

THE SOAR REPORT

THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS

WITH SUMMER BREAK QUICKLY APPROACHING, TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR STUDENTS

With just 23 days left in the school year, our school is all abuzz with the excitement of graduation, end-of-year celebrations and summer camps and vacations. Our hallways will soon be adorned with student artwork for the Arts & Music Festival and our athletic field is alive with track practices and soccer matches - to say that we are proud of all that our students have accomplished this year is a huge understatement. The month of May is a very exciting and busy time for our students, faculty and families. We kick off the month with benchmark testing and Teacher Appreciation Week. May 4th is National Day of Prayer and our Religion team has a wonderful day of reflection planned for our students. Middle School Exams will take place May 1st through May 12th. SEES is excited for Backlot Bonanza - this year's spring fling - which will be kicking off at 6pm on May 19th. Join us for burgers and dogs, a beverage truck, sweet frog mobile, on-site vendors such as Sassy Bee and Claville Fashion Truck, student artwork silent auctions and a teacher gift of time auction to benefit the Cross Family! Our students and faculty are greatly anticipating the Annual SEES Olympics, which takes place May 23rd through May 24th - let the games begin! Throughout the month of May, we will honor our 8th graders with an awards ceremony, an appreciation luncheon hosted by our 7th grade parents and their final dance at SEES - 8th Grade Graduation is Tuesday, May 30th at 6:00pm. For a complete list of School events, see the back of this issue of the Soar Report and look for weekly updates from our Front Office. Thank you parents, for another wonderful year - we hope you have a fun and healthy summer!



TOGETHER, WE PRAY

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same holy spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONGRATS TO THE CLASS OF 2017

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| <i>AJ O'Kleasky</i> | <i>Geane Miranda</i> | <i>Madeline Luton</i> | <i>Sophia Graziano</i> |
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| <i>Cecilia Soukup</i> | <i>John Carreras</i> | <i>Nicole Rinck</i> | <i>Tristan Argel</i> |
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| <i>Daniel Eliasek</i> | <i>Kieran Morley</i> | <i>Rachel Graves</i> | <i>Will Melton</i> |
| <i>Daniel Mouser</i> | <i>Lena McLane</i> | <i>Rachel Jones</i> | |
| <i>Danielle Prohaska</i> | <i>MacEllyn Post</i> | <i>Scout Rea</i> | |
| <i>Evan DeLoria</i> | <i>Madeline Guidon</i> | <i>Sophia Farascioni</i> | |

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

ENRICHMENT

I can not believe my first year as the enrichment teacher is coming to a close. This year has been unbelievable and I already look forward to the next. As we wind down the year, enrichment is still in full swing. We ended the week before spring break with a school wide educational Easter egg hunt, which was a huge success. The kids loved every moment. The outpouring of eggs, candy, and decorations was incredible. I will be forever grateful and thankful for your support. Fifth grade and middle school, especially 7th grade, ran the activities and were buddies to the primary students. The collaboration between students was amazing. Kindergarten, first grade and third grade are continuing to utilize splash math on a weekly basis while implementing the problem solving software into their classrooms. Splash Math is great because as you get things correct it increases in complexity — so it continues to challenge those learners that are ready to move on. Second graders are in full swing working on their Reading storyboards. Each student will be typing his/her final product to display on the storyboard. The most important goal is that students enjoy the process, learn from it, and are encouraged to read more. In Reading, third graders are working on analogies, differentiated word study activities, and Caesar's English I, Lesson IV. The vocabulary words are serene (calm), acute (sharp), grotesque (distorted), condescend (to patronize), and odious (hateful). In Math, hands-on capacity activities were implemented in a whole class setting. Groups rotated through each activity to explore and compare different measurements in the customary measurement system. A handful of students are working on a ferris wheel project using gallons, quarts, pints and cups. In fourth grade, students finished the stock market challenge and each team lost or gained money on each investment. Each team finished about half out of every other team in Virginia. Fifth graders finished Caesar's English II, Lesson XX, which completes the series. The vocabulary words are epithet (a characterizing term), abject (miserable), eccentric (unconventional), imperious (overbearing), and solicitude (concern). In closure, each student is working on a final product. The fifth grade blogs continue to soar. Each blog is run by two students. The differentiated activities that are provided increase higher-level thinking skills and creativity. Blogging provides students with a "unique" arena to discuss their interests, express their opinions, and share their ideas. Fifth-eighth grade students are finishing their math enrichment projects, which include the Million Dollar Project and We-Box-It. It has been amazing to watch the creativity and collaboration of each student. I have enjoyed every moment of this year!

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten might be counting down the days to summer, but we are also working hard each day to make sure we're ready to transition to first grade. Students are working on adding and subtracting, reading stories, and writing sentences. We are excited about our upcoming Kindergarten Program which will take place in Father Herbert Hall on Tuesday, May 30th, at 10:30 a.m. (with a picnic to follow at 11:00 in the Grove). We hope all our kindergarten families can attend!

FIRST GRADE

First Grade enjoyed a wonderful field trip to the November Theatre to see Disney's Musical *Beauty and the Beast!* We enjoyed learning more about fairy tales and seeing the performance! During the final few weeks of school we will also be learning about endangered animals. Each student will do a class presentation about an animal that they have researched. In Social Studies we will be talking about famous inventors from the past 200 years and how their inventions have contributed to our world. We will be exploring fractions and working on problem solving skills in Math and continuing to practice with word study, phonics, fluency, and comprehension skills in Reading. May will be a busy month full of learning and fun in First Grade!

FOURTH GRADE

It's exciting to be in the homestretch of fourth grade and our students are coming in with a strong finish. In May they will submit their Venn-diagram on the two biographies they have read. They will make rosaries for all the First Communicants and present them at the special Mass on May 9th. Also they will participate in a May Procession honoring the Mother of God. They will learn to diagram sentences, too. We all look forward to the fun activities that culminates the year. **May 4th is National Day of Prayer! Prayer stations will be set up inside and outside so that students can participate throughout the day. We will also honor Hunger Awareness Day on May 4th and students can bring in a can of food to contribute to FeedMore!**

MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Eighth grade class had two guest speakers to help them better understand how our state and local government works. Senator Sturtevant a state senator for Virginia spoke with the students about the legislative branch. Randy Rowlett a lawyer and substitute judge spoke with the students about the judicial branch.

8TH GRADERS GET A VISIT FROM TWO OF VIRGINIA'S FINEST

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PRE-K COLLECTS GENTLY USED TOYS FOR LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

Thank you to everyone who sent in new or gently used toys to support our pre-kindergarten classes' efforts to collect toys for the Little Sisters of the Poor! We collected dozens of previously loved toys that will be well loved by children the second time around. As always, thank you for supporting all of our grade level outreach efforts!



BACKLOT BONANZA

LAST PARTY OF THE YEAR! JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED EVENING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

**FRIDAY
MAY 19TH
6PM-9PM**

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- Beer Truck!
- Dance Party!
- Inflatable Fun!
- Sweet Frog Truck!
- Claville Fashion Experience!
- Student Art Silent Auction!
- Teacher Gift of Time Auction to benefit Noah!

MAY / JUNE 2017 CALENDAR

MAY 1ST-5TH

Teacher Appreciation Week

MAY 2ND

Weekly Mass

8:30am

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

4:00pm-8:00pm

MAY 3RD

St. Cecelia Band Practice

9:00am-4:00pm

Graduation Open House

7:30am-8:30am

School Tour

9:00am

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

4:00pm-8:00pm

MAY 4TH

National Day of Prayer

(Bring in a can of food to support FeedMore)

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

MAY 5TH

7th Grade Field Trip

Muffins for Moms

(pre-kindergarten)

MAY 6TH

Eagle 5k Challenge & Kid's

Color Run

MAY 8TH

Eagle 5k Challenge & Kid's

Color Run

MAY 9TH

First Communion Mass

9:00am

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

MAY 10TH

St. Cecelia Band Practice

9:00am-4:00pm

Pre-kindergarten field trip

MIX IT UP DAY

MAY 11TH

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

4th Grade Field Trip

School Tours

MAY 12TH

Noon Dismissal

Band Concert

7:00pm

MAY 16TH

Weekly Mass

8:30am

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

Chick-Fil-a Spirit Night

5:00pm-8:00pm

MAY 17TH

Art & Music Festival

MAY 18TH

4th Grade May Procession

MAY 19TH

Community Service

Breakfast

8:00am

8th Grade Appreciation

2:00pm

Spring Fling

6:00pm-9:00pm

MAY 22ND

3rd Grade Field Trip

MAY 23RD

Weekly Mass

8:30am

SEES Olympics

MAY 24TH

St. Cecelia Band Practice

9:00am-4:00pm

MAY 25TH

Lunch Ordering Period

Closes

Buddy Field Day

(Grades 2nd through 4th)

Choir Practice

3:00pm-4:00pm

MAY 26TH

END OF NINE WEEKS

8th Grade Awards Ceremony

11:00am-12:00pm

8th Grade Dance

6:00pm

MAY 29TH

MEMORIAL DAY - NO SCHOOL

MAY 30TH

8th Grade Graduation

6:00pm

MAY 31ST

Field Day

(Pre-k through 1st)

JUNE 1ST

Student Awards Ceremony

10:00am

JUNE 3RD

Closing Liturgy

9:00am

10:30am Dismissal

LOOKING FOR AN EXCITING
CAMP OPTION THIS SUMMER?

**SEES
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Week 1: June 6th – 10th
Discover Math & Science

Week 2: June 13th – 17th
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\$275.00 per week
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REGISTRATION
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Habit of the Month

HABIT FOUR:
THINK WIN-WIN

I balance courage for getting what I want
with consideration for what others want

I make deposits in others' emotional bank accounts

When conflicts arise, I look for third alternatives

I help solve problems so we can all win