

From the Principal

Good Day SLA Family,

Well, it's been a rough week for illness. It's been a combination of stomach flu and covid that has everyone down this week. I wish we could have kept school open, however, this is for the best and it gave us time to disenfect the buildings.

Let's all work together to keep things clean and disenfected, don't be afraid to wear a mask if you're feeling the least bit sick, and by all means, feel free to stay home until you feel better. We have winter break coming up, so a really great time for everyone to recover and be fresh on the return to school.

Have a restful Sabbath!

Be Blessed and Encouraged, David Branum, Principal SWAU Basketball Champions! See page 5

Upcoming Dates

Feb 12 - ACT Exam Feb 17 - Elem Spirit Day - Celebrate the Heart Feb 20-24 - President's Day & Winter Break - NO School Feb 28 -ASVAB Testing for Juniors March 2 - Constituency Meeting 7:00 pm March 12 - SAT Exam 7:00 am March 13 - Teacher In-service NO School March 24 - End of 3rd Quarter March 29 - History Fair March 29 - Experience SLA March 30 - Visit SLA - Half Day of School March 31 - Elem Spirit Day - Hat Day April 5 - Parent Teacher Conferences - Half Day

Ski Club Makeup Day!

Next Tuesday, Feb. 14th is our Ski Club Makeup Day! Don't forget to bring all your ski equipment next week on Tuesday!

Snow Days

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In bad weather when it is unsafe to drive to school, parents can expect teachers to conduct class remotely and/or provide "blizzard packs."

If we call a remote snow day, a delay, or early release, you WILL get a triple PARENT ALERT (text, email, and phone call)!!!

If you do not receive this triple Parent Alert, then that means school is going on as usual, or the decision is yet to be made, or your contact information with the school needs to be updated.

"Snow Days" are automatic "Remote Days," and are Half Days.

All grades, Preschool-12th grade, will Google Meet whenever weather prevents safe travel to school and a snow day is called. If a delayed start is called, Mrs. Girma's classroom will Google Meet that day. The teacher will be in contact with you regarding the details when such a situation arises.

7th & 8th Grade Books and Beyond Bulletin Board!

Books and Beyond is fully underway! This week Mrs. Baldwin, the 7th grade teacher and ELA teacher for 8th grade, finished setting up a second Books and Beyond bulletin board. Now the 7th and 8th graders have their very own bulletin board right outside their classrooms. This makes it easier for them to keep track of their progress throughout the levels.

The top reader of 7th and 8th grade will each receive a \$50 Amazon gift card at the end of May!



Kindergarten Dresses Up!

On Feb 2nd the Kindergarten class celebrated that the date was 2/2 by dressing in ties and tutus. They also celebrated the 100th day of school recently by dressing up as grandmas and grandpas.





Sports News



Senior Night!

On Thursday, February 2nd, SLA celebrated Senior Night. Both Varsity Teams won their games that night which made the celebration all the more special! Congrats Class of 2023!





Cruzader Beanies



Crusader Beanies available for sale now. Show your support for SLA Crusaders while keeping your head warm!

Arbiter Live

To see the always up-to-date Athletics Calendar go to Arbiter Live: <u>https://www.arbiterlive.com/Teams?</u> <u>entityId=21380</u>



High school games are always being added, postponed, delayed, or rescheduled. SLA uses Arbiter Live to make sure everyone is able to access the latest, most up to date schedule for all our teams.

Grades 4-8 Game Schedules

For Schedules for Grade 4-8 Basketball Games you can use the following site instead: <u>https://www.cmybl.org/launch.php</u>

Click on the Schedule Tab, then search for the team's schedule you need. You should also be receiving regular updates from your child's coaches.

SWAU Basketball Tournament Champions!

Our Varsity Girls and Boys teams were undefeated in the Small School Division of the 27th Annual South Western Adventist University Basketball Tournament.

Once the teams returned, SLA celebrated with a high school assembly where team captains talked about the tournament, a slideshow was presented, and donuts were handed out. The high school also had a Crusader Gear Day in the middle of the week!





Inigo's "Love is the Cure" Concer 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).

In the latest update to Inigo's Go Fund Me page on **Jan 12th**, his father wrote the following:

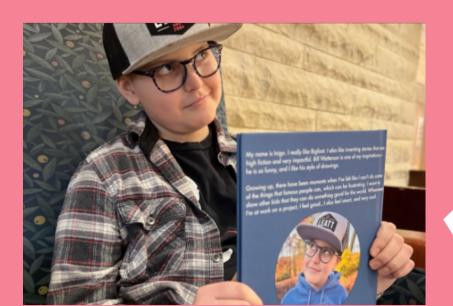
"Inigo accomplished another wonderful writing project this month. He has always wanted to be a published author and in January, that dream came true. It is a project he has been working on with the Artist-In-Residence program at BCH for quite some time... During one of our little snow storms, I was out cleaning the cars in the driveway, and I see the UPS man trudging up the road with a package... I whipped out my pocket knife and we opened it up and there they were in all their glory. A stack of individually wrapped, fresh off-the-press books by Inigo A. Vega! He is already hard at work on his next book.

I was invited to speak about Inigo and our story at our church a couple of weeks ago... When I got home Inigo met me with a thumbs up. "You did well dad." Ini and Lyndi had watched the live stream online and were able to see me speak. Lyndi's face looked like she had been crying and Inigo reported that she had cried throughout my talk. We got in the truck and went on a drive to see all the beautiful snow-covered trees around Wachusett Mountain. It was just what we needed after an emotional morning.

Thank you for rooting for us. We love you all."

Inigo's shirt campaign is still going on if you'd like to be a part of their story and show support for Inigo: <u>https://www.bonfire.com/inigos-posse/</u>

Whether donating or not, to read more about Inigo's story and get updates, please visit Inigo's Go Fund Me: <u>https://gofund.me/83f0e17c</u>







Inigo's Posse

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When students/parents purchase shirts, the shirts are sent out in batches every 10 days.





Grades K-2 met after school with Mrs. Iria to participate in Art Club last month! They

This month Mrs. Iria is meeting with Grades 3-4 in Art Club.









Valk-a-thon Update

The elementary iPads are ready for use! They are all set up with only the educational apps students will need.

Thank you to Mrs. Shaul who purchased the iPads, Mrs. Velez who selected awesome cases and protectors and put the iPads together, and then Mrs. Argueta who organized the apps and set up the iPad cart.

It's very exciting that elementary students can now use specific educational apps in school, and will know how to use these apps on their own devices at home.

Lost Sweater!

A black V-neck school sweater has gone missing. The student's name, Ellen Andreu, is written in the tags inside the sweater. It has been missing for about 2 weeks. Please check the tags of any black V-neck sweater you may have at home.

If you happen to have this sweater in your possession please return it to Ellen, or one of the offices, thank you!

Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found Collections are getting full of:

- Sweaters of all sorts, not just school sweaters
- Shirts
- Shorts
- Pants
- Lunch boxes
- Water bottles (5 in elementary)
- Gloves with no pairs
- 18 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.

Camp Sonrise Planning for the Summer

When you begin making plans for your summer - keep Camp Sonrise 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!



Our yearbook staff is working hard to create your 2023 South Lancaster Academy yearbook. Every Preschool -12th-grade student will get a yearbook at the end of the year.

Many students and families choose to customize the yearbook covers with their names and icons. This identifies their yearbook as uniquely theirs. If you are interested in personalizing your child's yearbook, please fill out the form and turn it in along with a check made payable to SLA and a memo for yearbook personalization.

Personalization will only be processed if payment is received with the form. Forms turned in without payment will not be processed. Don't hesitate to contact Veronica Iria at viria@mysla.org with any questions or concerns.

FINAL DEADLINE: February 17, 2023







Camp Sonrise is..

A Christian summer day camp serving the Greater Lancaster area. We provide a safe place for youth, ages 5–12, to have fun, make new friends and learn more about Jesus. Activities include interactive worships, fun indoor and outdoor games, arts and crafts, swimming, field trips, and much more!





Price \$188 per week, per child. * Week 3 is discounted.





Location SLA Chapel 198 George Hill Rd. S. Lancaster, MA 01523 Director: Sarah Nicholas

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South Lancaster Academy Personalization ORDER FORM

STEP 1: PERSONALIZE YOUR YEARBOOK FOR \$10.00 Please print your name below exactly how you would like it to appear. We are hard at work creating your 2023 South Lancaster Academy yearbook.

Your yearbook is included with your school tuition.

Many students choose to customize their yearbook cover with their name and icons. This identifies your yearbook as uniquely yours.

Checks can be made out to: SLA

DUE February 17, 2023

STEP 2: ADD ICONS* FOR \$6.00 EACH IMPORTANT: To add icons, you must first purchase personalization in Step 2 Enter the 4-digit icon code fr 鬼 霒 뭛 큃 3 ュ 훯 1 5 1 125 \otimes Ľ, 0F 1 8015 0 A. 5 Ø A Ø \$ 4 4 2 ¥ ٢ 0-0 1 Ö 7 50 2 X R R <u>914</u> 938 5341 538 5342 535 ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ↓ STE 3 & ☆ ‡ ⊕ ♥ FFA 1 ** 1 S. \odot

STEP 4: ENTER YOUR INFORMATION



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Becki Renzi- Faithful Servant 978-870-0266

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TAUGHT ON CAMPUS

Waitlist

There are a few new student openings starting next week! Contact Mrs. Flores soon to reserve your spot.

TEACHER: ARIELLE CADY FLORES

WHEN: SCHOOL HOURS AND AFTER SCHOOL*

COST: \$30 PER HALF HOUR

Contact Arielle at acadyflores@gmail.com for more information! *Time arranged with homeroom teacher.

tambolleo1953@gmail.com