

LIFTED ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023



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Be Kind to
One Another

EPHESIANS 4:32



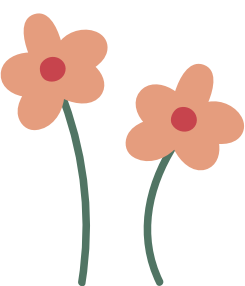
REGISTRATION OPEN
Register your child for the
2023-2024 school year now.
\$100 for returning families!



SPRING PICTURE DAY
Spring and Graduation Pics
Tues., Mar. 7: 2's, 3's, VPK
Wed., Mar. 8: Kinder - 3rd Grade



SPRING BREAK WEEK
March 20 - 24
Daycare available only for
full time students.



March



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 DR. SUESS' BIRTHDAY PTF Zoom Meeting 6:30 PM	3	4
5	6 Women's Mentoring 7 PM	7 PICTURE DAY Spring/Grad. Pics 2's, 3's, VPK	8 PICTURE DAY Spring/Grad. Pics Kinder-3rd Gr.	9	10	11
12 KidMin SPRING Parties! 9:30/11AM/1PM	13	14	15 Every Wednesday 7PM	16	17	18 LCN CONNECT Men's Breakfast & Women's Café 9:30 AM
19	20	21 Happy	22 Spring Break DAYCARE FOR FULL TIME STUDENTS ONLY	23 	24	25
26	27	28				

WEEKLY CHURCH MINISTRIES:

SUNDAYS

- Worship Services: 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM (ESP)
- DNA Membership Class: 9:30 AM
- Kids Sunday school (during all services)

MONDAYS

- Women's Mentoring/Discipleship Group at 7 PM.
Every 1st Monday of the month with Estelle Myers.

WEDNESDAYS

- Equip & Empower Discipleship Training with P. Mike (7 PM)
- Awana Clubs (for kids ages 3-5th Grade) 7 PM

FRIDAYS

- Lifted Youth Ministries: 6th Grade - 12th Grade (7 PM)
Worship, Games, Bible teaching, Free Pizza

SATURDAYS

- Lifted Church Network (LCN) - Men's & Women's Breakfast
every 3rd Saturday of month at 9:30 AM.



DIRECTOR'S CHAIR

DR. ESTELLE C. MYERS

Dear Parents,

Spring is definitely in the air! I love this time of year, especially here in South Florida. While everyone else is still dealing with freezing temperatures, we are fortunate enough to enjoy the outdoors with sunshine and cool breezes. Our staff are taking advantage of the weather, before we encounter the heat of summer and hurricane season, by taking the children outdoors for picnics, sports, and special science and art projects. We encourage parents to do the same.

This is also the time of year to turn in your registration packets for next year. Sometimes I do get the question, "Why private Christian Education?" "Why not save money and attend a public or Charter school? After all, they are only children." Exactly! These are your children, and I know that every parent who places their child in our school, does so for any number of reasons in an effort to provide the very best for their family members. Statistics say that the number one reason that most parents put children in a private school is for safety and security reasons. And while this is true here at MBS, I believe in Christian Education for a much greater purpose.

John Maxwell, a very famous pastor and author, has stated in his books to business men and parents alike, "Begin with the end in mind." In raising children, we should not just look at the immediate need of the child, but also at the end goal of where we hope to see the child at age 17 or 18, before they leave home. The scriptures state in **Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it."**

God reminds us that the end goal in parenting is not just in providing a child with an education, food and clothing, which are all temporal needs, but it is also providing them with a strong spiritual foundation that will last for all of eternity. Consider the words of Moses to the people of Israel in regard to raising their children in the Lord.

**"Teach them (referring to the laws/principles of God) to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframe of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land the Lord swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth."
(Deuteronomy 11:19-21)**

The point Moses makes here is that teaching your children about God's principles is not simply a once a week event (such as Sunday morning church), but rather an on-going, daily process that we are to fulfill throughout our lives. And the result? Is blessings for us and our children in the years to come. I know this has been true in my life, and in the lives of many who have passed through the doors of the various schools that I have been a part of over the years. Children do not automatically know about God's "way" that is spoken of in Proverbs 6:22, anymore than they just "know" how to read and write. We must be the example and teach them as they grow.



Some parents retort, “Well, I don’t want to force my religion onto my child. Shouldn’t they be allowed to choose which set of beliefs they want to follow when they get older?” The logic in this statement is the same as saying, “My five year old only wants to play and does not want to go to school. Shouldn’t he be allowed to choose for himself if he wants a good education?” We would no more allow our children to grow up illiterate and uneducated than we would to let them eat only ice cream for every meal. We, as parents and teachers, have the responsibility to do what is best for the child, understanding that children do not have the experience or knowledge that God has given to adults who are ordained to raise them on this earth. To do otherwise would be to neglect our God given responsibility to raise responsible human beings. The same is true in teaching them about our creator, God, who loves us and desires to have a relationship with us in the same way that He has with His Son, Jesus Christ. Unless we teach them about the love of God, how are they supposed to choose to follow Him when they are older? The Psalmist put it this way:

“He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach their children, so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children.”
Psalm 78:5-6



In the final analysis, every generation must be won to Christ anew. This does not “just happen”, but rather takes intentional teaching on the part of parents and teachers on a daily basis. I believe in Christian Education because God decrees it and He tells us that if we do not teach His Word daily, the current generation will be lost. My life goal is to teach and influence as many people in the Word of God that they may come to know Him personally and in turn, teach their children as well. I am proud of each and everyone of our parents who are intentionally training your children in the principles of God’s Word. The scriptures teach us that this simple act of obedience will bring blessings to not only your immediate family, but to your grandkids and great grandkids, and the generations yet to be born. There is no greater calling than to influence a life for all of eternity!

Thank you for choosing Lifted Academy to partner with you in educating and influencing your most precious possessions. May God richly bless you and your families in the months and years to come.

In His Service and Yours,

Dr. Estelle C. Myers
 School Administrator



MIGHTY 2'S

MS. CLARA CABRERA &
MS. SHIRLEY SERNA

Hello parents,

February was an extraordinary month, full of meaningful activities where the children learned and had much fun. Valentine's Day was a special day to celebrate. The kids were able to celebrate the love of God and friendship. The children made crafts and enjoyed their gift exchange. Lastly, "Thank-You" to all parents who supported and showed enthusiasm in all activities.

This month we are looking forward to celebrating two very special students. First our Student of the Month is Jacob Delgado. Jacob is a very happy and loving boy. Jacob has shown a lot of improvement in the classroom in his behavior and speech. We are very proud of him. Another special student is our Star Student, Melody Felipe. Melody cares about everyone in the class by sharing and being kind. She is very sweet to her friends and teachers. Melody is also very obedient and is quick to follow instructions. We are thankful for both Jacob and Melody in our class and look forward to watching them grow.



JACOB DELGADO
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



MELODY FELIPE
STAR STUDENT

This month of March, we will welcome Springtime. We will explore nature: flowers, the colors, the rain and the change of season. Springtime will also bring fun experiences such as planting seeds, building a garden, going outside for a picnic and making impressions with leaves.

Here are some Important Dates this that you won't want to miss:

- Thursday, March 2: PTF Meeting at 6:30 PM
- Tuesday, March 7: Spring Picture Day for 2's & 3's.
- March 20 - 24: Spring Break week (daycare only for full time students).

God Bless You,

Ms. Clara & Ms. Shirley



BLESSED 3'S

MS. KATTIA DABOUB

Dear parents,

February was without a doubt a month full of love and caring. We had the opportunity to show love in different ways; from the smallest chocolate to HUGE hugs from our loved ones. The Valentine's Day party was a success. Thanks to all of you parents who made the day memorable for students. It is clear that it is so much better to give than to receive.

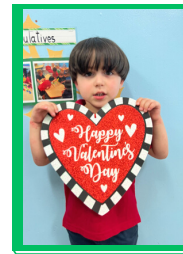
Acts 20:35 "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

I am glad to say the trip to the ZOO was a success. We all had a great time creating good and fun memories with our friends and family. Thank you so much to all chaperones for assuming their role and making it happen. I'm sure this experience will live in our memories, especially for a student and a parent whose birthday we celebrated that day. Thank you, Leah and Alberto, for sharing your special day with us.

In the classroom we are getting ready to uncover the new season, spring. In Unit 16: "I See Changes in the Weather." Checking the weather forecast daily helps us prepare for the day. We are going to talk about how God made weather and how he makes seasons, and how each season helps us. Unit 17: "Pets Need Care", God planned for all kinds of animals, and we need to understand that all pets need special care and attention. And Unit 18: "Farmers Help Us." God made all the animals, and the importance of the Farmers.



JAYSON VALLE
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



JASON HERNANDEZ
STAR STUDENT

I am proud to announce the Star Student and the Student of the Month. Our Star Student is Jayson Valle. Thank you for being so sweet, funny, loving, caring and for supporting all those good qualities in our classroom. I love to see just how motivated you are in your day-to-day activities in and out of the classroom. You just make each day get better and better. Way to go! Our Student of the Month is Jason Hernandez. I love seeing your smile every day, your vivid imagination and just how your eyes glow when you see a car or a truck. We are very proud of you. Each day you are accelerating in the learning process, following instructions and doing classroom work. Keep up the excellent work!

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May God Bless Your Families,
Ms. Kattia Daboub

LOOKING BACK...



February was a month full of exciting activities: the “Ice Cream Social-Open House/15 Years of the school's birthday”, “Valentines Celebration”, and the Miami Zoo field trip. Boy wasn't February a very busy month or what? The children were busy, busy also. The children made Valentine cards and a little “Brito Hearts” for their families. They were very careful writing the card's message for their families and excited about the “Brito Hearts”. They enjoyed the Valentine's party very much. I want to thank the parents who helped for all the different activities we had. Thank you so much for your cooperation! None of these events would be possible without your help. May God bless you enormously!

Our Student of the Month is Sofia Beraza. Most of the time Sofia is attentive in class, she answers questions quickly and participates during the teaching period. Good job, Sofia! May God bless her always! Our Star Student is Sebastian Lima. He is always nice and sweet with his friends and teachers. May God continue to bless him! Congratulations to both of these wonderful students on their achievements! May God bless and guide them in their paths.

LOOKING AHEAD...

This month we will start with the theme “Let's Move”. In Expression of the Arts, the children will continue to work on expressions of the arts with dramatic play, role playing, and dance. They will also spend time crafting with colors and different materials. In Reading, the children will work on new phonemes. They will review the sight words and continue to learn new ones. Also, the children will enjoy reading exciting stories. As a teacher, I will focus on helping them retell important facts and story elements. I will also emphasize the difference between real and make-believe stories. In Writing, the children will be focusing on the following letter names and shapes: Jj, Hh, li.



SOFIA BERAZA
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



SEBASTIAN LIMA
STAR STUDENT

In Math, the children will understand and describe positions, use terms for time, categorize time intervals, and compare size, amount, and weight. The children will also learn to follow a step-by-step plan to solve problems. In Science, the children will identify the sun, moon and stars. They will understand the way that objects, animals, and people move and make sounds. In Bible Time, we will be learning the stories of: “Jesus go to church/Jesus demonstrates obedience”, “Jesus is baptized/Jesus Calls His Disciples to be Fishers of Men”, “Story of the Lost Sheep/The Prodigal Son”, and “Jesus is King”. The Bible verse is Ephesians 4:32, “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you”, and the Character Development traits we will be focusing on are: “Praise, Forgiveness, and Honor.”

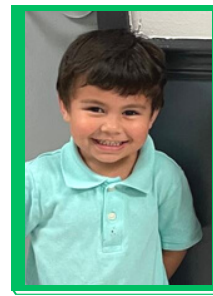
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Blessings,
Mrs. Catalina del Real



CADEN GONZALEZ
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



THIAGO GROSSY
STAR STUDENT

VPK-B

MRS. MARIA JOSE GROSSY

Dear Parents,

We had such a wonderful month of February, full of fun activities in our school. It was beautiful to see our school decorated with hearts, reminding us of the importance of love and friendship. We had an amazing class party with the students, and they had lots of fun exchanging their Valentine's Day cards and gifts. They enjoyed playing all the indoor and outdoor activities we had prepared for that day. We also planted our class garden. The class really enjoyed learning new vocabulary about gardening with their friends. We visited the Miami Zoo which they enjoyed and loved the opportunity to learn about animals. They will share these memories with their classmates and families.

I would like to thank all the parents for their support and collaboration to make all these activities possible. Let's always remember that, **"There is no greater love than this, that a person lay down his life for the sake of his friends" John 15:13.** That is the best example of love we can follow, and we must teach our children what it is all about. We had a great time sharing during the ice cream social open house. Thanks for all the families who came to spend that time with us and took the opportunity to go and meet their child's classroom and teacher for the next school year. This month also, we had our teacher/parents' conferences. A special Thanks to all the parents for taking the time to come and talk to me about your child's progress during the first semester. I am sure that if we continue working together we will see many positive changes for the third and final part of this school year.



The verse of this month is,

"Love one another"
1 John 3:23

I would like to recognize two students who have shown amazing performance during February. Our Star Student is Thiago Grossy, who has been such a sweet boy to all his teachers and classmates. He joined this class a couple of weeks ago; however, he has adapted very well to the group. He is kind, sweet and respectful to everyone in the class. Our Student of the Month is Caden Gonzalez. He also joined our class a couple of weeks ago and has improved all his skills, including coloring, painting, and tracing. He also has a great memory and helps us to remember important things during Circle Time.

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God Bless You,
Mrs. Maria Jose Grossy



KINDERGARTEN'S LITTLE STARS

MS. DALIANA & MS. ROSALIE

Dear Parents,

Despite, the saying “March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb”, the weather in Miami was warm and enjoyable. February, the shortest month of the year, was full of outdoor activities and learning experiences. We continue to be very thankful for all the support you (the parents) continue to provide us. Your kids really enjoyed doing the school garden, passing around Valentine’s cards and presenting them to their school friends and teachers, and going on the Miami Zoo field trip. The parents and the students really enjoyed the Open House for the celebration of the 15 years since the inception of the school. In February, the kids also learned much about the amazing people who stood strong against oppression, fought for their civil rights, and did wonderful things for our country’s legacy of Freedom and Justice. We studied the lives of our founding fathers, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. In Science, the class enjoyed learning about volcanos and the water cycle.

The children's lessons focused on some words from scripture, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight,” Proverbs 3:5-6. They learned about the Bible heroes, Daniel, David, and Jonah, who trusted and submitted to the LORD to lead them on their paths. The students learned how these amazing men obeyed GOD who made miracles happen in their lives.

We are continuing to challenge the kids to improve their reading skills. Now we are doing lessons with blending sounds. In math, we emphasized understanding the calendar and the addition, and the subtraction process.



NATHAN BONILLA
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



AMI CASTILLA
STAR STUDENT

We will be continuing to review the clock, comparing numbers and learning about fractions. In Science, we are going to start learning about the sea and sea creatures. In social studies, we are learning about our country, some important landmarks, and symbols. In Bible, we are starting to learn about Jesus’ journey, from his birth, baptism, calling of his disciples, death, resurrection, and ascension.

We have some students that we would like to recognize and congratulate for the month of February. We would like to congratulate Nathan Bonilla as our Student of the Month. Nathan has improved so much since the beginning of the school year; he is doing very well academically and continues to read well in class. He shows the qualities of a model student. We also would like to congratulate Ami Castilla as our Star Student. Ami has shown the godly character of love as she is friendly, thoughtful, and always willing to help all her fellow students and teachers. Congratulations to both of you and keep up the great work!

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Once again thank you for all your support. February was a wonderful month and we look forward to many more adventures and educational experiences in March. Let’s continue to work together as a team to guarantee your kids will have the best education, spiritual growth, and wonderful friendship opportunities.

God Bless you and your family,
Mrs. Daliana & Ms. Rosalie

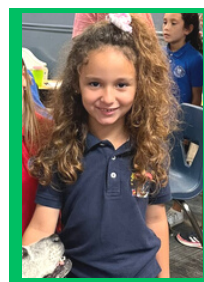


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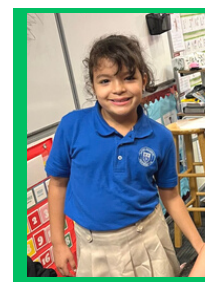
The month of February seems to have flown by. This was an exciting month with lots of things happening. The children had a great time showing their friends how much they love them in their Valentine's Day celebration. In the month of February, we also celebrated African American History. We spent time each week learning about different influential African Americans. They truly enjoyed the lessons we did on the different African Americans. One of the more enjoyable events this month was the Spring Fling Open House. The children took delight in the evening and had fun in the bounce house and eating sweets. Thanks to all of you who came out and helped make this event the success that it was. This month the children also had the opportunity to go to the zoo and learn about different kinds of animals. It was a day enjoyed by all of those who went. Lastly, the children liked the special art project they did with Andrew and his dog Evie. Now that we've spoken about all the fun things we did this month, let's look at what the children did academically.

In Phonics and English, we finished reviewing all our short and long vowel sounds. We also learned about the different punctuation marks and when to use them. Lastly, we learned about the soft "c" and hard "c" sound and how to differentiate both. For Math we learned all about subtraction facts up to 12 and using word stories to come up with subtraction number sentences. For Science we finished learning about animals and how God created them to survive and grow. In Heritage Studies we completed our unit about our land and what people can do to take care of it. We also learned about some influential African Americans in honor of African American History month. For Bible we concluded our Unit titled God's Work. We also reviewed the story of Creation and Adam and Eve. Our Bible verse for the month was "Love on another" 1 John 3:23. Now that we've seen what the children did academically let's take a moment to congratulate some children who are very deserving of kudos this month.

I would like to congratulate Penelope Rodriguez as our Student of the Month. Penelope has shown improvement academically and is trying her hardest. I now would like to congratulate Kamila Landin as our Star Student. Kamila is such a sweet child who shows her love to everyone. Congratulations to both of you and keep up the great work. As we enter the month of March let's look at what the children will be doing academically.



PENELOPE RODRIGUEZ
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



KAMILA LANDIN
STAR STUDENT

As we get closer to the end of the year testing, we will be learning a great deal in each of our subject areas. In Phonics and English, we will be beginning our next unit. We will be focusing on words with the r-influenced vowel patterns. We will also be doing more writing and the students will be completing their personal narrative. For Math, we will be starting on Geometry and will be looking at plane figures and how to identify them based on their number of sides and corners. For Science we will be learning all about the human body and why God made us to be able to survive and grow. In Heritage Studies we will begin our next unit which is all about our nation. We will learn what it means to be an American. For Bible, we will learn all about sin and what it really means. We will see how Jesus was sent to die for our sins so that we can be made right with God. Our Bible verse this month is, "Be kind to one another." Ephesians 4:32.

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Thank you, parents, for all that you do for our classroom. I am here for whatever you may need. Let's work together to help our children finish out the second half of the year strong.

God Bless You,
Mrs. Barbie

2ND & 3RD GRADE

MS. LINDSEY RUIZ

Dear Parents,

What a great way to end February than with a field trip to the Zoo. The students really enjoyed seeing all the different types of animals. The students got to spend a good time with their classmates and parents. The Valentine's Project was a success. The students were surprised when they had McDonalds for lunch that day. The students got to do fun Valentine's activities. The students also got to pass out their goody bags and Valentine's Day cards. We have many more things coming up for the month of March.

During the month of February, for Phonics and English, the students reviewed different types of essays. The students learned by writing proper paragraphs and sentences. My second graders learned about "Pronouns," singular, and plural possessive. My third graders learned all about "Adverbs" from examples and lectures. In Math, second graders learned "Place Value: 3-Digit Numbers", using models and manipulatives. Third graders continued reviewing their time tables with drills and flashcards. The third graders also learned "Customary Measurement," using rulers etc. During Science, the students learned about "Natural Resources" with videos and examples of resources in our daily life. In Heritage the students learned about "Different Cultures" by reading stories. For Bible time, the students learned all about "A Courageous Heart" with stories such as "God Loved and Cared for the Two Men: Samson, Jonah".

In the month of March, my second graders will learn how to write a letter. The students will also learn how to define an adjective. My third graders will learn how to write a book review by writing reviews in class. The students will also learn with lectures and examples all about "Facts," "Opinions," and "Reasons." Second graders will learn more about "Money" by using manipulatives and doing worksheets in class. My third graders will learn "Multiplication Facts 10" by using manipulatives. In Science, the students will learn "Where Things Live" with videos and class discussions. The students will do research and create their own " Habitats." For Heritage, the students will learn about " Different Cultures." The students will also do a project on Women's History Month. For Bible class, the students will learn about "Courage to Speak God's Word " with stories such as " God's Protects Daniel" and " A Godly Man Keeps Praying".



BRUCE MOMPIERRE
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ISABELLA VEGA
STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ALANIE DELGADO
STAR STUDENT

Lastly, I would like to congratulate Bruce Mompierre and Isabella Vega as our Students of the Month. They are both doing a great job academically. I would also like to congratulate Alanie Delgado as our Star Student. These children have shown the godly character of love and caring for their classmates.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email me. I am always here to help you and the students.

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God Bless You All,
Ms. Ruiz

SCHOOL PICTURES

