



BCA News

...The School Children Call Home

October 2007

They Had A Vision...

Dr. Della Blair and Dr. Karen Jenkins had a vision over 30 years ago. Their vision was to provide an atmosphere where children could receive a well-rounded education. They wanted to make sure that each child's life was touched spiritually, physically, emotionally, and academically. Because they recognized that God has uniquely designed each child and that children have a variety of different learning styles, these pioneers chose to supplement the curriculum with a wide array of programs and activities that allow children to express their many different gifts, talents, and abilities.

Under the divine direction of God, Drs. Blair and Jenkins continued to pursue their vision of Christian education. They started out as a daycare facility and later moved to a larger location, as a result of increasing enrollment. This move enabled to start an elementary program. While in this location, the enrollment continued to flourish. Again, BCA relocated to an larger facility where the Middle school was added. At this location, the first 8th grade closing exercise was held in 1989. As the enrollment continued to grow, Blair Christian Academy made another major move to our current address and held its first senior High school graduation ceremony in 1993.

Today, Drs. Blair and Jenkins continue to see the fruits of their vision and encourage the students to walk in their God-given purpose. God has placed a vision in all of our hearts. Some of us may have dreams of being doctors, lawyers, educators, or entrepreneurs. Whatever the vision God has placed in your heart, He will make a way to bring it into fruition. Challenge yourself today! Write down your dreams today and confess them boldly before God!

*The Bible says, Then the LORD answered me and said:
"Write the vision and make it plain on tablets. -Habakkuk 2:2*



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IN THE BEGINNING...

Summer Camp went out with a BANG!!! All during the summer, the campers were busy. Their schedule was complete with fun-filled activities. Swimmin, skating, arts & crafts, computer class, and outdoor activies were part of their daily schedule.



Swimming

The Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park was one of the major trips for the summer. Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park is an all-inclusive private picnic park that has all the ingredients needed to cook up a day of fun campers will never forget. They got a chance to swim, play games, participate in sports, enjoy the kid's play area, and much, much more! Of course, the "All You Can Eat" buffet topped it off.



Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park

Campers also went to see "In the Beginning" at the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster. This performance depicted Genesis, the 1st book of the Bible. "In the Beginning" was an experience beyond anyone's imagination. Enhanced by magnificent staging, stirring musical compositions, and captivating live and animatronic animals, the stage sprung forth to life with the phenomenal story of creation!



A Day at BCA

The campers and staff got the opportunity to see the Garden of Eden appear before them - the waters, vegetation, and animals of the newly created world enveloping the Millennium Theatre! They also got the opportunity to experience God's pleasure at his most awesome creation, Adam and Eve, and the complete beauty of their unbroken relationship with God.

Most importantly, the campers had the opportunity to learn the Word of God, meet new people, and form friendships with other children.



At Lankenau Hospital

Blair Christian Academy's Athletic Department hosted a Skating Party at the Palace Skating Rink on October 7th. It was an event that you surely didn't want to miss! Students from preschool, elementary, middle, and high school attended. We also had many parents and families come out to support the Athletic Department. We look forward to having more fun in the future.



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"Crazy Hat Day" was a "sight for sore eyes"!!! From the wee little ones to the adults, participation was contagious. Some students creatively designed their own head gear while others pulled some traditional hats out of the closet. Many staff and students were found wearing the infamous "church hats", a cowboy hat, a cartoon character's famous hat, or some creative homemade concoction. This was truly a day to celebrate school spirit. We look forward to the next "Crazy Hat Day" in the second half of the school year! There will be a contest on the most creative and crazy hat. The winner will receive a special prize. More details will be given as we move closer to that date. BCA would like thank everyone for their participation.



PRAYER VIGIL...

Blair Christian Academy hosted its semi-annual Prayer Vigil on Wednesday, October 17, 2007. This year, BCA's administration, staff, and parents gathered for a 12-hour period of prayer. This was a time designated to pray and to be in the presence of God throughout the day. A detailed description was in place to allow our prayer warriors to pray for the issues that our students, children, families, and communities are facing. Some of the issues that affect and plague us are the violence in our communities, health issues, manifestation of God's will, and many more important issues. BCA will continue to pray about these issues on a daily basis. However, we need our parents and families to join us as we pray. We will be hosting another semi-annual Prayer Vigil January 16, 2008. Please sign up to pray with us and experience the awesome power of God.



The bible says, be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

- Ephesians 4:6

Mrs. Young's 5th Grade Class



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Mrs. Young's 5th grade students are all "buddies" with Mrs. Washington's 1st grade class. The fifth graders are experiencing first hand responsibilities of being a mentor. Each student in Mrs. Young's class "adopted" a student from the 1st grade class to be an academic and behavioral coach for the students. Students meet about 20 minutes in the afternoon and friendships are developing! Mrs. Washington and Mrs. Young are thoroughly pleased with the "buddy system" thus far. This has enabled the children to be accountable for themselves, their actions and members of BCA's student body. This has also allowed them to form friendships and bonds that will last a lifetime!

CONGRATS TO VERA BELLINGER!!!

Vera Bellinger was voted Student of the Month for September. Miss Bellinger received at least 50% of the votes from her fellow classmates. She was treated to lunch by Mrs. Young and she received a Homework Pass for the day.



Congratulations Miss Bellinger! Job Well Done!

Upcoming Events...

ACSI Middle School Leadership Conference	November 2nd
ACSI High School Leadership Conference	November 7th-9th
Staff In-Service Day (Academy Closed/Preschool Open)	November 8th-9th
Parent Teacher Conferences (1st-12th grade) 13th (Conferences are Mandatory and begin at 10AM)	November
Christmas Fundraiser Ends	November 14th
THANKSGIVING BREAK (Academy & Preschool Closed)	November 22nd & 23rd
College Week	November 26th-30th
BAEO Parents Meeting	November 29th
Christmas Program	December 10th
BCA Blood Drive	December 19th