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"Make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose." Phillipians 2:26

## From the Principal's Desk



**"Building Tomorrow's Christian Community"** I would like to add Building Tomorrow's **CARING** Christian Community. **Caring,** adequately describes our school community.

- C Faculty & Staff are Called, Competent, & Compassionate
- **A** Academics Solid, individualized academics with flexible approaches
- R Realizing that every child is special, with attentiveness to the whole child
- I Integration of the Bible into all areas of education
- N Networking through Christian service opportunities
- **G** Giving to our Capital Campaign

**Exciting things are happening at Quakertown Christian School!** After a successful Feasibility Study, led by Jeff Knauer from Kirby Smith Associates, Inc., our Board of Directors has unanimously approved moving forward with a Capital Campaign. This is an exciting time as we focus on being good stewards of what God has entrusted to us; allowing us to re-purpose and update our facilities as we prepare for the future. In light of our current economic times, this Capital Campaign allows us to use our footprints, both at preschool and main campus, wisely.

Spread the good news about Quakertown Christian School! Schedule a tour so that you can personally meet the **called**, **competent**, and **compassionate** faculty and staff who faithfully serve our QCS community.

Blessings, Sheryl Duerksen



## Our 2014 Country Auction & Fair is coming up quickly! Hope to see you there!

Friday, May 9th, 4-8pm & Saturday, May 10th, 8am-2pm

Call in advance to order one of QCS' famous strawberry pies...YUM!

Other special features include:

- Chicken Barbecue
- Handmade Quilts
- Gift Baskets
- Baked Goods/Food Tent
- Hundreds of Plants
- Children's Activities

Quakertown Christian School, a Mennonite school, is in partnership with home and church in the process of developing physical, intellectual, spiritual and social life skills for each child using Biblical values and a challenging academic environment to instill a sense of Christian community and service.

## What Parents are Saying

"If you are on the fence about sending your child to QCS, let me help you down. This is the best decision we could have ever made for our daughter. She is shown every day how much she is valued just by being "her" and she is modeled what it is to follow Jesus on a daily basis - by the administration, the teachers and the other students she comes into contact with. The school's mission statement is not just a bunch of words but the actions and lives that back up those words!"

- Galen & Lori Cassel





### In the Classroom

Thanks to a Grant, we were able to purchase 45 chrome books! Here, students are using them in daily learning activities. Kindergarten through middle school students use chrome books for word games, research, enrichment, and Reflex Math.

One of the highlights of the year has been the Reflex math fact program. Reflex is game-based, highly motivational, and involves students in grades 4 through 8. These students have solved 455,696 math facts so far, making their goal of 1/2 million well within reach!

Our elementary students are engaged in many exciting learning experiences including Desert Day, Colonial Days, Wax Museum, Chrome Books, Reflex Math, and Reading Buddies. Using 3D animation, Promethian Boards provide additional interactive academic experiences for students throughout QCS.

## **Athletic Department Update**

Our Middle School and Learning Community basketball teams had an excellent season! The MS Lady Bears finished second in the CAMSA League and the MS Boys were able to go undefeated in the league and won the CAMSA Championship.

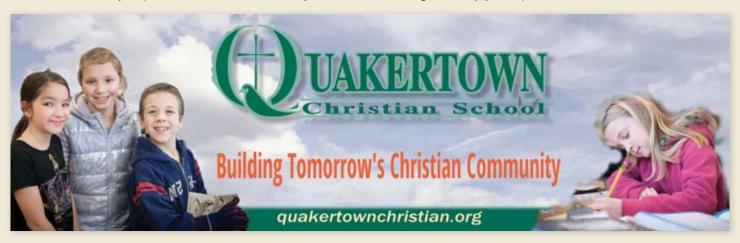
QCS will join the Atlantic Coast Christian Athletic Conference (ACCAC) beginning in September, 2014. ACCAC is a ten-team conference comprised of Single A Christian Schools in eastern PA offering sports at the varsity and middle school levels.

PE Teacher, Donna Manetta, recently had the honor of representing Quakertown Christian School in Serbia. She, along with former QCS IVEPer, Ivana Zetko, took the sport of Cup Stacking to special needs students at a school in Apatin Sombor, Serbia.



We welcome your inquiries and would be happy to send you an information packet. Please call us at 215-536-6970 or visit us on the web at www.quakertownchristian.org.

We would like to say a special **THANK YOU** to Lowry Services for allowing us to enjoy the space on their billboard on Route 309.



#### Preschool

Spring.....a welcome season to teach our students about the miracle of seeds and plants! Each class plants a crop of spinach in their own raised garden bed in early spring which they harvest just before summer break. The classes then plant crops such as potatoes, shell beans, popcorn or Indian corn which can be harvested when school resumes in the fall. Our class gardens have brought the planting of seeds on a classroom windowsill to a whole new level as the students learn scientific properties of plant growth, how the weather affects our food crops, and good nutrition. It makes our Bible stories of the Parable of the Sower and the Parable of the Mustard Seed come to life.

- Gail Crooke, Preschool Director



## **Learning Community**



Hands in Service, a monthly service opportunity, has allowed students to serve those in need locally as well as globally. In April, LC students, will travel to Urban Promise in Camden, NJ to serve.

## **Academic Spotlight**



Katherine Dix, a high honors senior, excels in advanced placement classes as well as college. She is a recipient of numerous academic and music scholarships. She plans a degree in the sciences.

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## **Upcoming Events**

Please feel free to join us for the following events and bring a friend:

#### May 9 & 10

Annual Country Auction and Fair

#### **May 13**

Spring Concert

#### May 19 - 30

Art Show

#### **May 30**

Learning Community Graduation

#### June 9

Field Day

#### June 10

Eighth Grade Graduation

For a complete listing of our athletic schedules and additional upcoming events, please go to our website www.quakertownchristian.org.

