



AMOR ET CONSCIA VIRTUS

HAP NEWSLETTER



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LOVE AND A CONSCIOUS VALOR

Time to Reflect

Looking Back

As the 2016 Higher Achievement Program comes to a close, we look back on the students' hard work in the classroom and on the field. Over the past month, they have grown by reaching for their academic and athletic goals. They have formed strong friendships with their peers and have found role models in the program's teachers and teaching assistants. As these young men step through the doors of Fordham Prep and towards the eighth grade, we celebrate their past achievements and those yet to come.

The students have taken part in a variety of special events in addition to the usual sports schedule.

These included:

- Track and Field Day
- Studio Art
- Rugby Clinic
- Italian and Spanish Courses
- Baseball Clinic
- Computer Graphics
- Introduction to Classics
- Basketball Clinic
- Cooking Workshop
- Science Lectures and Experiments
- Theater Program
- Music Presentation
- Service Project



Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam



For the Greater Glory of God

Academics

Poems and Crests

Students in Mrs. Simeone and Mrs. Di Vita's Reading classes worked on writing Dr. Seuss-themed poems after reading and discussing *The Lorax*. Their poems had to rhyme and feature made-up words to recreate Dr. Seuss's writing style. On the right are two poems written by Ronan Lehane of the Cardinals and Gabriel Alexander of the Crusaders.

After reading Edgar Allan Poe's short story, "The Cask of Amontillado," students of the same classes were given a template and asked to create a coat of arms to represent themselves and/or their family. They had to include symbols, colors, and a motto.

The Game of You

Ms. Martino's Reading classes engaged in a game of life. The project invited creative thinking about one's personal life and a showcase of the individual. Students created playing fields that mimic the game *Life*, but reflect their own lives. After scouring their homes for old pictures, reflecting on past decisions, and lots of cutting and pasting, the students presented their "game" in front of their class. The activity received a great deal of positive feedback from both students and teachers, and we hope to see its return to HAP.

HAP is a very fluppy fun place

Everybody hops from class to class with grace

The teachers are interesting, the sports are fun

You will be sad when HAP is done

Ronan Lehane
(Cardinals)

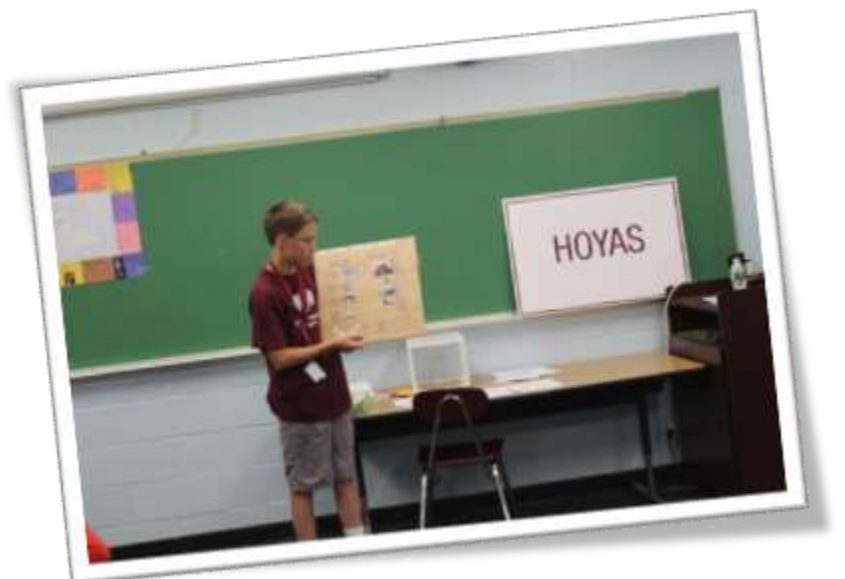
If you want to have a mongulous time,

Then get out of your house and on the line,

To the amazing, zazing, magical HAP.

Where you can have fun in just a zap

Gabriel Alexander
(Crusaders)



Athletics



Track and Field Day

Records were kept throughout the day, and the top ten students in each event received awards. The names of the champions in each event are printed below.

CHAMPIONS:	
Javelin Throw (600g)-	Joe Liberatore- 70.4 ft
Shotput (8lbs)-	Nathanial Hernandez- 25.6 ft
Hurdles (4)-	Dominic Morton- 9.15 / Amon-Ra Watkins 9.15
55 m –	Emmanuel Balthazar- 7.55
400m-	Daniel Medina- 68.55



Baseball Clinic

Fordham Prep baseball coaches Mr. Calamari, Mr. McLaughlin, and Mr. Buccieri held a baseball clinic for interested students. Over several days, the players honed their fielding and batting skills on Coffey Field. Throughout, they received constructive criticism from coaches and members of the Fordham Prep baseball team during exercises like fly-ball drills and batting practices.



Rugby Clinic

This year, we proudly welcomed back the HAP Rugby Clinic, taught by Fordham Prep Freshman Rugby coach Elias Gelpi. The students quickly picked up the basic skills of this new sport, and concluded their afternoons with non-contact scrimmages. The coaches stressed safety and proper technique throughout the program.



THIS YEAR'S HIGHEST SCORING TEAMS:	
EAGLES:	21 wins/ 2 loses/ 0 ties
RANGERS:	17 wins/ 5 loses/ 1 tie
HAWKS :	16 wins/ 6 loses/ 2 ties

Special Events

Classics Lecture

Fordham Prep Latin teacher Mr. C. Lauber gave a brief lecture on classical languages and culture. Study of the classics is still a major facet of a complete Jesuit education, and all Fordham Prep students must take at least one year of Latin or Greek. Mr. Lauber and the students enjoyed an overview of Greek mythology.



Music Presentation

One of the last special events at HAP was a visit from DJ Robert Moschetta. The students gathered in the Leonard Theatre to hear not only about the fundamentals of being a DJ, but also about the history of 20th century pop music. As an experienced MC, Mr. Moschetta was able to bring even the program's more reserved students out of their seats and onto the stage in a series of dance competitions and other activities.



Service Project

The idea of service was introduced with our commitment to adopt an organization that we can support so that group can continue their good work. The organizations that we have chose were Blythedale and Montefiore Children's Hospital. As two of only 19 pediatric specialty hospitals in the United States, Blythedale and Montefiore have the combined staff, expertise and resources to provide exceptional comprehensive care for medically complex children and support for their families. With an average stay of 50 days, the children in these hospitals are shown the utmost care and attention during their stay. As we did last year, we held our own Operation Fun-pack. Our hope this year is to provide each patient with a backpack filled with games, art supplies, and toys to ease their stay at Blythedale and Montefiore. We hope that these fun-packs bring a smile to the children's face as much as our boys will enjoy preparing them.

Studio Art

Students who signed up for the Art Workshop with Mrs. Calamari and Mrs. Ritch finished their projects this week using several different mediums such as watercolors and markers.



HAP Graduation

On July 28th, we gathered to recognize all of our students' accomplishments and the 40th anniversary of HAP at Fordham Prep with a Mass celebrated by Fordham Prep President, Fr. Christopher Devron SJ, in the Fordham University Church, followed by a formal graduation ceremony in the Prep's Leonard Theatre. Students were given awards for exceptional academic and athletic achievements.



OPEN TO GROWTH

INTELLECTUALLY ACCOMPLISHED

RELIGIOUS

LOVING

COMMITTED TO DOING JUSTICE

*STRIVING FOR WELLNESS OF
MIND AND BODY*



Extracurricular Activities



Mr. Vince Buccieri '89
Baseball Clinic
Fordham Prep Coach



Mrs. Roxanne Calvello
Science



Mr. Jeffery
Butkowski '99
Computer Graphics
Workshop
Fordham Prep Faculty



Mr. Pierre Chavez
Track and Field Day
Fordham Prep Faculty and
Coach



Mr. Eugene
Calamari '82
Baseball Clinic
Fordham Prep Faculty and
Coach



Mrs. Teresa Di Vita-
Geremia
Spanish
Fordham Prep Faculty



Mrs. Helen Calamari
Studio Art



Mr. Elias Gelpi '12
Rugby Clinic
Fordham Prep Coach



Mr. John Haag '84
Science Lecture
Fordham Prep Faculty



Mrs. Christina Porco
Art Workshop
Fordham Prep Staff



Mr. Christopher
Lauber '79
Latin and Greek
Classics Lecture
Fordham Prep Faculty



Mrs. Jacqueline Ritch
Studio Art



Mr. Robert
Moschetta '90
Music Presentation
Former Fordham Prep
Faculty



Mr. Richard Romani
Cooking Workshop
Cater to You Food Service



Mr. Thomas
O'Sullivan '98
Theater Workshop
Fordham Prep Faculty



Mrs. Patricia Simeone
Italian
Fordham Prep Faculty

The Teams

Jesuit education is based on a tradition of academic rigor and spirituality. The Higher Achievement Program, being part of this Jesuit tradition, recognizes this through the naming of the HAP Teams after the mascots of different Jesuit colleges and universities. Below are the names and statistics about each college or university.



College of the Holy Cross
Crusaders
Worcester, MA
Founded 1843
2,912 Students



Georgetown University
Hoyas
Washington, DC
Founded 1789
7,636 Students



Creighton University
Blue Jays
Omaha, NE
Founded 1878
4,076 Students



Gonzaga University
Bulldogs
Spokane, WA
Founded 1887
4,896 Students



Fordham University
Rams
Bronx, NY
Founded 1841
8,345 Students



John Carroll University
Wolves
University Heights, OH
Founded 1886
3,052 Students



Loyola University
Chicago
Ramblers
Chicago, IL
Founded 1870
10,018 Students



Rockhurst University
Hawks
Kansas City, MO
Founded 1910
2,241 Students



Loyola University
Maryland
Greyhounds
Baltimore, MD
Founded 1852
4,004 Students



Santa Clara University
Broncos
Santa Clara, CA
Founded 1851
5,435 Students



Loyola Marymount
University
Lions
Los Angeles, CA
Founded 1911
6,205 Students



University of Detroit Mercy
Titans
Detroit, MI
Founded 1877
2,883 Students



Marquette University
Eagles
Milwaukee, WI
Founded 1881
8,365 Students



Wheeling Jesuit University
Cardinals
Wheeling, WV
Founded 1954
1,180 Students



Regis University
Rangers
Denver, CO
Founded 1877
5,172 Students



Xavier University
Musketeers
Cincinnati, OH
Founded 1831
4,652 Students

*Statistics by US News and World Reports

HAP Administration



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HAP Office Manager

Mrs. Maureen Martinez
Guidance & Counseling



Ms. Ayanna Meade, LPN
HAP Nurse

Mr. Elias Gelpi '12
HAP Media Specialist

Special Thanks



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President

Dr. Joseph Petriello '98
Principal

Mr. Dennis Ahern '63
Assistant Principal for Professional
Development and Supervision



Mr. Christopher Lauber '79
Director of Publications

Cater To You Food Service

**Mr. Jim Pollard
and the Fordham Prep
Physical Plant Staff**



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