

The Lighthouse Reflector

April 19, 2019

"But the Comforter, [which is] the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."--John 14:26 KJV

Step Up Day



On Thursday, April 18, prospective students visited San Diego Academy and current students moved up to the grade they will be in next year. Many elementary teachers had special activities planned that allowed the children to interact and get to know new students, while imagining a day in the life with their teacher next year. I took the current eighth graders to visit each of the high school teachers. Mr. Shultz demonstrated Tesla's energy transfer to a light bulb using Josh, a senior, as a conduit. Jonathan, a

freshman robotics assistant, demonstrated an example of a robot one of the students had built. Mr. Shultz showed some examples of what you would learn in physics, and had another senior, Hollyann, talk about biology and anatomy and physiology while sharing the classroom snake.













Jacob and Kevin, junior honors chemistry students, demonstrated the difference between raising your voice with helium or lowering your voice with sulfur hexafluoride.



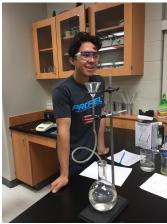




Mr. Botrous provided several chemistry demonstrations; a vacuum pump that expanded balloons and marshmallows, how to combine chemicals to create what is in a glow stick, how to create









foam, a clock reaction, a glowing light, music waves, and a catalyst demonstration.













The dry ice explosion created the biggest impact with the students.







Ms. Leigh talked to the 8th graders about the different types of classes she teaches and her students shared several of their most memorable class assignments. Ms. Newby encouraged the 8th graders to interact with the high school students--to introduce themselves and get to know one another. They also learned about the "New Deal" project they were working on.



















Mr. Gifford used Step-up Day, an introduction to what high school is like, to share not only what eighth graders would learn in his Bible class over the next four years, but lessons they can use for their lives. He wrote the following two lists on his board:

STEP UP TO CHOICES

unbalanced priority busy purpose

please everybody yes/no--follow through

reputation character grades learning

procrastinate-->panic plan-->persevere

excuses your best with what you have

He explained instead of being unbalanced, prioritize the most important things in your life; act according to your purpose instead of just keeping busy. He shared that people will always talk about you, you need to focus on your character more than what people think. Students should focus on what they are learning more than what their grades are. He shared some study habit tips of how to plan ahead of time and break your responsibilities into smaller tasks instead of procrastinating and coming up with excuses. Mr. Gifford explained how we all have the same amount of time, it is how we use that time that makes the difference. He gave tips to avoid stress and explained that the world cannot offer you the second list; you have to choose Christ and He will offer you freedom you cannot imagine.





He explained that if you choose the second list, you will be faithful first. You will naturally be friendly, and when people speak badly about you, you will be forgiving. During your time in high school you have the opportunity to earn scholarships, care for others, handle your own business and enjoy yourself if you make the right choices.

Elementary Activities

Would you like to **VOLUNTEER** and help create **ART** with your child? Mrs. Felix, the K-6th grade art teacher could use **assistants during art classes**. Sign up or drop in!

firt classes meet every other Thursday and every other Friday in the child care room 109. Friday,

 April 26 she will teach:
 Friday, May 3 she will teach:

 5th grade 9:15-10:15
 1st grade 9:15-10:15

 3rd grade 10:30-11:30
 4th grade 10:30-11:30

 TK/Kinder 11:50-12:50
 2nd grade 11:50-12:50

Thursday, 5.02.19 6th grade meets from 1:30-2:30.

***SAVE THE DATE: San Diego Academy Art Show on May 21, at 3:30 pm

sign up in the office to bring healthy food or help set up

Edna Felix Elementary Art Highlights

Sixth graders preparing for the art show







1st graders coloring underwater scenes













Second Grade Counting Fair photos and article by Grace Kim



Second grade students are continuing to learn more about the value of money and practicing counting coins. This week we switched it up and did a fair. Students partnered with their "Buddy Up" buddies and discussed what kind of game they would offer and how much it would cost to play the game. It was fun seeing them figure out if they had enough money, how much more they needed, and how much change to give.

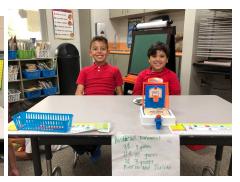


















High School Activities

Interview With Brenda Newby, JH/HS History and Art Appreciation Teacher

by Tom McGrew, 11th Grade Publications student



San Diego Academy hired Brenda Newby this year as our full-time history teacher here at the academy, but she is hardly new to San Diego Academy. Tom McGrew, an 11th grade Publications student reports...

Brenda Newby worked as a substitute teacher before being hired at San Diego Academy. She saw what she wanted to bring into her own class and what she did not want to bring. It gave her insight into what classes are like when you are the teacher. She also worked at Palomar Community College in San Marcos, and she got to see what students were like coming BACK to school after graduating from high school.

Mrs. Newby first came to San Diego Academy as a student, so she feels at home here. She has a passion for teaching here because she got a quality education from San Diego Academy and wishes to pass on what she learned and experienced to the students she teaches now. Mrs. Newby teaches 8th grade social studies, 9th grade geography, Health, SAT prep, 10th grade world history, 11th grade U.S. history, Government and Economics and art appreciation.

Overall, she enjoys each of her classes and students, and has found that each class has different things that fascinate them and each mind works in a different fashion than the next.

She loves coaching softball with Ms. Hebbel because they go "way back" and she enjoys teaching the girls to play softball and coaching them. She figures that it adds another level of connection to her bond with them to be their teachers and also their softball coach. This is her first year as a coach for any sport

World History WWI Trenches Activity by Brenda Newby



"In World History this week, we've started talking about World War I. One of the main features of this war was the use of trenches to attack as well as defend territory. In an effort to get students in the minds of the soldiers who fought during this war, we turned our classroom into the trenches. Students hurled paper balls at each other and had to take cover to be on the offensive as well as the defensive. I also asked them some guiding questions to keep them on track and students seemed to understand the importance and significance of this new type of fighting and how it contributed to the military strategy of The War to End All Wars."

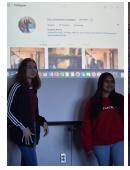
Art Appreciation Instagram Impressionist Activity by Brenda Newby







Art Appreciation students created an instagram feed that depicted the themes of Impressionism. They could either choose something that was inspired by the movement or recreate a painting of their choosing.







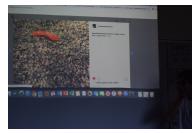






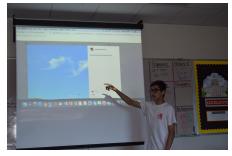
















Sophomores Dissect Pigs in Mr. Botrous' Biology Lab



On Thursday, Sophomores dissected pigs in Mr. Botrous' Biology lab. After learning about the different systems in the body, students had a chance to see them in the pig. They took turns searching for the Circulatory, Digestive, Endocrine, and Respiratory systems. Emeline, one of our Publications students, shared with me how she had a chance to get hands-on experience with all the organs and the systems they were a part of; "the most noteworthy part was how much the pigs really stink".



















San Diego Academy Calendar of Events

| 5th Grade Overnight Field Trip to S | eaWorldWednesday, April 24 |
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| NO SCHOOL Teacher In-service | Monday, April 29 |
| 4th Grade Field Trip to San Juan C | apistranoTuesday, April 30 |
| TK-2nd Grade Field Trip to the zoo | Thursday, May 2 |
| Teacher Appreciation Week | Mon, May 6-Friday, May 10 |
| JH/HS Spring Music Concert | Thursday, May 9 |
| SA Olympic Day and SA elections. | Friday, May 10 |
| 1st Grade Autobiography | |
| Elementary Art Show | Tuesday, May 21 at 3:30 p.m. |
| Athletic Awards | Tuesday, May 21 at 5:30 p.m |
| 5th-8th Grade Athletic Day | Friday, May 24 |
| NO SCHOOL Memorial Day | Monday, May 27 |
| JH/HS Final Exams | Tues, May 28-Wed, May 29 |
| Kindergarten Graduation | Wednesday, May 29 |
| Last Day of School | Thursday, May 30 |
| 8th Grade Graduation | Thursday, May 30 |
| 12th Grade Graduation | Sunday, June 2 @ 4 p.m. |

ATHLETICS SCHEDULE

Girls' Varsity Softball

Monday- Break

Tuesday- Practice 3:15-5:15 pm

Wednesday- SDA vs. Oceanview Academy GT 4:00 pm

Thursday- Practice 3:15-5:15 pm

Friday- SDA @ Victory Christian LT- 2:00 pm GT 3:30 pm

Address:2335 Paseo Vera Cruz, Chula Vista

Boys' Varsity Volleyball

Monday- Practice 3:15-5:00 pm

Tuesday- SDA vs. Victory Christian GT 4:00 pm

Wednesday- SDA vs. Mt. Empire GT 4:30 pm Senior Night

Thursday- SDA @ Steele Canyon High School

Address: 12440 Campo Rd, Spring Valley, CA 91978

Message from Ms. Hebbel: Please Return Uniforms from all Sports so far this year Please!!!

REMINDER TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:



May 6-10

Hello Parents,

Teacher Appreciation Week is fast approaching. Last year it was a great success and we would like to continue to show our teachers our appreciation for all that they do for our students. If you would like to participate and help please email me at dianajewell1031@gmail.com or text/ call at (956) 212-1548. I would really appreciate your help in making this a great week for our teachers. Thank you for your dedication to our students, teachers and school.

Blessings, Diana Jewell Home and School Leader

RE-ENROLL ONLINE AND GET FREE PIZZA

Save MY spot

part II

Free Pizza Day

Friday May 17
for all students **re-enrolled online**for next school year **BY 12 NOON ON**MAY 14

Steps

- 1.) Go to www.renweb.com
- 2.) Login at Parent Web Login
- 3.) Login as a parent with your username and password, using "SD-CA" as the district code
- 4.) On your left click on Family Information
 - 5.) Click on enrollment/ re-enrollment
 - 6.) Click on your **child's name** to be enrolled
 - 7.) Update all the information that in necessary
- 8.) Your enrollment application will be accepted by the office and your child will be ready to start the next school year