The Flower Buzz

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Student Leadership Update

By Charlene

We know it's been awhile since our last newsletter but we are back to stay. First, May 16th-20th - we have Spirit week! More info to come. Then June 2nd & 3rd we have the school overnight trip to Lake George! Keep your grades and behavior up! June 8th is (drumroll please!) PROM! The night to get fancy! June 22nd is the Senior Trip. Let's give a round of applause to our graduating seniors! June 23rd is the 8th grade moving up ceremony. Congrats 8th graders! June 24th is Graduation Day. The May day trip is still to be announced.

April 19th was the 3rd Quarter Awards ceremony - Congratulations to all the award recipients.!



The April Busey Double-Double Feature

by Leif

Interview with Mr. Greg Dates

Merrow: How long have you been here at Little Flower? And what jobs have you had?

Mr Dates: I've been in the school for 18 years as a TA, TCI trainer, and student support staff.

Merrow: what do you do around here?

Mr Dates: Helping and maintaining discipline and training new staff.

Merrow: what would you like to see at Little Flower?

Mr Dates: Team sports and vocational training

Merrow: Any advice for our readers?

Mr Dates: Do whatever makes you happy in life, just be happy and make a decision as long as you can live with it.

Merrow: What is your favorite type of music or musicians?

Mr Dates: I love all music; if it's a hit, I'm listening.

Merrow: what was one of your most memorable moments?

Mr Dates: The birth of my first child.

Interview with Mrs Ninette Vitale

Merrow: How long have you been here at Little Flower? And what jobs have you had?

Ms Ninette: About 13 years; at Little Flower, I've been a TA, substitute teacher and have also had my own class.

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Merrow: what do you do around here?

Ms Ninette: Assist the teachers I'm working with, so that they can be successful in class.

Merrow: what would you like to see at Little Flower?

<u>Ms Ninette</u> I would like to see all the students to reach their potential and become successful in life.

Merrow: Any advice for our readers?

Ms Ninette work hard but enjoy your time in school.

Merrow: What is your favorite type of music or musicians?

Ms Ninette I enjoy all types, especially reggae.

Merrow: what was one of your most memorable moments?

Ms Ninette Spending my third grade school year in Italy going to an Italian school.

Interview with Mr James Mercurio

Merrow: How long have you been here at Little Flower? And what jobs have you had?

Mr. Mercurio: 32 years: substitute teacher, classroom teacher, dean of students, etc.

Merrow: what do you do around here?

Mr. Mercurio: VADER coordinator, meet the students, respond to crisis, PBIS team member, etc.

Merrow: what would you like to see at Little Flower?

Mr. Mercurio: A brand new building, increase in staffing, etc.

Merrow: Any advice for our readers?

Mr. Mercurio: Complete and continue your education.

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Merrow: What is your favorite type of music or musicians?

Mr. Mercurio: I like all different kinds: Jazz, rock, hip-hop, bluegrass, and classic country.

Merrow: what was one of your most memorable moments?

Mr. Mercurio: Seeing the students graduate and receiving the Martin Luther King Award, etc.

Interview with Mrs. Karen Horton

Merrow: How long have you been here at Little Flower? And what jobs have you had?

Mrs. Horton: I've been working as a self-contained classroom teacher for 16 years.

Merrow: what do you do around here?

Mrs. Horton: Focusing in on my students, trying to move them forward with their academics and improve their behavior. Every day is a challenge, but I love my students.

Merrow: what would you like to see at Little Flower?

<u>Mrs. Horton:</u> Improved technology throughout the school: for every student. I would also like to see more vocational educational programs that all students can participate in. Every student needs to have computer lab time.

we need more flexibility in scheduling for specials.

Merrow: Any advice for our readers?

Mrs. Horton: Education is the key to your future success in life.

Merrow: What is your favorite type of music or musicians?

Mrs. Horton: Smooth jazz, R & B, really all types.

Merrow: what was one of your most memorable moments?

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Mrs. Horton: when I got married to my husband and then got my college degree.