

## **Holden Christian Academy**

Team D News

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## Spiritual Emphasis / Leadership

We had an INCREDIBLE week! It was Spiritual Emphasis Week here at H.C.A. and we started it off with our Leadership Conference for the 8th grade. The students took a Spiritual Gifts Inventory and were able to discover their gifts and tendencies/talents. This was incredibly revealing for all of us. Mr. Matt Huffman followed that with an inspiring Bible Study on Identity and how we view ourselves. It was the perfect way to begin an eventful week.



The middle of our week was filled with the Middle School trip to Cape Cod. Our first stop was the New Bedford Whaling Museum. We learned about the rise of the whaling industry in New England, including the dangers, rewards, and how it affected many aspects of life in this area. We also visited the Whydah Pirate Museum and learned about the discovery and the underwater excavation of the Whydah Galley, a pirate ship that sank just off the coast of Massachusetts.



## Cape Cod-History/Environment/Fun

Our trip was not filled with all work and no play. On Wednesday evening we enjoyed the indoor water park at the Cape Codder Hotel and Resort where we stayed. On Thursday we visited First Encounter Beach and Mr. Huffman gave us a guided tour through a salt marsh. We learned about the ever-changing appearance of Cape Cod and its beaches. One of our students may have lost a shoe during our exploration of the salt marsh. ® Finally, we all arrived safely home; and most of us arrived on time.