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'TIS THE SEASON OF GIVING

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'Tis the season of giving! During this holiday season, our High School Student Government has collected and donated 2,400 cans of food and 175 toys to children and families in need. The Middle School Way To Be Team collected over 2,300 items of clothing to enhance the lives of men, women and children who needed our help.

While many of us take pleasure in enjoying feasts and gifts with family and friends, there are others who are in need of assistance now more than ever. Here at Delphi we take pride in being able to provide help to those in need, volunteering our services and collecting donated items to bring a little cheer into the lives of those less fortunate. Additionally, it is a great opportunity for our students to practice working together as a team to achieve an overall target, and focus on giving back to our community.

A very big Thank You goes out to all who so generously supported these efforts.



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Message From the Head of School

Hello Parents,

As we come to the end of this calendar year, I thought I'd give you a short update of some notable student accomplishments since the start of school in September:

Three students from the Preschool have graduated into Beginner 1, and all 3 of them are Delphi 2G kids! In the Academy, there have been 14 students who graduated from one Form to the next.

Our Academy students have read, as a cumulative total, nearly 5,000 books and have completed over 800 courses with an average exam score of 97%.

They have made yogurt, learned the alphabet forwards and backwards, and learned how to identify wiring throughout the home and handle it safely. They know how a Bill is passed and made into law, and they have learned all about the mechanics of outlining, proofreading and documentation. They have learned how to read a map, build a simple machine, demonstrate the laws of physics and how to treat a shock victim. They have learned about the World Wars, the Renaissance and their duties as citizens.

They have visited the zoo, the farm and the fair. They have been to museums and colleges and have viewed fine art, modern art and graffiti art. They have experienced Shakespeare, Tchaikovsky and Disney on Ice. And they have had life stories shared with them by Veterans, firemen, businessmen, doctors and magicians.

They have built pencil holders, mazes, tables and chairs, and they created a haunted house event that was just the right amount of spooky vs fun.

They have read books from *Green Eggs and Ham* to *The Stories Julian Tells*. From *The Boxcar Children* to *Black Beauty*. From *The Secret Garden* to *The Jungle Book*. From *The Hobbit* to *The Three Musketeers*. From *Atlas Shrugged* to *Common Sense and Rights of Man* by Thomas Paine. All designed to help them look at people and the world with a little more understanding and awareness.

They raised \$25,000 through the Ducksplash fundraiser, and \$10,000 of that went to the Kiwanis Club to help children in need. They have pledged to live drug-free lives, have collected over 2,400 food items for families in need, and donated over 2,200 items of clothing to children and adults in order to improve the quality of their lives. They collected hundreds of toys for children who would otherwise do without during this holiday season and they have shown their appreciation and support to the local fire fighters and police officers for their commitment and care.

They are not only learning how to learn, they are learning how to help their classmates learn too, by using the study tools to get through an occasional rough spot... which makes it easier for them the next time they experience one themselves.

They are learning how to analyze data, differentiate opinion from fact, evaluate information, and use good judgment rather than have an over-dependency on "rules".

All this adds up to individuals who are gradually recognizing that their lives are theirs to create, and that life is filled with endless opportunities if they can look, learn and demonstrate competence.

What a great year this has been, and we look forward to an even better one in 2015. Happy, happy holidays to you all, and warmest wishes for a New Year filled with joy, happiness and success.

Love,
Karen



FIELD TRIPS



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1. At the Getty Museum, Mr. Jimenez and HS student Jasmine, enjoy the artistic setting.

2. Mr. Charles, our English Immersion Program Teacher and Henry, one of his students.



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3. The Lower School takes a moment for a group photo on their field trip to the Gene Autry Museum.



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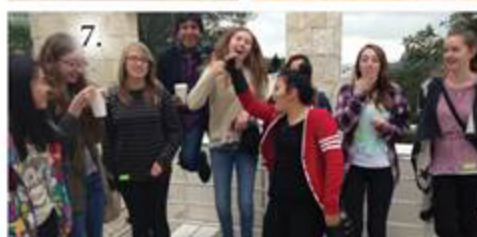


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4. Middle School students enjoying a garden at the Getty Museum.

5. Inside at the Getty Museum. Check out the size of that painting!

6. Lower School students pose in front of a bronze statue at the Gene Autry Museum.



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7. Middle School students having fun at the Getty Museum.

8. Elementary School students about to watch "The Nutcracker".

Pee Wee Sports!

Our Pee Wee Soccer Season has started, and we kicked-off with a great start. Out of the three Delphi Pee Wee Soccer teams, two have already started their competitive season (the White Dragons and the Green Dragons teams) and BOTH teams won their games!

The team's coach, Csaba Szabo, says soccer is the most popular sport amongst the team members, and everyone is looking forward to playing this season! Stay tuned for more exciting soccer news in our next issue.





The Los Angeles Say No To Drugs Race Holiday Classic originated in Florida 13 years ago to call attention to our nation's drug problem as well as to raise funds to benefit drug awareness and education programs. Thousands of runners participate annually, contributing toward the education of children and teaching them the truth about drugs and what drugs do to the body and mind.

The Delphi Team of course was a large supporter, and had an amazing group of dedicated runners and walkers. The event was thoroughly enjoyed by all!



The Delphi Alumni Reunion Dinner

Delphi hosted it's annual Alumni Dinner and Roast on November 22nd. This year we celebrated the Graduating Classes of 2003 and 2004. The event was well-attended, with alumni coming from all over the country. Ten years ago, these students spent most of their waking hours studying at this campus. And now after going out into the world, it was great to see what everyone had gained from their experience here at Delphi. After the dinner, the honorees from 2003/2004 were given a "Roast". A Roast is defined as: "An event in which a person is subjected to a public presentation of comedic insults, praise, outlandish true and untrue stories, and heartwarming tributes as a mock counter to a toast." - Wikipedia. The Roast was highly entertaining, and it was great to see so many old (and new) friends!



Exceptional Holiday Performances From Our Lower School Students!



In the past month, we've seen two fantastic holiday performances put on by Lower School students.

First, there was the Thanksgiving Show, which had each class from the Lower School doing a performance. Parents and teachers gathered to watch as the children sang and danced beautifully about the stories of Thanksgiving. Everyone was thoroughly impressed!

Then, the Winter Holiday Performance took place and blew everyone away. The show was of course full of cuteness and much holiday cheer. Around the wreath are a few photos from the shows - and don't forget to like our Facebook page for more photo updates!

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Extra Curricular Classes



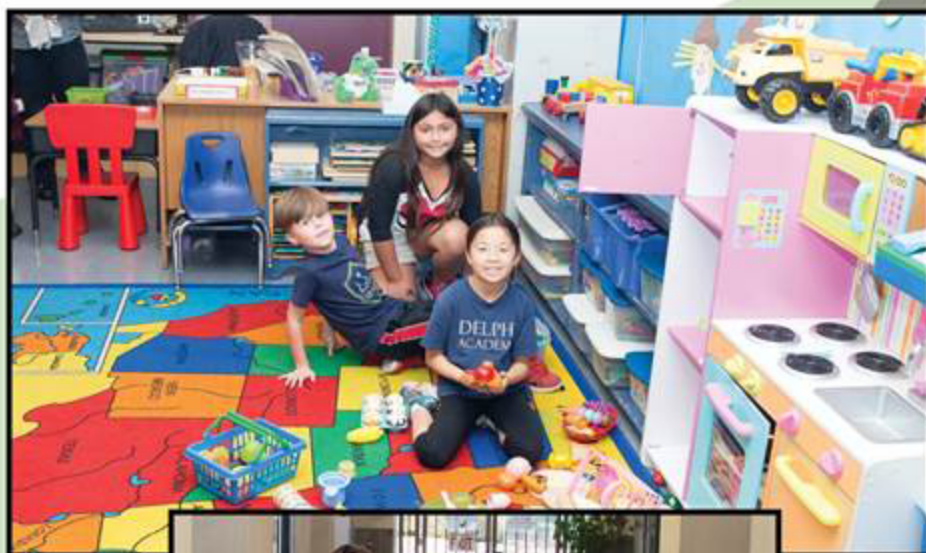
Students from Lower School through High School have many opportunities to learn a variety of skills through elective classes, seminars and extra-curricular activities. In the photos above left, Neo (top) and Elizabeth (center) show projects they made in woodshop class, and Nick (above) is learning to use the power tools in woodshop. Above right, Aden demonstrates his public speaking skills to fellow High School students. Center right, Middle School student work hard on rehearsing for the Winter Show. Lower right, proud Lower School student Hazel shows the penguin she made in art class.



STUDENTS LEARN THE BENEFITS OF HELPING OTHERS

After seeing the wonderful work being done by our Middle and High School students during the "Season of Giving", Mrs. Allison wanted to help her Form 2 students learn the value of helping others. She created a project of having her students go out for 10 minutes every day during the month of December and volunteering their help in other classrooms on campus. This helped build their confidence in themselves, and in their certainty that they are able to help others. It also helped them look outwards and focus more on what they could give others during this holiday season, rather than just thinking about themselves and what they might receive from others.

In the photos below, you will see children helping clean up toys in the Beginner 1 Class, and others helping to take out the trash. Way to go Form 2!



Our Annual Winter Bazaar

Each year, Delphi sponsors a Winter Crafts Bazaar which gives students the opportunity to learn about running their own small business. Students apply for a booth to sell their own hand-made craft items. They need to keep track of their expenses, their total sales, and calculate their profit. They calculate their booth fee at 10% of their profit and pay that to the cashier at the end of the event. This is a great learning experience and shoppers couldn't be happier with their purchases!



Announcements

FORM COMPLETIONS:

Congratulations to these students who completed their Form and were announced at the All-School Assembly earlier this month:

Beginner 1

Alexandria Wilhere

Form 1

Sami Hesse
Zach Cooper

Form 2

Keila Supplee
Jayden Blackmore

Freshman

Dylan Share

Junior

Aden Darmody

HONOR ROLL:

Form 3

Ella Eckhart
John (JT) Gates
Ava Raphael
Katie Szabo

Form 4

Grant Carl
Madison Gaines

Adam Lonstein
Phoenix Mori
Katie Reinhart
Crystal Valliere
Jake Zakay

High School

Aden Darmody
Eileen Kim
Jasmine Kim
Shanaya Seddighi

DEAN'S LIST:

Aden Darmody
Eileen Kim
Jasmine Kim
Shanaya Seddighi

A Lower School Graduate Shares His Accomplishments

"My name is Jayden Blackmore. I am eight years old. I have been a student of Delphi for three years. What I like most about Delphi is being able to spend so much time with my friends. We play sports, play on the field and

playing after school. I really like the Pee-Wee Sports. We have soccer, basketball and flag football. Mrs. Allison is our football coach. She's a good coach and she lets me play quarterback sometimes. She's the best and I am going to miss being in her class. I've learned a lot at Delphi and my favorite subject is reading. I also like writing and putting my thoughts on paper. I'm doing well in math and all subjects. Delphi is great. I am happy my parents brought me here. Thank you."

- Jayden



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