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A Message to Start the New School Year



Hello everyone,

A warm welcome to you all - whether you are "old timers" with the Delphi Program or are new to the Delphi family. What a wonderful start to the school term this has been, and I hope you have enjoyed our series of start-up events: the Parent Potluck followed by the individual Back-to-School Orientation meetings for each particular Form.

This year we are focusing on creating a more coordinated, informed, and well-aligned team, and those initial events played a big part in this. Your child will make the maximum amount of progress and gain the maximum benefit from

the Delphi Program to the degree that we are working together with understanding, creating consistency, and supporting each other's efforts.

With that said, I think the most important message I want to share as we start the new school year is this: It is our goal not only to educate your child in the academic subjects that will serve him well in life and in his higher education, it is our mission to help prepare him with the tools and ability to successfully navigate the various ins and outs of life - whether expected or unexpected, pleasant or not-so-pleasant, simple or challenging.

Knowing "about" something is far different than being able to practice or apply what one has learned, and the path of applied learning is not always smooth. I think we've all experienced how the reality of any given situation isn't always quite like it was laid out in the books. In those moments, the ability to reason with the data one has, and the ability to use judgment rather than rote adherence to a "fixed idea" will be the difference between success and failure, not to mention opening the door to a sense of pride and

satisfaction that is gained when one conquers what might have seemed to be an unmanageable obstacle.

Life is a great adventure, and we take great pleasure in helping your child realize this too, and realize that their education is part of that adventure. It's not about learning for the sake of learning. It's not even always hoping that life is a great, happy meadow with butterflies flitting gaily about and a gentle breeze at your back. It's recognizing your own part in the creation of the kind of life you wish for, and the realization that you are being well-prepared to take it on. What better gift could we all give your child, along with the tools and support that will enable him to begin his adventure for himself?

I hope you enjoy this issue of the DataLine as much as we've enjoyed putting it together. I'm looking forward to a great year working with you and your children.

Warm regards,

Karen Dale
Head of School

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FIELD TRIPS



Clockwise, from top left: Lower School visited the LA Zoo for their first field trip of the year. Here, Form 2 students took a break to strike a pose.

Top right: Middle School took a "cultural immersion" trip to experience the sights, sounds and smells of Chinatown. Afterwards, they also had a tour at the spectacular Los Angeles Central Library where they got practical experience in doing research the old fashioned way, with no electronic help.

Bottom right: Elementary School enjoyed the Los Angeles County Fair. Among their adventures that day students learned about monkeys, sea lions, and milking cows, and of course were able to taste fresh milk.

Bottom left: High School students toured the Los Angeles Central Library in Downtown LA and found out about the history of the library and it's architectural evolution. They then walked to Chinatown to enjoy authentic Chinese cuisine and culture.



Delphi Alumni Discuss College Life

College students Rebecca Benest and Emma Smith, both graduates from Delphi LA Class of 2011, came for a visit to share their experiences in college with our High School students. They also shared advice on how to prepare for college. They both made a point of how well prepared they were, from their education at Delphi, to take on academic and life challenges they had to face once their college life began.

Duck Splash!

The 2014 Duck Splash Fundraiser was by far our most successful Duck Splash to date, selling over 4,800 ducks and raising over \$15,500 which will be used for items that will expand our "Professional Development" area. This includes the fine and performing arts, industrial arts, as well as equipment and materials that will help us put on higher quality campus events (school performances, presentations, and important meetings).



Out of all the schools and groups that participated in this event, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Glendale, we won first place as the top fundraising group for the 5th year in a row! The students who won first, second, and third place in the school as "duck sellers" were: Cole Lograsso, with 486 ducks sold; Madison Gaines, with 368 ducks sold; and Trent Foley, with 246 ducks sold. Well done!

We'd like to acknowledge High School Student Government members, and especially President Aden Darmody and Vice President Julia Russo for co-chairing the leadership position for running Duck Splash this year. Working with mentors Missy Schlaich (Dean for Middle and High Schools) and Karen Dale (Head of School), the Student Government students were afforded many opportunities to gain organizational and leadership skills throughout this fundraising activity.

Pee Wee Sports

Delphi's Pee Wee Flag Football teams have done very well for their first few games of the season! They have won five out of six games - and even beat Legacy this year 48-22! All team members have tremendously increased their skills, defense in particular. They have done a very

good number of interceptions and also blocking touchdowns, sometimes within a few feet from the end zone. Offense is doing really well also, and they have really increased the number of completed passes! Well done to all members of the Pee Wee Flag Football Team!

Danish Orchestra Visits Delphi

On October 10th, we had the pleasure of hosting a 33-piece orchestra from Denmark, who performed a wonderful concert for the whole student body. This group of middle and high school students came to us from Saint Marie's School of Aalborg, Denmark, and they were referred to us by Norm Bertuch, father of Class of 2013 grad Christina; Norm's nephew is a member of the orchestra.

Delphi was one stop on their 10-day tour, performing at different venues such as Disneyland and Universal City. For our concert, they played a lively selection of contemporary, blues and jazz pieces from both Danish and American composers including Louis Armstrong and Duke Ellington. Under the expert direction of Gert Noergaard, this group displayed professional-level talent and gave Delphi students a highly entertaining and educational experience.

Announcements

DELPHI IN THE COMMUNITY:

Sunland/Tujunga Chamber of Commerce voted in a new member of their Board of Directors this week. Our very own Admissions Registrar, Virginia Lindskog, was enthusiastically welcomed to her new position after being voted in during their annual election of new members. We look forward to being of assistance to our community, and giving a unique perspective as the only educational group being represented on the Board.

FUTURE DELPHI STUDENTS:

We would like to congratulate recent new additions to three Delphi Families:

Esteban Ortiz was born on July 28th to his thrilled parents Lucia and Jorge Ortiz. Esteban's big sister, Andrea, started at Delphi in Beginner 1 and is just about to graduate into Form 2.

Nicholas Sammy Urbina was born August 30th to happy parents Cindy and Sammy Urbina. Big brother David, currently in our Preschool, is eager to introduce his brother to his fellow classmates!

Alice Rose Reuveni was born October 1st to proud parents Terra Roeschke-Reuveni and Eric Reuveni, both Delphi LA graduates. In just 2 short years, she's bound to join her brother, Preschool student Dexter, as another "Delphi 2G" member at Delphi.

PRESCHOOL GRADUATES:

There are currently 33 students in the Lower School who began their Delphi education in our Preschool. We want to congratulate the most recent Preschool graduates who are now doing great in Beginner 1:

Blade Wells - July
Chloe Chantler - September
Avery Simington - October

If you have news you would like to share in a future DataLine, please contact the Director of Promotion and Marketing at annie_gothberg@delphila.com.

FORM COMPLETIONS:

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

Beginner 1
Zoe Simington
Madden Morrill
Hazel Dale

Beginner 2
Emma Raphael
Swedha Yoggi
Rafael Mintz
Hudson Barbour
Matthew Terrenzi
Tegan Farnsworth
Hunter Keyes

Form 1
Logan Trahant

Form 2
Callahandra Edison

Form 4
Berklee Glass

Form 5
Hannah Armer
Ian Meltzer

Freshman Entry Program
Amelia Briceno
Brady Carl
Michael Simington

Haunted House!

Delphi presents "The Haunted House of Lucy Carmichael", an original haunted house production, on October 31st from 3-5:00pm in the Professional Development Building.

Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$3 each or \$5 for an unlimited entry. (Staff are free) There will also be a bake sale.

Expect to enter in groups of five. Please note: Any child under the age of nine must be accompanied by an adult and have parental consent!

DELPHI BOY SCOUTS:

Delphi Academy of Los Angeles has sponsored Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs since the opening of our school in 1984. And now, celebrating our 30th anniversary, we are proud to boast over 40 Eagle Scouts produced from our scout troop. We'd like to congratulate our two most recent Eagles, Trevor Lalison and Nick Andruscavage, pictured below.



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