

## EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

By Dr. Samuel Belmar

Teachers and students at Sacred Heart School are extremely happy with new materials for **interactive learning, differentiation and experiential learning** in their classrooms.

DVD and CD players, scales, puzzles, games, **weather stations**, magnets, digital camera, and a camcorder are some of the additions to the classrooms.

*Weather Station in grade 5*



The **Science and Mathematics Centers** are definitely enhanced as can be observed in each class.



A master list of each item in each class and others that are stored for the general use of any class will ensure that materials can be shared used optimally.

*Math Center in grade 4*

Teachers and students can and have started to use them and they are encouraged to make maximum use of the equipment, as valuable **hands on experience** is critical to learning.

These were made possible through the **Innovations Bureau** with **USONA** funding.



*Math Center in grade 5*



*Science Center in grade 4*

## CENTERS CENTRAL IN TR. JARMILA'S CLASS

Don't tell them how to do it, show them how to do it and don't say a word. If you tell them, they'll watch your lips move. If you show them, they'll want to do it themselves. Maria Montessori.

Hello to all who this brochure will reach. Grade 1a is teacher Jarmila's class. This is my second term teaching Cycle 1/ grade 1.

I am blessed with 13 special children this year. I strongly believe that every single one of them is special and will strive hard to achieve that.

Daily activities such as group work and class discussion are central to my teaching style, because it nurtures the sharing of personal opinions and experiences that relate to what-



ever the topic is that we are learning.

From day one, children are eager and determined to understand how the world works. They do this through play and experimenting using all the "tools" they have at their disposal.



Watch your child at play and you will see the kind of concentration, passion and

creative excitement they display when working together or individually.

My message to all parents is every child is unique. Your child may have special skills or special needs. Follow your child's lead. They'll let you know what interest them. When they see the pleasure and delight you take in their discoveries, they will want to do more and more.

Always remember when your child is engaged and having fun, she or he is learning.

## HIGH/SCOPE TRAINING

By Tr. Margaret Child

I would like to inform you about the training program on the **High/Scope** curriculum for Day Care Centers that I attended on Curaçao.

This training consists of three blocks. The first block (which we finished recently) was very challenging and informative. It entailed the wheel of active learning.



### What is active learning?

It's the principle element of the High/Scope approach and has five main ingredients: material, manipulation, choice, language and support. These elements will enable the individual child to choose, relate to interest, feel control, success and competence.

This part of the training also describes the **key components** of the adult role in planning the physical setting, and creating a positive social climate using the 58 **key experiences** of High/Scope in the child's development.



My role will be to guide or to coach the caregivers into the High/Scope program, but it will take some time.

I am very positive about the outcome and looking forward for the second block in May.

Our trainer is from Holland and her name is Anke Boon van Duyn.

The workshop was given in English and translated in Dutch for Curaçao/ Bonaire.

## PTA NEWS

By Tara Every

We hope you enjoy this week with the **Lipscomb University** students. This year, their theme is "HOPE". They plan to plant a seed of **HOPE** which we (Saba Community) will continue to water and help grow. What better place to plant a seed of **HOPE** than in our **family relationships**. Sharing with your family should not be reserved during their visits alone, but also during the other 51 weeks of the year. Remember, small changes can produce big results. A walk after dinner, sitting together for dinner as a family, or just getting together once a week to share your thoughts can make a big difference. We are very thankful for their yearly visits and the wonderful memories they leave with us.

As you know, PTA of Saba has launched a **healthier living initiative**. Our mission is to make you and your family healthier. Please check the **bulletin boards** for our upcoming events. Here are some hints to help you make more healthful choices.

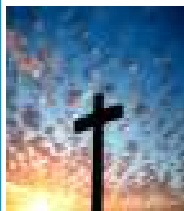
**Be Fad-Free** — The best path to better nutrition is to be free of fad diets and to choose a plan that is appropriate for life-long health.



**The Eyes Have It** — Leave fruit and cut-up vegetables on a plate in plain sight on the counter for easy snack options. Family members are much more likely to grab what they see instead of digging for an alternative from the pantry.

*To be continued in our April news letter.*

## HAPPY EASTER



From the Innovations Bureau

Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection not in books alone, but in every leaf in spring-time.

*~Martin Luther*



TO ALL PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN THE  
LAURA LINZEY DAYCARE CENTER &  
SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*Tr. Margaret with some of her colleagues on Curaçao for the High/Scope training*

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