# Trailblazer Happenings

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What an amazing Trailblazer week last week!! Thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the eclipse with us, support the students during Production Night, and enjoy the talent show. A special thank you to Iron Wok for bringing their food truck to Production Night. We are so very thankful for our MDCS community and all of your support.









# THANK YOU



We are CREW, not passengers!





Dates to Remember	** Students must wear their MDCS field trip shirt
Wednesday, April 17th	Grades 3, 4, and 5 to Cowee School Arts & Heritage Center, Macon County**
April 17th - 19th	7th Grade ~ Noland Creek Camp Trip Required, unless excused by a doctor
Thursday, April 18th	1st to Mingus Mill and Mountain Farm Museum
Thursday, April 18th	MDCS Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm Jackson County Library, Sylva and via <u>Google Meets</u>
Friday, April 19th	EC to Oconaluftee Village**
Friday, April 26th	Community Circle and Talent Show Parents Welcome! <mark>K-2 grades performing</mark>
Friday, April 26th	Envirothon Team to state competition in Burlington, NC
May 1st - 3rd	6th Grade ~ Panthertown Camp Trip Required, unless excused by a doctor
Monday, May 6th	Kona Ice Fundraiser (11:00 - 1:00)
Friday, May 10th	Middle School Dance! 6:00 - 9:00 pm MDCS Gym
Thursday, May 15th	Kinder, 1st, 2nd, and EC to Darnell Farms**

Dates to Remember	** Students must wear their MDCS field trip shirt
May 15 - 24	EOG testing
Monday, May 27th	No School, Memorial Day
Wednesday, May 29th	8th Grade Commencement Last Day for Students

# End of Grade Testing Schedule It is extremely important that all students are present and on time during testing.

	Wednesday 5/15	Thursday 5/16	Friday 5/17	Monday 5/20	Tuesday 5/21
3rd	Reading		Read to Achieve		
4th					Reading
5th			Science		Reading
6th		Reading		Math	
7th	Reading	Math 1 EOC		Math	
8th	Reading	Math 1 EOC	Science	Math	

	Wednesday 5/22	Thursday 5/23	Friday 5/24
3rd	Math		EOG retakes
4th		Math	
5th		Math	





Please take a moment and fill out this survey for the 2024-25 year. This survey will be used to schedule bus times for next year and accommodated as many families as possible. Email <a href="Mr. Micheal">Mr. Micheal</a> with any questions or comments. Thank you!

Fourth Grade is sporting their day packs for their Junior Rangers in Training program! They completed their learning of Solar Eclipses, earning them their first button!! They also earned the special Junior Ranger badge for viewing the eclipse on Monday!





# MDCS Talent Show Next show is Friday, April 26











#### Bible Club 2024 Schedule!

#### **Smoky Mountain**



#### Christian Fellowship

(Swain County Directors: Kathie Morris & Rachel McGaha)

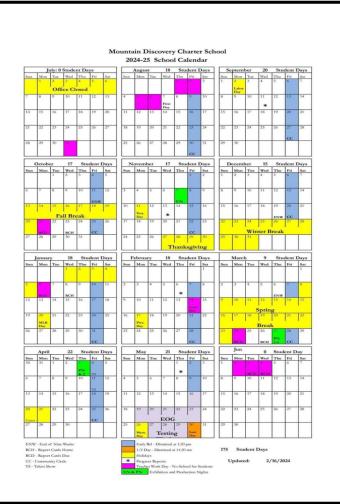
- WHERE: M.D.C.S. Gym Cafe
- DAY: Friday Afternoons
- WHEN: Immediately After School till 3:30 p.m.
- FREE to all students in grades 1st 8th.
- ACTIVITIES: Bible Lessons, Songs, Snacks, Crafts, Games, Dramas, etc. Having fun while studying about & learning the lessons of the Bible.
- FACILITATOR: Ms. Londa, M.D.C.S. 3rd-4th Grade Teacher Please email questions to Ms. Londa at: <a href="mailto:lbohl@mountaindiscovery.org">lbohl@mountaindiscovery.org</a>

Parent volunteers are welcome and encouraged.

#### 2024 Schedule:

Fri, Apr 19 Fri, Apr 26 Fri, May 3 Fri, March 1 Fri, March 8 Fri, Mar 15 Fri, Apr 5 No Club Apr 12 Fri, May 10

Bible Club Members will dismiss from their classrooms at the end of the school day and walk to the gym. All Bible Club members must be picked-up from the gym promptly at 3:30. Please note, the M.D.C.S. after-school supervision program is not available after our Bible club meetings because the club is not a part of the M.D.C.S. curriculum.



## **Talent Show**

Come support the amazingly talented Trail Blazers! April 26 ~ K through 2nd graders performing Show begins after Community Circle (approx. 9:00 am), MDCS Gym Talent Show is hosted at the MDCS Gym. Parents Welcome. Please bring a chair.

### Stay in touch

- Opt into Bright Arrow Text Messaging: text "YES" to 87569
- Follow Us on Facebook
- Follow Us on Instagram
- Call or email the office with any changes to your email and/or phone number

## Order your yearbook TODAY!

Orders due May 14th, NO EXCEPTIONS

MDCS 2023-2024 Yearbook

2023-2024 Yearbooks are available for purchase. You can purchase them online now! Yearbooks will be delivered at the beginning of August 2024

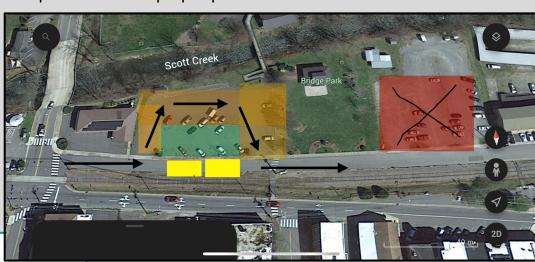
# **UPDATED BUS INFORMATION**

Good Morning Sylva Bus Stop Families

As you know, the town of Sylva is revamping Bridge Park and that will impact our morning and afternoon stops. At this time, we DO NOT need to move the bus stop. We have spoken to the Town of Sylva and we were informed that only the gravel lot will be closed at this time. We believe with your help and vigilance that we can safely operate at Bridge Park as long as the paved parking lot remains open. We ask, for the SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN, that you follow the procedures outlined below. Please follow the arrows for entering and exiting. This is imperative for us to operate safely while Bridge Park is under construction. If the town of Sylva decides to close the paved lot, we will temporarily move the stop to Jackson Plaza but hopefully this will not have to happen.

Please refer to the map and description below for proper protocol.

Thank you, Billie,Crim, and Tracy



# Bus Schedule

2023-2024

Mountain Discovery Charter School
School Bus Schedule

<u> Morning (Monday - Friday)</u>	<u>Bus Departs</u>
Qualla (Gateway Flea Market)	7:00 a.m.
Sylva (Bridge Park)	7:20 a.m.
Whittier Methodist Church	7:40 a.m.
West Swain BP	8:00 a.m.
Afternoon (Monday-Thursday)	
Qualla (Gateway Flea Market)	3:25 p.m.
Sylva (Bridge Park)	3:38 p.m.
Whittier Methodist Church	3:55 p.m.
West Swain BP	4:12 p.m.
Friday Afternoon (1:30 p.m.) Dismissal	
Qualla (Gateway Flea Market)	1:50 p.m.
Sylva (Bridge Park)	2:03 p.m.
Whittier Methodist Church	2:20 p.m.
West Swain BP	2:37 p.m.
Half Day (11:30 a.m.) Dismissal	
Qualla (Gateway Flea Market)	11:50 a.m.
Sylva (Bridge Park)	12:03 p.m.
Whittier Methodist Church	12:20 p.m.

Please note that the times listed are departure times. Please be sure to arrive at bus stops <u>AT LEAST 5 minutes prior</u> to the scheduled departure time per the MDCS School Bus

#### **RED - NO PARKING**

THE GRAVEL LOT IS CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION

GREEN - If you arrive BEFORE the buses please use this area.

DO NOT MOVE UNTIL THE BUSES HAVE DEPARTED.

ORANGE - USE CAUTION

Please follow the traffic pattern outlined by the arrows. Unload your child on the

sidewalk nearest to their bus and proceed with caution once they have safely loaded the bus.