



looking forward

MAR. 4, 2022



From the Vice Principal

A couple of weeks ago my husband and I were returning home from a church event late in the afternoon. About 4 miles from home the skies turned black at the same time as both of our phones buzzed multiple times, alerting us to a snow squall in the immediate area. Suddenly, we were experiencing white out conditions with snow piling rapidly. Though we were familiar with the road having travelled it so many times, at that moment, we couldn't see it. We pulled over into a nearby parking lot for a couple of minutes until the road was visible again, then cautiously continued our sojourn home. It was freakishly scary for a few minutes.

In my personal life, I have experienced many "squalls", times when I couldn't seem to see my next step clearly, when God seemed silent to my earnest prayers, when what I was experiencing was scary and unpredictable and I had no control over the circumstances. At times like these I've learned to lean on my faith, to trust God's heart even when I can't see His hand. Isaiah 65:24 promises that "before they call, I will answer; And while they are yet speaking, I will hear." KJV Just remember that when it seems God is quiet, He is STILL up to something good for you.

As we approach mid term (March 25), please help your students keep up with their school work so that their grades reflect their ability, not the squalls they may be experiencing. Furthermore, especially for high school students, make extreme efforts to arrive on time to every class, every day. We don't want students in jeopardy of failing a class due to attendance issues. Refer to your family portal to view your student's attendance record at any time.

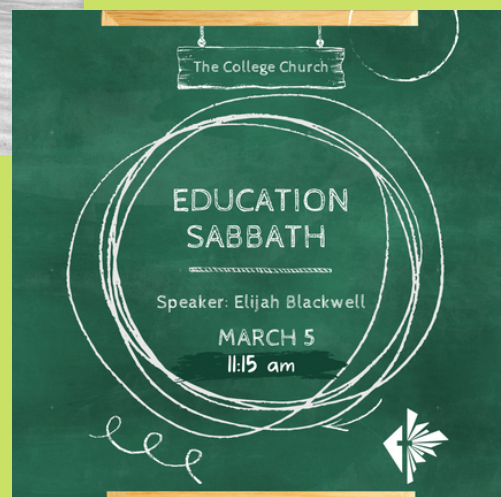
Blessings,

Ginnie Hakes



Upcoming Dates

- March 5: Education Sabbath @ CC
- March 12: Children's Church @ SLA
- March 13: Daylight Savings
- March 14: Teacher in Service, No School
- March 17: Board Meeting
- March 25: Hat Day
- March 25: End of Q3
- March 30: Art Fair & Experience SLA
- March 31: Step Up Day



Student Spotlight

This week we are getting to know siblings

Isaac and Bella:

Q: What is your favorite food?

I: Authentic Pizza Napoletana. It's gotta have the stamp of approval from the "Associazione Verace Pizza Napoletana"

B: Pasta

Q: What's your favorite SLA memory?

I: Always being one of the first ones to complete books and beyond (Flex not intended lol)

B: Definitely class trip in 8th grade when we went to DC

Q: Who is your favorite Bible character?

I: Paul. He went through so much in his life and never abandoned his faith in God

B: Esther

Q: What do you want to be when you grow up?

I: I want to be a software engineer

B: A computer scientist



ART CLUB

Starting in March, we will be having an afterschool art club for grades 4-8. The final meeting will be an opportunity for the kids to showcase what they have created at the school-wide art fair.

Join us to make art together, using different materials to experiment and have fun.

Date: Wednesdays 2, 9, 16, 23

Art Fair: Wed, March 30

Time: 3:45 - 4:45 pm

Location: HS Computer Lab

Grades: 4-8

Price: Free

Sign up: Email viria@mysla.org with the child's name, grade, and parent contact information.

Limited space is available.

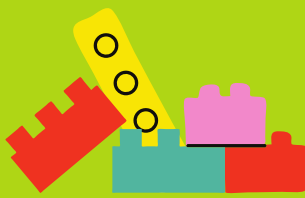
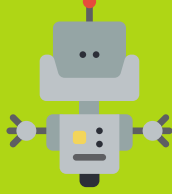


HOW MANY LADYBUGS CAN YOU FIND?



Mrs. Crand reads to kindergarten to help with Books and Beyond!





Sunday, February 20, students gathered at Spencerville Adventist Academy to compete in the First Lego Adventist Robotics League competition. The one-day event included closed judging for their innovation research project and the robot challenge in which they competed with schools from Maryland and surrounding states.

The two South Lancaster Academy CPUsaders robotics club teams arrived early morning and began preparing for their first in-person competition.. They set up to practice and waited their turn with the judges and competition tables. Our teams were up first for the project judging. The teams anxiously gathered outside the rooms awaiting their turn.

One team researched how produce is transported from farm to store and the other on how disaster relief agencies transport life-saving materials to areas that have been hit with a disaster. The goal of the projects was to present a problem and propose a solution to solve the transportation issues these two industries face.



The two teams came out of the judging excited and confident in their presentation. During the thirty minute judging period students presented their projects and had a 20 minute Q&A session regarding their projects, the team's core values, and their robot design. The kids confidently answered each of the judge's questions.



The final event was a team robot competition against the other participating teams. Each team had 2.5 minutes to complete as many missions as possible. Our teams received honors in multiple categories. Team 1 received first runner up in the core values and third runner up in the innovation project. Team 2 placed first in the innovation project and first runner-up for robot design. Team 2 also received first place runner-up in the champion category resulting in an invitation to nationals which will take place in Orlando, Florida, May 2022. They will be working hard in the coming weeks to improve their skills and prepare to face the best teams in the country. ~Mrs. Iria





EXPERIENCE SLA

Events for Prospective Parents and Students

MARCH 30, 2022

6-8 PM

ART SHOW

PEEK INTO CLASSROOMS

TEACHER MEET & GREET

Q&A WITH ADMINISTRATION

REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE



MARCH 31, 2022

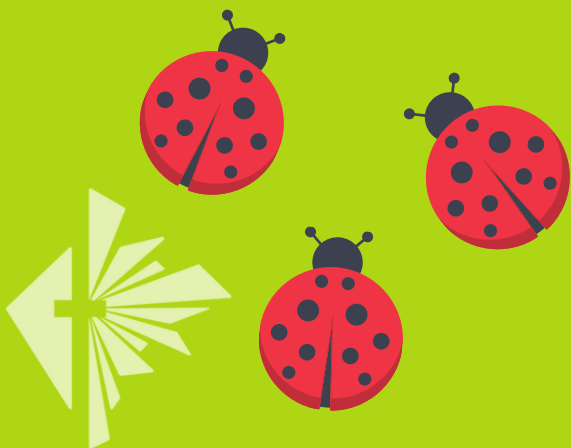
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VISITATION DAY

SIGN YOUR CHILD UP TO
SHADOW THEIR PROSPECTIVE
CLASS FOR HALF A DAY



RSVP Here:



Save the date for
Camp Sunrise- 6
weeks, Starting
June 20