

The Hawk Newsletter Summer 2020

Dear St. Albans Friends and Families,

This has been a year of unexpected shifts and changes around the globe, and St. Albans was no exception. I'm pleased to share that our students did not miss a day of instruction as we transitioned from in-class lessons to remote learning in mid-March. Our students and teachers quickly identified new ways to connect and explore from a distance.



In the newsletter below you'll find a few snapshots from the year - including our 2019-2020 student video and highlights from our distance learning program. If ever there was a time that we craved "normalcy"... this was the year!

Whether you are an alumnus, parent, staff member or longtime friend, we are grateful that you are part of the St. Albans Family!

Mrs. Laura Bernauer
Head of School

Watch a "Day in the Life" Video at St. Albans

2019-2020 St. Albans Student Video

There was life before Covid-19 - and we are grateful to have captured our students and teachers at ease and in their element on campus earlier this year.

It is always magical to see these bright minds at work and play. And we are again reminded - this is why we are here.



[Link here to St. Albans Student Video](#)

A Peek at Distance Learning

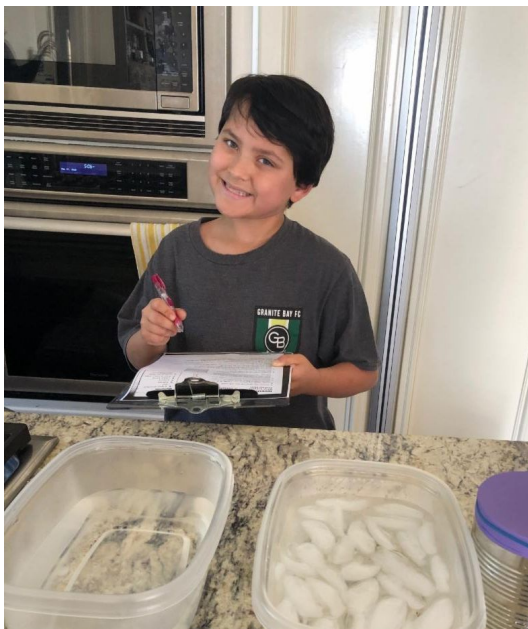
Our students nimbly adapted to using school technology like Google Classroom from their homes, and teachers discovered wonderful new tools to connect with students in meaningful ways on a daily basis. Our upper graders joined up to five Zoom video calls a day with their teachers and classmates. Here are a few snapshots of study time, class calls, science projects and homework!



There *were* some perks for our students *and* their pets!



Zoom was at the center of our daily learning... and classes helped to ensure student connection.



Science experiments were accomplished at home and shared with other students. (Ex: What happens to air when it is heated or cooled?)



And a lot of work was accomplished!

Farewell to Mrs. Jennifer Doupnik

Longtime Reading Specialist Retires

Earlier this month, Mrs. Jennifer Doupnik retired as our cherished Reading Resource. We estimate that she helped roughly 2,400 students with their reading during her 23 year tenure, and her intimate understanding of each student's potential will be greatly missed. Jennifer's roots with St. Albans go back to 1975 when she began as

a student and her mother taught here.

"I have worked with so many wonderful students and teachers over the years. [Reading groups] allowed me to have a very unique perspective of the students and to focus solely on reading skills, comprehension and on instilling the love of reading. I will be forever grateful to St. Albans for allowing me this experience."



Mrs. Jennifer Doupnik (left) with Head of School Mrs. Laura Bernauer.

2019-20 Annual Giving Ends June 30th

Your support is appreciated - and needed!

June 30 marks the end of our fiscal year, and we invite and appreciate your assistance. Our students benefit greatly from the extraordinary education they receive at St. Albans, which is made possible through generous contributions from our community. Thank you in advance for your sustaining support!



To give online to the 2019-20 Annual Fund please [Click Here](#).

Creative Distance Learning



Tableau Storytelling

This past trimester, third graders learned about tableau storytelling, the popular late-19th and early-20th century entertainment that brought friends together to recreate famous paintings or stories in photos.

Students replicated famous fairy tales from their homes and shared them in Mr. Christopher Cook's theater class. The results were darling!



Congratulations Class of 2020!



Though we couldn't take our annual graduation photo this year - we are sharing a photo from the 8th grade trip to Ashland, OR.

Congratulations and best wishes to the class of 2020. We're cheering for you!

Access Amazon Smile from your phone!

AmazonSmile customers can now support St. Albans Country Day School in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones!

Here are the instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations.

- 1. Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device*
- 2. Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'*
- 3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process*

If you do not have the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app, update your app. Click [here](#) for instructions.



Please keep in touch!

Now more than ever, we would like to hear from you and our extended St. Albans family!

You can update your contact information and share details about

your accomplishments at the link below or contact: Brandy Kolmer, Development Director, at BrandyK@stalbans.org.

We are grateful for our St. Albans community...



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