

A Note from Dr. McCormick...

Dear Parents,

With many of our students being stricken by the "Episca-plague," and the week being short, there is seemingly less news to share. At Monday's Morning Meeting, seventh grade core teachers presented "Seeking the Summit Awards" to the following seventh graders for exemplary attitude, work ethic, and leadership over the course of the past month:

Mrs. Lewis - English - **Lovey Reynolds** - Lovey Reynolds is this month's English Seeking the Summit winner as the result of her thoughtful annotations, active class participation, and ability to work well with others. Most importantly, Lovey brings positive energy to the classroom every day which is especially important this time of year. Congratulations, Lovey, for a job well done!

Ms. Owen - Science - **Avery Turner** - This month's Seeking the Summit Winner for science goes to Avery Turner. Avery demonstrates dedication, passion, and excitement for science. She comes to class prepared and with a smile on her face each day! Even when this young lady is sick, she still stays on top of her assignments in class. Congratulations, Avery Turner!

Mrs. Lenfestey - Mathematics - **Stephen Nichols** - Stephen Nichols is a true Mathematician and this month's Seeking the Summit winner. Spend just a few minutes with him and you can't but notice his passion for Mathematics. He loves to learn, read, write and talk about anything having to do with math. His energy and love for the subject make it such a joy to have him in my class every day! He is destined for a career in Mathematics. Congratulations, Stephen!

Ms. Harrison - History - **Ted Penick** - The seventh grade World History Seeking the Summit award recipient this month is a gentleman who exhibits first class citizenship inside and outside the classroom. He is inquisitive, persistent, and determined; three qualities that will certainly take him places in his future pursuits! He has been a tremendous advocate for himself and his learning this year, which has been reflected in his continual upward progress! It has been my pleasure to learn with and from him this year. Congratulations, Ted Penick!

MS Calendar

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Friday, February 15 - Monday, February 18

- Mid-Winter Break, No School

Wildcat Athletic Calendar

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Thursday, February 14

- Girls Varsity Basketball - Conference Tournament Semi-Final vs. Harmony Grove, HOME @4:00 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Basketball - Conference Tournament Semi-Final vs. Mayflower, HOME @5:30 p.m.

Friday, February 15

- Girls Varsity Basketball - Follow @sportsepiscopal for game day announcements
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Thursday, February 21

- MS Co-Ed Soccer vs. Anthony School, HOME @4:00 p.m.

Friday, February 22

- Varsity/MS Wrestling - Arkansas State Wrestling Tournament, AWAY
- Girls Varsity Soccer Benefit Game vs. NLR, HOME @5:00 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer Benefit Game vs. NLR, HOME @7:00 p.m.

Little Rock Marathon Aid Station

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS! COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS!

Little Rock Marathon Episcopal Aid Station *VOLUNTEERS NEEDED*

T-minus 17 days until the BIG DAY! We are still in need of volunteers to help out with this event. We aren't quite halfway to our goal of 50 volunteers. This is a great way to represent our school in a spirited and positive way. The more people the better! This event is fun, outdoors, and lunch and event t-shirts will be provided. Stress-free way to earn community service hours!

Sign-up TODAY!

Make sure to pick the Episcopal Collegiate Aid Station on the volunteer application

Must sign up through the Little Rock Marathon website:

<https://littlerockmarathon.com/volunteers/>

Parents' Auxiliary - Kroger Plus Rewards to Benefit Episcopal!

Now is a great time to enroll or re-enroll your Kroger Plus Card to benefit Episcopal Collegiate School! Create an account or visit your existing account online at www.kroger.com/communityrewards. Follow the links and select Episcopal Collegiate School as your organization. Any questions? Call or text Meredith Flanagin at 501.247.3956 or mmflanagin@gmail.com.

Wild Game Dinner - Chef Spotlight: Los Gatos Salvajes

Chris Colclasure is dad to sixth grader Mia and fourth grader Granger. Thomas Blackmon is dad to ninth grader Grace and fifth grader Clark. Brett Huff is dad to seventh grader Carter and fifth grader Vivian. Mark Reynolds is dad to ninth grade Sophie and seventh grader Lovey.

Team Los Gatos Salvajes leapt at the chance to cook for Episcopal family and friends. They intend to WOW the Wild Game guests with their famous Spanish-inspired paella with a southern twist! Check out their booth to alter your perspective on the possibilities of rice!

You don't want to miss this, [buy tickets here!](#)

US/MS London Trip

The weather is cold and dreary. Poet Christina Rossetti expressed it best in 1872 when she wrote "In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, / Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;" Nevertheless, before we know it, spring will arrive and then summer vacation. Now is the time to plan those summer trips!

The English and History Departments still have slots available for travelers who are interested in a summer tour of England June 24 - July 3. All current 8th - 12th graders are eligible to attend. Register by going online to www.passports.com. The Group Leader is Vivian Blair, and the Group ID is VBLAIR2019. FINAL DEADLINE to sign up is March 5.

For more information, contact Ms. Blair, Mrs. Conyer, or Mrs. Campbell.

MS Parent Book Chats

Dr. McCormick had the opportunity to listen to Dr. Shimi Kang's, *The Self-Motivated Kid* recently on a driving trip to and from Nashville, and he is excited to share it with interested parents. Consequently, here are dates and times for two upcoming book chats:

Tuesday, March 26, 8:15-9:00am, MS Erwin Library

Tuesday, April 17, 8:15-9:00am, MS Erwin Library

This book won the 2015 USA Book News International Book Award for Parenting and Family.

MS Quiz Bowl Conference Victory Success!

Hi, everyone --

I just wanted to send out a special thank you to all of the Quiz Bowl players and their parents -- it was really a special time for me, seeing the team come together under pressure to win an important tournament! The Perrys and the Odles helped us out, too -- especially because we were basically confined to one room and needed sustenance.

Not everyone received equal playing time yesterday, but everyone is important to the team and everyone played in games and rounds that mattered. In other words, you all played when the score counted, and so contributed directly to this Conference victory. When the tournaments get longer, having you all there will help everyone and, thus, the team. So just keep doing what you've been doing!

That said, I would be remiss if I did not give a shout out to Andrew Johnston and Luke Beck, who took home MVP awards for scoring so many points. Those All-Tournament awards are nice bonuses. But it is also true that what made this team so hard to beat (and what the other coaches commented upon as I spoke with them) was our balance, the way we scored points from all sorts of directions. In short, our balance made us hard to defend!

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, February 23, when we'll travel to Batesville to compete in the 3A State Tournament. We're ready! As ever, the Website will be up to date as I get information.

Enjoy the rest of your weekend, everyone. You're a special crew!

Dr. Lien