



The Fisher Flyer

Official Newsletter of Fisher Island Day School

September 30, 2021

Dear Students, Parents, Faculty, & Staff,

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

Solar System Showcase. On Friday, September 24, 2021, Ms. Paklin's Grade 5 students held a showcase and presented their Solar System models to lower grades. They used their knowledge from the classroom and taught visiting students about our Solar System. They created models and showed the proportion and scale between the planets. The students demonstrated their creativity in their models which included all 8 planets, the Sun, Earth's moon, and the asteroid belt. The excitement and learning were out of this world!

Parent Association Meeting. Parent Association (PA) Co-Chairs, Lauren Coleman and Morgan Shara, cordially invite you to attend FIDS's inaugural PA meeting of the 2021-2022 school year. Please see details below:

- **Date:** Friday, October 1, 2021
- **Time:** 8:30 a.m. (immediately following morning meeting)
- **Place:** Jana & Brian Neff Gymnasium

Middle School Athletics. FIDS is pleased to announce that our middle-school athletics program is underway. Following is a list of forthcoming competitive games. The FIDS Golf Team previously played two games earlier this month. Please join me in cheering our teams to victory!



Date	Time	Sport	Playing/Location	Home/Away
10/6/21	3:00 p.m.	Golf	Various Schools: Belen's Wolverine Golf Classic Miccosukee Golf & Country Club 6401 Kendale Lakes Drive, Miami, FL 33183	Away
10/6/21	4:00 p.m.	Volleyball	The Cushman School Jana & Brian Neff Gymnasium	Home
10/13/21	4:00 p.m.	Volleyball	The Cushman School Jana & Brian Neff Gymnasium	Home
10/20/21	4:00 p.m.	Volleyball	RASG Hebrew Academy 2400 Pine Tree Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33140	Away

Golf Team:	Volleyball Team:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henry Derick • Tobin Drury • Rene Escobar • Dylan Shara 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vera Bradshaw • Sora Bradshaw • Chloe Camp • Charlie Derick • Summer Holman • Elena Kucherenko* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hannah May* • Max Mehrabi* • Mitra Mehrabi • Violet Morse* • Margot Postolnikov • Natascha Shinnerer

** Practice Games Only*

Interim Progress Reports. Interim progress reports for Trimester 1 will be sent home to parents on Friday, October 1, 2021. Tomorrow’s distribution will be issued in hardcopy (paper) format. Please check your child’s homework folder or backpack. Thank you!

Faculty Profile—Marisa Mocerri, Grade 4 Lead Teacher. Marisa Mocerri joined Fisher Island Day School in 2021. She believes the purpose of education is to facilitate each child’s potential to be an engaged, innovative contributor to his or her community. She is committed to empowering students to acquire and construct knowledge through critical thinking and project-based learning that is rooted in their personal experiences. She aims to facilitate this kind of learning on a day-to-day basis in her classroom and utilize a variety of pedagogical approaches towards that mission.

Marisa has worked in elementary education for over 15 years. Her expertise is in reading and writing instruction, technology integration, and differentiating instruction for all learners’ needs.

Marisa is originally from Michigan and moved to Florida in 2005 to begin her teaching career. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family, cooking, and traveling.

Marisa holds a Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education from Eastern Michigan University, a Master’s degree in Education, and a Professional Educator’s Certificate from the State of Florida. She is certified to teach Elementary Education, English (5-9), Mathematics (5-9), and is endorsed in Reading, Gifted, and English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).

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

Best regards,



Michael Bell
Head of School
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