What’s new at CDS?

Thank You, Class of 2016!

Class gifts are a wonderful tradition that allow CDS’ graduating classes to make a positive impact on the future of our students. The class of 2016 generously presented CDS with a gift to purchase movable risers for the stage in Founders’ Hall. This purchase has already enhanced many events, especially during Grandparents & Special Friends Day and our beloved Winter Performance (pictured above). We would like to thank to those families for their contributions towards this gift.

Gratitude Gift for Kirk Bell

This year the 8th grade class plans to honor the retirement of beloved middle school science teacher, Kirk Bell, with a gift of a 10 panel Solar Array and Weather Station. During his 12 year tenure at CDS, Kirk has always stressed how this could be integrated effectively into our science curriculum. Andy Taylor, an 8th grade parent, remembers long conversations with Kirk during a class trip to Westminster Woods where they discussed how the school should teach kids about renewable energy, including the difficulties of integrating
it with the grid to reduce carbon emissions and help mitigate climate change. The older two Taylor boys (Eddie and Alex) can trace their love of science to Kirk's classroom, for which their parents are most appreciative.

**The Gratitude Gift for Kirk Bell will be a great way to honor him and fulfill these goals:**

- Demonstrate gratitude to a long time contributor to CDS community.
- Expand the eco-literacy of our children.
- Mitigate climate change by reducing our reliance on carbon emissions.
- Inspire our passionate citizens to help protect the planet.

Kirk's positive impact on CDS alumni is undeniable. Help us honor Kirk and help make his vision a reality! Visit [http://www.cds-sf.org/support/cds-class-gifts](http://www.cds-sf.org/support/cds-class-gifts) to make a gift or learn more.

Thank you to project leads and eighth grade liaisons!
Andy Taylor, parent of Eddie (class of 2017), Alex (class of 2020), & Matty (class of 2024)
Holly Coleman, parent of Oskar (class of 2023) & Gus (class of 2026) - Green School Committee
Eighth Grade liaisons: Tanya Schevitz, Jeanette Wilmerding, Jen Millet, & Jocelyn Colopy.

**Upcoming CDS Events**

**Save the Date! Alumni Reunion 2017**

Alumni families, mark your calendars for our annual alumni reunion on the afternoon of Thursday, June 8. Gather with old friends and teachers on the yard for an ice cream social. This has become a tradition that we look forward to year after year, and we hope to see many of you there! Formal invite to follow.

**CDS Fiesta 2017: Legends of Rock**

**MARCH 24 ★ BIMBO'S 365 CLUB ★ TICKETS ON SALE MARCH 1 ★ VISIT cds-sf.maestroweb.com**
One Night Only! The Fiesta world tour is rolling into town again! Fiesta, CDS' annual community celebration and auction, takes place on Friday, March 24, at Bimbo's 365 Club. The auction proceeds benefit the school's sliding scale tuition program, teacher professional development, technology, and other needs of the school!

Interested in supporting CDS' fundraiser? Here are some ways you can help!

• Purchase raffle tickets. Support CDS while entering a chance to win some great prizes, including a week-long getaway to Poipu Sands, Kauai (2 bedroom condo; airfare not included), 4 Club Level Giants tickets with a pre-game field visit (mutually agreed upon date), and a mini Wine Cellar - a selection of 12 wines.

The price is $20 for one ticket or $100 for six. Winners do not have to be present to win. Purchase your raffle tickets by calling (415) 861.5432 x357; they are available until March 23.

• Bid on our online auction! Help support sliding scale tuition by logging in to our [online auction]. From gift cards to local neighborhood haunts and family fun passes to awesome parties and unique vacation homes - there's something for everyone. It smells like CDS school spirit!

Country Fair 2017

Our annual Country Fair is coming up on Saturday, May 6 from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm. Activities will include many old favorites like sheep-shearing, pie-eating, the cupcake walk, a great barbecue, and fun entertainment. We would love to see you, so if you are in the neighborhood, please feel free to drop by!

Want to help out? Every year we hire a few alums to work Country Fair from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please email amandar@cds-sf.org if you are interested!

New! Introducing CDS' Community Professional Network LinkedIn Group

CDS has expanded our alumni LinkedIn group into a community networking group, which can connect all our alumni, current parents, and alumni families. Join the CDS Community LinkedIn page and expand your network! Find us at [here] and request to be a member. It's a great way to stay connected, network, and seek professional opportunities!
Seeking Summer Intern to Help with CDS History Project

We know you have a passion for CDS, but do you also have a love of history? And are you looking for a paid internship position for this summer? Children’s Day School is looking for a student to fill an internship this summer as we prepare to celebrate our 35th anniversary. The position would involve research and writing; interviewing current and former CDS teachers, students, and trustees; scanning and documenting archival photographs; and more. If interested, please contact Andrei Ferrera, Director of Communication at andreif@cds-sf.org or 415-861-5432, x320.

Stay Connected!

Stay in touch, we want to hear from you! Please email Simone Octigan, our Annual Fund and Events Manager, to give us feedback, to update your contact information, to volunteer, or just to say hello! And now you can tweet, post and message your updates on our Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn pages!

Do you want to be featured in the Class Notes section of our July issue? Email simoneo@cds-sf.org with a short update and a photo