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LIVING

Peace Prayer

Peace is like gossamer – vulnerable, yet indestructible: tear it, and it will be rewoven.

Peace does not despair.

Begin to weave a web of peace:

Start in the centre and make peace with Yourself and your God.

Take the thread outwards and build peace within your family, your community and in the circle of those you find it hard to like.

Then stretch your concern into all the world.

Weave a web of peace and do not despair.

Love is the warp in the fabric of life: truth is the weft:

care and integrity together

– vulnerable, but ultimately indestructible.

Together, they spell Peace.

(Kate Compston)

Biblical Peace

As we continue journeying through the season of Advent, we focus this week on Peace. Have a look at this [video](#) about the rich and deep biblical idea of shalom.

LEARNING

Slow-Working Students

This [article](#) has a wide variety of strategies for students (K-12) who take a long time to complete their work. The last paragraph has this important reminder: “I think it’s important to be sure you are strategizing *with* the student, not for him.”

PCCE Podcast Conversations*

We will be hosting a conversation through [Zoom](#) next Tuesday **December 15 @ 3:45 pm**) to discuss Digital Education’s podcast episode “[Why Schools Flourish: Conversation with Lynn Swanner.](#)” Lynn Swanner is the Chief Strategy and

Innovation Officer at the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), where she leads initiatives to address compelling questions and challenges facing Christian education. In this episode she summarizes some potentially “paradigm shifting” research around what enables school’s to flourish and what affects faith formation. Also, what enabled schools to succeed when Covid hit last spring? Listen to the podcast this week and come join our conversation next Tuesday!

*We have intentionally moved away from calling this a “Podcast Club” because each connection time will be focused on unique podcast episodes and will not require past participation to join in the current conversation (as opposed to a standard “Book Club”). If a topic interests you or if you just want to connect, come join us!

Tracking our “Slack”ing

In the last few weeks, we have added three different resources to the #phys-ed channel: Socially-distanced activities for PE classes, parkour ideas for schools and a short article from Athletes in Action that highlights the balance between compassion and competition in sports. If you’re a PE teacher, go check those out!

LEADING

Convention 2021

As you work on your 2021-22 calendar, note that the PCCE Teachers’ Convention will be held on October 21-22, 2021. Whether it will be in-person or virtual is still to be determined.

Rod Wilson Video

The new [video](#) continues Rod’s reflections on anxiety with the title of “Stewarding Our Anxiety Well.” Again, this video would be a great one to watch with your entire staff as we are all living in times of heightened anxiety and Rod provides some solid content and insightful reflection questions.

PCCE Podcast Conversations

School leaders are always invited to our Zoom “Podcast Conversations” and we wanted to ensure that you knew next week’s podcast focus is especially relevant to school leaders. Lynn Swanner presents intriguing research findings that may shift the conversation in our schools about what is important for faith formation in Christian education. Spoiler alert: it’s far more than devotion time. You can get more information in the “Learning” section above.



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 15	Podcast Conversation
February 2	TfT 101
February 11-12	CSI Bible Symposium
February 19	Christian Deeper Learning Gathering
March 2	TfT 101



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