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# WARRIOR NEWS

Monthly newsletter from the office of Principal Zack Klug  
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## TECH NIGHT 2017

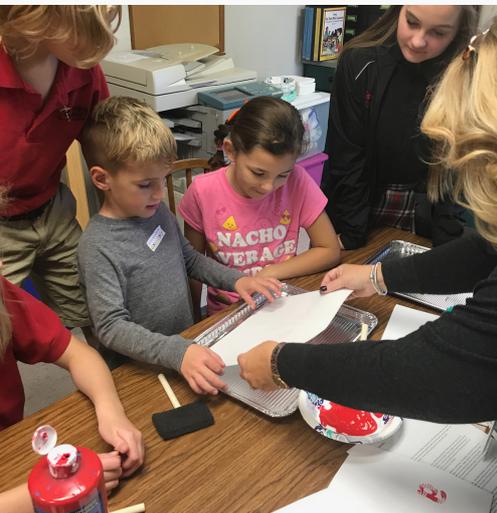
by Principal Zack Klug



The world we are living in is getting smaller thanks to technological advances. We have the ability to video call or text with people in other parts of the world with a device that fits in our pockets. This allows us to see and know what is going on throughout the world as it happens. Every individual now has the ability to communicate the news via social media outlets. There are many positive traits that go along with this advance, but with it have come many negative things.



The first is the proper use of technology in society today. The ease of relaying information from behind a screen has removed much social etiquette that we have previously been used to having. We feel a freedom to express our views without worry of the cost it has on a person on the other side of the conversation. It seems somewhat anonymous and harmless. We can do better here, but it takes work and patience.



This is not any one person's fault. It is not something that we received training for appropriate use. Yet, we are at a time where our children are learning from our interactions with technology. We have to do better to prepare them for our real world, one that is at a crossroads between personal and virtual interaction. They need to know the proper use for technology in their lives. There are parts of this "new" world that can be very scary. It is here where we have to be vigilant in protecting our families.

On November 30, 2017 at 6:45 pm at ASLS, we will have an opportunity to learn from Mr. Scott Gardner. He is a retired member of the St. Louis City Police Department, where he worked in the cyber division. As an expert in cyber crimes, he will provide insight into the world around us with advice on how to best protect ourselves and our children. He will talk about popular websites, applications, and other cyber topics such as harassment and bullying. He will also provide insight on how to help protect our children. We invite you to attend this night of learning for our entire community.

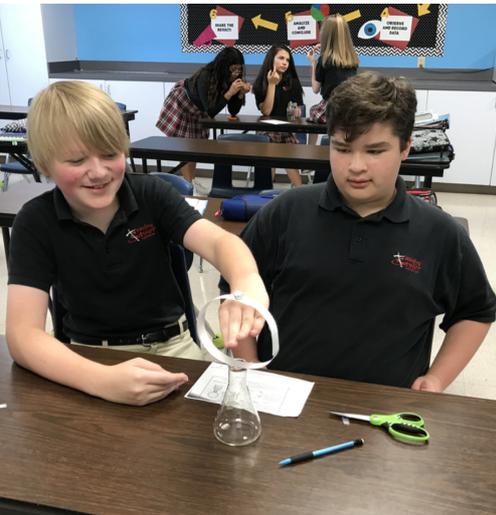
# BE READY FOR WINTER WEATHER!

It is becoming that time of year again. We do not always know when winter weather will hit, sometimes we have advanced warning, other times it hits unexpectedly. Please be prepared in the following ways for school:

**School Closing:** I try to provide as much time as possible when having to close school for inclement weather. This is not a perfect science. Sometimes I have to predict based on the forecast and others hit early in the morning. I try to look at as many experts as possible when it comes to forecasting. Sometimes we get it right, sometimes we do not. I will always try to err on the side of safety for our students and families. It is always a good idea to plan ahead with others for the care of your children if we might have a snow day.

**Clothing:** When the weather turns cold, please dress your children appropriately. They will go outside for recess, at all ages unless it gets extremely cold. We have a table that provides the amount of time outside for various temperatures. It is healthy for them to get fresh air during the winter, and be out of the building for a while. This requires proper attire such as jackets, hats, gloves, scarves and pants.

**Parking Lot:** While we plow the parking lot and salt appropriately it does not mean ice and slush will not be present. Please use caution when driving and walking through the parking lot. A little caution will prevent many unnecessary accidents.



## SPOTLIGHT

This month we have a very special couple to highlight: Mark and Barbara Roman. Grandparents of three ASLS students, the Roman's heard about the need and desire for the Accelerated Reader program to come back as the school's subscription ended in August and wasn't going to be renewed. Liana Merz worked diligently with the company to get the rate down and then her parents generously covered the entire bill. We are so blessed by the time and effort of the Merz and Roman families and sincerely appreciate their giving hearts. Thank you for supporting ASLS and helping to grow minds to a love of reading!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/9 & 11/10: ECM Development Screening
- 11/10: Veteran's Day Chapel Celebration 8:30 a.m.
- 11/14 & 11/15: ECM Development Screening
- 11/16: Kindergarten Information Night 7 p.m.
- 11/21: Early Childhood (ECM) Grandparents Day 10-11:30 a.m. - Late Start
- 11/22 - 11/24: ECM - 8th Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL
- 11/30: Tech Night 6:45 p.m.