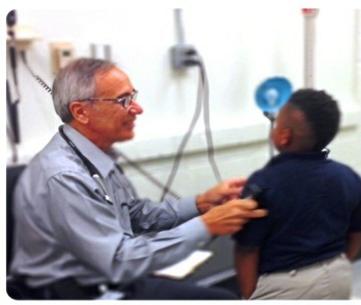




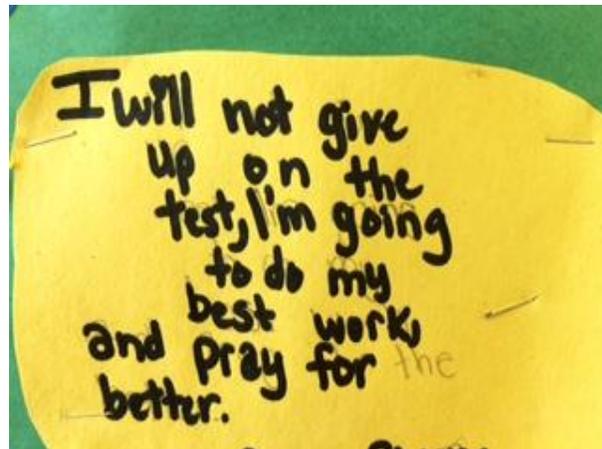
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Greetings friend of Charleston Promise Neighborhood!

April was a month of standardized testing for students across South Carolina, and this statement, written by a student at Mary Ford says it all! We are so proud of our hard-working students and applaud their dedication. To support students and teachers, CPN staff and volunteers assembled and delivered "Test Survival Kits" for teachers, and served as hall monitors during testing this past week at Mary Ford and Chicora. We are so very grateful for our teachers and administrators who make the impactful learning happen!



Double Your Donation to CPN!!!



Don't forget, all gifts to Charleston Promise Neighborhood between now and May 3rd will be DOUBLED by two generous donors, up to \$15,000!! Lowcountry Giving Day, an online fundraising event designed to help Lowcountry nonprofits, concludes at midnight next Tuesday.

Help us continue our transformative work by visiting our text-to-give page and scheduling an online donation:

<http://text.gives/promise>

Youth Promise GIRLZ Take a Unique Retreat

In April CPN's Youth Promise GIRLZ experienced a night of fun, crafts, and girl talk. These middle school girls came together for an off-site after school experience that allowed them to talk about school, life, and their dreams. Experiences that afternoon ranged from sharing through group activities and team building – to reviewing proper table manners, how to set a table, and even trying new dinner recipes! The girls also talked about self-esteem and went home with their own mirrors, a reminder that they need to continuously love themselves.

Later in the month at one of their regular after school meetings at Sanders-Clyde Creative Arts School, they had the chance to interact with two female employees from Cummins, who shared their life experiences, encouraged the young ladies to take school seriously, and reflected on how choices they made when they were in middle school affected their career and family paths.



CPN Community Olympics 2016 are Just Around the Corner!!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 7th!! CPN schools will come together for some friendly competition and fellowship at the Danny Jones Complex in North Charleston. Registration begins at 8:00 am and the event will wind up at 1:30 pm. Last year, Sanders-Clyde took home the gold to their neighborhood. Will they defend their title this year?



This year's event will include game competitions (relay race, sack race, hula hoop contest, water balloon toss, and tug-of-war), a fun activity village, and a 3-on-3 basketball tournament! A free lunch will be provided, and we encourage all our CPN students and families to come on out and bring their A-game to the field!!!

SPOTLIGHT ON: DanceED

DanceED, a nonprofit dance organization, teaches dance to students enrolled in CPN's Expanded Learning Time program at Mary Ford Elementary. DanceED offers a variety of cutting edge dance classes that range from recreational through professional training. Hip Hop, Jazz and Modern focused techniques, and repertoire classes provide a rich, structured extended day environment for students and can ultimately help improve a student's educational outcomes!!



Team CPN Finishes the Cooper River Bridge Run!!

On the morning of April 1st, 2016, CPN students laced up their shoes and conquered the Cooper River Bridge! Thousands of people lined up to participate in the 10K race, including our James Simons and Sanders-Clyde students. Each student trained to compete in the run for two months leading up to the race.

Surrounded by teachers, parents, and spectators, the students pushed themselves over the bridge and across the finish line. Many thanks to the Cooper River Bridge Run Fund for covering the costs of the Bridge Run entry fee and outfitting our students with new running shoes for the big day!!



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