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#### **Upcoming Events**

Back to the Classics: Safeguarding the Use of Technology

We are excited to continue our Back to the Classics series on Thursday, Feb. 29, which will focus on safeguarding the use of technology at home, as well as how PCS works to give our students a muchneeded respite from phones and screens while on campus. We look forward to welcoming SC state Rep. Brandon Guffey, who will share his family's personal story about the dangers of modern-day technology. We are also pleased to announce that Keith Lugthart, PCS parent and technical management consultant, will provide practical recommendations for safeguarding your family's home internet and technology access. Strong parental discretion is advised; this event is intended for parents only.



### From the Desk of Dr. Davis

As the new year begins, I can't help but reflect on all the blessings God has bestowed upon PCS. Several years ago, we shared our dream of offering a beautiful classical education to children with learning and development needs. At our Christmas program this year, we were joined by our Simply Providence students who are making that dream a reality. What an amazing answer to prayer!

Another answer to prayer is how the Lord is leading us to take the next steps toward establishing a permanent campus. It is an exciting time to be at PCS as we venture



Adeste Fideles 2023

out in faith! We are trusting Him to provide all the resources we need to move forward, and we would be so grateful for your prayers and support in this endeavor. Thank you, and God bless you and your families in the New Year!

## Winning Season for Paladin Basketball Teams

The Paladin basketball teams have had a great start since the beginning of their season in October.

Currently, the four PCS teams have an impressive winning streak.

The high school boys' team, coached by PCS dads, Ray Martin and Brian Lahr, has the highest record so far, of 9-3. These boys work



Basketball game against Walnut Grove

hard and are reaping the rewards of their dedication. Several of our boys have even been scouted by college recruiters. The middle school girls' team is also working hard. PCS moms Julia Brink and Joanna Britz are leading them well, and they currently have a 4-1 record.

While the Paladins were off for Christmas break, their season will resume on Jan. 8 with home games against WCCS. Come support our Paladins as they finish the season!



High School Scripture recitation during Adeste Fideles

#### **Adeste Fideles**

The annual PCS Christmas Program, Adeste Fideles, took place on Thursday, Dec. 14.

Our entire student body, along with faculty and staff, gathered together with family and friends to usher in the season of Advent through Scripture reading and song.

This year, we welcomed our new Simply Providence students.
What a blessing it

has been to see the Lord provide so faithfully for our school.



Dr. Davis announcing campus update

Because the Lord

has blessed us abundantly, we were also able to announce that our board has moved forward with negotiating the purchase of land for a permanent PCS campus! While there is still much more to do with finalizing the land purchase, we are excited to establish our own campus.

We covet your prayers, as we firmly believe in its power, but if you feel led, will you prayerfully consider a special tax-deductible gift so that we can take this next step for our school? If you want to give to our campus fund, you can scan the QR code above or visit our website. We are thrilled to move forward with this and would love to partner with you as we seek to further the Kingdom.

## Sixth Graders Prepare for 70 Stanza Memorization of "Horatius at the Bridge"

Each year, the sixth-grade class faces the daunting task of memorizing "Horatius at the Bridge", a 70-stanza poem about a heroic man, Horatius Cocles, who defended the city of Rome from invasion by the Etruscans.

This poem, penned by Thomas Babington Macaulay in 1842, is a classic ballad that recounts the famous battle between the Roman and Etruscan armies.

On Friday, Dec. 8, the sixth-grade class, having memorized 24 stanzas of this poem, recited it for parents.

The 24-stanza recitation took almost eight minutes complete. It is а requirement for all sixth graders memorize 24 stanzas of the poem. However, it is optional for them to memorize the entire 70 stanzas.

Once they finished their recitation, sixth-



Sixth grade reciting 24 stanzas of "Horatius at the Bridge"

grade teacher, lane Knecht, stood up and asked students to raise their hands if thev planned to put themselves to the test bν memorizing entirety of the poem. More than half of these students raised their hands!

Once completed, this 70-stanza poem will take over 20 minutes to recite from start to finish. It is no easy feat, but our sixth graders are up for the challenge.

As always, we are grateful to our students for the commitment they have to our school and to academic excellence.