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# HOME & SCHOOL

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## Fruit program success

When you have a great team, great things can be accomplished. The success of the fruit program depended on everyone on the Home and School Team. A total of 176 large and small boxes of citrus fruit were ordered for the month of January. Our school raised \$853.43. We thank everyone who purchased fruit and helped to unload the truck when it arrived. God is so good!

## Movie night

What better opportunity to have a family friendly time out, than to join us for a movie night at the school February 22. The Movie starts at 6:30pm. The featured presentation is "Dolphin Tale" This movie is inspired by the true story of an amazing dolphin and the compassionate strangers who band together to save her life. The movie is free. Refreshments and snacks will be sold before and during the show. Bring your family and friends for this fun night of entertainment.

## International food fair

Hurry! Hurry! Hurry! You have the opportunity to show your food preparation talents, ethnic heritage, and support for our school by providing and operating a booth at our annual International Food Fair. Your donation of time and food allow your Home & School organization to raise money while we all enjoy a great time.

There are a limited number of food booth openings available. If you have not reserved your booth, don't delay any longer. The deadline is March 5. You can register by calling (877)-226-9719.

This is a great opportunity for the Shalem, Lighthouse, Waukegan Hispanic and Gurnee churches to sample the rich cultural foods represented in each church.

## Get involved at home

Want to do something with your kids and help the school? Collect "Labels for Education" and "Box Tops". Our school can earn supplies and cash for these labels. You probably already have them on many products in you pantry, refrigerator and shopping cart already. Check over the labels on cereal, baking and bakeware, dairy, frozen foods, produce, food storage, waste bags, paper products, tableware, office supplies, and clothing. Look for the "Box Tops" logo or the "Label for Education" logo. Cut out along the dotted lines around the UPC code or around the Box Top coupon. Caps are required for some jars. Collect them in a Ziploc® baggie. Have your child give them to their teacher or drop them in the convenient containers located in the school foyer, preschool, and church foyer. For a complete list of products go to [www.btfe.com](http://www.btfe.com) and [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com) Thank for your support.

## Did you know?

The National Sleep Foundation says sleep problems and disorders are prevalent at age 5-12. Poor or inadequate sleep can lead to mood swings, behavioral problems such as ADHD and cognitive problems that impact on your child's ability to learn in school. The Foundation suggests teaching healthy sleep habits, such as, having a regular and consistent sleep schedule and bedtime routine. Keep televisions and computers out of the children's bedrooms and avoid caffeine.

Making a few adjustments could mean a more productive day at school, which means happy children, happy parents and happy teachers.

## Who am I?

*Each month we will feature an individual who is a member or active in, the school, preschool, Shalem, Lighthouse, Waukegan Hispanic or Gurnee church. See if you are able to guess who these hints describe. Have fun!*

I was born in early spring on the island of Puerto Rico during the presidency of Lyndon B. Johnson. I have two brothers who, through their mischief, taught me to be strong. When I was young I wanted to be a teacher. I obtained my B.A. from Antillean University in Puerto Rico and my M.A. from the University of Wisconsin in Whitewater, Wisconsin.

I have worked many jobs, as a secretary, a janitor, a babysitter and a baker, but my goal (which I have achieved) was always to teach elementary education.

My favorite sports team is, of course, the Green Bay Packers! Woohoo!! My favorite food is anything my mom cooks and my favorite movie is "Amazing Love: The Story of Hosea".

In my spare time I like being with my family, reading a book or painting. If I could live anywhere in the world, I would want to live on an island in the Caribbean, where it's warm, but not too hot, with an ocean breeze.

If I could meet anyone, I would most like to meet Jesus and spend time talking to Him.

Who Am I?

**Do you need another hint?** I once used scissors to cut off the long braid of a classmate who was being mean.

*The answer to "Who am I" will be published in the March edition of Home & School.*

## Principal's Corner

I am honored to be able to contribute to this first Home & School newsletter. I would like to thank the Home & School committee that represents our four partnership churches. "Many hands make work light." Our school is committed to the proper development of the physical, mental and spiritual health of our students. To that end I would like to address the topic of bullying, an issue which negatively affects student's mental health. Bullying has become very common in schools across our nation. As a Christian school, let's work together to do our part to prevent this behavior in our children and within our school. We have all heard the common saying, "WWJD", What Would Jesus Do? Parents, let's have open and honest conversations with our children and require high standards of behavior. If you would like ideas and information about how to talk to your kids about bullying, we encourage you to visit [www.stopbullying.gov](http://www.stopbullying.gov).

On the topic of physical health, the Community Care Connection van, from Rosalind Franklin University Health System will conduct **Free Health Screenings** at two locations, Round Lake Park and Waukegan, IL. These will take place on multiple dates. **Please see the attached flyer.** All you have to do is show up. Thank God for this blessing. Please keep your teachers and students in constant prayer. Principal Carl Bandy, Sr.

## School calendar for March

March 14	End of Third Quarter (47 days)
March 20	Three Year Interim Visit
March 24-28	No School / Spring Break
March 31	School Resumes