

BAYSIDE ACADEMY

COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

October 29, 2019

Dear Intermediate School Families,

There is a lot going on this week at Bayside. It's Red Ribbon Week. This week, the Intermediate School counselor will lead activities for the students that highlight the importance of living drug-free. We are so proud of our Red Ribbon Leadership Award recipient, 5th grader Owen Kane, who was selected by faculty and administration to receive this honor. He has been working hard on a project that promotes healthy living in our community.

Tomorrow, Owen will have a bake sale at lunch to benefit The Shoulder; the bake sale is only open to 5th and 6th graders and will be 3 treats for \$5.

Students in the Intermediate School will be celebrating Halloween by grade. In 5th and 6th grade, students will be going on a field trip to see ESRT's production of *The Lion King*, so they will wear their green field trip shirts with uniform bottoms. In 3rd grade, students have a special project planned. They will dress as their favorite book character and travel to Blue Ridge Healthcare Montrose Bay to have a Halloween parade for residents of this facility. In the 4th grade, students may dress in a costume of their choice. I know it will be a day full of treats! On Friday, November 1, our 3rd and 4th grade students will travel to see ESRT's production of *The Lion King* in Fairhope. They will be in regular uniform for this trip.

The Bayside family begins the holiday season with a spirit of giving. Friday begins the "Canstruction" food drive. This school-wide tradition is a wonderful way for our students to begin thinking about those less fortunate than us during the holiday season. Please begin to gather your canned and non-perishable food items to bring in. Our 4th grade students get a special honor this year. As 3rd graders last year, they were the class to bring in the most canned goods, so they will get to "kick off" the food drive with a kickball game against the current 9th grade class. In addition to this school-wide service to the community, the Intermediate School Student/Faculty Advisory committee has organized a coat drive. We invite you to send in gently used, clean outerwear to be donated to children in need in our community.

At the end of this week, 5th grade science teacher Carly Newell will be leaving school to begin her maternity leave. We wish her the best as she welcomes her baby boy, and we are happy to welcome Mrs. Lisa Williams as her long-term substitute. Mrs. Williams comes to Bayside with more than 20 years of experience in education. I know our 5th grade students and parents will welcome her to the family!

I look forward to seeing you all around campus during this busy season. Thank you for all you do to make our community so special.

Sincerely,



Kelly F. Hughes
Head of Intermediate School