for pre-school to early elementary age children. If you would like to place an order by email, ask questions, or discuss pickup or payment options, email me at *knit4jesus@gmail.com*.

Thank you for supporting the Jr/Sr Banquet!, Samara Kast, Jr/Sr Committee Member

RECAP

DCA Alumni Reception - The second annual event was held on Tuesday, December 22 following the boys' varsity basketball game. It was a great night of fellowship and reminiscing. Thank you to all who attended and helped me the event a success! We invite you to help us connect with former students and staff – just send e-mail addresses (or other contact information) to kribbens.dca@verizon.net and we'll make sure they receive an invitation to the next alumni event.



Reuniting friends from the mid-90's



Friends from just last year!

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Substitute Teachers Needed! – We are in great need of substitute teachers. Please let us know if you, or someone you know, would be interested in substitute teaching. Half day (min. of 4 hours) and whole day (4+ hours) are paid positions. Contact the main office for more information.

PVC – Parent Volunteer Challenge – We are trying something new in hopes of minimizing the number of Work Days we need to have. Please check out the weekly PV Challenge in the weekly calendar and let us know how you can help. **If you haven't already done so, please go to the school website (www.dayspringchristianacademy.org) and fill out the Parent Volunteer Opportunity Sheet and Take the 18+ Challenge!**

SAY THANK YOU TO OUR TROOPS...IN GOD WE TRUST

XEROX IS DOING SOMETHING COOL

If you go to this web site, <http://www.LetsSayThanks.com> you can pick out a thank you card and Xerox will print it and it will be sent to a soldier that is currently serving in Iraq. You can't pick out who gets it, but it will go to a member of the armed services. How AMAZING it would be if we could get everyone we know to send one! It is FREE and it only takes a second. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the soldiers received a bunch of these? Whether you are for or against the war, our soldiers over there need to know we are behind them. This takes just 10 seconds and it's a wonderful way to say thank you. Please take the time and please take the time to pass it on for others to do. We can never say enough thank yous.

Thanks for taking to time to support our military!

-Janet M.C. Winslow

Need a tutor for your child?

Contact Mrs. Van Steenburg in the office at 552-7777 for names of possible tutors.

FUNDRAISING

MyCokeRewards is partnering with DCA

Coke is partnering with us to help us earn supplies for our school. This will be a great opportunity to help us receive more Physical Education equipment.

Follow these steps to help DCA:

1. go to mycoke_rewards.com and register your family.
2. Collect coke reward codes found on bottle tops and/or on the inside of 12 packs of coke products
3. Enter the codes
4. Click on the icon that says "Donate to Your School"
5. Type in 24060 for our zip code.
6. Dayspring will be one of the options
7. You can then choose how many points you would like to donate

*If you are unable to follow the steps just send the bottle tops or codes into the office and we will enter them for you.

Labels for Education Partners with Kroger

Kroger has begun to partner with Campbell's labels through e-labels for education. All families and friends can go to www.elabelsforeducation.com and sign up to start earning bonus labels for DCA. Starting January 3rd and running through February 2nd, 2010, registered *e-Labels for Education* users will automatically receive **250 Labels for Education Bonus points** with the purchase of any 10 participating *Labels for Education* products in the same transaction using their Kroger Shopper's Card.

KROGER CARES PROGRAM

DCA has recently received a rebate check in the amount of **\$456.06**. Be sure to shop Kroger for all your Super Bowl party supplies! If you need to purchase a Kroger gift card please stop by the DCA office. Cards can be purchased for \$5.00 and are pre-loaded with that amount on them. Your card can be re-loaded for any amount up to \$500 at any Kroger customer service desk. DCA receives 5% of the amount you load onto your gift card. Many thanks to those who are using and re-loading their cards.....the benefits really do make a great difference!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION AND CAMPBELL'S LABEL SYMBOLS

Be on the look out for these symbols on the items you buy. They can be found on food items, diapers, paper products and now even school/office supplies (Avery products). This is an easy and cheap way to help our school earn cash (from Box Tops and A+ Tyson). We have also been able to buy new PE equipment for this school year with the points that we have earned from Campbell's Labels. Our school will earn supplies and money from the "trash" on these products.

Recycling is Fun and Earns Cash:

As we help the wonderful creation that God has given us we have been given the opportunity to raise money for our school. We are collecting (empty) drink pouches (Capri Suns, Kool Aid pouches, Honesty Kids, etc) not drink boxes. We are working with a company that will recycle the pouches for us.

ATHLETICS AT DAYSPRING

Sports Calendars

Go to: www.dayspringchristianacademy.org and click on the Sports Calendar link for the latest in schedules for all of the basketball teams. (Remember to hit refresh every time you visit the Sports Calendar.) This year there will be Middle School and Varsity Girls teams along with two middle school boys' teams (i.e, MS Boys (7th & 8th) and DCA2 (5th & 6th graders), JV Boys and Varsity Boys. Remember Pastors get in free. Invite your friends and neighbors! [See the new calendars sent by separate e-mails for all of the details!](#)

Girls MS Team 2009-2010



Back L to R -- Elizabeth Abel, Carolina Bouldin, Sara Albano, Alison Pearsall, Christina Ribbens
Front L to R -- Meaghan Martin, Lexie Slocum, Angela Vu, Cierra Gonzales
(Not pictured, Coaches Sharon Hupp, Kathy Ribbens, Cal Ribbens and Team Manager, Hannah Ashworth)

Boys MS Team 2009-2010



Back L to R – Jansen Young, Patrick Ragsdale, Peyton Bailey, Jonah Fullen, Tyler Amerines, William Wood, Coach Knautz; Front L to R – Elijah Selent, Jonah Pace, Dylan Henderson, Tyler Marshall, Geoffrey Kleinfelter, Josh Knautz, Sean Russell (Not pictured, Asst. Randy Bailey)

DCA Cross-Country –

XC runners interested in running in the off-season need to contact Coach Slocum. Cell: 540-392-8891
Email: skip@livewhereyouplay.net

HOT LUNCH PROGRAM AT DCA

We need a main campus sub sandwich lunch parent/coordinator!!! All logistics are set up. We just need someone who is willing to oversee collecting orders, placing the orders with the Subway shop in Kent Square and someone to pick up and distribute orders to students in K-9th grades. Tues, Wed, or Friday---Coordinators gets to choose the day of the week! Please contact Kathy Ribbens (kribbens.dca@verizon.net) to find out more. We'd like to get it up and running for the start of the second semester.

Hot Lunch order forms are available in the office. Forms need to be turned in to the office by noon the day before. You have the option of ordering week-by-week or for longer periods of time.

The Hot Lunch programs for each campus (Main and Second) will be run separately due to different class schedules, so look closely as details are announced.

- **Main Campus, Pizza Lunch** (see attached order form) – Order forms and payment must be in the office by noon on Wednesdays. Coord: Dawn Bowman, 953-5019
- **NEW! Second Campus, Subway Sandwich Lunch** – Order forms and payments must be in the office by noon on Mondays. Coord: Molly Cousins, 392-2429
- **Second Campus, Pizza Lunch** – Order forms and payment must be in the office by noon on Tuesdays. Coord: Gayla Miller, 808-3072
- **Second Campus, Chinese Lunch** –Order forms and payment must be in the office by noon on Thursdays. Coord. Jenny Mock, 230-4175



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