

September Newsletter

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CROSS COUNTRY - A GREAT START TO OUR ATHLETIC YEAR



GO TEAM SLA!

Ready for the race

Focused on the finish line.

St. Lawrence Academy participated in it's first Cross Country Meets; the Gladys Burt Memorial on Tuesday September 23rd, and the St. Michael's Invitational on Tuesday September 30. As first time runners, training for only the past three weeks, St. Lawrence Academy showed fight and energy. Half of our SLA students finished within the top 3rd of their class, with 4 finishing within the top quarter! However, what was most impressive was our team spirit as students who weren't competing ran along beside their competing team mates every time! What support! What Spirit! What a fantastic message to all who witnessed it.

ALUMNI ALERT: Looking for a way to gather up your volunteer hours? Join us on your PD days and be a volunteer in the classroom. Alaina Ng was our first Alumni Volunteer and she helped with both the 1,2 and 3,4,5 classes! What a joy to see her again! CALL TO BOOK YOUR PD DAY!



Bird Sanctuary

The Grade 1&2 Class went on a field trip to the Upper Canada Bird Sanctuary. There they learned all about different animals, omnivores, carnivores, hibernation, migration and which animals do which. It was a very informative morning with tons of fun. The highlight was that all the kids could feed the chickadee's and the chickadees had their fair quota of sunflowers seeds, that's for sure. So much fun, thank you Mrs. Hunter for arranging this fun field trip.

Annual Upper Canada Village - Still so much to see!

Every year, SLA kicks off the new school year with a visit to the Upper Canada Village, and this year was no exception. Students enjoyed the ferry rides, wagon rides, farm animals and Pioneer lunch provided by the teachers. There was, however, an exciting new gift as this year, as Mr. Hosick, Gardemer/interpreter at Louck's Farm in the village was able to give us an exclusive tour of the Village's Fair entries this year. The presentation of their horticultural entries was the most breathtaking.

The grade 6/7 class hit the trail running as they hurried to complete Mr. MacNeil's scavenger hunt. and the 3,4,5's were thrilled by the horse drawn ferry, a relaxing and leisurely ride. Perhaps, though, the most interactive was SLA's time spent in a pioneer school. Holding Blocks of wood on straight arms, nose to the chalkboard, w hip of the ruler and strap to discipline bad behaviour and even writing with the wrong hand! Students all felt very blessed to be born in the 21st century.



HANDBOOK HINT: ABSENCES SLA students must have no more than 15 unexcused absences during the course of the year. More than 30 results in immediate retention of a grade level. Find out What the difference is between excused and unexcused absences. Section 18 in our SLA Student Handbook.

CONGRATULATIONS! PASS THE WORD!

For showing
RESPECT:
Edan Avis
Austin Miller
Jack Fournier
And our
Artists of the
month:
Evie Cameron,
Austin Miller
and
Zack Fournier



COMING IN OCTOBER:

THANKSGIVING LONG WEEKEND - OCTOBER 10-13
ART & MUSIC WORKSHOP - MONDAY OCTOBER 8

PICTURE DAY - DRESS UNIFORMS PLEASE - MONDAY OCTOBER 20

FREE PASS FRIDAY - FRIDAY OCTOBER 24 OPEN HOUSE - THURSDAY OCTOBER 30

CONGRATULATIONS! to our Alumni Winner of the Optisan Binoculars: THE MCGILLIS FAMILY!
We are so appreciative of our Alumni supporters! Thank you so much for your continued
thoughts and prayers for SLA!