

## Message from the Principal

Greetings SVAE Family,

This week on Tuesday, we hit the ground running. So much is happening in this week! The basketball teams have each won one and lost one. A shout-out to the girls for getting your first win on Wednesday! It is great to see so many SVAE participants in Journey to Bethlehem (J2B)! J2B is giving tours the next 4 nights. If you have never taken the tour, you are missing out! We might still be able to get you in if you talk to Mrs. Reedy!

Have a blessed weekend!

Mr. Hammond

### Home & School Gingerbread contest!

Bring your most creative gingerbread creations to school on Tuesday December 19. Winners will be announced at the Christmas Program and receive \$25 cash and a medal. The contest will be judged in two groups: Prek-4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Due to the time change, after care hours for Fridays will be ending at 4:30 so that we can get ready for the Sabbath.**

**This year's Christmas program will be on Tuesday, December 19.**

### Student attire:

**Grades 5-8:** Tux shirts and black pants (boys) and black skirts (girls) - Remember, skirt length should be no shorter than 4" above the knee.

## Upcoming Calendar Events:

December 2	Kindergarten @ Valley Fellowship Special Music
December 6	Basketball games @ NFMS Girls @ 6:45 P.M. Boys @ 5:30 P.M.
December 7	1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> grade to Museum of Shenandoah Valley
December 9	1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade Music @ New Market SDA Church
December 19	Christmas Program @ 6:30 P.M.
December 20	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter
December 20	12 P.M. Dismissal
December 21- Jan 1	Christmas Break
January 2	Classes Resume
February 8	Parent/Teacher Conferences—No School
February 11-12	SVAE Basketball Tournament
February 20	President's Day—No School
March 1	Read Across America
March 15	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter
March 15	Jump Rope Event
March 18—22	Spring Break
March 26	S.S. Fair
April 1-5	Week of Worship
March 13	Bells @ Harrisonburg SDA

**Please bring the following cut fruit or dessert for the Christmas program according to your last name. If you are unable to bring anything, please donate \$10.00 by Tuesday so that we can purchase a dessert.**

### Fruit must be cut

**A-D:** Cookies 2 dozen  
**F-H:** Pineapple  
**J-L:** Cookies 2 dozen  
**M-P:** Strawberries  
**R-T:** Cookies 2 dozen  
**U-Z** – Mandarin Oranges

### **Music performance:**

**All 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Graders** will be performing at the New Market Church on Sabbath, December 9. We thank you in advance for making this appointment a priority. This is one of the few opportunities we have to show our appreciation to this very supportive church.

### **SCSL Spring 2024 Soccer**

**Registration:** After a great Fall 2023 soccer season by our U12 team, it is time to start thinking about Spring 2024 Soccer Registration which opens December 1 and goes through February 10. Don't forget that the SCSL online system ([www.shenandoahcountysoccerleague.com](http://www.shenandoahcountysoccerleague.com)) allows you to pay online, keep track of your family's teams/schedule, and easily re-register your players on a season-to-season basis. The earlier you sign up, the better so that we can know whether we'll have enough for multiple age-group teams. For more info, please contact Kyle Harrison at 202-340-7309.

**Virginia tax credit scholarship program** is the smart way to give. You can earn Virginia tax credit by giving a donation to SVAE. You can put your money to work for kids while getting an exceptional tax incentive. Give a donation and you will receive a tax credit against your Virginia taxes equal to 65% of the amount of your donation. If you are interested, please call Gail Melkersen at 540-325-4314. Be sure to do this before the end of 2023!

**Practice Schedule 12/04-12/08**

Bell Ensemble

3:30-5:00 Tuesday & Thursday

Girls' Basketball

Coached by Emmanuel Rivera

Mondays @3:30-5:00

Wednesdays @ 5:30-7:00

Friday @ 2:00-3:30

Boys' Basketball

Coached by Spenser Briggs

5:30-7:00—Monday & Tuesday

Friday @ 12:30-2:00

An easy way to find out about **school closings or delays** is to visit our website, [svae.org](http://svae.org), and click on the WHSV School Closings & Delays link under the family resource tab. If you do not see our school's name on the list, then school is in session. If school status changes from delay to closed, it will be posted on the WHSV website. We will also send parent-alert text messages for school closings/delays. If you are not receiving them already, please stop by the office to ensure that we have your correct phone number.

**If you feel that the roads are too treacherous for you to travel to school safely, please keep your child at home, or bring him/her when the roads are clear.**

Absences & tardies can be excused for weather related issues.

**Help our school with the following rewards programs:**

**Box Tops for Education**

Use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10 cents for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.



**ADS**

**FOR SALE**

- >Honda Push Mower
- >Para Body 350 Weight Lifting Machine
- >Hard Wood Table (with extension) with 4 chairs
- > 64 gallons Totter Trash Can

For more info or pictures text 540-630-2152 families!

Available: Twin loft bed/desk/cabinet/bookshelf for the special young person in your life. No cost if you can disassemble and take it with you. H - 75in"; W - 77 3/4"; D - 44 1/2". Mattress not included. Contact Naeemah @ [naeemahs93@gmail.com](mailto:naeemahs93@gmail.com)

**BIRTHDAY CALENDAR**

**December**

- 1-Ella Yun
- 3-Moises Arancibia Diaz
- 9-Jace Dixon
- 10-Amelia Schick-St. Louis
- 17-Addison Rhoney
- 22-Ezekiel Good

**January**

- 7-Marcel Jaen
- 17-Irie Rodriguez
- 20-Kaden Holsinger
- 21-Manney Waller-Long
- 22-Mrs. Cristian
- 23-Grace Mihalache
- 31-Mrs. Reinoehl

**February**

- 3-Mrs. Reedy
- 5-Chance Osborne
- 13-Joshua Long

**March**

- 7-Daniel Sanchez
- 16-Yahru Clarke
- 18-Mila Little
- 22-Benjamin Cristian
- 23-Caleb Richardi
- 30-Ella Gratton

**Hot Lunch Menu:**  
12/04 – 12/08

Monday – Burritos

Tuesday—Veggie chili, rice and roll (PFE Fundraiser)

Wednesday—Rotini with white & red sauce, salad and garlic bread (PFE Fundraiser)

Thursday— Pizza, applesauce and salad (8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser)

Friday— No hot lunch 12:00 Dismissal

We are pleased to offer healthy options that will include fresh fruits & vegetables, whole grains and fewer processed foods.

Small=\$3.50 (Available for Pre-K – 2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Large=\$4.50 (Available for Pre-K – Adult)

Lunches need to be prepaid (for the day or the week) in the main office.