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Elementary Young Authors Open House

Pictured (Clockwise from upper left): Claire Coulson, Sophie Harris,
Nathan Mellema, Caitlin Zyskowski, Lillian Lee

The Principal Observes

Teaching Math Better

Just this week, we received the results from the ACSI Math Olympics, a competition among Christian schools in Western Washington that gives students the opportunity to demonstrate their budding skills. The contest included 10 schools, with approximately 240 students participating in grades 3-8. In every level and category except one, our students were in the top five, and one took the top spot. We are thrilled with these results because it demonstrates that our commitment to constant improvement is paying off.

We have been particularly diligent to examine our math materials to provide students with a comprehensive program that will prepare them for the future. The faculty analyzes our math performance each year to understand what is working and what we can do to enhance our instruction. We have been especially sensitive to our mission of incorporating biblical integration in all subject areas. Next year, we will be using the math materials published by BJU Press. These biblically integrated textbooks offer the type of practice our students need to excel in math combined with biblical principles for practical application. Keep in mind that textbooks are only one of the tools our teachers have at their disposal to instruct their students. Our continued excellence in events like the Math Olympics gives us high confidence in knowing that our teaching is effective and meeting our goals. Rest assured, our ongoing commitment has never changed. Our responsibility to you and your students is ever to be pursuing excellence in student understanding and performance while using biblical integration in all academic disciplines of life.

Calendar

Green: Elementary Events

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For the entire calendar, including events for 2017-18, see the Grace Academy Events [calendar](#) and Grace Academy Athletics [calendar](#).

Volunteer for the Month of March

It is our privilege to enjoy the benefit of countless volunteer service hours from those who desire to positively impact our students. Each month a different teacher chooses our Volunteer of the Month. This month our volunteer has been chosen by Mrs. Ubben.

We wish to honor Brooke Coffman. Brooke has diligently worked all year helping file and organize the Thursday folder materials for the 6th grade class. She quietly and faithfully completes the work, and I can trust that the folders will be ready each Thursday to send home. Brooke will be missed when she moves this week to Texas.

Elementary Impact Students for the Month of March

Katie Obyedkov
Cayden McManamon
Isaac Wentling
Brodie Kane
Kylee Black
James Abrenilla
Ava Guimont
Claire Coulson
Pearce Hess

Secondary Impact Students for the Month of March

JH Kent Anderson
JH Lindsay Impola
HS Selena Fryberg
HS Noah Sutton

Congratulations!

Math Olympics Success

Congratulations to our District Math Olympics contestants! Recently Grace Academy students competed against 10 schools in the Pacific Northwest in the categories of computation or reasoning. We are so proud of their hard work and want to especially recognize our ribbon winners. Ribbons were distributed to the top 5 students in each category.

3rd Grade

Phoebe Wentling - 2nd Place Computation
Jasmine Bajaj - 5th Place Computation
Linklin Wall - 3rd Place Reasoning

4th Grade

Cohen Waschell - 5th Place Computation
Amber Nearing - 5th Place Reasoning

5th Grade

Elijah Brent - 3rd Place Computation
Luke Impola - 4th Place Reasoning

6th Grade

Kyle Struiksma - 4th Place Computation
Marcus Smith* - 1st Place Reasoning
*Medal Winner (First Place and Score 85% or Higher)
JT Coffman - 2nd Place Reasoning

7th Grade

Taylor Knappert - 4th Place Computation
Nolan Hegnes - 3rd Place Reasoning
Samuel Roehl - 5th Place Reasoning

8th Grade

Luke Struiksma - 2nd Place Computation
Heidi Impola - 4th Place Computation

Congratulations on a job well done!

Early Release for High School Students

High school students will be released from school at the end of 5th period at 12:40 on Friday, April 13, in order to get ready for the Spring Banquet.

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