FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Academy Families,

Muhammad Ali once said, “Don’t count the days, make the days count.” What perfect timing to be reminded of Muhammad Ali’s words as we begin our last six weeks of school. We all need to be reminded that each day, between now and the end of the school year, is important and has meaning. We cannot always be looking ahead or rushing through the days to reach the “seemingly better” moment. Click here to read more.

'WEAR BLUE DAY' in DELAWARE

Students wore blue clothes and shoes today to participate in 'Wear Blue Day' which seeks to promote more awareness of child abuse. Students paid $2.00 to participate in this new tradition. In the spring of 1989, a grandmother from Virginia began the blue ribbon campaign as a tribute to her grandson who died at the hands of his mother's abusive boyfriend. Since that time, concerned citizens all over the country have worn blue as a symbol of the need to be more aware about this cause and work towards preventing child abuse and neglect. Our boys are learning that change starts with awareness.
MR. STACKHOUSE'S FOURTH GRADERS

In the fourth grade social studies class, the students have been learning about the 5 regions of the United States. The students worked in groups of three to research their group's designated region. Each student in the group had a different topic to research (land forms/bodies of water, climate or natural resources). The groups then collectively designed a poster with all of their newly-discovered facts outlined on it. They added pictures and presented to their fellow classmates. They really responded to the project!

POETRY WITH MR. WALSH'S STUDENTS

Spring is finally here, and Mr. Walsh's 7th and 8th graders have been hard at work studying poetry! The eighth graders dissected *My Father's Song* by Simon J. Ortiz while the seventh graders studied *Valentine for Ernest Mann* by Naomi Shihab Nye. The boys have learned about many of the tools that poets use to bring their poems to life like: simile, metaphor, alliteration, personification and rhyme. The boys have even incorporated these concepts into their very own poems!

S.E.A.'S THIRD ANNUAL EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY SUMMIT

On Wednesday, August 12th, the Academy will hold its 3rd Annual Education Technology Summit featuring Keynote Speaker, Chris Lehmann. The Summit brings together educators from the Mid-Atlantic region to discuss practical ways to integrate technology into student learning. Presenters will showcase a variety of creative integration techniques to maximize student engagement using technology. Teachers will select individual professional development sessions to align to his/her individual needs. Please e-mail Michael Reichert if you would like to be a presenter or if you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

The Academy's *Lancer Cup* golf outing will be held on 6/12. Click [here](#) to sign up or to sponsor the event.

HIGH SCHOOL PRACTICE TESTS

On Saturday, 4/18, from 9:00-11:00am, Archmere Academy will hold the practice entrance exam for student in grade 7. Click [here](#) to register. St. Elizabeth High School will hold theirs this day as well. Click [here](#) to reach their admission office coordinator.

DRAMA CAMP

Click [here](#) to view the pdf of the Shoestring Productions summer (dramatic arts) offerings.
HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT HELD SOON

On Monday, April 27th, representatives from four high schools will be at SEA for an evening of information about the high school admission process and student requirements for admission. In addition, Harriet Weiss, from Huntington Learning Center will be present for anyone interested in summer high school test preparation classes before the actual 8th Grade test in the fall. Though SEA offers a mandatory High School Test Prep class to all 8th grade students in the fall, some parents have inquired about additional summer prep classes; we feel this is an added option if desired. The evening will begin promptly at 6:45 PM in the Rollins Center followed by breakout sessions in the Upper Form classrooms. Each school will have their own classroom for presentations. More information will follow closer to the date. The schools attending will be: Archmere Academy, St. Elizabeth High School, St. Mark’s High School and Salesianum School.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR TO BEGIN

The Scholastic book fair begins on Monday! Boys in JK through fifth grade will complete a wish list early in the week. They will visit the fair twice. The sixth, seventh and eighth graders will have one visit. They do not need to complete a wish list. In addition to the great books and supplies, this library will also offer a raffle table. Expect some great prizes to be won by the boys! Chances are two for one dollar and winners will be announced Monday. We're excited for a fun week of reading!

LACROSSE CAMP

Click here to sign up for Rippin’ Rope Lacrosse Summer Camps. (Boys and Girls ages 7-17)

LETTER DAYS

Monday, 4/20 'd'
Tuesday, 4/21 'e'
Wednesday, 4/22 'f'
Thursday, 4/23 'a'
Friday, 4/24 'b'

LUNCH MENU

MONDAY, 4/20:
Chicken Patty Sandwich ($3.25)
Rice ($1.25)

TUESDAY, 4/21:
Hot Dog ($1.75)
French Fries ($1.50)

WEDNESDAY, 4/22:
Ravioli Dinner ($3.50)

THURSDAY, 4/23:
Taco ($1.75)

FRIDAY, 4/24:
Pizza ($2.00) ($2.25)
2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR NOTICE
If you plan to re-enroll for the 2015-2016 School Year, please return your contract as soon as possible. We need to know the anticipated number of students for the upcoming school year so we can make the best decisions regarding retaining and/or hiring teachers, determining.

Please contact Pete Duncan w/ questions.

'ONCE UPON A MATTRESS’ TICKETS
Tickets are now on sale for our exciting Spring Musical being held April 24th -26th. The cast boasts 42 talented members and what an amazing cast it is! Order tickets now. Click here to view and print the PDF of the ticket order form. Return it to the attention of Ms. DeHart & Mrs. McAvinue. Mail it in or leave it with Renie at the reception desk.

NOTE FROM THE LIBRARIAN
The Thomas P. Sweeney Library accepts gently used books for donation. Hardcover books are preferred. However, teachers often like to include paperbacks in their own local classroom libraries so keep sending those in as well. The Academy has been contacted by the librarian of a local middle school which is in desperate need of books. We'll be passing along materials to them too!

CAFETERIA HELP REQUESTED!
If you haven't yet signed up to help in the cafeteria, please do so. We need at least 3 volunteers for each day, and we’re asking all families to sign up for at least one day! Click here to see our list of immediate need.

OPEN HOUSE
Please be sure to tell friends and family about our third and final Open House being held on Tuesday, May 5th (9:00 - 11:00)
Click here to register.

EXTRA HELP
Click here for the list of free after-school help sessions.

STUDENT DANCE: 4/25
Saint Mary Magdalen will hold their last middle school dance of the year. Click here for the details.

BASEBALL CAMP
Click here for the flier for the Ryan Holsten Baseball Academy summer camp offerings.

PIANO LESSONS
Piano lessons for students in grade 2 and up are available
fall. Limited openings are available. Contact Ms. DeHart for more information.

NEWPORT ROWING CLUB

Click here for summer camp details.

SOCIAL SKILL

Remember to keep in mind one of the Academy's 5 Core Values: Reflect on 'independence' this week.