



Looking Forward

April 14, 2023

From the Principal

Good Day SLA Family,

Who's turned on their A/C yet, either in your car or at home? You gotta love the freshness and newness that Spring brings to our lives every year! As I was driving out of my driveway this morning, I noticed the flowers on the side of the house were blossoming. God knew what He was doing when he set up Spring to follow Winter.

I have finally learned from many life experiences (slow learner) to never doubt God's wisdom. He's got a plan and that plan is perfect. Have a lovely Sabbath and enjoy your Spring Break!

Be Blessed and Encouraged,

David Branum
Principal



Happy 40th Mrs. Imperio! See what her Kindergarten class has been up to on page 8

Upcoming Dates

April 17-21 - Patriots' Day & Spring Break NO School

April 18 - Tax Day

April 19 - Founders' Day

April 28 - Elem Spirit Day - Celebrate Spring

April 30 - Field Day - SUNDAY Half Day of School

May 1-5 - Scholastic Book Fair (Buy One Get One)

May 1-12 - MAP Testing

May 19 - Yearbook Assembly

May 26 - Books and Beyond Ends

June 1 - Eighth Grade Graduation

June 2-4 - Senior Graduation Weekend



Honors Grades 5-8



Congratulations to our hard working students in Grades 5-8! Keep up the good work - only 6 more weeks of school!!!

GRADES 5-8 HONOR ROLL THIRD QUARTER 2022-2023		
Highest Honors (3.90-4.00)	High Honors (3.75-3.89)	Honors (3.50-3.74)
Lindsay Chestaro	Moira Shaul	Nomar DeLeon
Victoria Creitz	Timiyah Brahmia	Hadassah Oliveira
Abby Deras	Elijah Blackwell	Jazmin Alce
Kate Hodson	Ayn Mapinduzi	Emi Plowden
Liana Ruiz	Leyah Ramos	Lydia Chen
Edward Silva	Danisha Velez	Liam Manasseh
Luci Lopez	Chasya Wilson	Andrew Mziray
Annabel Argueta	Rayanne MacMillan	Jabez Altamirano
	Daniel Milagre	Lili Lopez
		Ellen Andreu
		Braden McLaughlin
		Heloisa Reis
		Justin Rivera

4th Grade Wildflower Contest

On Tuesday afternoon the 4th grade class went for a walk on the AUC campus, in search of wildflowers. The class has just begun a wildflower contest where students have to search for and bring in as many wildflowers as they can find before May 12th.

When Mrs. Larsen was a student here, her 6th grade teacher, Mrs. Minty, held a wild flower contest every year for her class. This is Mrs. Larsen's way of continuing that legacy, and to help her students learn and appreciate the nature and world around them.



Students can either bring in flowers they find, or they can take a photo of the flowers they find and create a scrapbook. The top three students with the most identified flowers will receive a prize. Happy flower hunting 4th graders!



Inigo's "Love is the Cure" Cancer Journey

SLA has been following, sharing, and supporting Inigo's fight against medulloblastoma. Despite homeschooling since the start of the pandemic, Inigo will always be a part of our SLA Class of 2030 (currently in 5th Grade).

There hasn't been an update on Inigo's Go Fund Me Page in the last two weeks, but if you haven't had a chance to read his story yet, Spring Break is a good time to catch up:

<https://gofund.me/83f0e17c>

Inigo's shirt campaign is still going on if you'd like to be a part of their story and show support for Inigo:

<https://www.bonfire.com/inigos-posse/>

Please remember to keep Inigo and his family in your prayers.



Inigo's Posse



Home & School Meeting

On Monday, April 10, the Home & School Association held its first meeting. There was a small group of parents that showed up, and they got to hear a great presentation on Bullying by Kelly Monteverde (LMHC) from Sunrise Counseling. Mrs. Monteverde gave Mrs. Gardner a copy of the presentation slides, so if you are interested in reading through them, just stop by the elementary office.

Items on the agenda for discussion were:

- How we can help the school as parents
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- The Book Fair
- School Uniform Swap

Please contact either Sarah or Heather for any Home & School related questions:

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Heather Anderson * 512-848-4673 * handerson12@gmail.com



Please respond to this Home and School feedback questionnaire so Sarah and Heather can learn more about when you as parents are available for Home & School Meetings!

Sports News



Boys Volleyball

Our Final Sports Teams are playing now in the spring.

Come support our boys this spring!

Volleyball Season Help Needed!

SLA needs volunteers for Volleyball Season! We need help collecting entrance fees, and CORI Certified parents to ride on the bus as chaperones. Please email the Athletic Director at athletics@mysla.org if you can help out!

Arbiter Live

To see the always up-to-date Athletics Calendar go to Arbiter Live - Volleyball games are up!

<https://www.arbiterlive.com/Teams?entityId=21380>



Get Your Own Custom Jersey for Just \$50!

Boy's Custom Sublimated Sleeveless Volleyball Jerseys, available in sizes S-4XL

Choose the size, number, and name on the back.

*****Opportunities to order custom jerseys will NOT happen every year with every team, because custom jerseys can only get ordered when new jerseys are getting ordered for an entire team. So don't miss this opportunity!*****

Players can use these jersey's in games during the volleyball season - they are yours to keep!

The money raised will go towards upgrading volleyball equipment, including a new net, poles, and ref stand.

Fill out an order form and return form and payment to Athletic Director or front offices by April 28. Make all checks payable to SLA.

Support our teams in Style!

Student Olympics Grades 5-8

Last Friday the Student Olympics for grades 5-8 were held in the SLA Gym. Here are the fastest and most agile of the day!

5th Grade Dash Times

Aksel Grullon 4.5s
Elijah Blackwell 4.55s
Nomar De Leon 4.56s
Lianna Ruiz 4.5s
Natalia Erazo 5.01s
Hadassah Oliveira 5.12s

5th Grade Obstacle Course Times

Jamieson Shuris 12.18s
Nomar De Leon 12.72s
Aksel Grullon 13.15s
Kate Hodson 12.21s
Yaretzi Maldonado 12.29s
Natalia Erazo 13.05s

6th Grade Dash Times

Myles Blake 4.67s
Liam Manasseh 6.19s
Edward Silva 6.24s
Sofia Milliron 4.64s
Sabrinna Oliveira 5.06s
Michaela Weaver 5.08s

6th Grade Obstacle Course Times

Myles Blake 11.33s
Liam Manasseh 12.3s
Edward Silva 17.95s
Sofia Milliron 12.55s
Jehnien Mancebo 13.15s
Lydia Chen 14.26s

7th Grade Dash Times

Ismael Vargas 3.28s
Aaden Mancebo 3.98s
Isaac DaSilva 4.27s
Giulia Oliveira 3.66s
Danisha Velez 4.21s
Skye Garcia 4.28s

7th Grade Obstacle Course Times

Bartholomew Domecillo 10.88s
Ismael Vargas 11.03s
Jaxiel Lopez 11.53s
Skye Garcia 12.63s
Annabel Argueta 12.7s
Gabriela Palmeira 13.3s

8th Grade Dash Times

Guilherme Oliveira 3.8s
Samuel De Abreu 3.93s
Daniel Valeda 4.3s
Keane Oliveira 4.15s
Chasya Wilson 4.38s
Janiyah Jacques 4.77s

8th Grade Obstacle Course Times

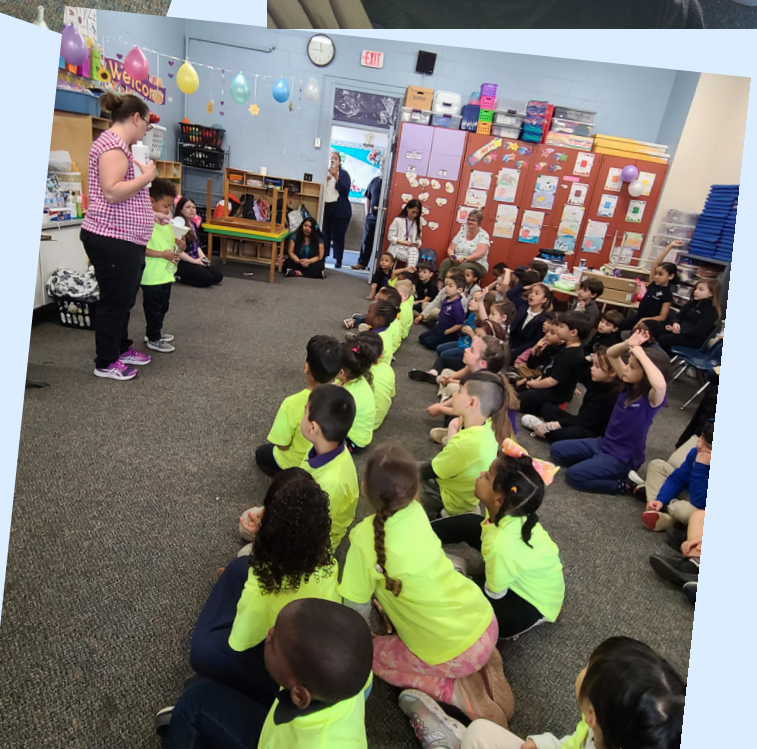
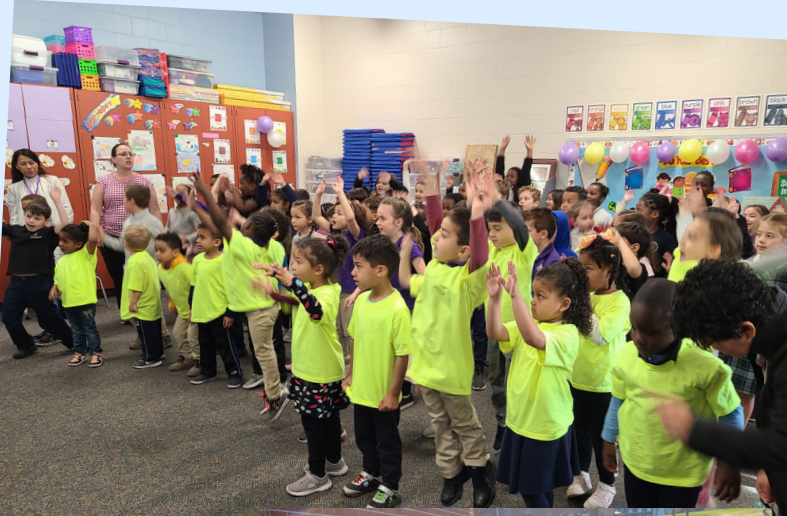
Ryan Weaver 10.7s
Thomas Domecillo 11.03s
Braden McLaughlin 11.33s
Amelia Shonhiwa 13.15s
Janiyah Jacques 15.5s



Week of Prayers

This was a busy week of praying with Week of Prayer for every grade at SLA!

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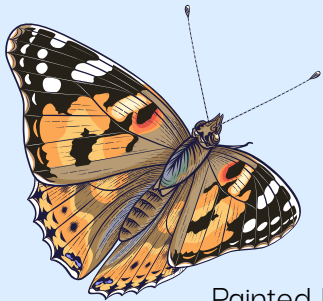
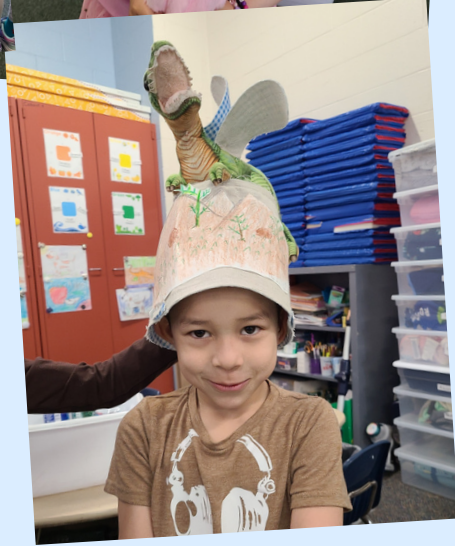
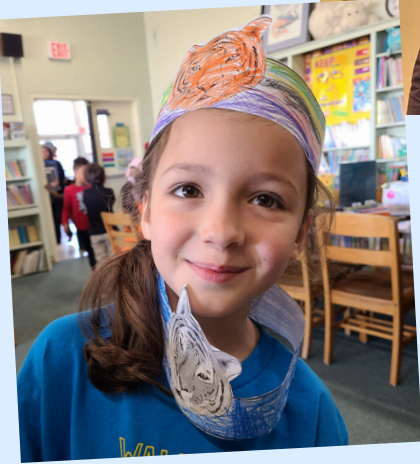
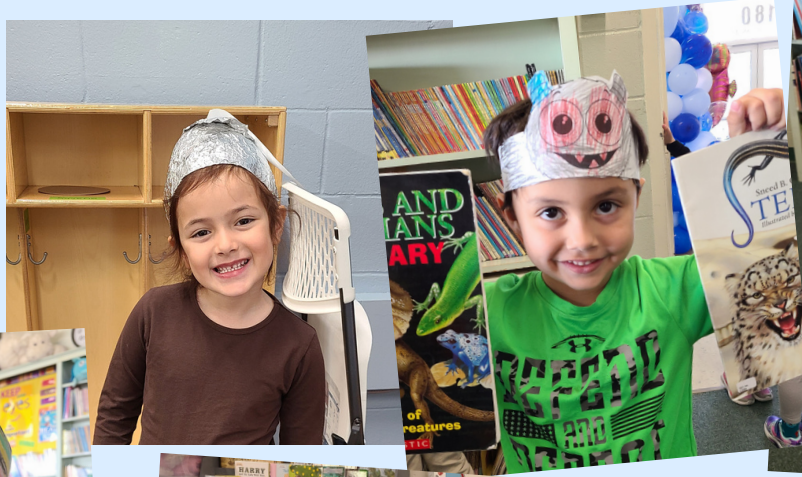
Week of Prayers Continued...



The 7-12th grade students enjoyed week of prayer at the Village Church with Pastor Leclair Litchfield, otherwise known as Litch.

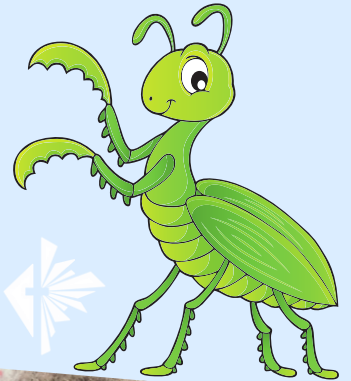
Crazy Hat Day!

Kindergarten went all out on Elementary Crazy Hat Day!



Bugs Galore!

Painted Lady Butterflies and ladybugs are emerging in the Kindergarten classroom! The class is still waiting on the praying mantis eggs, but if you'd like to take a peek at their bug collection be sure to stop by and check them out!





Planning for the Summer

When you begin making plans for your summer - keep Camp Sunrise in mind for your 5-12 year-olds. High school students can volunteer for a week at camp and earn their required hours of Community Service as well!

[Learn more about camp on our school website!](#)

[Click HERE!](#)



Found***** ->

A pair of bifocal glasses was left in the elementary building today. If they're yours, please come by to get them.

Our Lost & Found Collections are full of:

- Coats
- Sweaters of all sorts, not just school sweaters
- Shirts
- Shorts
- Pants (probably from a 4-6th grade boy from the basketball team)
- Lunch boxes
- Water bottles (5 in elementary)
- Gloves with no pairs
- **Hats**

If your child is missing **anything**, please stop by and look at our collections. **Things that do not get claimed are eventually discarded/donated, and there's a lot of stuff here!**

The elementary lost and found is down the right hallway (the hallway leading to the student bathrooms).

The high school lost and found is in the upstairs hall, just outside the office window.

SEE MORE OF YOUR STUDENT IN THE YEARBOOK

Yearbook+ is a digital extension of the physical yearbook that allows every student to upload their favorite photos from the school year and take part in creating the most **inclusive, student-centric yearbook**. The uploaded photos are digitally connected to the printed yearbook – when a picture is scanned, their favorite memories are unlocked. You have to see it to believe it. Watch the video by scanning the QR code below.

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Lost & Found





HE IS RISEN VESPERS

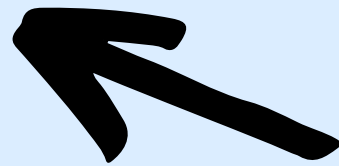
Join us as we open the Sabbath with an "He is Risen," Easter Craft Vespers. We will sing and worship together and then make Easter Oragami, decorate pens and pen holders. All ages are welcome and encouraged to come!

April 14, 6 pm. Fellowship hall,
Finger food refreshments will be served.



College Church Events this Weekend!

Tonight at 6pm at the College Church, Mrs. Argueta will be teaching some Easter Origami! All are welcome to participate, and there will be crafts for all skill levels and ages. :)



TONIGHT!

TOMORROW Night!



April Easter Celebrations

April 14 & 15

- April 14, 6:00 PM Craft Vespers
- April 14, 7:00 PM AUC Vespers
- April 15, 11:15 AM AUC Worship Service
- April 15, 7:00 PM Free Concert Series



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