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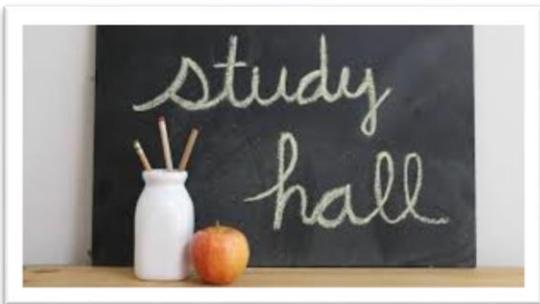
September 3, 2020

Dear Students, Parents, Faculty, & Staff,

Following are this week's [FIDS](#) updates.

Introducing . . . FIDS's 2020-2021 Parent Association Co-Chairs. I am pleased to announce that our Parent Association (PA) Co-Chairs are Ms. Lauren Coleman and Ms. Morgan Shara. Please join me in welcoming Lauren and Morgan! Collectively, they have five children who attend FIDS. Lauren and Morgan have big plans and will need the help of the entire FIDS community to deliver on their promise, especially in this time of social distancing. First up, Lauren and Morgan will be updating the chat rooms at each grade level to ensure that each parent is represented in the respective chat room(s). Please be patient as they organize this endeavor. Ms Reiling updated the three bus chats yesterday evening to ensure that they are all accurate with this year's riderships. Secondly, Lauren and Morgan will need volunteer room parents, two per grade level. If you are interested in serving as a room parent—or in another volunteer capacity—please contact Lauren and Morgan directly.

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- Morgan morganshara@mac.com 917-686-8926



Study Hall. As a service to FIDS families, we are offering daily Study Hall. FIDS's Study Hall provides the opportunity for students to do their homework, study independently, or read silently. The goal of FIDS's Study Hall is to provide an environment that encourages learning and focuses on study skills during after-school hours. Important details:

- **Who:** FIDS students in Grades K-8
- **What:** Study Hall
- **When:** Mon. – Fri. afternoons
- **Where:** 4th Grade Classroom (upstairs next to library)

- **How:**
 - There will be a teacher supervising students from 3:00 p.m. to 4:05 p.m.
 - The teacher will be available to assist students with any questions; however, this is not a tutoring class. Students should be able to work independently and quietly.
 - This is a free service provided to all students at FIDS. Study Hall ends promptly at 4:05 p.m. Students who are picked up later will be charged a late fee to be paid to the FIDS Study Hall teacher.
 - Off-island students may ride the 4:05 p.m. bus back to the mainland.
 - Students should use their time wisely in Study Hall. We feel rules and guidelines help students make the best use of their time.

Study Hall Rules and Guidelines:

- Students should enter the library quietly and be respectful to the teacher and other students.
- Students should choose one place to sit and work independently.
- Students should be respectful of all library books and materials.

FIDS 411. This year, rather than putting everyone on “information overload,” we have endeavored to reach out separately to each subgroup (e.g., new parents, bus riders, middle schoolers, etc.) to limit the information flow to only those things that each parent needs to know. If you have any questions that remain unanswered, please reach out to any or all of the following, depending on the nature of your inquiry:

Topic	Contact	Phone	Email
Athletics/Extracurricular Programs	Trevor Leafe	305-531-2350	tleafe@fids.org
Accounting/Payments	Cheryl Camp	305-531-2350	ccamp@fids.org
Bus Routes and Timetables	Mary Reiling	773-401-4901	mreiling@fids.org
Curriculum & Instruction	Mollie Small	305-531-2350	msmall@fids.org
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Student Records/Immunizations, etc.	Deborah Van Stone	305-531-2350	dvanstone@fids.org



Virtual Parent Reception & Back-to-School Open House. On **Wednesday evening, September 16, 2020**, we will “virtually” host our Parent Reception and Back-to-School Open House via Zoom. Log-in information will follow under separate cover. **These events are for parents only!**

- **Parent Virtual Reception – 6:00 p.m. – 6:20 p.m.** Parents are invited for virtual opening remarks by our Board of Trustees’ President, our Parent Association leadership, and the Head of School, followed by virtual time in your child(ren)’s classroom(s).
- **Back-to-School Open House – Session I – 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Session II – 7:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** Teachers will provide a virtual overview of the many exciting educational endeavors that will be taking place this coming year. Open House is not the time for individual parent-teacher conferences. Individual parent conferences will take place the week of September 28 – October 2, 2020. Please see your child’s teacher to schedule your conference. The hour block will be divided into two equal half-hour sessions to accommodate parents with more than one child enrolled at FIDS. Parents with three or more children enrolled at FIDS should plan on splitting up to visit the entirety of their children’s teachers.

SAVE THE DATE: Parent Association Meet & Greet/Walk in the Park. Please join FIDS’s Parent Association Co-Chairs, Lauren Coleman and Morgan Shara, for a morning walk in the park. Details:

- Date: Thursday, September 17, 2020
- Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Place: South Pointe Park (Meet at parking lot entrance to Smith & Wollensky)
One Washington Avenue
Miami Beach, FL 33139
- Attire: Workout Wear, Face Covering

Labor Day Holiday. Please remember that FIDS will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2020, in honor of Labor Day.

Best regards,



Michael Bell
Head of School
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