

BOBCAT TIMES



**Mrs. Castillo's and Mrs. Russo's Journalism Class
2013-2014**

NO MORE BULLYING!

March save the dates:

March 11— Appreciation day

March - Yearbook sales

March 7— No uniform day \$1

March 19— Middle School Dance / No uniform day \$1

March 21— Teacher planning day NO SCHOOL

March 21-30 - Spring-Break/NO SCHOOL

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There were a handful of Bobcats that attended and participated in a bullying seminar to represent our school, hosted by Locomotion Theatre. This event took place on Thursday, January 30th, 2014 in the Town of Surfside. Ezequiel Nunez and Juan Nunez both stated that they attended because “We wanted to become more knowledgeable about bullying.” David Lopez and Sebastian Gutierrez were two other students that attended. They stated, “Bullying is a huge problem in the United States

and we want to put a stop to it.” Javier, Julian Diaz, and Joaquin Castillo knew what it’s like to be bullied and they don’t want anyone else to go through what they had to go through.” Rocco Rodriguez, Rolando Viera, and Andrea Milia stated that, “We wanted to stand up to bullying and let people know about it.” If more people attended these bullying seminars then the world would be a more peaceful place.

By: Paris Brock, Louis D’Antuono, Ian Krupkin, and Marlon Mercado



Drama: Parodies and Willy Wonka

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory

Our journalism team was invited to watch an exclusive audition of the upcoming performance, Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. The audition was held to figure out who was best suited for the main parts of the play. Here are some of the lucky few that got the main parts. Charlie Bucket: Jonah Krell, Willy Wonka: Stella Schlaepfi, Veruca Salt: Natalia Rodriguez, Grandpa Joe: Christian Calabresi, and Mike Tv: Vin-

ni Matheus. Congratulations to all performers and we wish you good luck. Break a leg!

Drama Parodies

The drama performance held on February 18th was a series of parodies of top hit songs. There were a total of 11 songs including Radioactive, Blurred Lines, Counting Stars, and Call Me Maybe. All of these parodies included singing, dancing and acting. Everyone did an outstanding job. All the drama students rehearsed for a long period of

time to get it perfect. We would like to recognize Mrs. Mayorga and Mrs. Chipy for doing an outstanding job with this performance. We can’t wait for drama’s next big performance!

By: Lee Iaslovits, Robert Behar, Massimo Ricart and Ilan Luczkow

Castillo's Hats Off To Literature

Our seventh graders have done spectacularly on Mrs. Castillo's annual 'Hats off to Literature' project. Mrs. Castillo's students had to read a classical novel, make a hat that includes symbols of the book, and write to explain what these symbols mean. Mrs. Castillo has been doing this project for 4 years straight. One of her co-workers gave her the idea for the project and she then made it her own. We asked her for some of the best hats turned in this year and she replied with "It's hard to choose because it's one of the best years." Mrs. Castillo said that the best hat out of all the years would be 'The Wizard of Oz', which was turned in by Alissa Delcampo last year. She usually gives her students about a month and a half to do the project starting from before winter break through the end of January. Mrs. Castillo thinks that this project is a wonderful way for her students to experience classical novels. We interviewed Harrison Walter, a seventh grade student who did his project of the book 'The Scarlet Pimpernel.' A friend had suggested the book to him and he thought it was very interesting. Harrison thought that the project was very enjoyable because he was able to build something.

By: Nicole Boutureira, Eliana Donaire, Anton Weinberg



Valentines Day

Wow! Did you see that picture? The PTA took Valentine's Day pictures and they came out amazing! Sabine Gutierrez was primarily in charge of this event. Deborah Schilling-Jrade was the astounding photographer for the day. The PTA has been doing this event for 4 years. The PTA stayed in the music room all day for us, we should be thankful. This fundraiser is for us to have more enjoyable times and better fieldtrips, mostly the eighth grade fieldtrip. The PTA earned \$1,600! One of the students who took a picture stated "I like that more people participated in the pictures this year."

By: Luisa Ritter and Massimo Ricart

Fun 5th Gr. Science

On December 16th all the fifth grade classes had 'Science Camp' for the whole day. There were many different activities set up in each class. Ms. Edwards and Ms. Perez set up a boat made out of tinfoil to test density and buoyancy. In Ms. Miles class, she set up a force and motion experiment, where the kids tested different ramp heights and how far and fast each car could go. Ms. Calabresi set up different circuits and tested which materials would be conductors or insulators. Ms. Cendoya set up the jeopardy game just like last year. All of the kids said they enjoyed Ms. Cendoya's activity the most. Each activity lasted about one hour. The purpose of the 'Science Camp' was to allow students to do hands-on experiments and benchmarks for the FCAT. This is the first year that the fifth graders are taking their science FCAT's. We hope all the 5th graders enjoyed the science camp and will score their best on their FCAT this year.

By: Jean Paul Davila, Maya Feldman, Valeska Lander, and Camille Garcia

Miami Theater

On Thursday February 13th, 2014 Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center had a presentation taking place in the elementary cafeteria for our 6th grade students, as well as our drama students. The Miami Theatre conducted an amazing show. The show started at 10:00 A.M. and ended at 11:00 A.M. Some students that attended the performance had really positive comments. Sofia Abreu stated "It's so creative how they made a lot of songs into 1 amazing song." Another 6th grade student, Katharina Alwoerden stated "The actors looked really realistic because you can see the emotions on their face, and it looks like they're not acting, they are really experiencing it." Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center would like to thank the Miami Theatre for donating their time and conducting an amazing performance.

By: Luisa Ritter and Valeska Lander





6th grade Hollywood Studios Trip

Off To Hollywood Studios

This year, the sixth grade field trip was fantastic! They went to Orlando's Disney Hollywood Studios. They left at 4:45 A.M. and came back at about 11:00 P.M. The students were divided into groups and went in different rides. The students had a lot of fun. Sixth graders, Lucas Aragon and Maxine Hyland had a good time at Disney World, "I had lot's of fun" said Maxine, "This was the best field trip ever!" commented Lucas. Mrs. Mayorga was entertained in the Tower Of

Terror with Alison Edmond and Jaime Mcquagge. Mrs. Mayorga was the one responsible for the whole field trip. She enjoyed having fun with the sixth graders. The student's favorite rides was, The Rock 'n' Roller Coaster and The Tower of Terror. "All the students were well behaved and we all had a great time" mentioned Ms. Edwards. "It was amazing to talk to the students about other themes other than school" said Mr. Moss, "Thank you Ms. Mayorga for organizing this amazing field trip." All the sixth

graders had an incredible time. The students got to stop at a gift store to buy merchandise. Some kids said the bus ride was awesome and they were so excited they couldn't sleep. Everyone that participated in the field trip would like to thank Mrs. Mayorga and Disney Tour for an awesome opportunity!

By: Ana Mota, Natalie Pedrazzoli, Richard Lopez, and Christopher Carvalho

Science Fair Winners



Congratulations to the 13 students who got to go to Science Fair! On January 25th, some of our students attended the Regional Science Fair at Miami Dade Community College North campus. The students presented their projects from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Their projects were evaluated by at least two judges. Our students also got to learn about many new topics by reading other participant's projects. There was even a project with a robotic hand controlled by brain waves! Everyone who attended sci-

ence fair was awarded a medal. The students from our school who received gold medals were Matthew Prada, Isabella Sharifi, and Cameron Behar. The students who received silver were Carlos Santos, Shelly Albergel, Paris Brock, Kailani Barreras, Olivia Larder, and Gabriella Rivera. The students who received bronze were Karla Baldriche, Yoshi Petersson, Jordan Frank, and Isabella Larder. Two of our students, Cameron Behar and Matthew Prada got the Broadcom Masters Award. Only the top 10% of science projects got this

award! The seventh and eighth grade students who attended science fair had the opportunity to attend a camp at The University of Florida for one weekend. They learned about cancer, physiology, and how the human body works. Let's all give a round of applause to all of the science fair winners because they all did an astounding job!

By: Isabella Sharifi and Shelly Albergel

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Treats For Troops



Let's go help the troops. Every year our school gives treats and letters to the troops from January 27 to February 12. Every year students, teachers, and classrooms collect as many treats as possible or write letters to the troops and then on the last few days they put it in a box which student council will collect.

Then, Mrs. Deleon sends it to different stations in the world. Our school sends these treats to three different stations which include the 2 marines and 1 unknown station. The school collects many treats like candy and food that doesn't spoil quickly. Letters are sent by the Postal Service Priority Mail overseas to the sta-

tioned soldiers. Our school started this fundraiser because it is a nice thing to do and it helps motivate the troops.

By: Yoshi Petersson and Ilan Luczkow

PAL: Bike Rodeo & Cheerleading Victory!

Bike Rodeo

On Saturday February 22, our school had hosted a bike safety course and rodeo. This program was started to help children learn how to properly ride their bikes and be safe while on their own. This rodeo was for ages 5-12 specifically to inform young minds. Children were instructed to provide their own helmets and their own bikes. After check in students had a brief presentation with guest speakers from FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) and then completed a bicycle safety course. The rodeo was held from 9am until 1pm. We hope that you enjoy celebrating National Bike to School Day (May 7th 2014).

Cheerleading

Congratulations to our Bobcat cheerleaders! On February 15, 2014 our very own cheerleaders won first place at a competition in Coral Springs. They all traveled to Coral Springs to compete against other schools around the same age. Out of the three other groups they competed against, our outstanding Bobcat cheerleaders won 1st place. Great job! "We did it for the Bobcats!" co-captain, Jonathan Diaz states.

By: Timothy Rodriguez, Kara Perino, and Nathan Chiche



**Ms. Garcia's
Words of Wisdom**

“Will someone else's life be brighter tomorrow, because of what you have done today?”

By: Justin Norris



History Bowl Winners

This year, Mrs. Boundy has conducted another History Bowl contest. This year's winners were Jake Roberts and Alex VonAllerwoden. Jake Roberts's project for the history bowl was about Martin Luther King Jr. and the civil rights movement. Jake also won 2nd place in the website category. The other winner, Alex VonAllerwoden, also made his project about Martin Luther King Jr. because "He

thinks he is very inspirational and interesting." The history bowl was located in Miami Springs, Florida. There were two judges. About 60 people attended the History Bowl. Jake and Alex said they had lots of fun doing the history bowl. They think that other people should try it too. Alex and Jake were both very confident on winning the History Bowl.

By: Marlon Mercado, Isabella Sharifi, and Shelly Albergel



Honorable Mention: Sarah Utera, Liv Chepenik, and Christina Ganem

Christina Ganem in Ms. Brezdivin's 3rd grade class, Sarah Utera in Ms. Lehman's 4th grade class, and Liv Chepenik in Ms. Lax's 4th grade class have all been the top readers of the month of January. Christina, Sarah, and Liv have checked out the most books in January. Christina goes once a week to the school library on Wednesdays. She loves to read

chapter books one of her favorite is "Cam Jansen and the Secret Service mystery by David Adler." Sarah goes to the library three times a week, she reads mostly chapter books. She reads thirty minutes per day. Her favorite book is "Year of the Dog by Grace Lin." Liv goes to the library once a week. She reads every day about thirty or forty

minutes, her favorite book is "Weird School by Dan Gutman." Give a hand of applause to these amazing students.

By: Maria Pirela and John Chirino



**Christina Ganem
Liv Chepenkin
Sarah Utera**