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Cavaliers

*Sinite Parvulos Venire Ad Me
(Let the children come to me)*

Fourth Quarter Progress

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

Already we progress through the fourth quarter and approach the end of the academic year. The Paschal season gladdens us with its festivities, and many events fill these last weeks.

We will have the High School girls perform their play, *An Ideal Husband*. The first grade class eagerly prepare for their First Holy Communion at the end of the month, as well as various other children for their Confirmation. The Cavaliers baseball team is finishing up a very good season, and graduation swiftly approaches.

With everything that is happening, we do have to remind the students and ourselves of an important thing - perseverance. After long months of school and so much activity, we can easily become tired or discouraged, and think "oh well, it's almost over and it doesn't matter anyway." At times like these, the tortoise can outpace the hare and win the race - because he perseveres. To please God, we must do our best all the way to the end especially in those little duties that are so easy to neglect yet so hard to perfect. Nothing done for our eternal end is wasted, nor in this context, is any effort of our students to continue and complete their formation.

We pray that you may all have a Blessed Paschaltide, and a beautiful feast of Pentecost.

In the Risen Christ,

Fr. Christopher Pedersen, Principal



ABOUT OLSA

Since 2008, the OLSA Drama Club has been capturing the hearts of many Cavalier students, staff and parents. It first began with students acting out a few scenes from *A Man for All Seasons*, to performing in exciting full-length musicals such as *My Fair Lady* and *Pirates of Penzance*, along with captivating plays like *More Than Meets the Eye* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*. The club began performing in Boyle Hall and then grew to renting space from local theaters. In 2016, they remodeled the old church into the Performing Arts Center, which was a huge upgrade to our campus. Learning the art of drama has played a big part in the lives of our Upper Academy students by teaching them student development and character building. We hope our drama department will continue to grow and entertain audiences for generations to come.



Women in White, 2017



Pirates of Penzance, 2017



Tale of Two Cities, 2018

Lower Academy Recess

After lunchtime, the Lower Academy students line up outside and wait to be released for recess by the teachers. We split the boys and girls into different age groups in order for the monitors to better watch and supervise the students. For each recess, there is a scheduled group game to help the children learn camaraderie and sportsmanship. The different ages work together to enjoy thirty minutes of either kickball, basketball, soccer, sharks and minnows, and more. Once recess is over, the children line up by class and wait for their homeroom teacher to escort them back to class.





OLSA INTERVIEW

with Miss Gabrielle Saurette - Language Arts and Latin Teacher & Educational Development

Q: Where were you born and raised? How many siblings do you have? A: I was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and spent my childhood in Calgary, Alberta and Post Falls, Idaho. I have an older brother, and four younger sisters.

Q: If you could take your class on a field trip to anywhere in the US, where would you go? A: I would take my class to Glacier National Park, to Going-to-the-Sun Road, where the Rocky Mountains launch out of the valley and where a Depression Era two-lane road allows tourists to drive towards the sunrise. As you drive up, you leave the tree-line behind. Mountain goats tug at grass between the boulders. Glaciers hug the peaks. Mountains are just mountains, to be sure, but they are also a meditation on how insignificant our problems are compared to God and His grace.

Q: Which class project was your favorite to assign? A: I haven't assigned my favorite project yet at Our Lady of Sorrows. It's a project in which students write a Forensic Mental Health Assessment for a character in a Greek Play - is he responsible for his actions and able to stand trial or is he mentally impaired? I like this assignment because it's a real-world writing task - students take on the role of a lawyer, a clerk and a psychiatrist - but it requires attention to the words and meaning of the text as well. The groups' results are always different, showing them how evidence and interpretation of evidence is important in a trial.

Field Trip

On April 19th, the 5th and 6th grade students visited Liberty Wildlife where they met some of the 11,000 animals that the conservation program helps annually. The classes then enjoyed a picnic and hike at Papago Park in Phoenix.



Inside the Classroom

Prompt: Miss Delmanowski asked her 3rd grade class to write a story about a picture of two boys fishing (*shown bottom left*).

One evening, two boys went fishing. Their names were John and Peter. John had never gone fishing before, but Peter wanted to show him how to fish. Peter had really never done it before, but he thought he could. He had watched his father once, even though he wasn't paying much attention. He wanted to prove that he could fish, so he did it with his eyes closed. "First, you tie the worm on," he instructed. There was only one problem. The worm box was next to John's arm. Peter tied John's arm. "What are you doing?" he asked. "Fishing," came the reply. "Then you cast the worm - woah! This is a heavy worm!" but he cast the worm. "Aaaah!" shouted John. Peter opened his eyes. He had casted John! Poor John. He was soaked! They made a conclusion that Peter could not fish. **Written by Charlotte Evans**





Pictured above is the play poster for the Upper Academy girls play.

All are invited to the Upper Academy girls' performance of *An Ideal Husband* directed by Miss Bridget Dowd. Shows will be **Friday, May 12th at 7pm and Saturday, May 13th at 6pm** in the Performing Arts Center. Admission is free.

An Ideal Husband is about a successful politician who's career is put into jeopardy by a blackmail scheme which will potentially ruin his marriage and his reputation by exposing the origin of his fortune.



Our Cavaliers baseball team is headed to the **playoffs on Thursday, May 4th!** The team has been working hard this season to have a nearly undefeated record of 13-2. Support our Cavaliers at their next game as they fight for the championship title.

Did you know? Before each game, the team huddles together and cheers the words, "*Honor, Dedicatio, Integritas, et in omnibus Nobilitas.*" Go Cavaliers!



OLSA MAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Friday, May 12th - Saturday, May 13th:

Upper Academy's Girls' Play

Thursday, May 18th:

Ascension Thursday - *No School*

Thursday, May 25th:

Upper Academy exams

Friday, May 26th:

Upper Academy exams and last full day of classes for the Lower Academy

Monday, May 29th:

Memorial Day - *No School*

Tuesday, May 30th:

Exams and half-day for the Upper Academy

SENIOR GRADUATION



Saturday, June 3rd - 9:30am Mass and 11:30

commencement ceremony. May God Bless the

Senior Class of 2023 - *Noah Henry, Sophie*

Mendoza, Madeleine Taleck and Joseph Young.

SPECIAL FEAST DAYS

Monday, May 1st:

St. Joseph the Worker

Thursday, May 18th:

Ascension Thursday

Sunday, May 28th:

Pentecost