

## **HOMECOMING WEEK!**

This week is CSLA's homecoming week. The high school celebrates with special activities and competitions all week. This year's princes and princesses are:

**9th: Andrew Kaye and Becca Thurston**

**10th: Matt Willcuts and Chloe Williams**

**11th: Stephen Fouch and Susan Van Noord**

**12th: Joey Burda and Hannah Berry**

The presentation of the homecoming court will be this Friday evening during halftime of the basketball game against Perrydale. This is a very good season for our team and we would love to have you come and be a part of our school spirit. All three games will be played at Edwards Elementary gymnasium. Parking is on 8th street and admission is free for students and \$4 for adults. The JV game begins at 4:30, Girls Varsity at 6:00, Boys Varsity at 7:30. See you there!

## **Request from Albertsons**

Albertsons grocery store is asking for all of our families who are currently signed up for their cash back to schools program, to re-register by February 28th. It is a short two question update. Please go to [www.albertsonscp.com](http://www.albertsonscp.com). Our school code is #49000105089. If you currently shop at Albertsons but do not belong to the program which gives a percentage of purchases back to our school, we encourage you to go to the same website and sign up. Thank you!

## **Box Tops**

Box Tops for Education recently sent our school a check for \$78.30. Our thanks to Lisa Huber for all her hard work and to our families who bring in all those box tops and soup labels.

## **Office Depot**

If you would like 5% of your purchases at Office Depot to go back to our school for supplies, please sign up online or at the store. Our school code number is: 70084105.

## **CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

January 19

MLKJ Day

**No school PreK-5th**

School in session for 6-12th grades to make up snow days

January 19-23

Homecoming Week at High School

February 16

Presidents Day

**No school PreK-5th**

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March 6

MS and HS Art Show at Coffee Cottage

## **LIBRARY SCHEDULE**

There will be no library this week due to repairs taking place as a result of the flooding.



## **Character Corner**

"We should be too big to take offense and too noble to give it."  
*Abraham Lincoln*



## A PAGE IN AMERICAN HISTORY

### **Bulletproof**

#### **The French and Indian War: Account of a British Officer**

July 9, 1755

The American Indian chief looked scornfully at the soldiers on the field before him. How foolish it was to fight as they did, forming their perfect battle lines out in the open, standing shoulder to shoulder in their bright red uniforms. The British soldiers—trained for European war—did not break rank, even when braves fired at them from under the safe cover of the forest. The slaughter continued for two hours. By then 1,000 of 1,459 British soldiers were killed or wounded, while only 30 of the French and Indian warriors firing at them were injured.

Not only were the soldiers foolish, but their officers were just as bad. Riding on horseback, fully exposed above the men on the ground, they made perfect targets. One by one, the chief's marksmen shot the mounted British officers until only one remained.

"Quick, let your aim be certain and he dies," the chief commanded. The warriors leveled their rifles at the last officer on horseback. Round after round was aimed at this one man. Twice the officer's horse was shot out from under him. Twice he grabbed a horse left idle when a fellow officer had been shot down. Ten, twelve, thirteen rounds were fired by the sharpshooters. Still, the officer remained unhurt.

The native warriors stared at him in disbelief. Their rifles seldom missed their mark. The chief suddenly realized that a mighty power must be shielding this man. "Stop firing!" he commanded. "This one is under the special protection of the Great Spirit." A brave standing nearby added, "I had seventeen clear shots at him...and after all could not bring him to the ground. This man was not born to be killed by a bullet."

As the firing slowed, the lieutenant colonel gathered the remaining troops and led the retreat to safety. That evening, as the last of the wounded were being cared for, the officer noticed an odd tear in his coat. It was a bullet hole! He rolled up his sleeve and looked at his arm directly under the hole. There was no mark on his skin. Amazed, he took off his coat and found three more holes where bullets had passed through his coat but stopped before they reached his body.

Nine days after the battle, having heard a rumor of his own death, the young lieutenant colonel wrote his brother to confirm that he was still very much alive.

*As I have heard since my arrival at this place, a circumstantial account of my death and dying speech, I take this early opportunity of contradicting the first and of assuring you that I have not as yet composed the latter. But by the all-powerful dispensations of Providence I have been protected beyond all human probability or expectation; for I had four bullets through my coat, and two horses shot under me yet escaped unhurt, although death was leveling my companions on every side of me!*

This battle, part of the French and Indian War, was fought on July 9, 1755, near Fort Duquesne, now the city of Pittsburgh. The twenty-three-year-old officer went on to become the commander in chief of the Continental Army and the first president of the United States. In all the years that followed in his long career, this man, George Washington, was never once wounded in battle.

NEXT WEEK: PART II

## **ATHLETIC INFORMATION**

Home games are in bold

### Boys middle school basketball

**Monday 1/20 vs. Faith Bible**  
5:30

Thursday 1/22 @ Pilgrim Lutheran  
5:30

### Girls middle school basketball

**Monday 1/20 vs. Faith Bible**  
4:15

Thursday 1/22 @ Pilgrim Lutheran  
4:00

### Boys Junior Varsity

Tuesday 1/20 @ St. Paul  
4:00

**Friday 1/23 vs. Perrydale**  
4:30

### Girls Varsity

Tuesday 1/20 @ St. Paul  
5:30

**Friday 1/23 vs. Perrydale**  
6:00

### Boys Varsity

Tuesday 1/20 @ St. Paul  
7:00

**Friday 1/23 vs. Perrydale**  
7:30

And they sang a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation." [Revelation 5:8-10](#)