



The Fisher Flyer

Official Newsletter of Fisher Island Day School

October 8, 2020

Dear Students, Parents, Faculty, & Staff,

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



Good Character Awards. Congratulations go to our *Good Character Award* recipients for the month of September:

- **Remy Khan**, Pre-Kindergarten (Primary School);
- **Colton Humphrey**, Grade 3 (Lower School); and
- **Chloe Camp**, Grade 7 (Middle School).

We are proud of Remy, Colton, and Chloe for exemplifying FIDS's three Rs: Respecting Others, Respecting Your Community, and Responsibility.



October 15, 2020: Virtual Instruction Day. On Thursday, October 15, 2020, there will be a Presidential Debate held at the Adrienne Arsht Center in downtown Miami. As part of the United States Secret Service's security plan, the MacArthur Causeway—as well as State Road 395, both eastbound and westbound—will be closed on Thursday, October 15, at 8:00 a.m., through Friday, October 16, at 1:00 a.m.

Due to the closure of MacArthur Causeway, access to Fisher Island will be limited to essential personnel on Thursday, October 15, 2020. As such, **FIDS will be in full-school virtual instruction mode on Thursday, October 15, 2020.** Additional information will be sent to you under separate cover, including Zoom log-in information. We will adhere to the regular school schedule for this **one day of virtual instruction.** We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause; however, we believe this plan will be less disruptive than any other option. In the interim, please plan accordingly. FIDS will reopen for in-person, on-campus instruction on Friday, October 16, 2020. We will advise you if anything changes.

Introducing FIDS's 2020-2021 Room Parents. We are pleased to announce and **THANK** FIDS's line up of volunteer room parents for the 2020-2021 school year. Please note that we still need one additional room parent for Early Learning.

| Grade Level | Room Parent 1 | Room Parent 2 |
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| Early Learning | Crystal Silverman | VACANCY |
| Pre-Kindergarten | Staci Hafner | Andrea Kahn |
| Jr. Kindergarten | Karla Abaunza | Karolina Kurkova |
| Kindergarten | Maria Bastos | Lauren Coleman Yuliia Faist |
| First | Lauren Coleman | Natalia Sliger |
| Second | Evelyn MacKenzie | Ellen Singh |
| Third | Maria Bastos | Racha Kotob Monica Otero |
| Fourth | Evelyn MacKenzie | Ellen Singh |
| Fifth | Nina Fabbri | Morgan Shara |
| Sixth-Eighth | Cheryl Camp | Yvette Triana |



Halloween: Freaky Fun Friday. This year, Halloween (October 31, 2020) falls on a Saturday. At this point, who knows if trick-or-treating and other Halloween-related activities will even be permitted? Do not despair! On Friday, October 30th, our room parents will host in-person, afternoon class parties in each grade-level classroom. Due to ongoing social distancing restrictions, we will not be comingling students across grade levels or hosting parades; neither will we be allowing visitors, other than the hosting room parents. That said, we promise a fun-filled, age-appropriate celebration this Halloween!

In lieu of costumes, children are allowed to come to school on October 30th dressed in fun, comfortable clothes of their choice that won't interfere with their school day. Consider it as a "**non-uniform with flair day**"—e.g., pajamas, clothes of your choice, sports jerseys, themed tee-shirts, decade themes, etc. Shoes must conform to FIDS's school-uniform guidelines. We look forward to a happy healthy Halloween for all! The classroom parties will be coordinated and led by the respective room parents and teachers. If you wish to lend support, please reach out to your respective room parents.

Best regards,

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 Head of School
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