

September 25, 2018

Dear Lower School Parents,

Grandparents Day was a wonderful success last week! I am sure you have heard all the exciting details from your children and your parents/guests who joined us for the festivities. The football tailgate was a great way to cap off the eventful day.

Lower School students will be participating in a Book and Art Supplies Drive to benefit the local Ronald McDonald House in Mobile. The drive is being led by Upper School students as part of their civic engagement class. Those students will be meeting with each Lower School grade level to explain the purpose of the project. The books and art supplies we are hoping to collect are for the siblings of the students who are being hospitalized. The families of the ill children live at the Ronald McDonald House while the children are hospitalized. The Ronald McDonald House is in need of these items to occupy the siblings during their stay at the home. The siblings range in all ages from infants to teenagers. Lower School students will be bringing home collection bags on Thursday, and the collection drive will take place from Monday, October 1 through Friday, October 5. All donations should be returned in the bag labeled with your child's name. The class with the highest level of participation will be awarded a Silly Sock Day in October. We know the children will be excited to help with this important project, and we appreciate your support.

Details regarding scheduling your fall parent/teacher conference will be sent to you soon. Conferences will begin on Wednesday, October 10 after dismissal and resume on Thursday, October 11 after school dismisses at noon. Extended Day will begin at noon for those who need the service. Friday is our fall break, and the school will be closed with no Extended Day services available.

The students enjoyed having visitors in the buildings today during our first Future Admiral tour. The children always light up when guests appear. Our next tour day is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23. As previously stated, if you know of any family who you believe would be interested in having their child(ren) attend Bayside, please have them contact Alisa Ascik at aascik@baysideacademy.org to register for this event. In addition, if you have a child in your family who will be eligible to apply for admission during the 2019–2020 school year, we encourage you to complete an online application if you have not already done so. Having the completed application on file in the Admissions Office will ensure that you will receive all information regarding specific admissions procedures and assessment dates.

I invite all of you to follow me on Twitter @MarileeSPropst to catch photos of your children in action and to read all information you receive from your classroom teachers or through the Bayside Bulletin each week. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Till next week....

Marilee S. Propst

Head of Lower School

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On the Horizon

October 1–5: Ronald McDonald House Book/Art Supply

Drive

Wednesday & Thursday p.m., October 10 & 11: Parent/

Teacher Conferences

Thursday, October 11: Noon Dismissal

Friday, October 12: Fall Break—No School, No Extended

Day