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HEADS' LETTER

FEBRUARY 26, 2015

FRIDAY IS SPIRIT DAY for all of CORBETT PREP!!!
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE CORBETT PREP-WEAR and/or GREEN AND PURPLE!!

FRIDAY is also our ANNUAL KAGAN COOPERATIVE LEARNING USA 2015 TOUR
WORKSHOPS-FEBRUARY 27 - 28

- **SPIRIT DAY FOR CORBETT PREP!!!** We will be hosting over 200 teachers from all over who will come to learn from and with our teachers!!!
- **FRIDAY** is a day for Community service to schools across the state and nation as our students demonstrate for other educators how to highly involve students in their own learning in the classroom. This is our 17th year in hosting an open house to positively influence the education of students in 1000's of classrooms. This is a day every child contributes to creating excellence in their own classrooms as well as elsewhere. It's a day of experiencing the opportunity to GIVE to others as well as engage in their own classroom learning.
- **FRIDAY** is a day when our students can share how learning to work solo, in pairs, in teams and as a respectful listener-audience style, teaches our Corbett Prep students how to be successful with others, as students and when they enter the workforce someday. Every day is preparation for the real world, even beyond school.

Some reminders:

- **FRIDAY DRESS CODE:** Friday is **CORBETT PREP SPIRIT DAY**. All students are asked to wear a favorite Corbett Prep shirt or t-shirt or follow the Monday through Thursday dress code.
- **FRIDAY** is an **ACADEMIC DAY** and all students are asked to be prompt as usual. Parents, we will have a lot of educators visiting on Friday, (tomorrow). We appreciate your assistance so that all of us at Corbett Prep can both teach our students and make a difference for others...helping to improve education everywhere...
- **DISMISSAL:** Our visiting educators will only leave after 3:15 p.m. to keep dismissal as usual.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: A PERFECTLY DELICIOUS MORNING WITH THE ARTS!

The Annual Fine Arts Department Pancake Breakfast is a fun-filled, relaxing joyful breakfast and concert with hands-on art activities! Come join the entire Fine Arts Team on **Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.** Exciting Performing groups include: Primary and Intermediate Divisions, Spirit of IDS Chorus, Warriors' Pride Chorus, Musical Theatre, Beginning Band and Advanced Band! See you on Saturday for a morning of pure joy!! The order form is attached to the email and also found in your Thursday folder! (Pre-order \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children...more at the door.)

We ALSO love and need volunteers ! Come help our PFA Fine Arts Committee set up, sell tickets, cook, serve, and/or clean up. Several shifts are available next Friday, March 6 (set up) and Saturday, March 7 (pancake breakfast). Please click the link to sign up <http://vols.pt/YMAGZY> or look for the order form in today's Thursday folder.

SPRING BREAK MINI-CAMP AT CORBETT PREP

MONDAY, MARCH 16, THROUGH THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2015: 7:30 A.M. – 6:00 PM we will host our **Four-Day Spring Break Camp** for students at Corbett Prep during Spring Break. Cost for the four days is \$160.00 or \$45.00 per day.

- Parents are asked to send a lunch.
- Activities, including any field trip charges, are extra.
- Reservations and payment are due by **Monday, March 9**, so that we can plan ahead for fun filled days on and off campus. All ages --PK3 through 8th grade -- are welcome. The registration form is attached to this Heads' Letter, or in the main office. For questions, contact Marie Massara at 813-961-3087.

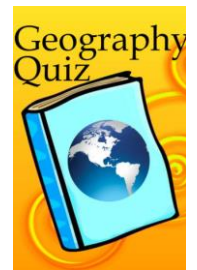
CORBETT PREP CAMPUS NEWS

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! THE KINDERGARTEN “Fun”tastic Frogs announced their new unit to promote inquiry, creativity, and collaboration!!! **Where We Are in Time and Place: “Back in Time”!** The teachers brilliantly invited their students on a magical journey to the Middle Ages of Europe as a time travel to the early days of castles and knights. They are opening up the “gates of imagination” as they inquire how modern society has evolved from past civilizations. Through lessons and activities, students will wonder and reflect on past to present, the roles and functions of the feudal system, and the jobs and systems of the Medieval times.



As the Kindergarten classroom is transformed into a magical kingdom and they immerse themselves in the Middle Ages, there will be many ways to compare and contrast “then and now.” **For example:** They began yesterday by traveling to the past and performing the disappearing act which was called: “poof, be gone.” Anything in the classroom that had been invented in the last one thousand years had to go. It left them with very few items that would have been found in the Middle Ages. Along their journey, magical invitations will be received, feasts will be prepared, entertainment will be created, all for the enjoyment of learning how the king and queen ruled in those days. A real king and queen (from the middle school) will arrive for the final feast. So, stay tuned to this unit as they pack-up their curiosity and bravery and get ready to travel back in time.

MIDDLE SCHOOL QUIZ – CREATIVE AND PRODUCTIVE: Dr. Thompson reported that it was a typical geography quiz in some respects. Students had to identify the Amazon River, the rainforest, the Andes Mountains, and hot and cold climates. Even so, students were eager to take this quiz! That’s because they could eat the quiz after it was graded! At the middle school, Assistant Division Leader, Cindy Strickland baked cookies shaped like South America. She then brought them and various colored icings to Dr. Mark Thompson’s Geography class so the students could identify major geographic landmarks they had studied in their 7th grade class.



A rubric was created to accompany the cookie quiz, and Dr. Thompson went from team to team, grading their work. With chocolate chips for the Andes Mountain chain, blue icing for the cold Antarctic regions of Patagonia, green for the rainforest, and yellow for the tropical zones, the student quizzes were both informative and delicious! What a great way to prepare for the real test through a taste test...!

CORBETT PREP ANNUAL FIELD DAY: BEYOND WORDS EXTRAORDINARY!!

Coach Kathy and the entire P.E. Team did it again. They paired BIGS and LITTLES where BIGS practiced leadership and experienced so much enjoyment with their buddies as they chose from over 33 activities and stations for engaging in a sense of accomplishment and fun!!! 500 plus students spread out over the Middle School Field, gymnasium, and meeting areas totally involved in creative and clever activities that captivated everyone’s imagination for 90 minutes of character and fitness building!



Teachers and parent volunteers supervised the stations so proud of the teamwork and kindness they witnessed throughout the Field Day experience. We were all so proud of our students. The Bigs were excellent role models and so kind, and the Littles were respectful and so much fun! It truly was a major WOW!!!!!! Thank you parent volunteers and teachers for supporting our PE TEAM to make such an extraordinary afternoon a reality for all.

ORIGINAL CORBETT PREP POLO SHIRTS are on sale! We have a limit number of the dark green polo shirts left. Originally priced at \$28.00 for adults and \$25.00 for youth. They are now only \$15.00 for adults and \$12.00 for youth. Stock up for upcoming field trips and Spring Fine Arts days.

THE 32nd ANNUAL BIG EVENT – “MARDI GRAS IN THE BIG EASY”: A BIG Thank You from PFA President Pamela Szabo...

Imagine this...entering into a room and hearing in the background, the music of a saxophone player and seeing a room and tables beautifully decorated with purple, green and gold hues displaying the generous donated items, pictures and our wonderful “Class Creations”.



This is what those of us experienced when we walked into Innisbrook’s Inverness Hall. The feel of the event continued with the same glow as displayed in the room. Throughout the event, there was much laughter and joy, along with a lot of fundraising. It was truly a night to remember!

This all was made possible by our wonderful *Co-Chairs Kerry Lather and Carolyn Aulicino, the Big Event Committee and Room Parent Coordinators* whose hard work, late nights, countless emails, texts, and meetings made the evening so enjoyable and memorable. Your spirit and dedication is appreciated by all. Thank you, thank you, and thank you!!!

PFA GENERAL MEETING, Wednesday, March 4 at 8:15 –

Calling all parents to please join us in the Grand Room (2nd floor of the New Building) for our monthly PFA Meeting. We will discuss Pancake Breakfast, Teacher Appreciation Week, and MORE! Everyone is welcome to attend – we’d love to see YOU there! A light breakfast will be served.



EDU-TALK with “DR. JOYCE” – TUESDAY, March 10, 8:05 - 9:30 AM; in the Grand Room - second floor of the New Building:

Parents, you have been asking for the next EDU-Talk with Dr. Swarzman. Tuesday, March 10 from 8:05 till 9:30 am, will be an opportunity to have a light breakfast including coffee and juice as well as stay up to date and knowledgeable about the latest “thinking” and projects that make our educational program so exciting and invigorating. We hope to see you there!



Do you know where the sixth grade went this morning? They boarded Corbett Prep busses to go to University of South’s production of *Eureka* held in the USF Concert Hall. The production of *Eureka* unites the history of math and how it is related to everything we do in an educational and humorous way!



Thanks to having our own fleet of busses, we are able to load our students on the busses and head to interesting and informative experiences easily and readily. Speaking of busses, our Bus Campaign is doing great. Last year’s Big Event raised approximately \$11,000. The Golf Tournament raised \$23,000 toward the bus, and this year’s Big Event raised close to \$16,000. We are on our way to purchasing our \$110,000 bus **thanks to our generous Corbett Prep families, grandparents and angels.** For more information, please call Dr. Swarzman at 813-961-3087, ext. 307.



PROUD MOMENTS SOAR

TO OUR CORBETT PREP FAMILIES, PLEASE SHARE SPECIAL MOMENTS THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY WITH YOU BY EMAILING info@corbettprep.com



ANNIE SARDOUK (4TH GRADE GOING PLACES) was named Player of the Year on her competitive U9 soccer team with The Rangers this past Friday night! What an honor! Congratulations Annie!



Middle School Musical Theatre
PRESENTS

SHREK
THE
MUSICAL

Book and Lyrics by **David Lindsay-Abaire**
Music by: **Jeanine Tesori**



Performances

March 5th 6 PM Green Cast...
March 6th 7 PM Purple Cast...
March 7th 3 PM Purple Cast...
March 7th 7 PM Green Cast...
March 8th 2 PM Adult Cast

**Free admission for all Corbett
Prep students
ALL other tickets \$5**

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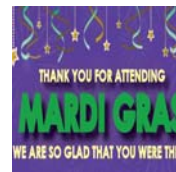
*In-school performances for
all students and faculty on
March 5th and 6th at 9 am.*



THE 32nd ANNUAL BIG EVENT

“MARDI GRAS IN THE BIG EASY”

TOGETHER WE DID IT!!



THE BIG EVENT “MARDI GRAS IN THE BIG EASY!” WAS AMAZING!

This year's Big Event “Mardi Gras in the Big Easy” was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who joined us for a truly fantastic evening at the Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort. We are extremely grateful to ALL of the people who helped make the evening a night to remember! As your co-chairs for this annual event, (**Carolyn Aulicino and Kerry Lather**) we are so proud of the great leadership we shared with so many wonderful parents from our DEDICATED and AMAZING families. We enjoyed working with each and every one of you for the year-round planning of the Big Event! The Big Event Committee Chairs and Members (listed below) deserve a **STANDING OVATION** for the planning and execution of a fun-filled and truly elegant evening of friend-raising, fund-raising, and exemplary teamwork! **GRATITUDE ALSO goes to all of you who attended and/or supported the Big Event. The fun you had made it all worthwhile.**

Hats off to our FANTASTIC Big Event Committee Chairs:

Carolyn Aulicino – Big Event Co-Chair; Kerry Lather – Big Event Co-Chair; Melanie Atkinson – Sweepstakes; Bonnie Bertolino - Thank-You Notes; Helga Bleyaert - Attendance/RSVPs/Check-In/ Check-Out/Technology; Lindsey Britt - Auction Acquisitions/Class Pictures; Stephanie Carey - Auction Acquisitions; Heather Ceresoli –Spirit Day & Party; Tony Ceresoli - Marketing Literature; Maria Coggins – Live Auction; Margie Custin – Little Big Event; Angela Estacion –Raffle & 50/50; Jocie Fletcher – Live Auction; Jamie Frederick – Promotions; April Haughey - Sponsor Gifts & Party Favors; Brooke Soileau-Henning – Signage; Rob Henning – Golf Tournament; Scott Kolinsky – Technology; Jim Lather – Golf Tournament; Heather Lee – Table Seating; Lisa Lopez – Volunteer Coordinator; Tammie McFarland - Event Staging & Setup; Melanie Marsh – Auction Catalogue; Vanessa Minick – Historian; Laureen Mocsari – RPC Coordinator; Dawn Nolan – Hospitality; Darla Perry – Silent Auction Monitoring & Fulfillment; Kristine Reens – Decorations/RPC Coordinator; Michael Robinson – Technology; Raegan Rodriguez – Promotions/Spirit Day Party; Cecilia Sayre – Sponsor Gifts & Party Favors; Lena Slywka – Check-In/Check-Out; Jemelle Tola – Class Pictures; Lori Waechter – Hospitality/Volunteer Coordinator; Jessica Warren – Technology; Dewey Wong, Jr. – Technology

Thanks to all of the additional AMAZING Committee Members: *Pernilla Agardh, Heather Armington, Joe Aulicino, Nansi Burns, Carole Corriveau, Martha Fleming, Cindy Floyd, Greg Floyd, Bonnie Garrison, Jill Kiernan, Diane Lewis, Danielle McClendon, Carrie McCullers, Mark Nouss, Nicole Schirk, Leah Stamler, Pamela Szabo, and Darlene Vaughan.*

Thanks to the following WONDERFUL Corbett Prep family volunteers for all you did to support the Big Event via your assistance with planning, set-up, decorations, registration/check-in, check-out, monitoring, clean-up, thank-you notes and support: *Pernilla Agardh, Clare Armington, Heather Armington, Melanie Atkinson, Joe Aulicino, Kathy Beachy, Bonnie Bertolino, Helga Bleyaert, Lindsey Britt, Nansi Burns, Jorgie Cabrera, Stephanie Carey, Heather Ceresoli, Maria Coggins, Jennifer Colon, Rick Colon, Margie Custin, Beth Edwards, Angela Estacion, Martha Fleming, Jocie Fletcher, Cindy Floyd, Greg Floyd, Jamie Frederick, Kate Garneau, April Haughey, Brooke Soileau-Henning, Rob Henning, Holly Hills, Holly Hostler, Kiera Khan, Ellie Kiernan, Jill Kiernan, Gwen Kozlowski, Stacy Krumin, Jim Lather, Heather Lee, Diane Lewis, Rodney Lewis, Lisa Lopez, Jen Marcinkiewicz, Carrie McCullers, Anthony McFarland, Tammie McFarland, Stacey McFarquhar, Jessica McRory, Vanessa Minick, Laureen Mocsari, Rich Mocsari, Jennifer Olson, Chika Ozturk, Danielle Parsons, Abby Perry, Darla Perry, Ben Reens, Kristine Reens, Allie Rivera, Deborah Rodriguez, Raegan Rodriguez, Matt Rossing, Cecilia Sayre, Megan Scott, Andrew Slywka, Lena Slywka, Sheila Sorensen, Leah Stamler, Evan Thielbar, Saskia Ravelli-Thielbar, Pamela Szabo, Darlene Vaughan, Jim Vyverberg, Lori Waechter, Jessica Warren, Brooke Weiss, and the PFA Executive Team. **Special thanks go to all of our Spouses and Families for their support throughout the year of Big Event Planning! It takes a Team Effort to make it happen, and we are so grateful for your awesome support!***

Special thanks go to our Special Event Volunteers: *Alumni Volunteer: Clare Armington. USF Intern Volunteer: David Ayers. USF Scatter Volunteers: Amy Bolick, Audra Bosler, Krystal Castro, Corrine Dumas, Caylee Fredette, Max McElligot, Cory Pappa, Krista Williams, Bailee Wolfert. Special Thanks to Dr. Joan Kaywell, USF College of Education. Corbett Prep Technology Team: Scott Kolinsky, Michael Robinson, Jessica Warren, and Dewey Wong, Jr. and our AMAZING leader of technology, online registration/sales, check-in/check-out and mobile bidding, Helga Bleyaert!*

A Huge Thank You to our WONDERFUL RPC's for all you did to organize the class creations and the class sponsorships, all of which nearly raised a combined \$12,000 for our KIDS...thank you so much! The RPC's job is a big job, but the pay-off is huge! We appreciate all of your dedication and organization!

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Special thanks go to **Laureen Mocsari and Kristine Reens**, RPC Coordinators, for leading this amazing group of volunteer parents: **Jocie Fletcher, Melanie Marsh, Tammie McFarland**, Pre-K3, **Jan Han, Brooke Brink**, Pre-K4, **Nicole Schirk, Leah Stamler, Saskia Ravelli-Thielbar**, Kindergarten; **Nansi Burns**, 1st Grade Mighty Monkeys; **Megan Scott**, 2nd Grade Mighty Monkeys; **Diane Carney, Bonnie Garrison**, Multi-Age Cool Cats 1&2; **Angie Magrisso, Lisa Todt**, Multi-Age Brilliant Bugs 1&2; **Cindy Floyd, LaSonja Smith**, 3rd Grade Navigators; **Danielle McClendon, Sheila Scott**, 4th Grade Going Places; **Stephanie Foust, Deborah Rodriguez**, Multi-Age All-Stars 3&4; **April Haughey, Beth Keen, Sarah Smith**, 5th Grade; **Deepali Damle, Darla Perry, Lorelei Spataro**, 6th Grade; **Bonnie Bertolino, Amy Hanson, Jill Kiernan**, 7th Grade; **Connie Dorton, Michelle Fernandez, Vanessa Minick**, 8th Grade.

PLEASE GIVE THANKS AND SUPPORT TO ALL OF THE EXTRAORDINARILY GENEROUS SPONSORS AND DONORS WHO ARE LISTED IN THE CATALOGUE AND ADDENDUM. WE HAVE SO MUCH GRATITUDE FOR THEIR GENEROUS PARTICIPATION! BIG EVENT GRATITUDE CONTINUES...

Here are a few more, around campus and in our community, with whom we share our tremendous gratitude:

- **THANK YOU** to all of the families, businesses and classes who sponsored the Big Event. We received more than \$62,000 in sponsorship revenue...an amazing amount for Big Event Sponsorships! Special thanks to **BAY DERMATOLOGY AND COSMETIC SURGERY/DAVID AND CONNIE DORTON** as our Title Sponsor...we are so grateful for your generous Title Sponsorship!
- **THANK YOU** to all of the families, businesses, and individuals who donated to the auction. Whether you helped the kids with their creations, or donated or secured a donation to the live or silent auction, it was because of YOU that the school was able to have such a successful event! Our Live and Silent Auction combined generated nearly \$100,000 in revenue. Thank you so much!
- **THANK YOU** to all of the teachers for generously donating their time for once-in-a-lifetime experiences for the kids. The various experiences, activities, lunches, dinners, sleepovers, and parties donated by teachers and staff are a huge area of fund-raising and fun for the event, generating nearly \$22,000 in revenue! AMAZING! Hats off to you all!
- **THANK YOU** to the Administration, Office Staff, Technology Team and Facilities Team for being so supportive and helpful all year, especially gearing up for the Big Event. They are truly amazing! Whenever you see one of our amazing Staff Members or Facilities Team on campus, please say "Thank You!" for their wonderful support!
- **THANK YOU** to all of the guests and sponsors at the Big Event. We have the most amazing, talented and generous parent community of any school, anywhere! Thank you for attending, bidding, dining, dancing and sharing the night together! It was a pleasure to see everyone enjoying the night, and each other, so much!
- **THANK YOU** to our wonderful and generous Parents and Grandparents/Grand Friends, so many of whom purchased TCO Sweepstakes Tickets and/or made other donations to support their children and grandchildren in such a special way! Our Grandparents/Grand Friends are a big part of what makes Corbett Prep such an amazing place!

CONGRATULATIONS to our very lucky Sweepstakes Winners!

- **Mark & Stacy Krumin** were our big winners of the night, winning the amazing **\$10,000 Tuition Credit Opportunity Sweepstakes, Sponsored by GulfShore Bank!** This Sweepstakes netted nearly \$5000 in net revenue for the school!
- **Rick & Megan Scott** were the lucky winners of the **Parking Spot Sweepstakes**, which generated more than \$3000 in revenue!
- The two lucky winners of the "**Send A Teacher Packing**" Sweepstakes were **All-Star Multi-Age 3&4 Teacher Ann Cashen, and Admissions Assistant Dawn Bronson**, thanks to the generous ticket purchases of our families, and our trip donations by Alumni Family, Andy Trayner and Vera Murphy Trayner, and by the Henning Family. Thank you so much! This Sweepstakes yielded nearly \$2000 in revenue!
- The lucky winners of the **50/50 Split The Pot** were **George & Christine Burns**, grandparents of Kailani Casanova. This new addition to the Big Event yielded \$1,250 in net revenue!
- Our **Sweepstakes, Raffles and 50/50** combined generated more than \$12,000 in net revenue. This is amazing! Our Sweepstakes were chaired by **Melanie Atkinson**, and our Raffles and 50/50 were chaired by **Angela Estacion-Way** to go, Melanie & Angela!

THANKS SO MUCH TO OUR WONDERFUL EVENT PARTNERS! Innisbrook Golf & Spa Resort, Innisbrook Recreation Team—Little Big Event, PSAV Presentation Services—Lighting & Audio/Production Support, Greater Giving-Auction Software & Mobile Bidding Support, Ad Partners—Marketing Literature Design, Express Printing—Printing Support, Dynamic Signs—Printing Setup Support, Allied Signage—Printing Support, Digital DNA—Printing Support, Staples—Printing Support, Pipeline Promotions—Promotional Support, Jim Vyverberg—Graphic Design Support, John Johnson—Graphic Design Support, Hans Palma—Class Pictures, Blake Kennedy-Emcee & Auctioneer, David Wright Photography & Productions—Photo Booth, Jarryd Dollard—Live Music, Tom Bronson-DJ & Music, Courtesy Valet Corporation—Valet Parking, Nordlie—Decorations Support, Banana Boat—Little Big Event Goodie Bags, Sweet Ava's—Little Big Event Goodie Bags, Southern Candymakers—Sponsor Gifts, Walgreens Westchase—Volunteer Support, Walgreens Carrollwood—Volunteer Support, Pita Republic—Volunteer Support, Bivens Orthodontics—Volunteer Support, Perks Donut Bar—Volunteer Support

**Please see
"All School"
enclosures also
found in
Thursday Folder.**

Early Primary Space Simulation Launches Out-of-this-World Learning at Corbett Prep



PreK4 and Kindergarten students watched a model rocket launch to kick off their "Mission to Space."

Feb. 26, 2015 (TAMPA, Fla.) – Early Primary astronauts donned their paper bag helmets and plastic bottle space packs and marched toward the launchpad, as the countdown clock began ticking.

Ready for liftoff, a model rocket waited for them on the Middle School field. The students formed a large circle, counted down at T-minus ten minutes and shouted "blast off!" They cheered and covered their ears as the rocket sped skyward.

Corbett Preparatory School of IDS students had officially embarked on a "Mission to Space."

PreK4 and Kindergarten teachers planned the mission as the culmination to their "Out of this World" unit, which took students on a journey around the solar system. Students spent weeks studying the skies above them, inquiring about the exploration and discoveries in space, the dynamics of the solar system and how the solar system connects to patterns in the world.

The multidisciplinary unit stretched into many subject areas. Making predictions and observations about the universe, students learned how the scientific process works. They witnessed history as they watched videos of astronauts setting foot on the moon and footage of a rover exploring Mars. They discussed and debated the future of space exploration, including the pros and cons of space tourism — something they likely will see become a reality one day.

Teachers incorporated math concepts into the curriculum as well. Corbett Prep astronauts jumped along number lines and solved addition and subtraction problems. Using rulers, they measured various-sized planets and space shuttles, comparing and contrasting the data they collected.

PreK4 students illustrated journals to accompany facts they wrote about the planets in English and Spanish. At home, kindergartners and their families logged the phases of the moon every evening for a week, documenting in writing and with drawings the changes they observed.

Their hard work culminated in a special day that started with the rocket launch to let students begin to simulate a space mission. After a successful launch at the Middle School, the



Students assumed the roles of scientists collecting dust and particle samples of a comet.

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Early Primary Space Simulation Launches Out-of-this-World Learning at Corbett Prep

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PreK4 students craft telescopes for their simulated mission to the moon.

students returned to their classrooms for several STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) centers that were designed for the Early Primary astronauts to create materials needed for the mission or to explore their destination, the moon.

“Just as when astronauts go into space, you have jobs you must complete,” Kindergarten teacher Ashley Davis told the class as they prepared for a busy morning.

The students boarded the Apollo 11 “elevator” to begin their mission. Inside a giant planetarium, kindergartners watched their journey through space (thanks to a *Magic School Bus* video projected onto the ceiling). After arriving on the moon, the astronauts strapped on spongy “space boots” to bounce across the lunar surface, a transformed classroom.

“It’s squishy!” kindergartner Kate Sorensen said, bouncing on the sponges as she prepared for her moonwalk.

Students in the other PreK4 and Kindergarten rooms divided into small teams to work on their tasks. With footage from the actual moon landing playing on a Smart Board, the students constructed Lego rovers to explore their moon’s surface and took turns reading nonfiction in the research center.

They made stargazer telescopes to replicate how they might look for celestial bodies, mixed ingredients to form their own moon rocks and painted constellations they observed. They became part of “Mission Stardust,” acting out the roles of scientists collecting dust and particle samples of a comet.

The Mission to Space activities sparked more than imagination. These meaningful, hands-on activities helped students make real-life connections to what they had learned throughout the solar system unit. Corbett Prep Early Primary teachers believe those kinds of connections allow students to better retain information they gain during their PreK4 and Kindergarten years and apply it for future lessons and experiences.



Students designed space packs and helmets to wear for the rocket launch.

Founded in 1968, Corbett Preparatory School of IDS (formerly Independent Day School - Corbett Campus) is a fully accredited, nonsectarian private school in Tampa’s Carrollwood neighborhood. The school serves over 500 students from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade and offers the International Baccalaureate program of study for all students. Teachers are endorsed in gifted education through a master’s level grant with the University of South Florida College of Education. Corbett Prep balances a dynamic, nurturing and safe learning environment with high standards and high expectations to develop a positive approach to life and learning. Corbett Prep has become recognized as an exemplary school with over 7,000 visitors observing and learning from Corbett Prep teachers. For more information, visit www.corbettprep.com or contact the Admissions Office at (813) 961-3087.



Fine Arts Pancake Breakfast

What: The annual Fine Arts Department Fundraiser! It's a fun-filled family breakfast and concert with hands-on art activities!

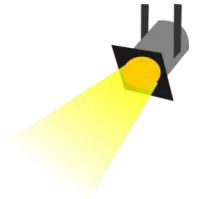
Why: Proceeds from the 2015 Pancake Breakfast will go towards the purchase of new LED theatrical lights.

When: Saturday, March 7, 2015, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Where: Gatlin Hall

Who: Students are invited to perform as follows:

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|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. Beginning Band | 9:30 a.m. Intermediate Division |
| 8:30 a.m. Advanced Band | 10:00 a.m. Spirit of IDS Chorus |
| 9:00 a.m. Primary Division | 10:30 a.m. Warriors Pride Chorus |



How: Pre-purchase tickets: \$7.00 (per adult) and \$5.00 (per child)
Cost at the door: \$8.00 (per adult) and \$6.00 (per child)
Order tickets with this form or by credit card at <https://cpsids.ejoinme.org/cppancakes>

Adult Portion includes four (4) pancakes, syrup, two (2) bacon strips with hot beverage, juice, and/or water.

Order Form

Name: _____

Student: _____ Grade: _____

Adult Tickets : _____ @ \$7.00 = _____

Child Tickets: _____ @ \$5.00 = _____

Donation to Fine Arts = _____

Total \$ = _____

Please make checks payable to Corbett Prep.

Volunteer Opportunities!!










___ Yes! I can help with:

___ Set-Up ___ Serving

___ Cooking ___ Clean-Up

Please contact me at:

March

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1	2	3	4 PFA Meeting 8:15 am	5 Musical Theatre Presents Shrek 9:00 am or 6:00 pm	6 5 th Grade Field Trip to Vigo or Peak 10 9:45 am – 1:15 pm Musical Theatre Presents Shrek 9:00 am or 7:00 pm	7 FINE ARTS HOSTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8:00 – 11:00 am Musical Theatre Presents Shrek 3:00 pm or 7:00 pm
	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	
8 Faculty/Staff of Corbett Prep Presents  2:00 pm	9	10 Edu-Talk Grand Room 8:05 am	11 Middle School Community Service Day	12 Multi-Age Bugs Drama Performance 1:30 pm 3 rd , 3/4 MA, and 4 th Grade Departs to Tallahassee 6:30 am Pre-K3 Art Show Grand Room	13 5 th Grade Field Trip to Vigo or Peak 10 9:45 am – 1:15 pm 3 rd , 3/4 MA, and 4 th Grade Returns from Tallahassee estimated arrival 6:00 pm Pre-K and K Medieval Feast	14
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WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

March 2nd-March 6th

Sports Hotline ext. 102



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School	Location	Pick-Up	Comments	
Mon.	3/2	3:00	Tennis (Boys & Girls)	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	P/U MS Gym
		3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
		3:00	Baseball	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	
Tues.	3/3	Off	Athletes Day Off	Off			
Wed.	3/4	3:00	Tennis (Boys & Girls)	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	P/U MS Gym
		4:00	Softball	Berkeley Prep	Softball Field	6:00	
		3:00	Baseball	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	
Thurs.	3/5	3:00	Tennis (Boys & Girls)	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	P/U MS Gym
		3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
		3:00	Baseball Field	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	
		3:00	Track & Field (ALL)	Team Party	MS Gym	4:30	
Fri.	3/6	3:00	Tennis (Boys & Girls)	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	P/U MS Gym
		3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
		3:00	Baseball	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	

DIRECTIONS:

MP TENNIS CENTER (formerly JUDY ALVAREZ CLUB): South on Dale Mabry Hwy / Right on Humphrey after Busch Blvd Overpass / LEFT on Hubert / Courts are ½ block down Hubert on left side.