

Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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The Most Excellent Way

It was a great thrill to have Boxley Boggs on campus this



week. A group of missionaries met in Mr. Boggs's office in 1974 and dreamed up plans for QCS. They met, prayed, planned, and watched a tiny school start with 33 students. Mr. Boggs then went on to serve as a school board member for 13 years. He spoke in Secondary School Chapel, giving a history of QCS, and he spoke about the positive impact QCS has had on his five boys, and the positive impact QCS has on the Christian community of Port-au-Prince. Like many other alumni, they credit QCS with giving them an excellent education and a firm spiritual foundation.

It was a thrill to receive commendation from a founder. He encouraged us to hang on to the rich heritage that has been passed down. He was pleased with the physical improvements -- the basketball court, the soccer field, the computer lab, but he was more concerned with the one important question: have we maintained our commitment to equipping students with the necessary academic and spiritual training that prepares students to impact their world for the glory of God.

And I was glad that I could honestly, emphatically, say YES!

Dear QCS Parents,

You are invited to attend the annual Quisqueya Christian School 'State of the School' meeting Thursday, January 22nd at 4:15 pm.

At this meeting, you will have the opportunity to meet board members, hear an update from the Director, and listen as we present how we have strived to meet the goals established last year. You will hear an update on the financial position of the school and plans for tuition changes. We will be sharing the priorities and goals we have established for the rest of the school year and beyond. There will be a question and answer period as well.

It is important that we, as a community, be involved in Quisqueya Christian School and an easy way to stay informed and invested is to attend this meeting.



Please join us as we share our hearts for the school and thank the Lord for His blessings.

In Christ,

Timothy W. Banks
QCS Board Chairman

Introducing . . .

Coby de Blaeij.

I was born and raised on a small farm in a small town in a small country, the Netherlands. After High School I went to nursing school and got a degree in nursing.



I married my husband in our early twenties. He studied tropical agriculture, so I knew that someday we would move to a tropical country. We moved to Haiti in 1982, with our first two children. Little did I know then that we would still be here 26 years later. Haiti is and has been home for us and our children.

Our oldest 4 attended Quisqueya Christian School and graduated from here. Ardjan our youngest son is a senior this year and will be graduating next year May. Little did I realize also that raising a family in another country than our home country could mean for us to have our children move away to different countries also. We have five children in five different countries: Kuwait, United States, Canada, South Africa and Haiti. God has blessed us too with five adorable grand children.

It has been a great privilege for me to be able to stay at home during the developmental years of our children. When Ardjan, our youngest son started second grade I was asked to assist the teacher in first grade, which I did and enjoyed. The very next year I was asked to teach Pre-Kindergarten, which I am now doing for my tenth year. Having raised 5 children and having a love for small children has prepared me for this task.

With Ardjan graduating, I do not know what the future will hold for me, but I am trusting God for his leading and guiding me.

Welcome aboard to Miss Miriam Powdrill who has joined the staff this semester to teach MS/HS girls PE, ES art and various ES library classes. We are glad that you are here.

School Calendar

- Friday, Jan 16th - Marine Biology field trip
- Thursday, Jan 22nd - Annual Parent Meeting
- in the chapel from 4 – 5 P.M.
- Friday, Jan 23 – 25 - Jr. and Sr Sequin Trip
- Friday, Jan 30th - bake sale by freshman class
- February 23 – 27 - Spring Break – Carnival Break
- Saturday, Feb 7th - National Workers' Day
- Friday, Feb 13th - another bake sale
- Jr and Sr High Valentine's Day Dinner

Lovers of the English Language Might Enjoy This

There is a two-letter word that perhaps has more meanings than any other two-letter word, and that is 'UP.'

It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we awaken in the morning, why do we wake UP ? At a meeting, why does a topic come UP ? Why do we speak UP and why are the officers UP for election and why is it UP to the secretary to write UP a report?

We call UP our friends. And we use it to brighten UP a room, polish UP the silver; we warm UP the leftovers and clean UP the kitchen. We lock UP the house and some guys fix UP the old car. At other times the little word has real special meaning. People stir UP trouble, line UP for tickets, work UP an appetite, and think UP excuses. To be dressed is one thing, but to be dressed UP is special.

And this UP is confusing: A drain must be opened UP because it is stopped UP. We open UP a store in the morning but we close it UP at night.

We seem to be pretty mixed UP about UP! To be knowledgeable about the proper uses of UP, look the word UP in the dictionary. In a desk-sized dictionary, it takes UP almost 1/4th of the page and can add UP to about thirty definitions. If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used. It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more. When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP . When the sun comes out we say it is clearing UP. When it rains, it wets the earth and often messes things UP. When it doesn't rain for awhile, things dry UP.

One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP, for now my time is UP, so . . . it is time to shut UP!