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Corbett & Preparatory School of IDS



### **HEADS' LETTER**

**OCTOBER 16, 2014** 

### FIRST and SECOND GRADE STUDENTS TRAVEL to UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA

**for SCIENCE LESSONS:** Over 100 Corbett Prep first and second grade students and their teachers traveled to the University of Tampa on Friday, October 10 for a two hour hands-on science field trip. The University of Tampa formed a relationship with Corbett Prep to provide field trips hosted by the College of Education students preparing for their internships next semester. Our students participated in activities directly related to the topics they are currently studying in physical, life, and earth science, while the UT students gained valuable experience in planning and implementing lessons in science, working with the enthusiastic, bright-eyed and interested Corbett Prep Upper Primary students.

The UT students provided creative, interactive group activities that ranged from studying the different landforms and the wildlife who live there, to studying the properties of solids, liquids, and gases! Cindy Strickland, Corbett Prep Associate Middle School Director and University of Tampa instructor, proudly reported that the UT students and professors were overwhelmingly impressed with Corbett Prep students and their knowledge in the field of science as well as their exemplary behavior!!!!

# THINKING AHEAD...FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2014: HALLOWEEN COSTUME DAY GUIDELINES TO MAKE IT A GREAT DAY! There will be academics as usual on October

31...except for a part of the day which will be devoted to Halloween fun! Each division celebrates differently according to their ages and teachers' plans. Other information will follow from your teachers and/or RPC's. Many thanks to one and all for caring to make this day a lot of fun while still following our basic common sense guidelines:

When choosing Halloween costumes for school, parents, please be mindful that there are children who react differently to scary costumes and that costumes should always be school appropriate and respectful.

- 1. All weapons, scary masks, etc. are left for your **own personal use outside of school**.
- 2. Please be prepared for teachers to follow these guidelines and intercede where necessary.
- 3. The Annual Middle School costume extravaganza is also expected to respect Friday dress code guidelines.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO HEADMASTER of the DAY, JULIA COX!!!** On Monday morning, October 13, 2014, Headmaster Dr. Julia Cox retired for the day from the Third Grade All Stars to take the position of Headmaster of the Day. She ran her Monday morning meeting with confidence, poise, beautiful smiles and an eloquent delivery! She led over 600 members in attendance in a spirited all-school meeting! Some of the items on her agenda included an Upper Primary report about their international community service project, an introduction to our international student visitors who arrived this week from our sister school in Spain, Ramon Y Cajal, and a surprise Flash Mob dance by 18 talented students whose parents won this opportunity for their children at last year's Big Event! (They were terrific.)

She interrupted her day of running the school to stop by the Corbett Prep Kids' Classic Golf Tournament. She stepped into the limelight by kicking off the tournament, as she accepted the microphone to welcome all of the golfers. She charmed them as she spoke loudly, clearly and distinctly to thank all of our volunteers and golfers for participating in the tournament to benefit all of her fellow students. It was a beautiful day for the tournament and for Corbett Prep to see one of our own demonstrate exemplary leadership! Thank you to Dr. Carol Cox and Dr. John Cox for winning this opportunity last February in the live auction for their daughter, Julia.

### FIFTH GRADE MAKES LEARNING MEANINGFUL AND EXCITING:

History Alive transfers learning from the past and present to make learning meaningful with powerful connections! For example Fifth Grade reports:

Fifth Grade embarked on a mission to learn how the United States expanded westward in the 1800s and how that expansion affected native peoples. Teaming up with our drama department, we implemented a simulation, where our students were able to act as 19<sup>th</sup>-century settlers who migrated into the "western territories" of the United States. We have been reading about the territories that were acquired by the United States during the 1800s, such as the Louisiana Territory, Texas, and Oregon Country.

Another part of our lesson used an annotated map, in which students were able to see how each territory became part of the United States. The map also vividly portrayed how each acquisition impacted native peoples. This has been an awesome way for our students to see Manifest Destiny brought to life.

# CORBETT PREP CROSS COUNTRY = PERSONAL POWER/TEAM POWER! By Athletic Director Rob Heller and Asst. Athletic Director Dan Kava:

Cross Country is a true test of mental and physical fortitude. This year's 2014 mighty Warrior team boasts individual successes as well as team successes. 100% of the team achieved an improved personal best time from the first meet. Every runner stepped up to focus on training for strength and endurance, running to improve personal best times, learning key muscles and how to stretch and strengthen them, and understanding the importance of heart rate, flexibility, nutrition and sleep for best performance.

Overall, we had 24 top 10 finishes. The Lady Warrior team earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place, only a few points short of gold. The mighty Warrior boys team finished in third place. There were seven Florida West Coast League schools participating in Cross Country. Congratulations to **Ben Jones** who qualified (with a personal best of 13:21) to compete in the Florida Middle School State Championship race in November.

**The DRAMA/FORENSICS TEAM** (an extension of the middle school drama elective) led by English Teacher Michael Vokoun and Forensics Coach Victoria Watson had its first meet of the year on October 15, when they competed against eight private schools. According to the coaches, the students did a wonderful job. This creative and "go above and beyond" team consists of the following members: Matthew Garneau, Elois Hannah, Ian Vokoun, Ben Davis, Michaela Weimer, Tyler Hostler-Mathis, Charles Lee-Rossing, and Jake Goetz. **Congratulations to the entire Forensics Team!** 

- Eighth grader **Elois Hannah placed first in Oral Interpretation of Poetry** for her amazing performance of *Spelling Absent Father*. Elois's difficult piece questioned the definition of a mother, father, and parent, and wowed each judge. One commented, "You did a superior job of bringing the listener on an emotional journey!"
- Newcomer and eighth grader **Jake Goetz placed third in Oral Interpretation of Poetry** for his rendition of *Teacher*. One judge stated, "You read with a lot of feeling and expression!" This poem was obviously close to Jake's heart since it was written by his mother, P.J. Goetz!
- Eighth graders **Ben Davis and Michala Weimer earned second place Oral Interpretation of Duo Drama** for their hilarious take on a classic scene from *The Princess Bride*. One judge commented, "Outstanding! Your gestures, inflection, volume, focal points, and introduction were all fantastic!"

### PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION (PFA) NEWS

BY PFA PRESIDENT, PAMELA SZABO

"THANK YOU" to Heather Ceresoli who for 7 years, has been at the helm of making our Fall Reception and Kids Golf Classic the wonderful events they are today. Heather, your support and dedication have provided a wonderful fundraising and friend-raising opportunity for everyone to enjoy. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! and THANK YOU!



We would also like to thank **Rob Henning & Brooke Soileau-Henning** for joining Heather as co-chairs! What a terrific team!!!!. Golf and Fall Reception had another winning year! Details and thanks to all of our amazing and dedicated volunteers will be in next week's Heads' Letter!

- **PFA News:** Thank you for everyone that had the opportunity to come to October's PFA meeting. We had a wonderful presentation by Dr. Joyce Burick Swarzman. She acknowledged the success of the PFA and our fundraising efforts. Dr. Swarzman briefly explained the difference between the fundraising of the PFA and Annual Giving and how the funds are applied at the school. Wow, what a wealth of information! Followed by Dr. Swarzman was Mark Nouss, who explained the importance of Annual Giving. He shared with us how our tuition only covers a portion of what it takes to run the school. The month of **October** will be **Annual Giving Drive** month. Help support our school and "GIVE YOUR FAIR SHARE TODAY!" Thank you for those that have already contributed.
- The agenda for the next PFA meeting Wednesday, November 5, 2014 is: "Meet the Board of Trustees".
- We want to hear from you! Send all questions, inquires to <a href="PFA@CorbettPrep.com">PFA@CorbettPrep.com</a>. For more PFA information, follow us on Facebook at Corbett Prep PFA.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Please kindly look for the 2015 Big Event "Save The Date" card in your child's Thursday Folder this week! Our 2015 Big Event "Mardi Gras in the Big Easy" is sponsored by Bay Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery / David and Connie Dorton.....thank you so much to our wonderful Title Sponsor!



### PROUD MOMENTS SOAR

TO OUR CORBETT PREP FAMILIES, PLEASE SHARE SPECIAL MOMENTS THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY WITH YOU BY EMAILING <a href="mailto:info@corbettprep.com">info@corbettprep.com</a>



**CONGRATULATIONS: Drs. Rita and Ian Beckford** parents of Kenny (8<sup>th</sup>) and Kyle (2<sup>nd</sup>). Their book on the **successful** *Beckford Formula* has already made a difference for many in encouraging healthy living and a good diet. On Wednesday, Dr. Rita Beckford went to New York to be interviewed on the Dr. Oz show. We will let you know the date it will be aired on TV.

### TOMORROW, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2014

### REMINDER! PROFESSIONAL STUDY DAY FOR TEACHERS AND A SCHOOL

**FREE-DAY FOR STUDENTS.** Please keep everyone healthy with plenty of rest, healthy food choices, and lots of hand washing.

# **KINDERGARTEN AND PRE-K4 TOTALLY ROCK!!! ...READ TO FIND OUT HOW THEY DO IT...**Today, Thursday, October 16, 2014 Pre-K4 and Kindergarten students grabbed their brushes, shovels, picks and began digging, sifting, excavating and exploring!

In conjunction with our current unit *Sharing the Planet*: The Earth Rocks, our students experienced first-hand the role of a geologist, investigating all the materials that make up the earth, in addition to the forces, such as volcanic eruptions, that act upon the earth. Through our Geology Rocks centers, the students are able to gain a greater understanding of what we can learn about our planet's history through earth's materials and processes.

We began our day with a presentation from Loretta Holtkamp P.G., a certified geologist, formerly with the Hillsborough County Dept. of Museums, Geology Collections. She displayed a variety of rocks, minerals and fossils for us to see and explained the role of a geologist. She shared her experiences with studying the matter that makes up the Earth and WOWed us all with her findings!

# MARVIN HARVEY BASKETBALL SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE at Corbett Preparatory School of IDS. We believe that strong fundamentals promote the achievement of excellence!

We are ready to welcome your children in **Session II for the 2014** – **2015 school year!** Classes are available to both boys and girls from the entire Tampa Bay area, from 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Our focus is to teach the 3 essential skills in basketball: Shooting, Dribbling and Passing, and how to use them in game situations. Enclosed in this week's Thursday Folder, you can find additional information about our program and the schedule for Session II, and online at <a href="http://www.corbettprep.com/marvin-harvey-basketball-school.html">http://www.corbettprep.com/marvin-harvey-basketball-school.html</a>.



# SPECIAL CONCERT Music: Passport to the World is a special concert for Corbett Families and Friends on: Sunday, November 2, at 3:00 PM, in the Farish Center.

• The concert will feature the Reflections Woodwind Quintet and a performance by music teachers Michael LeBlanc and Tom McColley, joined by IDS alum, Vincent Euliano. The concert will feature a variety of music from around the world, and the students will be able to perform with the musicians on one of the pieces. This is a great opportunity for families to spend time together and share some great music. Students can wear their Halloween costumes to the concert and march in a costume parade. The concert will be about an hour long and the audience will be able to talk with the musicians and ask questions. We hope to see you there!

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

# **NEWS RELEASE**



### Teacher 'Power Poses' Build Confidence, Research Says

Oct. 15, 2014 (TAMPA, Fla.) – A TED talk on "power poses" has captured more than 20 million views online and grabbed the attention of publishers, celebrities and media.

Although backed with new research, the message is a familiar one to staff and students at Corbett Preparatory School of IDS. They have practiced similar advice for years: stand with confidence and you will project that image to others — and yourself.

Amy Cuddy, a social psychologist and associate professor at Harvard Business School, spoke about "power poses" in 2012 at TED Global, and the recording of her presentation and research continues to grow in popularity.

At Corbett Prep, power poses are known as student and teacher presence. Hips are aligned with the shoulders, shoulders are set back and eyes gaze forward when standing, whether you are speaking before a classroom or involved in a one-on-one conversation.

Headmaster Dr. Joyce Burick Swarzman incorporates this type of posture into her trainings for Corbett Prep and schools nationally and internationally. Teacher presence is one of the seven components of the school's M.O.R.E. (Multiple Options for Results in Education) model. The M.O.R.E. approach to teaching creates a brain-friendly environment to accelerate learning. Teachers set a tone in their classrooms through nonverbal behaviors that send a message to students about intentions to build strong connections.

Teachers need to convey "I care," which is achieved through verbal skills as well as hand gestures, tonality and, of course, posture. Students respond to the nonverbal cues teachers give them, and Cuddy's research now reveals a benefit to the teachers themselves.

In a 2010 paper, Cuddy and two other researchers studied how body language can affect body chemistry. Participants who spent two minutes alone doing powerful poses decreased the stress hormone cortisol by about 25 percent. As a result, they performed better in stressful situations, helping them connect naturally with others' thoughts and feelings.

A strong stance is an easy change that could have big results. Teachers, job candidates, corporate leaders and more can benefit from the increased confidence and lower stress that "power poses" might bring. What you say is important, but your presence plays a big role in how you say it and how it is received. And it all starts with how you stand.

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 <a href="https://www.corbettprep.com">www.corbettprep.com</a> or contact the Admissions Office at (813) 961-3087.

# MARVIN HARVEY BASKETBALL SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE at CORBETT PREPARATORY SCHOOL OF IDS

First through 5h Grade ONLY

Marvin Harvey Basketball School of Excellence offers superior basketball instruction.

The Marvin Harvey approach has constructed a distinct process that produces top athletes molding them from elementary through high school.

It is the systematic design of the program that perfectly combines all of Marvin Harvey's research, teaching tools, superior skill knowledge, basketball aptitude, and proven methods that are revolutionizing the game of basketball.

### ALL STARS BASKETBALL CLUB 1st & 2nd Grade

The All Stars Basketball Club introduces the game of basketball to children of first and second grades, in a fun instructional way by applying the Academy's EXCLUSIVE New Fundamentals.

Fridays 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm
November 7 - January 23
OFF Nov 28, Dec 12, 19 & 26, Jan 2
Practice on January 9 will be in the Middle School Gym
\$175 for seven weeks of training

## 110% BASKETBALL CLUB 3rd through 5th Grade

BOYS ONLY: Tuesdays 5:15 - 6:30 pm
October 21 - December 9
OFF November 11
\$175 for seven weeks of training

GIRLS ONLY: Fridays 5:00 - 6:15 pm

November 7 - January 23

OFF Nov 28, Dec 12, 19 & 26, Jan 2&9

\$150 for six weeks of training



### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Groups starting at 3:15 drop off is available at 3:00 pm
- Most practices will be at Gatlin Hall.
- No refunds available after the first class
- Students from outside Corbett Prep are welcome!!

### LOCATION:

### **CORBETT PREPARATORY SCHOOL OF IDS**

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Name:	Age/ Grade:
Home mailing address:	
City / State / Zip Code:	
Parent Name / Email:	
Home / Cell Number:	
Parent Name / Email:	

**SESSION II 2014 - 2015** 

### Music: Passport to the World

a concert for Corbett Prep Families & Friends

Join us for this family-friendly concert featuring the Reflections Woodwind Quintet and Corbett Prep Music Faculty as we journey around the world through music.

Students are preparing for the concert through their music classes and will be invited to assist the musicians on a special musical selection. Our musicians are preparing to share the unique qualities of their instruments—come prepared with questions!

Sunday, November 2nd 3:00 p.m. Farish Center



\$10 Individual \$30 Family Order tickets using the attached form.

### Among the musical selections to be performed:

- Take Me Out to the Ball Game by Jack Norworth and Albert von Tilzer
- Pitch City by 21st century American composer William Duckworth
- Night Wind by CSA Percussion Teacher Vincent Euliano and our own Mr. McColley, featuring Mr. McColley and Mr. LeBlanc on trombone and Mr. Euliano on computer
- Obwisana, Ghanian Circle Game
- And many others...

# Corbett **\$**Preparatory School • IDS

Pssst! Students are invited to come to the concert in their Halloween costume and parade across stage.

A sweet treat will be provided

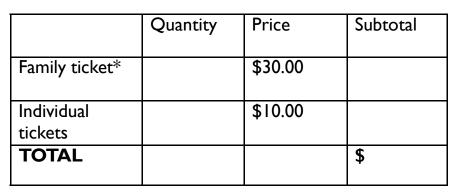
after the concert.

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### ORDER FORM FOR TICKETS

Sunday November 2, 2014 3:00 P.M. Farish Center





\*A family ticket enables all members of your immediate family to attend.

I would also like to support the Reflections concert series with my donation at the following level:

Gold Baton (\$500) ☐ Silver Baton (\$250) ☐ Bronze Baton (\$100) ☐

Please make your tax deductible check payable to Reflections Chamber Ensemble.

For additional information contact: Tom McColley, Michael LeBlanc or Barbara McBride, (813) 961-3087, ext. 335

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### **WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE**

October 20th-October 24th Sports Hotline ext. 102



Date		Time	Team/Sport	School	Location	Pick-Up	Comments
Mon.	10/20	5:00	Soccer (Silver)	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	7:15	
		3:00	Soccer (Green)	Practice	Soccer Field	4:30	
		4:00	Soccer (Purple)	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	6:00	
		Off	Volleyball (Silver)	Off			
		3:00	Volleyball (Green)	Practice	Gatlin Hall	5:30	
		3:00	Volleyball (Purple)	Practice	Gatlin Hall	5:30	
Tues. 1	10/21	4:30	Volleyball (Green)	Practice	Middle School	6:00	
		4:30	Volleyball (Purple)	Practice	Middle School	6:00	
		3:20	Soccer (Green vs. Silver)	Green vs. Silver	Soccer Field	4:30	Final Game (Green Team)
Wed. 10/	10/22	3;00	Soccer (Silver)	Practice	Soccer Field	3:45	
		4:00	Soccer (Purple)	AHN	Soccer Field	5:00	
		4:00	Volleyball (Green)	Academy @ Lakes	Academy @ Lakes	7:00	
		5:00	Volleyball (Purple)	Academy @ Lakes	Academy @ Lakes	7:00	
		3:00	Volleyball (Silver)	Practice	Gatlin Hall	4:30	
Thur.	10/23	5:00	Soccer (Silver)	Tampa Prep	Soccer Field	6:00	Final Game (Silver Team)
		4:00	Soccer (Purple)	Tampa Prep	Soccer Field	5:00	
		4:00	Volleyball (Silver)	St. John's	Gatlin Hall	5:00	Final Game (Silver Team)
		4:00	Volleyball (Green)	St. John's	Middle School Gym	5:00	Final Game (Green Team)
		5:00	Volleyball (Purple)	St. John's	Middle School Gym	6:00	
Fri.	10/24	3:00	Soccer (Purple)	Practice	Soccer Field	4:30	
		3:00	Volleyball (Purple)	Practice	Middle School Gym	5:00	
DIREC	TIONS C	N THE B	ACK				

### **DIRECTIONS:**

### ACADEMY AT THE LAKES: 1800 Collier Parkway, Land O' Lakes, (813) 948-2133.

Dale Mabry Hwy north to the end at Junction 41. Left onto Junction 41. 1/4 mile right onto State Road 54. Travel approximately 3 miles, left onto Collier Parkway. The Gym is on the left side of street...school is on both sides.

### ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL: 2101 South Hubert St., Tampa, (813) 254-5224.

Dale Mabry Hwy south. Right onto Henderson (KFC on corner). Henderson turns into Manhattan. Right onto Hubert. The school is on the right.

Baseball field, Carroll Kennedy baseball fields: Dale Mabry Hwy south. Right onto Morrison/Henderson Blvd. Travel approximately 2 blocks. The fields will be at the corner of Grady and Morrison.