Congratulations to the Class of 2018!

It was amazing to see what you accomplished during your last year at CDS. We enjoyed seeing you serve as mentors and friends to your preschool buddies. We were filled with pride when you met with Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi in Washington, D.C. to discuss gun control issues. We were inspired by your endless curiosity and persistence. Thank you for being such a vibrant part of our community. We wish you all the luck in the next chapter of your lives!
Our newest alumni will be attending the following high schools:

Jasmine Anido - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Kailene Apana - The Urban School  
Lucie Bacho - Lick-Wilmerding High School  
Max Balazs - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Alessandra Breall - Drew School  
Maya Campbell - The Urban School  
Tiana Chacon-White - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Samantha Chapin - Drew School  
Kayla Chin - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Mimi Dineen - Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory  
Griffin Dold - International High School  
Eli Fastiff - Lick-Wilmerding High School  
Misshan Gagnon - Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory  
Natalia Garcia Moreno - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Alondra Gil - Immaculate Conception Academy  
Aidan Goldstein - Drew School  
Ivan Harris - Lick-Wilmerding High School  
Rowan Hunt - The Urban School  
Ana Huseby - Drew School  
Anya Kalucki - The Bay School  
Enzo Klaus - The Urban School  
Owen Klingbeil - Caxton College, Valencia, Spain  
Rose Leder-Lee - San Francisco Waldorf School  
Etienne Martinez McSherry - Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory  
Gavin McCarthy-Bui - Drew School  
Shane McNabb - The Urban School  
Leila Menezes - University High School  
Brady Middlebrook - Saint Ignatius High School  
Sarah Nasoni - Drew School  
Jonah Nelson - Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory  
Isabella Norwood Paulus - International High School  
Evelyn O'Donnell - Drew School  
Andrew Ow - Saint Ignatius High School  
Ikeer Quezada - Drew School  
Ella Ramrayka-Rogers - Ruth Asawa School of the Arts  
Ava Reynolds - Drew School  
Bianca Reynoso-Duran - Saint Ignatius High School  
David Ross - Stuart Hall High School  
Sophie Shoemaker - Lick-Wilmerding High School  
Leah Sobral - The Bay School  
Odin Thayer - Ruth Asawa School of the Arts  
Gussy Timken - Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory  
Carmen Wirth - Drew School  
Callum Yeaman - The Urban School  
Molly Young - The Bay School
Construction at St. Joseph’s Hall

Demolition is complete and construction is 30% finished. The opening for the elevator shaft has been cut, and now Plant Construction is working on framing the elevator, adding rebar, and filling the space with shotcrete before our new KONE elevator is installed.

On the philanthropy front, we received some exciting news from the William G. Irwin Foundation: they have awarded us with a $200,000 grant in support of the ‘Elevating St. Joseph’s Hall’ project! We are so grateful to the Irwin Foundation for their continued support – they previously provided us with a $100,000 grant in 2012 for our new middle school.

In total, we raised over $2.25 million to date for the project surpassing the fundraising goal. There's still time to participate - if you're interested in giving please visit our website!

CDS at the Pride Parade

This year, Children's Day School families showed up in record numbers to voice support and walk in the SF Pride Parade. Altogether, the CDS contingent was 70+ strong and included families from preschool through middle school. While the struggle for LGBTQ rights continues, it was exciting to take a moment to celebrate progress and CDS LGBTQ families and allies. Go Pride!

Thank you to Church Street Cafe for fueling us with coffee and bagels as teachers, parents, students and friends prepared for the parade!
Alumni Spotlight

Alumni at CDS Summer Camp

Each year alumni come back to CDS during the summer to work with kids in our camp programs. It's so wonderful to see our alumni sharing experiences with the students!

Katie Hernandez
CDS 2013
Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep
Dominican University

"There are many camps around the city but CDS summer camps are unique among the various activities that we do in the classrooms. I have so much fun teaching the kids what to do. Making sure they accomplish what they begin. My favorite activity is going to the garden only because the kids are so interested in everything there and it's something different. And I also enjoy the activities the kids do daily because it's something new, it's something different. The main reason I come back to CDS is that I get more practice in the field I want to pursue. I'm currently attending Dominican University of California to become a teacher. And CDS gives me that opportunity to get practice doing what I love."

Share Your Stories!
Submit your class note for our Annual Report

As many of you know, we have a tradition of publishing “Class Notes” in our Annual Report. We want to know what is going on with you so we can share your successes with the entire CDS community. Feel free to send in an update on yourself or on one of your peers.

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

- Do you have a summer 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?
- Is there anything else not listed above that is important to you that you would like to share?

Send a short 3-5 sentence paragraph to simoneo@cds-sf.org with some current highlights and a photo. We look forward to hearing from you.

Stay Connected!

Stay in touch, we want to hear from you! Please email Simone Octigan, our Annual Fund and Events Manager, at simoneo@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!