

Calvert Chronicle

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Dates to Remember

- 10/1-11/23 PTO Fundraiser – Mixed Bag Designs
- 10/28 Face to Face with your teacher – Mauldin Library
- 10/28 Fall Picnic in the Park – Conestee Pk – Mauldin
- 11/9 Greenville PTO Gathering – Tour SWAT Vehicle

YOU'RE INVITED!

Come join us for some Face-to-Face time with your teacher! Catch up on assignments, ask questions, and get some extra help! We'd love to see you there! Be sure to join us that afternoon for our picnic in the park!

Friday, Oct. 28 from 9:30-11:30 AM
Mauldin Public Library
800 W. Butler Road in Greenville

Be sure to sign up!

Here's the Link to sign up for the Face to Face Session at Library:

<https://goo.gl/forms/ZvrpnzhPZ55juz663>

Join SCCAL for a Picnic!

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Fall Picnic in the Park
Friday, Oct. 28th from 12 - 1:30 pm

Conestee Park
840 Mauldin Road in Greenville
Bring your own lunch and drink, and we'll have kickball, games, and FUN! Sign up below!

Link to sign up for Picnic:

<https://goo.gl/forms/08d8EEBiohLC2IF33>

It is hard to believe we are half way through the first semester of the 2016-17 school year.

The PTO fundraiser with Mixed Bag Designs is in full swing. As of date, we have sold \$647 in products. You still have plenty of time to place your order and receive it in time for the Holiday Season. The deadline for orders is November 23rd.

If you order your child's yearbook during the month of October, you will receive 10% off. Our yearbooks are \$22.50 for a soft cover. You can pay extra to upgrade to hard cover. The yearbooks have students' pictures separated by grades and in middle school by home room. We also have pages for our meet and greets and clubs. For every yearbook sold, TreeRing will plant a tree. Right now we have 8 sold and so they will plant 8 trees. Each yearbook purchased has two personal pages that will only be in that yearbook. Extra personal pages can be bought as well if someone is buying one yearbook for multiple children or if they want the extra pages to fill up with pictures.

Monica Addison is continuing to gather Box Tops for Education. The deadline to be eligible to win the Visa gift card is October 25th! Make sure to get your Box Tops to Mrs. Addison by the deadline!

The clubs began meeting this week. If your child is interested in any clubs, you can sign up at the link provided in this newsletter.

Please remember to complete your checkpoints daily for attendance purposes. Although your child is present in online class, he/she will not be counted as present for that day unless checkpoints have been completed each day. You can make up any missed days by completing a checkpoint the weekend before



You can order at

[scholastic.com/readingclub](https://www.scholastic.com/readingclub)

Contact your teacher for ordering instructions and deadline information!

SUPPORT OUR *mixedbag* designs FUNDRAISER

The SCCAL PTO has kicked off a fundraiser for our school! Please see the attachments to this e-mail for information on how to place orders! We have something for everyone – bags, gift wrap, accessories, and housewares! All orders and money must be submitted by November 23! Let's all join together to help our school earn some money, and hey – we will get some great products out of it too!



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE ORDERS (These orders are placed online and ship direct)

Tell friends & family to support us online at www.mixedbagdesigns.com/?fundraiserid=608857

Make sure our ID number **608857** is added at checkout. Add the seller you are supporting too!

Online orders ship directly to the supporter (anywhere in the US) & shipping is free on orders \$75 & up!

Order Here: www.mixedbagdesigns.com/?fundraiserid=608857

Please send questions to Wendy Siggins at wendy@tvlpnrs.com



The PTO toured the Greenville Fire Station Number 4. The children learned about fire safety, firefighter's suits, and all of the tools that firefighter's use when battling fires. Pictured left is Kindergartner Wally Siggins as he sat in the driver's seat of a fire engine.

Join the PTO on a tour for a SWAT vehicle!

When: November 9, 1:30-2:30pm

Where: 426 N Main St., Greenville SC

RSVP: DeniseOsteen@gmail.com

THE SWAT TEAM

Look who stopped by the office today!!! He had a message for you guys. "Hello, and I miss You". He also had 79 box tops to drop off and really wanted to see Mrs. Gillcrese and Ms. Bussey.



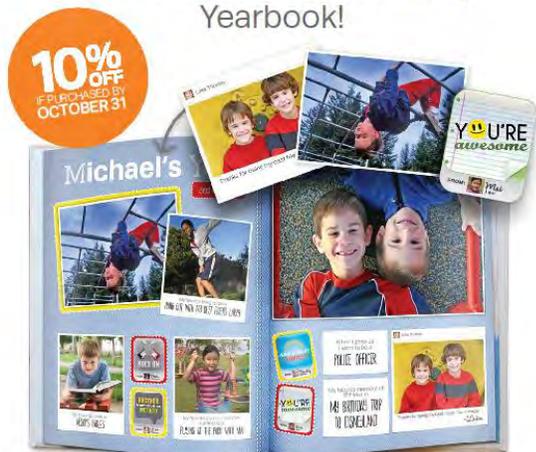
Labarron Powe-4th grade
He is so sweet!

5th Grade

In 5th grade, we've learned about how mountains are formed. Students did an activity using clay and sand to illustrate how the earth's crust can push together to form mountains. Here are Gregory and Kollin from 5th grade doing their activities.



Capture Your Memories in this Year's
South Carolina Calvert Academy
Yearbook!



Add Photos & Memories to Your 2 Free Custom Pages

- ▶ Add photos from your computer, Facebook & Flickr.
- ▶ Add memories & photos from throughout the year. Share them with your classmates to include in their personal pages.
- ▶ Send and receive Bling and signatures. A great way to share expressions of friendship!

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook*:
*Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to www.TreeRing.com/validate
- 2 Enter our school's passcode:
1014074285194687

Regular Price: **\$22.50**

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ATTENTION PARENTS:

We need YOU!

SCCAL Board Member Nominations - NOW OPEN

Click the link below to submit a nomination for yourself or another candidate! Our board is elected by the parents and staff of SCCAL and is comprised of members of the community and SCCAL parents. They decide the policies that guide the operations of SCCAL, make decisions on how best to spend the funds we receive from the state, and define the standards for performance of the school staff.

For more information:

<http://southcarolinacalvertacademy.com/board/board-election/>



Click [HERE](#) to sign up for the club of your choice.

SC Calvert Academy Clubs Sign-Up

Please take a look at all of the various club descriptions below THEN fill out the information below and select any club(s) you plan to join! Be sure to take note of when the club meets to check your own availability for selecting to participate in that club! Your club's teacher will e-mail you soon with more details about your first meeting!



Have you ever wanted to learn more about another culture or their language? If so, Culture Club would be perfect for you! Students will learn about different countries and their cultures. We will explore the music, the art, the food, and language of various countries around the world. Students in grades 3-5 are welcome! Meetings will be held every 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:00 PM. Ms. Blevins and Mrs. Good will be sending more information soon!

Culture Club

The SC Calvert ARK (Act of Random Kindness) Club



This club focuses on positive citizenship—being a helpful, kind, and caring member of our school community. We will explore the world around you. There will be fun activities, projects, and challenges. We will learn about our world through various projects, games, and challenges. Meetings will be held every 2nd Wednesday at 2:00 pm in the gym. Mrs. Blevins and Mrs. Good will send more info.

ARK



Bring your creativity and love for cooking to learn to cook! Do you want to learn how to make food? If you are interested, let's bring it to school together for some cooking fun! The Calvert Academy Cooking Club will meet twice a month in the kitchen. During our meetings we will do fun projects, answer questions, and enjoy our creations. Meetings will be held every 2nd Monday of each month at 2:00 PM. Mrs. Blevins and Mrs. Good will send more info.

Cooking Club

SCCAL Student News Team



Do you like writing or are you interested in being on the school news team? If so, the Student News Team is for you! We will be publishing a school newspaper for you to read. You will be responsible for writing, editing, and designing the newspaper. Meetings will be held every 2nd Monday of each month at 2:00 PM. Mrs. Blevins and Mrs. Good will send more info.

News Team

VIRTUALLY ON THE RUN



If you love running or want to become a runner, then this is the club for you! Students will participate in a "computer to SC" program with an online support system.

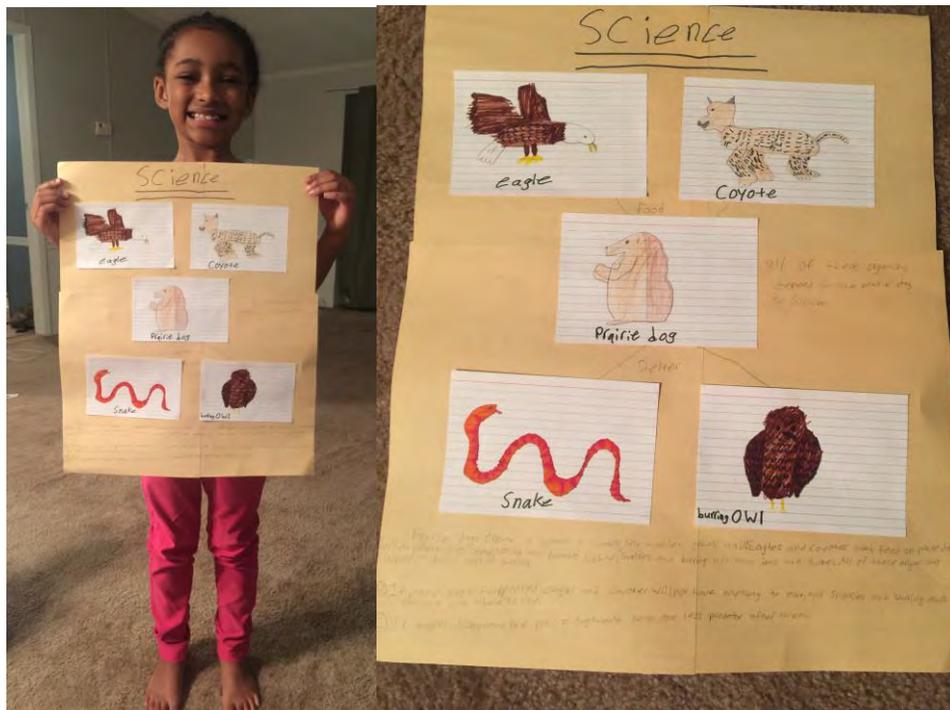
We will meet the 2nd Monday of each month, beginning Oct. 10. Mrs. Byrns and Mrs. Youngblood will send more information soon!

Virtually on the Run

[CLUB LINK](#)

3rd Grade

We had a Science project where students had to show how certain animals in an ecosystem are all connected. They had to give a brief explanation about the animals and then infer what would happen if one of the animals was no longer a part of the ecosystem. Here is my student Sultannah Jones and her poster. She did such an incredible job!!



Fantastic Fourth Grade

Fourth graders have been busy showing evidence of their thinking and learning by actively participating in live classes through underlining text to support their answers, responding to questions in the chat box, using the drawing tools to complete graphic organizers and more! It's so important for students to actively engage and communicate in live classes using the available tools. Ask your student what they did to participate in class today! ;)

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower. -Albert Camus



Do you have a special message that you'd like included in the next edition of the Calvert Chronicle? Email your requests to Denise Osteen at DeniseOsteen@gmail.com for approval.



Get Active in the PTO!

We need you! All parents can become members of SCCAL Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO). There are vacancies in various committees and leadership positions. If interested, please contact Denise Osteen at deniseosteen@gmail.com

Angelica C. Gary, is a first grader and at South Carolina Calvert Academy. Angelica experienced the recent storm (Hurricane Matthew). As she awaited the arrival of the hurricane, Angelica read the book *Hurricane Watch* by Melissa Stewart to learn more about this storm that made local and national news. She learned that hurricanes are very serious. In addition, she drew an illustration about hurricanes (see attachment). Angelica endured the hurricane, but so many families in the State of South Carolina and North Carolina were not as fortunate. Through education, Angelica will continue to learn more about science and may one day become a scientist. Currently, she is exploring several career choices.



Since we are a virtual school, we do not close down; however, we realize a number of our families are impacted by weather. We completely understand that when you are in harm's way, **classes cannot** continue as you are used to. Safety is our first priority for our students. If students are in a place where they can still access the internet to continue with school, we ask that you please do so. If they are unable to continue, we will work with them on lessons when they are safe and can focus on school. As time allows, please keep us posted on your family's individual situation and know that we are here to help!



SCCAL Administration and Staff

Alexandria Gillcrese – Principal
Key Henninger – Administrative Assistant
Becky Hinson Smith – Kindergarten and 1st Grade
Kimberly Byrd – 2nd Grade
Mayra Velilla-Ryte – 3rd Grade
Leslie Bussey – 4th Grade
Rachel Rengering – 5th Grade
Brooke Michael – Middle School Math
Morgan Mobley – Middle School Science
Nicole Byars – 6th & 7th Grade Social Studies and 6th Grade ELA
Amanda Youngblood - 7th & 8th Grade ELA and 8th Grade Social Studies
Carla Clardy – Special Education Teacher
Samantha Sloan – Special Education Coordinator/Teacher
Monica Addison – Reading Coach