

Eagle Eye News

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United We Soar!



"DARKNESS CANNOT DRIVE OUT DARKNESS; ONLY LIGHT CAN DO THAT. HATE CANNOT DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT."

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

A Message From The Principal:

1 John 4:7 – Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

As we celebrate Valentine's Day, we are reminded that love is far more than cards, candy, or kind gestures—it is a reflection of who God is. Scripture tells us that love begins with Him, and because we are His children, we are called to share that love freely and generously with others.

Christ's love teaches us something powerful: every person has equal value because each of us is created in the image of God. When we truly understand that we are all God's children, it changes how we treat one another. Love becomes patient. Love becomes kind. Love becomes inclusive. It moves beyond preference and extends to everyone—friends, classmates, neighbors, and even those who may be different from us.

This Valentine's season, may we reflect Christ's heart in our words and actions. Let us choose compassion over comparison, unity over division, and kindness over indifference. When we love as Christ loves, we become living examples of His grace to the world around us.

Blessings,
Ms. Ellis 

CALENDAR

February



13 Fashion Friday - Ol' Skool Day!

(dress how your grandparents did 'back in the day' OR dress to represent a decade - 70s, 80s, 90s, etc)

13 Noon dismissal - no pizza/after school

16 President's Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

19 Open House @ 6pm

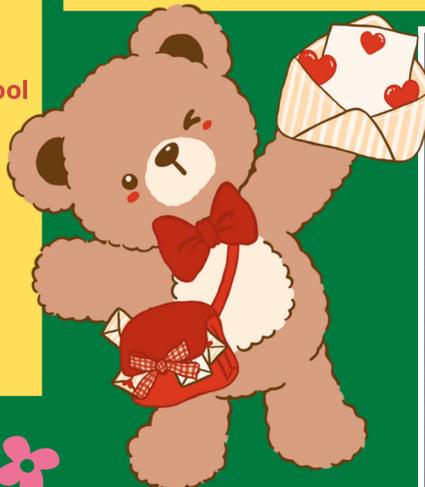
Invite a new family to accompany you!

20 Fashion Friday - Rep your heritage!

(wear your cultural attire or flag/colors)

20 Noon dismissal - no pizza/after school

26 Excel's BHM Living Museum, 6pm



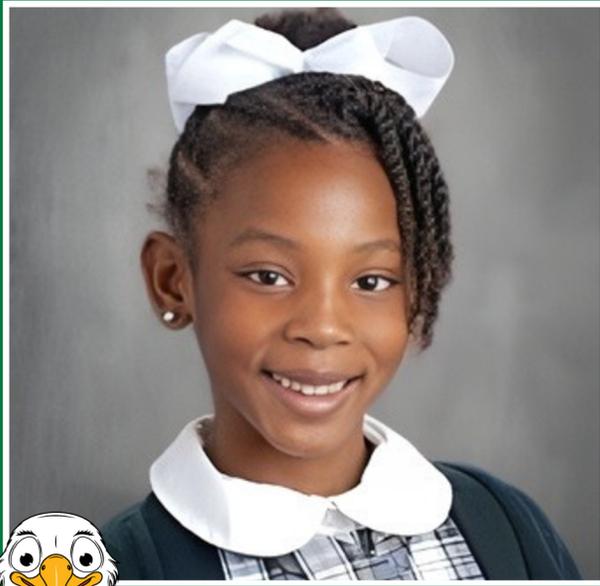
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John 3:16

Meet our **EXCEL**lent Eagles!



Nylah
1st grade



Q: What's your favorite Bible story?

A: The story of creation and how God rested on the seventh day. *amen*

Q: Would you rather have carrots for toes or grapes for fingers?

A: Umm...grapes!



Q: I know you have chores to so at home. Which is your favorite?

A: Cleaning up the play room!

Q: Do you have a favorite Bible story?

A: I like the story of Jacob.

Q: What's your favorite subject in school?

A: Math!

Q: Do you have any special talent(s)?

A: I sing.



Q: What is something positive you do?

A: I encourage myself to do well.



Aileen
7th grade



Building Blocks

"Hey, Blaine, what are you working on?" Dad asked as he walked into Blaine's room.

"I'm making a building out of interlocking blocks for the library contest," Blaine said. "If I post a picture on their website, I could win a free meal at a local restaurant." Suddenly, he frowned. "Hey, where's my baseplate? Can you help me find it, Dad? It's the big flat one that I have to build on to make sure the structure won't tip over."

"All right." Dad knelt and began to look through the chest of blocks. He pulled out a large flat piece like Blaine had described. "Is this it?"

"Yeah! Thanks, Dad."

"Do you mind if I build something too? I loved playing with blocks like this when I was younger."

Blaine nodded. "Sure."

"I think I'll build a minivan like ours." Dad began looking for black blocks to use for the tires. "So, did you finish reading this week's Bible passage for Sunday school?"

"I started, but I don't really understand it. It talks about something being built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Jesus Christ being the cornerstone."

"It's talking about the church," Dad explained. "Everyone who joins the church by trusting in Jesus is an important part of it." He pointed at the blocks Blaine was attaching to his building. "It's like those blocks. Imagine if you only got one block in a set! You wouldn't be able to build a complete car, or building, or much of anything with one block. But when you have many blocks that fit together perfectly, you can build a structure that is complete."

"So, are we the blocks?" Blaine asked.

"Yes! Christians make up the church the way your blocks make up the building you're working on. And just like your baseplate, Jesus is the base of our church. It's built on what He did to save us from sin—His death and resurrection. Like blocks that connect together, we are connected through the Holy Spirit, who dwells in us and is shaping us to be more like Jesus."

Blaine nodded. "I think I understand better now. And I'm finished with my building!"

"All right. I'll take a picture," Dad said. "I can already taste that free meal!"
-Jessica Kleeberger

How about you?

Have you ever built something with interlocking blocks? If so, you know how much fun it is to see a bunch of tiny pieces come together to form a complete creation. The church is the same way! Each Christian belongs to the church and has a part to play in what God is building on the foundation set by Jesus. His Spirit lives in us and works through us so others can see Jesus's love.

In [Jesus] you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.
Ephesians 2:22

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

**Jewels - 2/1
Paris - 2/24**



RIDDLE OF THE WEEK

I am not alive, but I grow;
I don't have lungs, but I need air;
I don't have a mouth, but water kills me.
What am I?

Answer: Fire!