

VEGAS VALLEY ADVENTIST ACADEMY

Friday, January 19, 2024

CALENDAR

- Jan. 22 -31
MAP Testing
- Jan. 25
9/10 Field Trip
- Feb. 1
Ruby Bridges Walk
- Feb. 2-8
Fr/Sph Bible Camp
9/10 Biology Trip
- Feb. 14
Valentine's Day
- Feb. 19
President's Day

ENDANGERED RIVER DOLPHIN FINDS AN UNLIKELY SAVIOR
-JOSHUA M. SILVER

Recently, a local Pakistani fisherman found a beached baby dolphin on the riverbank of the Indus River in Sukkur. In 1991, the Indus River dolphin was labeled as an endangered species. Sikander Ali, the man who found the dolphin, can not read or write. So he wasn't aware of its endangered status. He is also a fisherman. Yet, as he explains, "Dolphins make me happy". So, he aided the dolphin and helped get it back in the water. Sikander is a great example of how we should treat each other and God's creatures.

"TODAY YOU, TOMORROW ME."

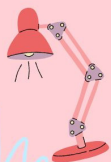
-MARIÉ ENTERINA

In 2010, Justin Horner found himself stranded with a flat tire in Portland. Luckily, a generous Latino family came to his aid, with their daughter helping as a translator. They spent about an hour fixing Justin's car, which showed kindness and teamwork. When Justin tried to express his gratitude by offering money, the family refused. However, he insisted and left the money with them. But he later discovered his money hidden in a tamale they gave him. Attempting to return the money, Justin was met with a heartfelt phrase from the father: "Today you, tomorrow me." This catchphrase showed the idea that helping someone today might result in someone helping them tomorrow. Despite Justin never seeing the family again, he decided to share this heartwarming story online. It quickly gained popularity, becoming an example of empathy and showing that everyone has the ability to help others.



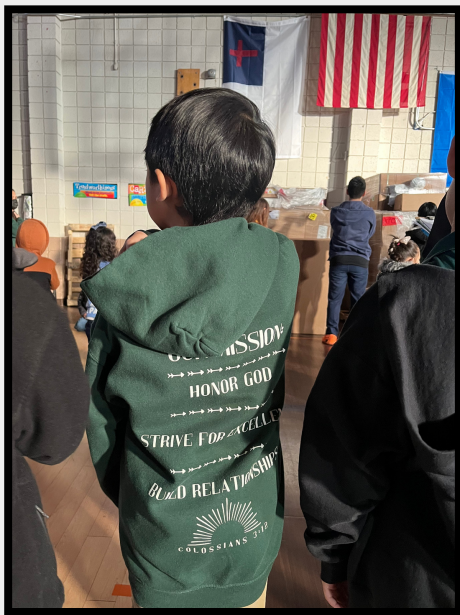
MAP TESTING Tips

- 1 Pray
- 2 Eat a healthy breakfast
- 3 Get a good night's rest
- 4 Take deep breaths and focus



MAP TESTING
Grades 7-10
Jan. 25 & 26
Grades TK-6
Jan. 22 - 31





ROAD TO THE SUPER BOWL

-ROBERT CASTRO

The NFL playoffs are here! It was an exciting weekend, as we have just seen six playoff games. This goes back to Saturday as the Houston Texans lead by rookie QB, CJ Stroud take down the Cleveland Browns in a blowout win 45-14. In Kansas we see the Chiefs take on the Miami Dolphins with the weather being a bit chilly. The weather of this game was -4 degrees Farenheight, which is the coldest game in Arrowhead Stadium, and the 4th coldest game in NFL history. On Sunday we saw the Green Bay Packers pull a huge upset on America's favorite team the Dallas Cowboys 48-32.

That same night we saw an electrifying game by the LA Rams, and the Detroit Lions. Both QB's had recently played for the opposite teams. Rams' QB Matthew Stafford was drafted with the #1 overall pick in the 2009 Draft by the Lions. And Lions QB Jared Goff was also drafted with the #1 overall pick in the 2016 NFL draft by the Rams. Enough of the history and back to the game. The Lions barely came out with the win 24-23, but they still got it done for their 1st playoff win in 32 years! Monday evening the Buffalo Bills faced the Pittsburgh Steelers in which the Bills casually won 31-17. And lastly to cap off this amazing weekend, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers shocked many people by defeating the former NFC Champs, the Philadelphia Eagles 32-9.

BEYOND NEPTUNE

-MCRYLEIGH PIERRE-LOUIS

Voyager 2 was the first and last spacecraft to ever fly by Neptune in 1989. The images from the spacecraft are well known for showing the planet its deep azure color. Neptune however is more of a light greenish blue similar to Uranus also visited by Voyager 2. Patrick Irwin a planetary physicist at the University of Oxford says, "We find that the planets are different colors, but the difference in color was nothing like what you see when you Google for images of Uranus and Neptune.". Pictures from Voyager 2 of Neptune were processed using data from instruments on the Hubble Space Telescope as well as the European Southern Observatory's very large telescope. In 1950 to 2016 observations were taken by the Lowell Observatory. Researchers found out that Uranus appears a little greener at its solstices but when the sun is over the equator it looks bluer.

Leigh Fletcher, an astronomer with the University of Leicester, "Going out to these destinations will be revealing environments, revealing landscapes, revealing atmospheres that nobody's ever seen before," he says, adding that it's one of the few places left in the solar system with the potential to make such discoveries. The research that was found adds to the human race's struggle to learn more about our solar system. The facts of Uranus and Neptunes color give us a new understanding of the capabilities of these planets.


QUOTE OF THE WEEK


"It's okay to not be okay as long as you're not giving up."
-Matthew Patrick

SILLY GILLEY

A Neutron walks into a bar and asks how much for a drink.
The bartender says "For you? No charge."

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