Dear Bishop William White Society Members,

Between the excitement of the Eagles Super Bowl win in February and the busy spring season just around the corner, the EA campus is buzzing with energy.

As special donors to EA, we want to provide you with a glimpse of some ways our students are engaging in learning and growing. We also included a brief interview with our new Assistant Head of School, Paul Sanders, so you can get to know a little more about him.

Many of you know and love Alumni Programs Assistant Nancy Taylor, Hon. Nancy has decided to retire in June after 18 years of service to Episcopal. Nancy told Head of School T.J. Locke that the parts she would miss most are “her” alumni and her interactions with all of the guests who come to Sherred House. She loves hearing your stories, watching your families grow, and helping you stay connected to Episcopal.

Nancy is so dedicated to Episcopal and the EA Alumni who she has met over the years she wanted to do something for the school. She joined the Bishop William White Society to help ensure the school’s future and cemented her place in the EA community forever. Nancy will continue to join us for our lunches and celebrations each year, and even though she will not be staffing the event, she will probably still help you put on your name tag! We wish her all the best in her next stage of life and hope you will stop by to see her or seek her out during Alumni Weekend in May.

Thank you for your support of Episcopal,

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Happening on Campus

STEM Speakers Series
The newly-established STEM Speakers Series launched in January with a lively production of the Off-Broadway hit, "That Physics Show." Made possible through a grant from the Clare Foundation, the STEM Speakers Series exposes students and faculty to dynamic, innovative, and creative thought leaders across a range of STEM areas.

Visit episcopalacademy.org for more information, including:
- Dr. Bonnie Bassler, Chair of the Molecular Biology Department at Princeton University
- Dr. Robert Sapolsky, Professor of Biology and Neurology at Stanford University
- Dr. Talithia Williams, Associate Professor of Mathematics, Harvey Mudd College
- Dr. Craig McLachlan, Chair of Chemistry, Illinois State University
- Dr. Gregory Ott, Senior Director of Medicinal Chemistry, Teva Pharmaceuticals
- Dr. Ralph Sando, Chief of Ophthalmology Service, Bryn Mawr Hospital

There is always something exciting happening on campus. Here are two of the countless experiences that make Episcopal such a special place.

Lower School Derby Day
Armed with plastic bottles, caps, and cardboard tubes, Lower School students took their assignment to build a derby racer out of up-cycled materials seriously.

“It was great to see all the young engineers in action!” said Lower School Technology Coach Christian Cloud. “All of our students were using the Design Process to create, test, and race their wonderful cars. Students made mistakes in their designs, but with determination they re-designed their prototypes to achieve the goal of racing down the ramp.”

When the building was complete, Lower School students competed in the Derby Day competition. Each student raced against their homeroom classmates down a track built by Head of Lower School Terry Malone. That winner then raced for the grade finalist spot.

Each grade finalist raced in the grand finale where first grader Elijah Henderson’s Sunkist soda bottle, filled with red pipe cleaners, zipped to the finish line first.

Meet Paul Sanders, Assistant Head of School
Paul most recently served for four years as the Head of Upper School at the International School of Amsterdam. Before that, he spent time at The Dwight School in New York and Great Valley High School in Malvern. Paul earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of Virginia and his master’s degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

What is your impression of EA so far?
I expected to find a school community with high expectations made up of a lot of very, very, smart people, and that is exactly what I have found. I am so happy to have also found a kindness and a welcoming spirit at EA, so it has been a great transition.

How is EA different than an international school?
There is a bit more solidarity and awareness of tradition here than in my previous school. That’s harder to find in an international school because of the somewhat more transient nature of that kind of community. We really loved the extreme diversity of the community in an international school, but it’s also so nice to be at a place with an even deeper connection to its past.

What key things are you responsible for?
T.J. often describes my role as one of “chief of staff,” which I think makes sense. My job is to make sure that everything is running smoothly and efficiently, and all aspects of the school are continuously improving. I hope to have the opportunity to do some work on things like student wellness, cultural competence, diversity, and global-mindedness going forward.

What are your favorite moments so far?
The spirit of EA/Haverford/ AIS Weekend was contagious and unlike anything I have seen in my previous schools.

And looking forward to?
I love the overall energy of springtime at schools and can’t wait to experience traditions like the Arts Festival and graduation.