

MRS. LAW'S 7TH/8TH NEWSLETTER

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REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ITBS** - Testing for grades 6-8 will take place from 4/23-4/30. Please make every effort to have students in class on these days, and be sure they have a nutritious snack to fuel those brains!
- **Chicago Trip** - we head to Chicago in just 3 weeks! I am so excited to share this trip with the students, and I'm so thankful for the many parent volunteers who are joining us. A few reminders:
 - pack lunches
 - bring cash for Culver's on the way home
 - may bring money for souvenirs if desired (students responsible for their own)
 - students do not need to wear their SMLS shirts for the trip
 - may bring devices (responsible for own) - there is no wifi on the bus, fyi
 - leave SMLS at 7:15 AM
 - return to SMLS at 9:30 PM
 - I will send an email to parents when we are on the road after dinner to give an ETA
 - parent volunteers - I'll put together who is riding with whom over the next week or so. If you have any specific requests, please let me know via email and I'll see what I can do!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SHOE DONATION COMPETITION
CURRENT COUNT FOR 7/8 GRADE:

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PAIRS

4/14-4/16	Parent Teacher Conferences - link to sign-up is in the newsletter email
4/15	Honor Roll announced after morning prayer; 8:15
4/18	No school; Good Friday
4/21	DARE to Be a Daniel (8th graders and their parents); 7:30-9:00
4/23-4/30	ITBS for middle school
4/25	Band Festival (all 7/8 students attending)

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GAME OF LIFE



The Game of Life is in full swing! On Friday students used information about their chosen profession to begin their budget for their first year of adult life. Highlights:

- They received a random amount of savings and will keep a bank register to track how much they deposit and withdraw throughout the game
- They began thinking about how to handle the debt they've accumulated by calculating monthly payments and total cost of three different loan options
- They calculated their net monthly income and began creating their budget for the year.

Monday - students will finalize their year 1 budget and then make spending choices for their first year. This includes purchasing a car. We'll learn about financing our vehicles and paying for auto insurance.

Tuesday - students will receive their year 2 updates to find out what surprises life is going to throw their way. They'll then adjust their budgets and make new spending choices based on their budget.

8th grade parents - Grad Slideshow


- 15 photos sent to me electronically by May 2 (Email, Google Drive, Google Photos folder, etc.)
- Please organize in chronological order (rename each photo as John 1, John 2, John 3 etc.)

3 FUTURE EVENTS

Thank-you to the Pearsons for Uno No Mercy! It was a big hit during Flex Time last week!

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5/1	6th-8 th trip to Chicago
5/2	8 th grade slideshow photos due 
5/23	8 th graders recognized at Chapel
5/23	8 th grade clap-out; 3:15
5/27	8 th grade graduation; 7:00
6/4	6th-8th trip to Michigan's Adventure
Spring 2026	6th-8th trip to Washington, D.C.