Lion King Jr.

Alisha Kazmi

Did you know that the Drama club reenacted The Lion King? It costs millions to even have a production on it, and Shady Grove hit the best play yet! I interviewed Mrs. Mah to see how hard it was for them to direct it.

TT: How many students were in “The Lion King” play?

Mrs. Mah: Over 80 people.

TT: Wow! Who were the main characters?

Mrs. Mah: “It was Josh Rubenstein as young Simba and Sebastian Lopez-Morales as Adult Simba.”

TT: What was your opinion on the play?

Mrs. Mah: It was great! It was a very tricky show. We had a fog machine and it was full of life! It was a lot of hard work, we started in January and we couldn’t have done it without the parent volunteers either.

This production was exactly like the movie. The plot was how young Simba grew up without a father, and the production was more creative and dramatic. Mufasa passed away, and Scar didn’t get away with it.

TT: Which production was your favorite during your years here?

Ms. Mah: The Little Mermaid. It looked like they were floating when they used the machine that lifted them. And they made it completely funny with life. Also my first play was my favorite because I didn’t know what I was doing! Haha!

Invent the Future

Katya Fuksenko

Have you ever wanted to build something, or even create something? Well, Invent The Future does just that! The Club Leader is Mrs. Rowell, a 8th grade science teacher. At the beginning of the year, you can fill out forms to be able to join the club, not only that but the members build machines, work together as a team and attend challenges.

One they attended recently was on Saturday, May 11th. The public show case was from 1pm-2pm, and then afterwards there was an awards ceremony from 2pm-3pm. There were different groups, which all had something to do with wildlife. The machines goal for this challenge was to help the environment.

A few creations were:

“Aid” by the Delfini Tridents, who have created AID, in that group there was, Zoe, Elisa, Jacob, Jaden and Simmi

“Trash Boy” by the Marine Animals the pec in that group were, Bryce, Anna, Jack, Conn and Dinushka

“Wild Robot” by the Land Animal, the humans in that group were Madeline, Cameron, Biannca and Maya

After the Challenge, Connor from the Marin Animals team answered a couple of questions

TT: Why did you join Invent the Future?

Connor: I joined because I like to create, invent and just work together as a team.

TT: What did you do for this challenge summit?

Connor: Invention that can help the environ I made Trash Boy!
Here in SGMS we hold 4 pep rallies every year, the first pep rally was won by the 8th graders, the second one was won by the 7th graders than the third one was won again by the 7th graders. We are sad to say there is only 1 more pep rally of 2019.

The last pep rally will take place on May 24th. Before this pep rally there is a Spirit Week:

The first day (Monday) is Missed Alarm Day or PJ day. Tuesday will be Twin Day – Dress up as your friend or twin on Twin Tuesday. On Wednesday we will be our favorite Meme/Vine. Bring in the funniest things. On Thursday it will be wear you dress up like the 80’s or wear a red nose. Friday is the long awaited Pep Rally – 6th grade wears white, 7th wears blue and 8th wears red to honor Memorial Day.

Before the pep rally there will be your be loved Pack Pride Time. During PARCC testing there was a attendance challenge, whoever had the most people at school during those three days would get 5 points! 6th grade won ALL three days and now has a total of 15 points which puts them in the lead! We have interviewed a few teachers and students from SGMS.

Andrew. L: Q: Who do think will win the pep rally? A: 8th

Nadia. C: Q: Are you excited for the pep rally? A: Absolutely! I love when we do the break down!

Kayla F: Q: Are you excited for the pep rally? A: Heck yeah!! We are going to win for sure!!

Ms. Machis: Q: Are you excited about the pep rally? Who do you think will win? A: I do love the way the pep rally brings the hole school together and it promotes school spirit camaraderie. Really nice privilege for a middle school to go to the pep rally. 6th grade might win.


International Night
& SGMS Staff

Connor Lockwood

International Night is a night is where students and parents dress up as their culture and dance and do fun games! The best part is that there will be food brought from the kids and the teachers/parents. International Night is May 30th 2019, don’t miss it!

Here’s some interesting information about Mr. Ferrante’s family: His dad immigrated in 1956 from Missouri, Italy was destroyed after World War 2. He was poor and had to quit school after 4th grade. His Dad had borrowed clothes and had to go hunt for his own dinner with a slingshot. Sister and him have really gotten into culture with food and art. They made a wine. He likes his culture because it will always be apart of him.

Another staff member, Ms. Alegre told us that her Mom is from Colombia and her Dad is from Peru. They only ever eat Hispanic foods. They love children, green pasta, dancing, and speaking Spanish everyday. What she likes about her culture is that she loves to be close to family members. She also has 30 cousins.

Mr. Jefferson is American and went to French school even though is family is not french. The foods he likes from the French culture are crepes, stew, good bread, and an egg pie.

Get ready for international night! (May 30th)

Career Cafe

Cleveland Wall

This month’s (March 2019) Career Cafe is with Isa Kargbo who is a marketing consultant. A marketing consultant is a marketing professional with expertise in strategies to engage customers and improve business opportunities, both through retaining existing clients and attracting new patrons. Basically, she helps businesses advertise for their company. Isa graduated from Morgan State University with a bachelor’s degree in strategic communications. She then went on to begin her career as a marketing consultant at Spotlight. Isa is a writer, speaker and has a non-profit where she mentors and coach’s young women. Isa enjoys serving and giving back to her community.
Outdoor Ed
Maya Pulliam and Katya Fuksenko

It’s finally March, 6th graders of SGMS are excited for Outdoor Ed! Outdoor Ed is a nice way to learn how it will feel in college and in life, and learn different types of science first hand. Not only that, but you get a break from technology, and your parents… anyway, most 7th and 8th graders remember going to Outdoor Ed. This year the 6th graders will go to the Smith Center! The 3 days you are at outdoor Ed, you will be able to earn SSL hours (student service learning hours), meet new friends, find your inner self. But it will be organized in a schedule, like at school each person has a different schedule, meaning you may have Bay studies first, and so on. On the day of departing, you will arrive to school at 8:45-9:30 a.m. You are allowed only two pieces of luggage. The last day of Outdoor Ed, you will arrive at school at 1 p.m. and leave to go home, that is right! You are out of school for 3 days! Some things you are can bring are: a camera, flip flops for the shower, sunscreen, insect spray, a watch, lip balm, shorts (rec time only), pen/pencil, a book, journal, binoculars, compass, small games and a bandana as a napkin. Teachers and 6th grade students have this to say about Outdoor Ed.

This year (2018 -2019)
Connor. L: It was fun and I liked the tag thing (Predator Prey)
Maya P: My favorite part of Outdoor Ed was the treasure earth because we got to choose our groups. Also during the scavenger hunt we got to go alone in the woods on the trail without a chaperone. That was probably the funnest part.
Katya F: My favorite part was probably stream study because my group caught two crayfish which belong to taxa two, which also shows the streams health. Plus we were able to choose our groups and we each could have our own duty/job to do in this fun activity.
Mrs. Riggs: It was fun, students who weren’t normally seen as leaders were more of leaders at Outdoor Ed.
Mrs. Hobbs: It was my very first time and I had a wonderful time. Also I liked the Planetarium.
Dr. Murray: It was amazing! The 6th graders were well behaved and participated with lots of excitement!
Mrs. Escobar: I loved the campfire. I think students were well behaved and they loved the s’mores, and we had fun telling silly stories.

LAST YEAR
Mr. Kim: ( 2 yrs ago) He went, but doesn’t remember although the 8th graders said he did.
Mrs. J: Last year she had loved it, her favorite activity was the stream study, and overall the kids were well behaved.

STAYING BACK
Mrs. Ehrlich: The kids had to figure out rotations, lots of teachers stayed and helped, and the 6th grade class had no regular classes.
Mrs. Dakiwitz: I did social studies lessons on China and some on the atlas.

DURING/AFTER Outdoor Ed:
At Outdoor Ed there are so many activities and things to do. Some 7th and 8th graders may remember some of the activities they did at Outdoor Ed. Like the stream study, predator prey, geo-caching/treasure earth (gps treasure earth scavenger hunt), confidence course, sleeping overnight in the cabins, the planetarium, night hike, doing KP duty in the cafeteria, and best of all, the campfire. But some 6th graders may remember the worst part. Pulling up wine-berry weeds. It was hard and painful, but at least we got SSL hours! Also some of you guys may remember the groups you were in like Black/Brown Bears, Mountain Lions, and Red Foxes.
**SLAB (Student Library Advisory Board)**

Katya Fuksenko

Students love going to the media center, either to study, read, for some peace and quiet, and just to check out books! Well there is one club that helps organize the Media Center, it's called the Student Library Advisory Board (SLAB). They meet every other Thursday, they help shelve books, keep the books in order on the shelves, they help set up bulletin boards and help prepare library promotions like Blind Date with a Book and Teen Read Week.

The students who go can get SSL hours for each time they come! Students can sign up from the beginning of the year, but after December they don't accept new members since Mrs. Frasure has to train them. 8th grade SLAB members can help with morning book check out if they arrive early. Ms. Frasure got the idea to form the club from other middle school media specialists. She liked that students have a chance to get a say in what happens in the library and have ownership.

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**Cinco De Mayo**

Leo De Luca

When you hear someone say “IT’S CINCO DE MAYO!!!!” you may know it’s a holiday, but do you really know what Cinco De Mayo is? Well lucky for you, I will have all the answers in this article entirely dedicated to Cinco De Mayo. First let’s talk about what it is. I have interviewed Spanish teacher and Cinco De Mayo expert, Sra. Quiroz! I asked her and she had this to say: Cinco De Mayo represents the battle between the Mexicans and the French, this was known as the Puebla Battle. The large French army demanded money from the Mexicans, money they could not provide. So they fought! And amazingly the small Mexican army from the city of Puebla was victorious!

Now that we have learned how the holiday started, let’s see where it is most celebrated in the world. According to Sra Quiroz the holiday of Cinco De Mayo is celebrated mostly in the U.S! But it is of course very big in Mexico mainly in the city of Puebla, where the battle was fought. But mostly people celebrate it because they just want a day off, (who can blame them?).

Now that we know the holidays origins and where it is celebrated, it’s time for the big question. How do you celebrate Cinco De Mayo? In Mexico there is a huge parade where people will dress up, sing, dance, and celebrate the holiday of Cinco De Mayo. As for food there are no specific foods that are eaten for the celebration, traditional food is still eaten on that day, (not saying it’s not delicious food though).

Well there you have it, we have learned so much about this special Mexican holiday it makes me want to celebrate it right now! I hope you enjoyed this and might have found it useful. That’s all for now, adios mis amigos!!

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**Is Google Watching You?**

Cameron Lockwood

Did you know Google is watching you! You might be thinking, that’s not possible it’s just a browser. But it’s really not, it’s a whole program! So me, Cameron Lockwood is here to prove to you that Google is watching you.

1. Location history, Google knows where you are. Using the app, Google Maps, Google can find out where you are going. Such as if you search up something on google maps. Google can see what you are searching up so Google knows where your going and where you are...

   – K. V. Turley.

That’s all I have today, Cameron, out.

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**May & June – Busy Time for SGMS!**

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It’s been a busy spring for students and staff at Shady Grove. Since spring break it seems as if the weeks have flown by. Students have taken PARCC ELA and Math, completed the spring soccer season, and the drama club gave an amazing performance of Lion King Jr. Here’s a few other important events and dates:

- May 3-5 - Drama Club Presents Lion King Jr.
- May 10 - Advanced Band & Orchestra trip To Hershey Park
- May 16 - NJHS Ceremony
- May 21 - Band Spring Concert
- May 22 - Orchestra & Chorus Spring Concert
- May 23 - Athletics Ceremony
- May 30 - Academic & International Night
- June 5 - Washington Nationals Field Trip
- June 7 - 8th Grade Cruise
- June 7 - 8th Grade Breakfast
- June 10 - Career Cafe
- June 12 - 8th Grade Promotion
- June 13 - Field Day
- June 14 - 1/2 day / Last Day!!
A List of Harry Potter Spells

Leo De Luca

Expelliarmus: used to disarm another wizard a truly OUT OF HAND spell.
Expecto Patronum: Summons a patronus (physical manifestation of the users most joyful memories) that protects the user from dementors (creatures that feed on joy and spread sorrow). It makes me HAPPY knowing this spell exists.

Episkey: Heals minor injuries. Cuts, bruises, e.t.c. You know what they say, a good joke can always HEAL.

Engorgio: Makes objects grow in size. This spell is quite a BIG DEAL.

Evanesco: Causes objects to disappear. I had a good joke for this one but it just kind of VANISHED.

Descendo: Forces an object downward. I don’t know why but I’m feeling kind of DOWN today.

Diffindo: Causes the targeted to rip or tear. Frankly, my opinion is TORN on this spell.

Crucio: causes the victim extreme pain; it is one of the three unforgivable curses. It HURTS just to think about it.

Confundo: Confuses the target, leaving them confused and disoriented. This spell just…wait what was I talking about?

Finestra: shatters glass into powder (or just a lot of pieces). Wow! What a MIND SHATTERING spell!

Impedimenta: Keeps the victim from approaching the caster. I wrote down my joke for this one, but every time I tried to read it it would just push me back.

Imperio: Allows the user to control the victim’s mind and body. Another unforgivable curse.

Incendio: creates fire. I wanted to write a joke for this one, but I thought a BURN would be better.

Levicorpus: A nonverbal spell that dangles the victim in the air by their ankles. This spell definitely won’t LIFT anybody’s spirits.

Avada Kedavra: The killing curse, it kills you (unless your Harry Potter.) This spell makes me feel so DEAD inside.

Bubble-Head Charm: Creates a bubble around the wizards or witches head to breath underwater. A BREATH of fresh air in the spell world.

Well that’s it folks. If you still managed to survive despite my terrible puns, good job! I hope you enjoyed.

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Beware the Wendigo

Katya Fuksenko

This story takes place in Blue Moon town, Northeast portion of Alaska. Blue Moon was always a place of mystery, magic and most importantly, cold. A short black haired girl was exploring Alaska, her blue eyes were the only thing that could light a cabin while it was snowing outside. Everyone adored her, some girls even looked up to her! She always had good grades, she played the piano and the flute and was really good at playing them. She had two huskies and two Russian blue cats. But one day she went to play in the woods. She brought one of her huskies. She was walking and all she could hear was the snow crunching under her feet and her dogs paws. Her mother had said, “You can go play in the woods but you have to be able to see the cabin, got it Snowy?” Snowy had just remembered that. She looked behind her and her dog. She didn’t see the cabin. She and her dog ran the way they came. But then they went right instead of straight. They found themselves in a circle of trees. They looked down and saw a pile of bones. She screamed. Then she heard a voice of her mother, “Snowy!”

“Where are you mother..?” Snowy questioned.

“I’m coming stay there!” Snowy got a bad feeling. She looked to her left and heard rustling in the bushes. Then that same sound filled the forest. She ran, her dog trailed behind her. Then, she saw the cabin. A little while later she made it to the steps. She told her mother everything that happened. “It c-cant be..i-it’s back..!”

“What is?” Snowy asked.

“The Wendigo,” the Mother said. “Well, let me tell you about it. Anyone who is lost or is alone in the woods might encounter it. It can imitate anyone’s voice, like it did today. It is very hard to escape. Like your friend, Ashley. People said someone stabbed her but..it was that thing you saw! If I say it’s name it might come for us. Stay in your room at night. Don’t open the windows, door and don’t respond to anyone!”

Time flashed, and before Snowy knew it, it was night. She locked her doors and windows. She closed the blinds on the windows and fell asleep. She woke up at 6:55 a.m. She heard her name, “Snowy, it’s gone!” But she didn’t respond. Then the voice changed and sounded angry, “YOU BETTER RESPOND SNOWY, I WILL FIND YOU ONE DAY!” But then it disappeared. It was 7 a.m. Snowy ran to her mother and hugged her, but little did she know, her mother WAS the Wendigo. Snowy screamed and was never heard from again.

Beware the Wendigo!

The End! 😃

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Ms. Mah & 7th grade students dissect a frog in science.

Join Newspaper Club Next Year!
Previously, Natalie texted Chloe saying she liked Jackson. Chloe had no idea what to text back to Natalie. She just texted Natalie saying, "Oh, I'm sorry. I had no idea you liked him too!" Natalie texted Chloe back saying, "That's alright I guess. If you're happy, then go for it."

Chloe was so happy that she had a true friend like Natalie! She never thought that she could meet the best friend ever and she has not even known her for a whole month yet! Natalie and Camila were her first best friends because Chloe has never even had a best friend. Well she's had friends before though but not like a best friend! She got bullied though and a lot of people hated her. Chloe was really depressed and especially when she had to lose both her parents. Now she lives with Mr James and his two daughters, Hannah and Julie! She also has some best friends now. They are Natalie, Camila, and Jackson.

-Two weeks later-

Chloe got up to go to the media center during lunch and a girl walked up to her.

Brielle: Hey Chloe! Can I tell you something?

Chloe: Sure, Brielle. What's up?

Brielle: Do you know Natalie and Camila?

Chloe: Yeah, why? What about them?

Brielle: This morning when I was walking in the hallway, I was behind both of them. I heard Natalie talking trash about you to Camila and she agreed to everything Natalie said.

Chloe: You're lying, right? I don't think they would do that.

Brielle: It's true! I know you're good friends with them so I decided I wanted to tell you just for you to be safe.

Chloe: Oh my gosh!

Brielle: Bye Chloe! (Brielle walks away.)

Chloe had no idea why Brielle had to tell her that! It was none of her business. She didn't even know if she could believe Brielle or not.

Chloe thought for a few minutes. She checked a book out and then she went back into the lunchroom. She then found Natalie and Camila.

Chloe: Hey guys! Do you mind if I talk to you guys in the hallway for a second?

Natalie: No, I don't! You may tell us anything. (Smiles.)

All three of them went into the hallway to talk.

Chloe: A few minutes ago when I was in the media center, Brielle walked up to me and she said that you both were talking trash about me earlier. Is that true? I don't think you guys would do anything like that to me.

Camila: What are you talking about?! She is lying, we would never say anything rude about you. Chloe, you're our good friend!

Natalie: I can't believe she would lie about it. She's just jealous because she wants friends and she doesn't have any!

Chloe: Yes, I'm mad that Brielle lied about it. Whatever, let's just go back into the lunchroom!

At the end of the day, Chloe passed by Natalie and Camila. She decided to listen and hear what they were saying!

Natalie: I know right! I hate Chloe, she's so annoying!

Camila laughs.

Chloe: Hello guys!

Natalie: Oh, hey Chloe! Camila, let's go home right now.

They both left and Chloe stayed there! Brielle was right! Natalie was talking trash about Chloe. She couldn't believe it. Chloe's best friends were talking trash about her! She wanted to cry.

Chloe: They are fake friends! (Says to herself.)

-Meanwhile-

Julie: So how was your day?!

Chloe: Not that good. My best friend is currently talking trash about me!

Julie: Oh my god! Is it Natalie?

Chloe: Yeah.

Julie: What's wrong with her?

Chloe: I have no idea!

Julie: I can relate to that! I had to deal with so many fake friends when I was in 8th grade.

Chloe: Do you have any advice?

Julie: Stay calm and when she's friendly, be friendly back. If she gets mean, just stay as far away from her as possible. I ignored them and I never gave them another response. That really helped.

Chloe: Okay. Thanks Julie! Thanks for the advice.

Julie: No problem, Chloe!

But the next day when Chloe got to homeroom, things didn't go well... When Chloe walked into homeroom, she accidentally crashed into Natalie!

Natalie: Watch your way around jerk!!

Chloe: Natalie, I-

Natalie: I regret being your friend.

Chloe: What did I do?

Natalie: Camila, let's just ignore that jerk.

Then when Chloe sat down, she started getting tearful. She looked down so nobody saw it.

Well at least Chloe still had Jackson! She wanted to be his girlfriend.

-Skip to lunchtime-

Jackson: Hey Chloe!

Chloe: Hey Jackson! I might just go sit over at the end tables today.

Jackson: Cool. I'm gonna go sit with my girlfriend today!

Chloe: You have a girlfriend?

But suddenly, all her hope vanished. She had no idea Jackson was dating someone!

Jackson: Yes, I'm dating Natalie!

Chloe: Oh...um...cool! I hope you two are happy together.

Jackson: We are! I love her so much. Thank you. (Smiles.)

Chloe: Well, I guess I'll see you afterwards!

Jackson: Bye!

Then why did Jackson take his time to tell Chloe he liked her? Why did they always blush and smile at each other? Jackson's dating Chloe's ex best friend! Chloe skipped lunch and she wasn't even hungry anyway. She just stayed in the bathroom the whole time.

The rest of the week was really depressing. Chloe had nobody to talk to. She decided to talk to Jackson about what was going on.

Chloe: Hey Jackson. Natalie is being really mean to me. She's talking trash about me.

Jackson: Are you sure about that?? She is telling me the correct opposite! Leave her alone! You're just trying to get me and Natalie to break up!

Chloe: (Starts getting tearful) That's not true!

To be continued... Thank you for reading part 2! Part 3 will be uploaded soon!
8th Grade Promotion – June 12, 2019

Magruder JROTC present the flag for the National Anthem and the Pledge.

Isaac Young singing the National Anthem.

8th grade class president Alejandro Zerpa.

Winners of the Edward K. Owusu Resilience Award: Giovanni Cook and Bess Sillah with Dr. Murray.

Winners of the Principals Award: Jazmin Samuel, Lexi Suss, Umar Thangalvadi and Dave Todd Liyana with Dr. Murray.

Winner of the Timberwolf Award: Jamison Metz, with Dr. Murray.

Ms. Varela and 8th grade Advanced Orchestra perform.

A packed house of SGMS family.

8th grade team leaders Ms. Kozma and Mr. Chupka.

Dr. Evans welcomes the Class of 2022!
Memories of Shady Grove 2018-2019!
Katya Fuksenko

The year of 2018-2019, Shady Grove MS is one to remember! students met new friends and saw new faces, students and teachers worked together and cooperated very well, the pep rallies were always very close! The amazing band, orchestra and chorus concerts are unforgettable. However there are teachers leaving next year, they are also quite amazing and unforgettable, they have taught many and worked together with many great students! All the clubs are fun, also something hard to forget! The pack pride time events were incredible! All the PBIS events have helped students evolve to a better version of themselves! Every single teacher and student here at Shady Grove are kind, thoughtful, honest and smart, they are all friendly! Over the year e have seen students reach their best version of themselves, they have also learned new things they shall keep with them, the memory of outdoor ED, concerts, pep rallies and etc. have helped students communicate, I have interviewed a few students and teachers about this year!

Katya. F: My favorite memory is probably all the clubs I've been too, including yoga club and newspaper club, I enjoy them and the activities we used to do, but Yoga club only lasted till winter, and the last meeting of newspaper is tomorrow ( 5-28-19 )

Allison. H: “My favorite memory is going to Art and Activism, they had fun activities we could do with friends!”

Andrew. L: “My favorite memory is making new friends.”

Mrs. Hobbs: "My favorite memory was outdoor ED, it was fun and educational."

Josh.R: “Shady Grove Drama department showing the Lion King, I was young Simba..ROAR!"

Cameron.L:”My favorite memory is being in the drama production, “Honk.” I was Penn!”

Glass
Alisha Kazmi

Hi.
Glass is falling into our minds.
We are all going to die.
Glass is running into our veins.
Decapitated every phrase.
We’re all gonna get hit by trains.
We’re going insane.
Please end my everlasting pain.
Glass is falling out of my mouth.
Soon it will be going south.
It will come out from the back of my neck,
Just wait, I’ll be gone in a sec.
Glass is cutting through my skin.
It’s almost like I have no sins.
When I bleed, I laugh in horror,
That’s why I feel sorer.
When I love,
I feel like a dove.
But that dies quickly.