



# The Fisher Flyer

Official Newsletter of Fisher Island Day School

September 20, 2018

Dear Students, Parents, Faculty, & Staff,

## Calendar at a Glance.

- Sept. 24 - 28, 2018 Parent Conferences (Interim Progress Reports provided at conferences)
- Fri., Oct. 12, 2018 Parent Association Meeting – Neff Family Library
- Tue., Oct. 16, 2018 School Picture Day in Dress (Formal) Uniform
- Wed., Oct. 17, 2018 School Picture Day – “No Uniform”
- Wed., Oct. 31, 2018 In-Classroom Halloween Celebrations, 2:15 p.m.

**Parent Conferences.** Back-to-school parent conferences will be held the week of September 24 - 28, 2018. If you have yet to schedule a time to meet with your child’s teacher, please do so at this time.

**FIDS Parent Association Room Parents.** Please join me in thanking the following parents for volunteering as FIDS room parents for the 2018-2019 school year. In several cases, we had as many as seven parents sign up to be room parents for the same classroom! In the interests of efficiency and fairness, we have made adjustments so that there are no more than two to three room parents per class. We also ensured that everyone who volunteered for multiple classrooms was given at least one of their choices. Your room parents will be reaching out to you throughout the year to solicit your support.

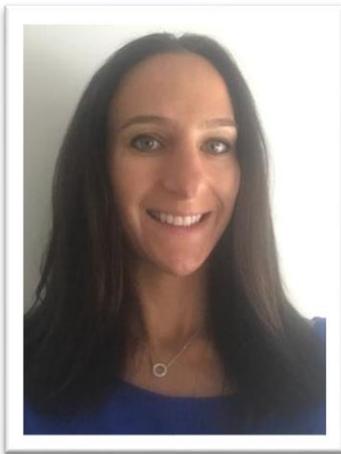
Grade Level	Co-Room Parent	Co-Room Parent	Co-Room Parent
Early Learning	Karla Abaunza	Satcha Pretto	
Pre-Kindergarten	Yuliia Faist	Valeria Simon	
Jr. Kindergarten	Yvonne Marschner	Katie Volé	
Kindergarten	Evelyn MacKenzie	Sharon Manzano	
Grade 1	Melissa Lustbader	Morgan Shara	
Grade 2	Anna Mehrabi	Ellen Singh	
Grade 3	Andrea Khan	Verna Vasquez	
Grade 4	Alina Armstrong	Jeanne Chu	Camila Sharp
Grade 5	Mimi Tran-Gorey	Gabriella Karai	Nienke Trebotich
Grades 6-7	Erika Dominguez	Tamarra Hay	Paula Londoño

**School Uniforms.** FIDS school uniforms are required attire for all students. **School Picture Day on Tuesday, October 16, 2018**, will be the first day all students will be required to wear their dress uniforms. Please plan accordingly, **paying particular attention to the footwear requirements.** Our school uniform provider is Land’s End. Please click [here](#) for additional information.

**Bus Safety.** Today, FIDS’s entire faculty and student body participated in a successful school bus evacuation drill while on campus. The purpose of the drill was for students to practice putting on life vests and evacuating the bus through an emergency exit. All students participated, as even our on-island children have occasion to ride the bus. Emergency preparation activities are things we do on a regular basis to help ensure the safety of our students.

**“Grab & Go” Snack Option.** In addition to the daily afternoon snack provided to your child, Chef Richard has added a “Grab and Go” snack table in the courtyard beginning at 2:45 p.m. This a self-select option for students who may still be hungry following their scheduled afternoon snack.

**RenWeb Access.** Attached to this newsletter, please find instructions for accessing our online parent portal, RenWeb. Access to RenWeb is required for parents whose children are in Grades 2-7.



**Staff Profiles.** During the next few weeks, the *Fisher Flyer* will introduce you to new members of the FIDS team. This week we are pleased to introduce you to [Ms. Kimberly Cunningham](#), Kindergarten Lead Teacher. **Kim Cunningham** joined the Fisher Island family in 2018. Originally from the state of New York, she moved down to sunny Florida where she has been an educator in the primary grades for the past 15 years. Passionate about teaching young learners to read and grow, Kim is an advocate of differentiated instruction and learning through play. One can find smiling faces, mindfulness, collaboration, and exploration in her classroom.

When she is not at school, Kim loves to travel, practice yoga, dabble in the kitchen, and lead an active lifestyle. Kim obtained her Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from SUNY New Paltz, New York, and her Master’s degree in Reading from Florida International University.

Thank you for your support in making every week at FIDS a wonderful learning experience for our children. Your partnership is greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Bell".

Michael Bell  
Head of School

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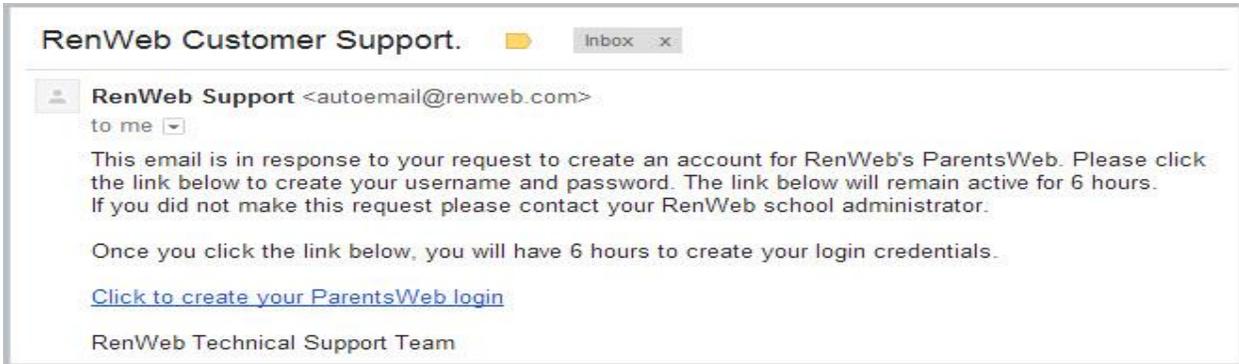
September 6, 2018

Dear Families,

Beginning this school year, you will have access to your child’s attendance record via RenWeb School Management Software. Parents of students in Grades 2 - 7 will also receive quarterly report cards via RenWeb. RenWeb’s ParentsWeb is a private and secure portal for parents that will allow you to view academic information specific to your child(ren), while protecting their information from others.

Please take a few minutes to create your account by following the steps below:

- In Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari, go to [www.renweb.com](http://www.renweb.com) and click **Login**.
- Select Login.
- Select **ParentsWeb Login**.
- Type the school's District Code **FI-FL**.
- Click **Create New ParentsWeb Account**.
- Type your email address and click **Create Account**. An email will be sent which includes a link to create your ParentsWeb login. The link is active for 6 hours. **Please note: the email address must match that on file with FIDS.**



- Select the **Click to Create your ParentsWeb login** link.
- A web browser displays your **Name** and RenWeb **Person ID**.
- Type a **User Name**, **Password**, and **Confirm** the password.



- Click **Save User Name and/or Password**.
- A message displays at the top of the browser: "User Name/Password successfully updated."



- You may now log in to ParentsWeb using your new User Name and Password.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at [msmall@fids.org](mailto:msmall@fids.org) with any questions you may have.

Best regards,  
Mollie Small  
Assistant Head of School