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Upcoming Important Dates, Mark your Calendars:

- January 4—First day of the 3rd Quarter
- January 10—"Step Up Day" Grades Pre-K3—5, 8, 10.
- January 10—Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences

Winter Show

Congratulations to the Lower School for putting on a great winter show. December in our Town really showcased the children's musical talent and all of their hard work.



Second Semester

We hope that all of our families have a nice relaxing winter break. Please note that the second semester begins on Wednesday January 4, 2012. We look forward to seeing all of our students back to school on Wednesday and remind everyone that an absence will be considered an unexcused absence.



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Gomez Family

Congratulations to Alejandro & Laura Gomez for their accomplishments at a local 5K run over the weekend.

Alejandro came in first in his age group and Laura came in second.



SEK Africa Trip- Mr. Daniel

By: Joshua Jayasinghe, Grade 12

Every year in November, the eight heads of the eight schools of IES (International Education Services) meet to discuss all of the IES issues. This year Nerine Resnekob of the Blouberg School in Cape Town South Africa hosted the conference. The conference was opened by the president (recently stepped down) of IES Dr. Jorge Segovia. Vice Chairman Luis Martinez also gave the annual report followed by the new chairman of IES, Dr. Nicholas Tate, giving a speech entitled "What is education for?" The 3-day conference included various presentations from each head of school, including seminars on financial, legal matters and developing school policies in professional development.

All of the participants were able to experience South Africa with a trip to Table Mountain and an African treetop experience dinner. The new head master of Boca Prep, Mr. Stan Daniel says "I learnt how integrated and how much cooperation there is within the eight schools of IES" He also gave a comment about the state of this school at this time, "I'm



excited about the state of the school at this time, especially with its growth and positive atmosphere."

Gingerbread Competition

Last Friday the Middle School was given the task to assist the Lower School students in creating and designing gingerbread houses. The four Boca Prep houses then selected their best house to compete with the other houses. This was a great time for the students but also a learning experience for the older and younger students to work together.



Results: To the Left you will see the winner... by the Sharks!

2nd Place: Gators!

Tie for 3rd Place: Snappers and Panthers!



Happy Birthday!!!

- ◇ Jack Stone... 12/15
- ◇ Gabriella Pollner... 12/16
- ◇ Morgan Becerria... 12/18
- ◇ Anna Farronay... 12/21
- ◇ Rodrigo Guerrero... 12/21
- ◇ Imaara Koreth... 12/22
- ◇ Baylee Materia... 12/23
- ◇ Alejandro De la Rambelje... 12/24
- ◇ Brianna Ingrassia... 12/24
- ◇ Elle Schefren... 12/24
- ◇ Shoubith Rajeswaran... 12/27
- ◇ Andres Gamboa... 12/29
- ◇ Stephanie Perret-Gentil... 1/2



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Yearbook Ads

This is a message to all the parents and business owners that the year book ads are available for purchase and can be bought from any of the students in the journalism class. Whether it's to congratulate a student on an achievement made or to promote a local business an ad can fit nearly any occasion. Ads can be bought in different sizes, Business Card, 1/4 Page, 1/2 Page, or Full Page (with a Full Page Ad being the best deal). For more information on prices and payment don't hesitate to ask Ricardo Lucena (RickSantos94@hotmail.com) or Mr. Daniel (stan.daniel@IESmail.com) via e-mail.

Boca Raton Museum of Art—10th Grade

Below you may view the pictures that we took while visiting the Boca Raton Museum of Art last December 1st. The visit to Federico Uribe's exhibition was a truly wonderful experience to our 10th grade Spanish students. -Ms. Delia Fuentes



January Lunch Menu

The January lunch menu can be found on the home page of the website! www.bocaprep.net

PTO

Tis the Season for sharing, caring and giving. With that in mind.....it has been suggested to us by many parents that PTO should request monetary donations in lieu of in person assistance. As you know, PTO is saving to help the school purchase new playground equipment and new equipment for the gym. The PTO is a 501-3 © charity and as such, your donation is considered a tax deduction and you would be provided with a donation receipt. If you are willing and able to contribute, please reply to this e-mail, or contact us at the number below, so that we can make arrangements to meet with you in person to accept your donation, give you your deduction receipt and personally thank you for your kindness and generosity. Blessings to you and your family for the holidays and all the best for a wonderful New Year!

Regards, PTO of Boca Prep 954-242-6356

PTO—Special Thank you

The PTO would like to express the most sincere gratitude and appreciation to Marjorie Wessel, Kim Mareira, Missy Oppenheimer and Christine Richer for their dedication, hard work and supreme effort in organizing the PTO Boat Parade Party which was a huge success. These four women worked tirelessly to make this event absolutely incredible to attend and they were able to raise over \$1,000.00 for the PTO due to their very generous efforts and big hearts. It was so great that the Boca Prep Community was able to come together with parents and staff of the school to socialize and enjoy the boat parade from such an amazing location. Thanks also to Ms. Lauren Ziffer who graciously volunteered her home for the event. Thank you to all that attended and help make this event happen. Thanks again ladies, you are greatly appreciated. -Boca Prep PTO

Fifth Grade

The fifth grade presented their book reports on Science Fiction and Fantasy novels they read. (Picture #1) Clarissa read Alice in Wonderland and made a travel brochure about "Wonderland." She made the travel brochure giant, since Alice shrinks in the book. The brochure is filled with advertisements for things like the Mad Tea Party Hotel, The White Rabbit Hotel, and Painting the Roses Red! It was so creative! (Picture #2) Jacqueline read The Hunger Games and decided to dress up like the main character and act out a characterization for her book report! She did such a good job emulating Katniss Everdeen! -Mrs. Rae Kurth

