



# The Journey Newsletter



## “From Good to Great in God’s Eyes” at NWHCS

### A Note From the Director, Donna Beaver

Happy New Year! This time of year always brings the challenge of beginning the new year with a fresh start. At NWHCS, we are making a commitment to move from Good to Great in God’s Eyes! In order to fulfill that dream for our school we are continuing to make improvements to our OUTSTANDING school! As many of you may have noticed we have a wonderful piece of property the church allows us to use for athletic events, but rarely do you find students playing on the field. There are a few problems with the field. I have been working diligently with

the board and the church members to approve the needed improvements so our field will be a safe place for our kids to play. Luckily, we are close to getting approval. A few months ago, we installed a partial dirt berm along the road to prevent drainage from moving onto our property. We have also had two families go above and beyond to help us begin the process of adding a security fence on the field. Once the fence is installed, we will be able to have the property graded and add necessary grass and possibly sprinklers to make the field a true athletic complex and an appropriate place for students to play. Beginning in February, we will begin a capital campaign to secure the needed funds to

make these improvements. Families will be asked to donate time, money, and material to make this happen. We need every family to join with us to make this dream become a reality. You can help by joining our fundraising committee to plan additional fundraising activities. Come work with other families on Jan. 23rd to clean up our property and donate funds earmarked for the athletic complex or security fencing. Actively help us with fundraising events like the Spring Festival, Walk-A-Thon and many others in the planning stages. I know you will want to be a part of what God is doing at our school. We are moving from Good to GREAT!

### From the Nurse’s Office:

I pray that you enjoyed your break and treasured having your children home from school over the Christmas Break! As you may have heard, we have had a few “winter maladies” make their way through NWHCS. I’m sure that you and your family want to begin the New Year without any uninvited guests (such as colds, coughs, or the dreaded flu!). While growing up, Mom might have taught you to stay healthy by instructing you to eat your supper, go to bed early, and get some fresh air. Her advice is as

true today as it was then!

\* Many illnesses can be staved off or cut short by....enough sleep! Making sure you and your children receive adequate rest helps to boost immune system functions. A stronger immune system means that we are much less likely to become ill or to stay ill.

\* Many illnesses can be staved off or cut short by....good nutrition! God created our bodies to be fed; much like petrol in an automobile. Without our daily requirements of fruits and vegetables (which really does not include French fries!), we may begin to feel sluggish and worn

out.

\* Many illness can be staved off or cut short by...good exercise! The more we move, the stronger we are and the better we feel! So get on outside with your kids for a winter game of football, Frisbee, or a nice family walk.

Here at NWHCS, we’re praying that you and your family have a very happy and very healthy New Year!

Kimberly Whiteley, LVN

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#### 2009-2010 School Verse:

##### Philippians 4:8

“Finally brothers,  
Whatever is true,  
Whatever is noble,  
Whatever is right,  
Whatever is pure,  
Whatever is lovely,  
Whatever is admirable,  
If anything is excellent or praiseworthy,  
Think about such things.”

## ACSI Upcoming Events

## Library News

**Spelling Bee** – 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grades, Friday, January 29, 2010 @ First Baptist Academy, Universal City

Event coordinators – Mrs. Niles, Mrs. Sanford, and Mrs. Priest

**Math Olympics** – 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades Friday, February 19, 2010 @ Northwest Hills Christian School

Event coordinators – Mr. Wilk and Mr. Huestis

**Music Festival** – All – Saturday, March 6, 2010 @ S.A. Christian High School

Event coordinators – Mr. Brown

**Speech Meet** – 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades, Saturday, March 27, 2010 @ Trinity Christian Academy

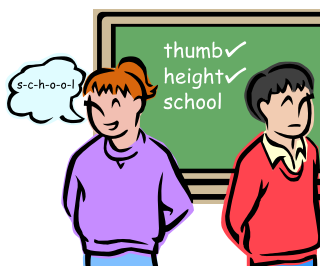
Event coordinators – Mr. Faur, Ms. Brown and Mrs. Manganag

**Science Fair** – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades, Saturday, April 10, 2009 @ Castle Hills 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist

Event coordinators – Mr. Wilk

**Art Festival** – K – 8<sup>th</sup> grades Friday, April 23, 2010 @ S.A. Christian Elementary School.

Event coordinators – Mrs. A. Rodriguez and Ms. Thomas



We are having a wonderful turn-out with our Super Reader program from Pizza Hut. Thank you, children, and thank you, parents, for your assistance in encouraging your child to read. And as always, thank you, teachers for motivating the students to turn in their reading logs.

A big thank you for all the parents that have volunteered at the library!! Please call and let us know when you will be available for the coming year.

The Book Fair is just around the corner. Can you believe it!! It will be held February 22 through February 26. If you are able to volunteer for the Fair, please call the school and let us know. We appreciate all the help and we thank you for your participation. Thank you so much.

### Fund Raising Committee

### Spurs: Tim Duncan Award

### Faith Edwards Wins!

An important part of all schools is fundraising! We will be considering a variety of ways to raise funds for the spring and next year. **The fundraising committee will meet on January 19th at 9:00 AM.** We will discuss continued ways to raise money for NWHCS. Be prepared to bring your ideas!



Congratulations to Carson Besse, Abby Stegemann, Emily Blythe, Gabriella Collins and Matthew Meadows for winning the Tim Duncan Character Award! Each student was nominated by their teacher because they demonstrated exemplary character traits at school including integrity, respect, dependability, fairness, caring and civic responsibility. The students won a certificate, t-shirt and 2 tickets to a Spurs home game!

Our very own, Faith Edwards, a third grader, won several honors for Barrel Racing. Faith, along with her horse Brownie, won seven buckles. She also won two saddles with the BBRA (Bluebonnet Barrel Racing Association). She won one saddle in the Pee Wee class, which is 8 years and under and the other was won in the 3rd division of the Youth class, which is 18 and under. There were about 40-50 children in the Youth class and about 10-15 in the Pee Wee class. We are so proud of her! She has a new, bigger horse to move up to for next year's racing season! Congratulations, Faith!

### Schedule for Jan. and Feb Chapel

### Monday Chapel

Students meet every Thursday for Chapel. Pre-K through 3rd grade meet at 8:45 am. 4th grade through 8th grade meet at 10:00 am. Parents are welcome to attend.

The following schedule indicates who will be leading Chapel:

January 7: Pastor Glenn Thigpen

January 14 : Mrs. Todd/Mr. Faur

January 21: Mrs. Manganag/Mr.Faur

Januray 25: (Monday Chapel!) Jon Sheptock Special Guest

February 11: Mrs. Todd/Mrs. Priest

February 18: Mrs. Gulick/Mr. Wilk

February 25: Mrs. Krugman/Mrs. Thigpen

Join us for an Chapel service on **Monday, January 25th at 8:45 am for Pre-K through 3rd grade and 10:00 am for 4th-8th grade!** Special Guest Jon Sheptock will be at Northwest Hills Christian School. Jon Sheptock is an amazing singer and speaker who has graciously agreed to sing and speak to our students for Chapel. Jon was born with no arms and he has an amazing testimony. Jon will also be speaking at NWHBC on Sunday, January 24th.

# Northwest Hills Baptist Church

## **Worship and Weekly Activities:**

### **Sundays:**

9:45am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

4:00pm iMPACT (6th-12th grade), RA's, GA's, Mission Friends (3yrs-5th grade)

5:00pm Choirs (3yrs-12th grade)

6:00pm Worship Service

**Wednesday:** 5:45pm Meal: \$2 Kids 12 & under/\$3 Adults

6:30pm Prayer Meeting

6:33pm Youth Group (6th-12th grade), Getting to Know God (1st-5th grade), Bible Explorers (3yrs-K)

### **Thursday:**

10:00am 1st and 3rd Thursday every month - Bible Study with Jeannette Lang in the Church Fellowship Hall. (No class on Feb. 4th, ends May 20th) Everyone is welcome! No Childcare available.

## **Special Events:**

### **January**

#### **Jon Sheptock in Concert:**

Sunday, January 24th: Jon Sheptock will be live in concert at 6:00pm.

Monday, January 25th: Jon Sheptock will be in concert at a special assembly for NWHCS kids at 9:00am.

#### **Baby Dedication:**

Sunday, Jan. 31st: Northwest Hills Baptist Church will have a Baby Dedication ceremony as part of our Sunday morning Worship Service. If you have a child 3 years old or younger you would like to be dedicated to the Lord, we invite you to participate with us on that day.

Baby Dedication Class is Wednesday, January 27th at 5:45pm. Baby Dedication is Sunday, January 31st at 11:00am.

This is a special time for families, and an opportunity for you as a parent to publicly commit yourself to raising your child in the "admonition of the Lord."

Those wanting to participate need to contact the church office at 522-1000. Deadline to sign up is Friday, January 15th.

### **February**

#### **Youth Winter Retreat**

Friday-Saturday, February 26-28: Youth Winter Retreat is for students 6th - 8th grade. Early Bird Registration Cost is \$75. A \$25 deposit is due by January 10th. Regular Registration Cost is \$85. A \$50 deposit is due by January 21st. See Tim Pope or Youth bulletin board (outside of the Chapel) for a brochure. The Retreat will be at NWHBC.

See [www.nwhbc.org](http://www.nwhbc.org) for more information and calendar events for Northwest Hills Baptist Church.

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## Mission Statement of Northwest Hills Baptist Church and Christian School

Northwest Hills Baptist Church is a community of baptized believers organized to advance the cause of Christ. We seek to accomplish this through regular worship services, the proclamation of the Gospel, personal evangelism, outreach ministries (support groups, etc.), missionary endeavors, pastoral care and Christian education offered both through church classes and through a weekday school. We believe that the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ gives us the pattern for ministry--namely, caring, sacrificial service to others.

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22.6

## “From Good to Great in God’s Eyes”

### Cafeteria News

Parents are invited to join their students for lunch any day of the week on the picnic tables in front of the school. Parents are asked to sign students out during lunch and sign them back in when they return.



### Box Tops For Education



The top four classes with the most Box Tops thru the week of December 14th are:

Mrs. Gulick's 2nd grade class	1215
Mr. Wilk's 8th grade class	973
Mrs. Perez's 6th grade class	892
Mrs. Sanford's 2nd grade class	776

The school earns \$ .10 a box top. We have already earned over \$ 1000.00 for our school!

### Father/Student Workday

January 23rd at 9:00 AM -12:00 PM: Father/Student School Workday. Families are encouraged to come and help work on our field and playground on Saturday, January 23rd. We will provide snacks and lunch for all those willing to help with our school property. Show school pride and join NWHCS Families and Friends!!!!



### IN CASE OF SEVERE WEATHER

Northwest Hills Christian School will follow NISD closure procedures. For updates on possible closure of school, please watch the local news, visit the Northwest Hills Christian School website at [www.nwhcs.org](http://www.nwhcs.org) or call the school at (210) 522-1102 and there will be a recording on the answering machine. The bus may be delayed in the morning due to



### Reminder:

Scholastic Book Fair  
 February 22-26

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Monday, January 18th, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.





