

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

WEEK TWO - MARCH 30-APRIL 5, 2020



From the Principal

I woke up early this morning to hear the birds start singing and watch daylight break through the darkness of night and I was very encouraged to think about how the darkness of COVID-19 will soon be broken and the sun will shine in our lives again. Like some of you right now, I feel weak and vulnerable because I don't know what tomorrow brings. It is the human side of me coming through, but I know that no matter my circumstances God is with me and gives me the power to overcome weakness in my life. I want to share the following passage with you as you consider your own weakness and how God can overcome anything in your life if you let him in. 2 Cor. 12:9-10 says “And He has said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness”
...Therefore I am well content with

weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong.” May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be yours today and everyday, be well and be healthy!
Principal Guenin



**God is
So Good . . .**



Sorry we can't celebrate with you!

Correction !!

I printed last week that Mar. 16 was Jeremy Garland's birthday. I'm sorry Jacob! It was Jacob's birthday, not his older brother Jeremy!

This Week

Mar. 30	Mrs. Worth
Apr. 4	Mrs. Guenin
Apr. 12	Andrew McCants & Josie Mobley



From Emma Boughman -

The Sabbath that we were in Africa was a fun one. All of the church members loved to sing, and they were all very welcoming and friendly to us. After the church service, adults and children were outside of the church waiting to talk to us. All of my friends seemed to instantly connect with people, especially the kids. Some students were holding kids, while others were taking pictures with them and their families. But I felt like no one wanted to talk to me, or become my friend, and I didn't want to force a friendship onto anyone. As I was walking around though, a little girl came up to me, and held her hand up in the fist, with her thumb sticking out. I thought that she was trying to do some native handshake with me, that I clearly didn't know, but I tried

to please her anyways. I tried several different things with my hands, but she didn't seem satisfied. Finally, she stepped back, and showed me what she wanted. She held one hand up, in the shape of half a heart. She then brought her other hand up, and completed the heart. I laughed to myself, realizing how dumb I had been. I got to talking with her, and she was really sweet. I was so busy trying to figure out what I could do with these kids, when they just wanted to connect with me, but weren't sure how. But this girl found me, instead of me finding her. It made me realize a little bit, that even though I want to do things for myself, God wants to do everything.



As this virus gets worse and worse every day, our prayer today is for those working in the medical field, giving tirelessly to keep everyone safe.

If you would like your school family to pray for you, your friends, or family members – for any reason – sickness, loss of a job, depression, anxiety, etc. Please email me your requests! We want to pray for you!

PERSON OF PRAYER

Mon	Mar. 30	Caleb Miller
Tue	Mar. 31	Adam Boyd
Wed	Apr. 1	Michael Garland
Thurs	Apr. 2	Brooke Lynn Bridges
Fri	Apr. 3	Lucy Hall
Mon	Apr. 6	John Knowles

My Favorite MPA Cafeteria Meal

I Miss So Much & Wish I Could Have at Home!

My favorite café meal is chicken pot pie, and I miss it a lot!

Emma Boughman

I'm missing the smothered burritos from the café.

Lia Ashlock

The cafe meal I miss the most is Indian Stew.

Katherine Ashlock

It's not too late to send in something for the next issue!



Hey guys I know that this new transition is hard on all of us. But I hope that all of you continue to reach out to your MPA family. And for all the seniors, these past four years have been wonderful. I have enjoyed getting to know everyone of you. Remember to get outside and don't just sit around; get in a routine. Ethan



From Mrs. Bellchambers -

During spring break, Mr. B and I had the opportunity to go to Myrtle Beach with our children and our sweet baby! We spent 4 great days in a beautiful condo right on the beach. In order to avoid the restaurants we brought our own food, and hunkered down together as a family. The beach was lovely, even though it was chilly, but that was nice in a way because there was hardly anyone on it! We hope you all are having a wonderful time with your families during this hunker-down time. We wish we could still be with ours! Blessings on you all! We miss you!



From Lia Ashlock -

Our plans to get together with family over spring break had to get cancelled, so this weekend we had a Zoom call with our grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. We sang some songs together and enjoyed talking. It was really nice to see them.

From Sara Cain-

A group of MPA Kids have started a little bible study on Saturday mornings at 11 to have a church service together and stay connected. If any MPA students would like to join in, please email Sara for more information at sara.cain@pisgah.us.



WHEN NOT IN CLASSES, JOSH BEDWELL HAS BEEN VERY BUSY AT HOME! HE HELPED PLANT A FLOWER BED

AND FORGED SOME REALLY COOL THINGS FOR HIMSELF! WAY TO GO JOSH!



PRAYSE

I HAVE A PRAISE THAT I AM FINALLY ABLE TO SEE MY MOM. BECAUSE I WENT OUT OF THE COUNTRY, I HAD TO BE ON A QUARANTINE AWAY FROM HER AND MY BROTHER FOR A WHILE, BECAUSE OF HER WORK SITUATION.
EMMA BOUGHMAN



Brain Teasers, Riddles & Puzzles

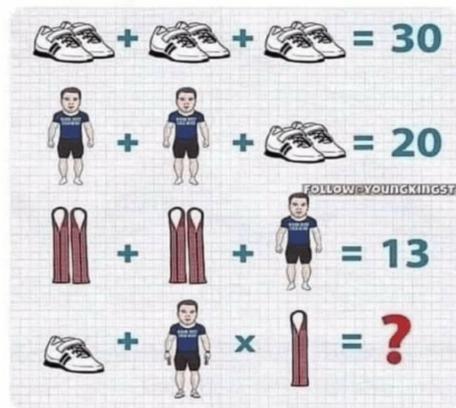
Answers to last week's brain teasers:

What one four-letter word can be placed in the blanks below to make three different words? Forebear, Forensic, and Foreclose.

What is the beginning of eternity, the end of time, and space; The beginning of every end, and the end of every race? The letter "E"

From Ms. Tammy Vaughan!

You may have seen this of Facebook, but did you get it right? Doubtful! It's not what you would think . . .



Answer next week! (Email if you can't stand to wait)

Ms. Tammy is going to submit things each week for this section! Be sure to play along!!



What a few MPA Students Think About Distance Learning:

I'm feeling pretty mediocre about the online classes, and I feel it's a little harder.

Lia Ashlock

Distance learning has been better than I expected. It's fun to be able to see all my classmates!
Katherine Ashlock

A quote from Dr. Seuss:

"You can get help from teachers, but you are going to have to learn a lot by yourself, sitting alone in a room."

The irony of this statement is not lost given our current circumstances. Remember your teachers want to help!
Mrs. Bedwell

Corny

jokes



Q: Why were they called the Dark Ages?

A: Because there were lots of knights.

Lia Ashlock

The rotation of earth really makes my day.

Mr. Worth

If a child doesn't want to take a nap, does that mean that he (or she) is resisting "arrest"?

Caleb Miller

A BIG thank you to all that contributed! Keep it coming! Remember: Think "physical distancing" rather than "social distancing". Especially for the introverts - don't stop communicating! All of us need to stay connected as it's better for our well-being.



Encouragement for YOUR life!

Check out this fantastic video series we will be offering over 10 weeks! Click on the link below:

Season 1, Episode 1 – Judgement
<https://youtu.be/uQza46wEjP4>