



Headmaster Fleming

Dear T-D Family:

The next seven weeks or so are full of all kinds of events bringing entertainment or edifying new experiences.

You can expect a mini fiesta on Tuesday, May 5th as Cinco de Mayo kicks in. You can look for a flock of bird-like piñatas meeting on the Patio Professori outside the Berns Memorial Library. All the Puebla people in Mexico, as well as Latinos living in the U.S., view this day with pride. Viva Mexico!

T-D's most important fiesta takes place at the Larchmont Yacht Club five days from today, Saturday, May 9th. This year's Spring Gala promises to be more sumptuous, scintillating, and successful than all the earlier merrymakers. Aly Fanelli is a great party planner. No T-D parent, friend, or guest will have to knock too loudly on Valhalla's Door to feel simply divine. Despite the fact that parents receive two complimentary tickets to the Gala, there are still a few seats that can be filled. More auction items are still being sought, so there's still time to pitch in and do your part. The Spring Gala awaits you as the T-D Gala Saga promises more than you could ask for or wish to enjoy.

Prince William and Duchess Kate welcomed their new born daughter earlier this morning. She is yet to be named. I just called the Town Crier and suggested the name "Aly".

The T-D's Sports Banquet will be a first and a first to be hosted by Christ Church in Bronxville. T-D's Steven Schlitten and Andrew Chapin have made Phys. Ed and after school sports a vital part of the T-D program. All parents are invited. Dinner is \$20.00 per adult and \$10.00 per student. Steven Schlitten

expects a sell-out. Christ Church is offering T-D the space as a professional favor and the Alrubai family is donating half of the cost of food and beverages. There will be numerous awards and presentations as well as a number of surprises. Should there be an MVP, my vote is split between Steven and Andrew. The Sportscast is set for Friday, May 29th at 7:00 PM. Be a good sport and clear your calendars now.

In terms of events, T-D closes out the month with its first Alumni Arts House Café. It will be held on Sunday, May 31st at the White House from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm. Our featured artist will be Michelle D'Angelis, a well known and highly regarded cabaret performer. A T-D alumna from the class of 1998 Michelle was graduated with a BA in music from SUNY Purchase. She is now a musician, pianist, singer, and songwriter. She's been a free lance vocalist, pianist, and accompanist as well as organist since she received her degree. Much of her music Sunday afternoon will be from Twentieth Century America.

On Wednesday, April 27th, about 30 students from Hiroshima, Japan performed exclusively for the T-D 5th – 12th graders at the New Rochelle Public Library. The benefit concert's main theme was transmitting feelings of peace as this year marked the 70th anniversary of the A-bomb explosion in Hiroshima.

On June 22nd nine T-D student ambassadors will fly to Japan to begin another exchange. T-D has been building a bridge there since 2007. The headmaster, along with Calum Macphee, Cecile McIntosh, Mabel Takona, Maya Dominguez, Joanna DeGramont, Max Sutton, Rayann Ba, Liam Gorbitt, and Lu Qin depart for the Rising Sun on Monday, June 22nd and return Friday, July 3rd. The trip is sold out.

Mrs. Bubesi will be escorting student ambassadors to Arezzo, Italy leaving June 23rd. They will also return on July 3rd. One of the highlights will be visiting the Milan Expo as it hosts the World's Fair. Of course, there are a few other places to visit like Rome and Florence. Four seats are left.

I've got to close for now, time to eat my last avocado.

Sincerely,

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