What's new at CDS?

CDS Virtual Pride

CDS invites all alumni and parents of alumni to join us virtually on **Friday, June 26, from 8:30-9:00am** for an all-school pride celebration. With the 50th anniversary of SF Pride and the recent Supreme Court ruling, let’s acknowledge the progress made, note challenges, and celebrate together. We invite you to wear clothing that’s Pride-related: any version of the CDS “Love is Love” t-shirt or any color of the rainbow.

You can join the celebration by clicking the zoom link below on **Friday, June 26 at 8:30am**:
Congratulations Class of 2020

On June 5, CDS hosted our first-ever online graduation ceremony. In a beautiful ceremony hosted on Zoom, we celebrated our 8th graders with student and faculty speeches, memorable photos and home videos, and a lot of dancing! Some of the graduation traditions we know so well continued at home, such as mini cupcakes, flower leis, and the Goodbye Song from the eighth graders’ buddies in the Leaping Lizards and Teddy Bears classes.

We can't wait to hear about the future endeavors of our Class of 2020!

Kowie Apana - Sacred Heart Cathedral
Torin Arleo - Marin Academy
Henry Bayha - International High School
Luke Bianco - St. Ignatius Preparatory
Zachary Buono - The Bay School of San Francisco
Emilia Burkhart - Ruth Asawa San Francisco School of the Arts
Gabby Chen - Oceana High School
Carly Cohen - Sacred Heart Cathedral
Daphne Coplon - University High School
Jayden Corado Rosales - Sterne School
Zia DiFrancesco - The Urban School of San Francisco
Paxton Dold - Drew School
Tessa Fastiff - Lick-Wilmerding High School
Emilia Flashberg - St. Ignatius Preparatory
Hazel Fry - Ruth Asawa San Francisco School of the Arts
Anabel Harris - Lick-Wilmerding High School
Maren Kalucki - The Bay School of San Francisco
Miles Klingbeil - Stuart Hall High School
Cam Lorie - Moving/Public
Connor McSherry - Drew School
Orly Morgenstein - Marin Academy
Astrid Moritz MacAdams - The College Preparatory School
Theo Nielsen - The Urban School of San Francisco
Jack O'Donnell - Sacred Heart Cathedral
Jasmine Palekar - The Cate School
Emmi Pena - The Urban School of San Francisco
Cecilia Quinones - St. Ignatius Preparatory
Kiefer Reutlinger - Proctor Academy
Carmen Reynoso - St. Ignatius Preparatory
Jane Rudenko - Head-Royce School
Ella Schwartz - Lick-Wilmerding High School
Tate Sheepo - The Urban School of San Francisco
Lucas Solomon - Drew School
Nina Solomon - The Urban School of San Francisco
Alex Taylor - International High School
Marlowe Tennenbaum - The Bay School of San Francisco
Mia Angelina Toler - The Urban School of San Francisco
Meghan Williams - Sacred Heart Cathedral
Clark Wilmerding - Lick-Wilmerding High School
Oliver Yeaman - The Urban School of San Francisco
Kyle Young - The Urban School of San Francisco
Stella Young - The Bay School of San Francisco
Class of 2020 Hand-Washing Stations & Endowment for Sliding Scale Tuition

This year, our Class of 2020 families continued the tradition of establishing an eighth grade class gift, which was presented at graduation. They raised over $55,000 in gifts and pledges to purchase and install hand-washing stations and contribute to the CDS Endowment for Sliding Scale Scholarship. The addition of the sinks installed on the yard at 333 Dolores and the roof deck and lobby at 601 will enable students to practice good hygiene before class and lunch and during play. Thank you to the Class of 2020 families for leaving this lasting legacy for future generations.

Thank you to our donors:
- Ambos Mundos
- Rica Domingo & Edward Apana
- Michelle Kriebel & Ted Arleo
- Betsy Bayha & Heidi Gewertz
- Brooke & Bob Bianco
- Ricky Chen
- Allyson Halpern & Dan Cohen
- Erika & Dovid Coplon
- Shannon Hall & Jay Dold
- Rebecca Arons & Eric Fastiff (2020 Class Gift Committee)
- The Flashberg Family
- Qris Fry & Chris Weipert
- Beverly Choe & Malcolm Harris
- Marion Ingersoll
- Anne Ellis & John Kalucki
- Corynne McSherry & Patrick Kelly
- Lisa Koshkarian & Tom DiFrancesco
- Lorie Family
- Suzanna Petren Moritz & Ocean MacAdams
- Lida & David Morgenstein
- Heather & Clement O'Donnell
- Alpa Sheth & Rohan Palekar
- Kristen & Luis Pena
- Katherine Nielsen & Troy Peters
- Ben Quinones
- Blanca & Juan Reynoso
- Gigi Rosales
- Masha Rudenko
- Lauren & Sunny Schwartz (2020 Class Gift Committee)
- Karen Reutlinger & Steve Sharon
- Daama Sheepo
- Erin Sheepo
- Louise Vickroy & Frank Solomon (2020 Class Gift Committee)
- Susan & Andy Taylor
- Rachel Dworkin Tennenbaum
- Caroline & Martel Toler
In response to the recent incidents of systemic racism and violence, our CDS community has been hosting conversations where families can practice, workshop, and share ideas on how to talk about race/ethnicity with children. Our faculty and staff have also donated more than $4,100 to the organizations listed below. Some have made monthly commitments and others are first-time connections to organizations which may become a lifelong philanthropic focus.

- American Civil Liberties Union
- Anti-Police Terror Project
- The Bail Project
- Bay Area Anti-Repression Committee
- Bay Area Bail Fund
- Bay Area Protest Fund
- Black Lives Matter
- Black Lives Matter Global Network
- Black Visions Collective
- Boys & Girls Clubs of San Francisco
- Brooklyn Community Bail Fund
- Brown Girl Surf
- Campaign Zero
- Chicago Community Bond Fund
- George Floyd Memorial Fund
- GoFundMe for Destiny Harris
- GoFundMe for Justice for Jamee
- Homeless Black Trans Women Fund
- Know Your Rights Camp
- Louisville Community Bail Fund
- Minnesota Freedom Fund
- Movement for Black Lives
- NAACP Legal Defense Fund
- National Bail Out
- National Lawyers Guild Bay Area Chapter
- Northwest Community Bail Fund
- People’s Breakfast Oakland
- Philadelphia Bail Fund
- Reclaim the Block
- Showing Up for Racial Justice

Many members of our community also joined the student-led George Floyd Solidarity Protest & March in the Mission on June 3, which began at our neighboring school Mission High to show their support for racial equality and justice.
We're so proud of all the current and former CDS students who have been taking action in the fight against state-sanctioned racism. We would like to spotlight CDS graduate Ries Chu (Class of 2019), who sold cupcakes to raise money for the Know Your Rights Camp Legal Defense Initiative, Colin Kaepernick's fund for victims of injustice. We encourage you to donate as well!

We are always looking to share stories about CDS alumni such as Ries in our Bulldog Bulletin and our Annual Report. By sharing what's been going on in your life or giving updates about fellow alumni, we can let the entire CDS community know what makes us extraordinary! If you are interested in sharing a story, please email advancement@cds-sf.org or fill out this form.

Faculty Spotlight

We would like to spotlight our 8th Grade Humanities Teacher, Terry Ashkins!

This summer, Terry is sheltering in place with his kids Cash (Class of 2017), Catcher (Class of 2023), and Tanya in Pacifica. Catcher and Terry go surfing every day, and the four of them take long walks every afternoon. Terry had planned on using a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to study
philosophy at Boston University, but unfortunately this trip was cancelled due to COVID-19. Instead, he will be teaching two writing camps, learning how to use Ableton Live to record music, reading lots of books, playing trampoline basketball, and riding his skateboard to take pictures all over San Francisco.

**Alumni Interns**

There are many alumni internships and volunteer opportunities at CDS, and we are always excited to see familiar faces back on campus! John Finberg (Class of 2016) and Roshni Jariwala (Class of 2014) have been working as amazing interns for our CDS tech team. Last summer, John helped CDS with implementing the ID cards that are now used by staff, and he currently works with our tech team on our mobile device management system. Roshni helped design signs for carts, the procedures for proper tech use at school, and the classroom guidelines.

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**Share your stories!**

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Here are a few suggestions for the kind of information we're looking for:

- Do you have a job/internship?
- What classes are you taking?
- Have you been involved in a sport? What position do you play and how did your team do?
- Have you been involved in anything musical or theatrical? Any performances, productions, or events?
- Have you done any service learning projects?
- Have you received an award, been recognized, or had any special experience you would like to share?
- Have you done any traveling?
- Would you like to share something important to you that is not listed above?

Send a short 1-2 paragraph summary to advancement@cds-sf.org with some current highlights and a photo. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Stay in touch, we want to hear from you! Please email our Advancement team at advancement@cds-sf.org, to give us feedback, update your contact information, sign up to volunteer or just say hello! And now you can tweet, post and message your updates on our Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn pages!