

GATOR HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2009 - 2010

PEANUT BUTTER JELLY TIME, PEANUT BUTTER JELLY TIME!! Our students Kindergarten through 8th grade committed to making 70 sandwiches a week for the after school program at Boca Helping Hands. To date we have made **2,240 sandwiches!**

HOPE FOR HAITI RELIEF EFFORTS: Following the earthquake that devastated the nation of Haiti, our students contributed **over \$3,000 and over 900 pounds** of donated pajamas, medical supplies, hygiene products, canned and dry goods, towels, and linens to The Village of Hope, our sister school in Haiti.

MR. TAI THE SCIENCE GUY: A school-wide **Science Fair**, organized by our very own Mr. (Tai) Donovan, revealed some very clever research and interesting experiments including topics such as: dissolvability of headache medications; the grease content of various potato chips; the effects of human vitamins on plant growth; the comparison of bottled waters, and much, much more.

DENIM & DIAMONDS: Our Parent Teacher Organization held a fabulous **dinner auction** that raised over \$16,000 for Promethean Boards and Activote systems, Peaceful Playgrounds, and curriculum enhancements. Guests enjoyed good food, good friends, and a good time while shopping to support our school ministry.

CAN YOU SPELL RELIEF? Our first school wide spelling bee was a success! Thanks goes to those who participated and those who supported by attending.

GATORS HAVE INTERNATIONAL FLAIR: Each class studied the culture, traditions, food, geography, politics, and places of interest of a different country around the world. Families came with their passports and travelled around the world. Some of the countries included Haiti, Korea, Egypt, China, Mexico and more. The reports were informative – and the food delicious!

ON THE ROAD AGAIN: Our students were travelling around to experience the many adventures outside of the classroom. Trips included Sea Camp in the Florida Keys; Lutherock in North Carolina; Animal Kingdom – behind the scenes in Orlando; Kennedy Space Center; St. Augustine, and more!

WE HAVE SPIRIT, YES WE DO – WE HAVE SPIRIT, HOW 'BOUT YOU: National Lutheran Schools Week – commonly referred to as Spirit Week was a huge success. Special dress up days included Love of Learning (dress like a nerd); Love of Sleeping (Pajama day); Love of playing; Love of helping (super heroes & cartoons day); and, Love of Advent (blue & white day)

WE HAD A GOOD, GOOD TIME!!