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2024 Crosland Beta Club Induction Ceremony

## What's New at Crosland

We are thrilled to announce the arrival of our brand-new activity bus, purchased with generous contributions to our Annual Fund. The bus has already been used for field trips and travel to basketball games. Both students and teachers are thrilled with their safe, upgraded transportation. Thank you to all who have donated and continue to support our school through your generosity. Our next step is to add our logo and graphics to the bus very soon!



## Highlights

### Beta Club Inductions

Our Beta Club welcomed six new members in December during a special initiation ceremony. This national service organization, led by Mrs. Bailey, recognizes students, recommended by their teachers, for exemplifying four pillars: achievement, character, leadership, and service. Our nine members gather monthly to discuss ways to demonstrate leadership and serve JCS and the wider community, including service projects they will begin working on in February.

### November Kindness Month

Students at John Crosland School embraced the spirit of kindness and compassion in November, coming together to make a positive impact on our local community. Through our Buddy Program, Senior LIFE class, Collaborative Skill Building class, and efforts across all grade levels, students participated in meaningful projects benefiting several community organizations. **[Read more here!](#)**



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Check out some of our new flexible classroom seating purchased through donations to our Annual Fund!

## Get Involved

- **Our Parent Council** goes above and beyond to show appreciation for our dedicated teachers and staff. The Winter Celebration in December, the Valentine's Day Soup Luncheon, and Teacher Appreciation Week are all acts of gratitude that mean so much. All families are encouraged to join this inclusive group that supports our teachers and also new families by easing their transition to our school. The parent council helps build our JCS community throughout the year with fun family events. [Learn More!](#)
- **Upcoming Community Collaboration Events:**  
Join our free, virtual workshops with community professionals...
  - Sibshops: How to Support Siblings - 2/7 @ 12:00 pm
  - Navigating Friendships and Self-Confidence - 2/12 @ 9:00 am
  - Expanding Working Memory Capacity in Students - 3/10 @ 12:30 pm
  - Best Practices & Strategies to Support Your Child with Autism - 4/25 @ 9:00 am [Register Here!](#)
- **Attend our Shine On Gala, April 26 @ Quail Hollow Club**  
Don't miss out - purchase your tables and tickets now for our annual Shine On Gala! Not only is it a fabulous event with opportunities to bid on an array of auction items and trips, but it is a vital part of our fundraising each year. We hope to see you in April!  
[Purchase Tables & Tickets!](#)



## Support JCS Students:

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[www.JohnCroslandSchool.org/invest/donate-now](http://www.JohnCroslandSchool.org/invest/donate-now)

## Round-Up

- Our Comets Create Showcase took place January 17 for our Upper School students. Seniors talked about their Exploration Projects, and Master Class groups shared presentations. Master Classes this semester included Multi-Cultural Anime, Strategic Thinking, Indoor Gardening, Cooking, Comets Create Production Support and Visual Arts in Film. [Read More!](#)
- Basketball season is going strong for our JCS team of 10 students from grades 5-7. Come out to a home game to show your support! Flag Football registration is open for spring.
- JCS hosted a College Fair on campus in November for all 9-12th grade students and families. We happily welcomed representatives from Lenoir-Rhyne, CPCC, Brevard, Belmont Abbey, UNCG, UNCC, Western Carolina, and Lees McCrae to share information.

## Teacher Spotlight

### Indya Harrison:

- From: Linden, NJ
- Years in Education: 19+
- Teaches: Middle School Social Studies and ELA, Cooking Masterclass
- Favorite Subject in School: Social Studies and ELA
- Favorite Thing to Do in Class: Anything outside the box! I love hands-on projects, especially cooking.



### How Do You Help Students BELIEVE in Themselves:

I build relationships with my students and let them know that I believe in them because I see myself in them. At heart, I'm a big kid too, and I use that to connect with them and boost their confidence.

### What Do Your Students Need to SUCCEED:

Every student needs to be seen and heard to succeed. Students should feel recognized for who they are, have the opportunity to speak their minds respectfully, and know their voices truly matter.

[Read More About Ms. Harrison!](#)