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"We remember only the sunny days"

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It is so easy to teach children the little courtesies that add pleasure to life if you will just remember to tell them what is the nice thing to do and then appreciate and enjoy it when they put your suggestions into practice.

Let's Bring Them Up Sensibly by Mae Carden

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7th Grade and 8th Grade Trips

The 8th grade class returned from their trip to Italy, France, and Holland. Their 12-day excursion, led by Mrs. Fleming and Ms. Eustis, included a gondola ride on the canals in Venice, a visit to the famous Ponte de Vecchio bridge in Florence, climbing the Eiffel Tower in Paris, and visiting the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam. The students and parents had a wonderful time traveling with a school group from Ottawa, Canada.

from their 5-day whirlwind tour of Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, VA. Led by Mr. Fleming and Ms. Landry, the group toured the Capitol building, visited several Smithsonian Museums, experienced colonial life in Williamsburg, and honored our military men and women at Arlington National Cemetery.

These trips provide a special opportunity for the students to enrich their educational experiences.

The 7th grade class also recently returned



Happy Hearts

Charlotte Glander
Brianna Oard
Emma Phan
Reilly Ternan
James Walsh

Busy Bees

Isabella Akerson
Joy Chen
Kylie Foley
Tristan Gretzky
Gloria Holzapfel
Jessica Hui
Shaya Kacker
Caroline Martin

Shereen Mohammadzadeh
Sahar Niaz
Kendyll Ridgway
Joshua Roggin
Ronit Semler
Christina Torigian
Molly Tucker

Sports Awards

Sportsmanship:
Tyler Lawton
Sahar Niaz

Leadership:
Rustin Fiouzi
Madison Semler



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mrs. Scott's Class Play – Thursday, April 2nd

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Scott's 1st Grade class will be performing "Hansel and Gretel in the Big Woods" in the auditorium. Parents and grandparents are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the classroom to enjoy refreshments and to view their child's special work on display.



Spring Assembly – Friday, April 3rd

Starting at 8:30 am, the upper school assembly will feature special contributions from all grades.

Easter Parties – Friday, April 3rd

Easter parties will be held in the classrooms starting one hour before dismissal. Room parents will be supplying the goodies for each grade level.



NOON DISMISSAL – Friday, April 3rd

School is out for Spring Break at 12:00 Noon. There is **NO PLAY PROGRAM** after 12:00 pm. Please give parents picking up Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten children priority in the pickup line for their children's dismissal at 11:30 am. Parents of K-8 students should join the pick-up line no earlier than 11:45 am. Thank you for your consideration and patience.

SPRING BREAK – Saturday, April 4th – Sunday, April 19th

We wish all of our families a safe and happy break from school.

Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten students are welcome to attend "Little Cubs' Spring Camp" with Miss David during the first week of the break. Activities include arts & crafts, water play, hunts, music, and games, daily from 8:30 am until 12:30 pm. There will also be "after-care" available.

Students in Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to attend "Spring Science Camp" from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm daily for the first week of the break (April 6–10). Ms. Dobrowski will have fun with science projects including chemical reactions, rockets, crystals, volcanoes, ocean science, and exciting creatures.

Mr. Schlosser and Ms. Robertson will be hosting a "Presidential Fitness Training Camp" during the second week of the break (April 13–17) for those students interested in improving their fitness and to prepare for testing.

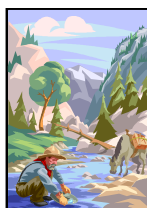
For details on pricing and to make reservations for the camps, please check with school office.

Classes Reconvene – Monday, April 20th

Students are welcomed back after their spring break.

Spring Discovery Day (Pre-School/Pre-Kindergarten) – Wednesday, April 29th

From 9:00 am until 11:30 am, children in Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten classes will enjoy the special exhibits on display for Spring Discovery Day.



Sacramento Trip – Wednesday, April 29th – Thursday, April 30th

Mrs. Minihan and Mrs. Lyon will be leading their 4th Grade classes on a two-day trip to Sacramento and gold rush country. The students will visit California's state Capitol building, tour Old Sacramento and perhaps pan for gold.

Ms. Landry's Class Play – Thursday, April 30th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Ms. Landry's 6th Grade class will be performing "Tom Sawyer" in the auditorium. Parents and grandparents are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the classroom to enjoy refreshments and to view their child's special work on display.

Scholarship Applications

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship for next year, please come by the school office and ask for an application. Completed applications will be accepted back in the office until Friday, May 1st. All application materials are held in strict confidence. Scholarship requests are considered by a committee and are awarded on the basis of need, academics, and promise.

Report Cards

Report cards for upper school students for the 3rd Quarter were mailed on March 27th. The school year is quickly flying by. As we begin the final quarter of the year, please encourage your child to keep up their level of work; help them to develop their stamina to finish the year well.