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## It's all Good!

Plenty o' good stuff going on around here this week. First we celebrated President's Day – Robert let us have the day off, since we were celebrating the fact that he was the President! Abraham Lincoln who?

It's time for Spring, crabapple trees and daffodils are beginning to bloom. You can see daffodils all along New Providence Road. With that comes the Spring Sports and PM Program, those all started Tuesday. Wednesday we held a luncheon for all the new teachers we have this year.



And Thursday was Transition Day. If you have a student that is a rising 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 9<sup>th</sup> grader, they are transitioning to a new school on campus in the fall and during the day they had an opportunity to see their new school up close and personal, as well as meet the teachers and students. Then the evening event gives their parents a chance to do the very same thing. This helps make the transition a little less anxiety ridden – for moms, dads, and students.

Even though we had a short week, it has been very eventful! Have a great weekend – 6 weeks to Spring Break! It's all good!

## MSA is on Facebook!

Are you on Facebook? We are! And chances are your kids are, too! If you want to see what we are doing, you have to sign up – no lurkers allowed – and you can do that [HERE](#). Once you have signed up you can become a Fan of Mill Springs Academy in Facebook so can your kids! It's a great way to interact with other parents and see what's going on at MSA.

Become a Facebook Fan of Mill Springs Academy [HERE!](#)



## College Acceptances

**Mill Springs Academy**  
13660 New Providence Rd  
Alpharetta, GA 30004  
770-360-1336



**Zack Coffman** has been accepted to Andrew College.  
**Bryan Hart** has been accepted to the Ringling College of Art.

**Tim Kushnick** has been accepted to Clemson University.

**Evan Wahl** has been accepted to the University of South Carolina AND Clemson University.

Congratulations to all of you!

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## GISA All Select Band



On February 7<sup>th</sup> three of our PreUpper students, **Alex Davis**, **Andrew Grey** and **Nick O'Shea** participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Georgia Independent School Association (GISA) Middle School All-Select Band. It was hosted by Tattnall Square Academy in Macon and their Director, Heather Miller. The GISA All Select Projects in music have been very successful and have offered opportunities to our students to participate in a higher level of learning and performance. This was a 2-day event that entailed a day and a half of rehearsals culminating in a Sunday afternoon concert that was magnificent! This even was an additional opportunity for Middle School Students to experience Instrumental Music on a higher aesthetic and foster a deeper love of music to be shared at their home institution. Congratulations to these three students for being selected to participate! (from Elizabeth Plastiak, Band Director) *Pictured: Nick, Alex, Matt and Elizabeth*

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## Mondays are FARMtastic



Farmer Sue will be coming to visit with the Lower and Middle School students on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Farmer Sue and the Art Barn are part of the wildly popular PM Program at Mill Springs. The Art Barn program meets Monday afternoons to travel with PreUpper's Karen Bradley to Morning Glory Farms for a little time with the animals followed by an art project. The cost of the program is \$325. Registration closes soon so sign up now! (from Victoria Jones)

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## Parking for the ED Workshop



The Executive Dysfunction workshop is open to many individuals from schools across metro Georgia and it has proven to be quite popular. If you are coming to the workshop please note that the workshop moved to the Upper School Great Room. You will want to park in the Upper School lot until it is full (and it will be) then park in the lot past the Administration Building.

Light breakfast and coffee will be served.

No more reservations can be taken.

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## The Scoreboard

Here are the finals for Basketball this season. A terrific job by all. Great job everyone and congratulations!



### **Basketball – JV Boys**

Finished first in the season for two years running and placed fourth in the tournament. Good work!

### **Basketball – Varsity Boys**

Finished first in their division and second in the AAC tournament – Congratulations!

### **Basketball – Girls**

Finished in third place in the AAC tournament – Way to go!

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## The Bulletin Board

If the school had a bulletin board, here is what you would find on it:



**Kickin' It Monthly** Issue #79 is now available – this is our Upper School Student publication, check it out [HERE!](#) You might be interested in the Movie Review.

Mon, Feb 23 – Booster Club begins their **Coca-Cola Sale** through March 16 - Pick up will be Saturday, March 28. Get your order form [HERE](#). We are only having ONE Coke sale this year and it will support MSA Sports so stock up today!

Mon, Feb 23 – 8:15am – **PVA Meeting** – CommArts Great Room

Tue, Feb 24 – 8:30am – **Executive Dysfunction**

Parent Workshop – **Upper** School Great Room –  
Parking will be available in the Pre/Upper School  
lot and if that fills up (which it will) park up the  
hill in the large lot on the right.

Mon, Mar 2 – Re-enrollment **Contracts Due**

Mon, Apr 13 – **\*\*SCHOOL CLOSED\*\***

Travel Day after Easter - Extending Spring Break  
**\*\*This is a change to the school calendar\*\***

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## Cares and Concerns of our Community

Please keep the following from our Community in  
your thoughts and prayers.



**The Allen Family**

**The Hardin Family**

**The Ramirez Family**

Please **email me** at any time with individuals  
you would like to include on our list as their needs  
arise. For privacy, I will only list names and claim  
ignorance if you ask me for details.

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## Character Quote of the Week



**Even if you're on the  
right track, you'll get run  
over if you just sit there.**

**- Will Rogers**



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