

LS WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Important Dates

- **April 1st-9th:** Spring Break (no school for students)
- **Week of April 10-14:** Session 4 ASA Sign-up
- **April 11th:** LS Principal's Coffee Morning at 9:00am in room 310 on the Grade 5 PYP Exhibition. PAFA General Meeting to follow.
- **April 11th – 14th:** Whole school Visiting Author Hakim Bellamy
- **April 14th:** Lower School Assembly featuring 2M and "Crazy Hair" Spirit Day
- **April 28th:** Lower School Assembly featuring 5P and "Stuffed Animal" Spirit Day.
- **May 5:** Grade 5 PYP Exhibition from 1:00 – 2:30pm in the Black Box



To conclude their unit of inquiry "Who We Are: Surprising Senses," Kindergarten students invited family and friends to attend a sensory learning celebration on Thursday, March 30 in the cafeteria. During the celebration students shared their creative sensory boxes and participated in fun sensory activities. Fun was had by all!

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that following the April Break there will be only 10 weeks left until the end of the school year. The upcoming months are going to be jam-packed with a multitude of fun events and student learning celebrations. Please feel free to check in with your child's teacher at any point if you have questions surrounding the timing or dates of particular school events.

The **Session 4 After School Activities** Guide was sent to parents via email this week. Please take some time to talk with your child over the April

Break about the activities they would be interested in participating in. **ASA registration** will open on Wednesday, April 12 at 9:00am and close on Monday April 17 at 10:00am. Late registrations will not be accepted.

The PAFA sponsored **Art Auction** will take place on Saturday, April 22 from 5:30pm until midnight in the Black Box. Over the past few weeks' students in each class have worked together to create incredible pieces of art that will be auctioned off at the event. Please save the date as this is one event that you will certainly not want to miss!

Thank you to PAFA for sponsoring

our Visiting Author **Hakim Bellamy** who will be on campus and working with both Lower School and Upper School students from April 11th – 14th.

A Principal's Coffee morning on the Grade 5 **PYP Exhibition** will take place on April 11th at 9:00am in room 310. Grade 5 Teachers Ms. Peterson and Ms. Clodfelter will be in attendance to help answer any questions you may have.

Wishing all families, a wonderful Spring Break!

Liz Gale
Lower School
Principal



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE LOWER SCHOOL SPRING PERFORMANCES!

Thursday, May 25th is Spring Performance Day in the Lower School!

First, at 10AM, Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 students will perform a collection of songs about growing up and changing the world in a concert called "Big Dreams!"

At 1:30PM, Grades 2-5 will sing, dance, and act in the musical "Jukebox Time Machine," a tour through some of the greatest pop hits of all time. You're sure to recognize a few!

Please join us to celebrate the musical growth of our students this year. We hope to see you there!

SCIS SUMMER CAMP

It's not too early to think about summer fun. SCIS will run a Lower School Summer Camp. You can read more information and learn how to sign up by visiting our [website](#)

Animal Awareness Club

Stuffed animal sale: April 17-21



AAC Fund Raiser

The animal awareness club is taking action in our neighborhood. We have built shelters for feral animals, made treats and toys for foster dogs, and played with local animals waiting for a forever home.

We did research about how to best help stray, homeless, or feral animals in our neighborhood. One of the biggest issues is over-population which can be helped by taking animals for catch and release vet visits

to address both their general health and to spay or neuter the animals. This fundraiser will help bring in funds for those vet visits.

For every 5 stuffed animals sold, 1 real animal will be cared for by a vet.

What: Fund raising for homeless animal vet bills.

When: April 17, 2017-April 21, 2017

Where: SCIS Pudong Campus

SCIS WELCOMES...
PUDDING
 INAUGURAL POET LAUREATE OF ALBUQUERQUE, NM
HAKIM BELLAMY
 APRIL 11-14




Hakim Bellamy, a native of New Jersey, U.S.A. lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico, U.S.A. Bellamy is the author of the award-winning poetry collection, *Swear* (West End Press) and was **Albuquerque's inaugural Poet Laureate** from 2012-2014. His poetry is published at the Albuquerque Convention Center and in *Alternet*, *TruthOut*, and *Counterpunch* and has been anthologized widely.

A popular and powerful performer and speaker, Bellamy has shared the stage with Nikki Giovanni, Amira Baraka, and the Dalai Lama. He has been a featured guest on *The Tavis Smiley Show* and is the host of the arts program *Colores* on New Mexico PBS.

Bellamy's honors include the Tillie Olsen Award for Creative Writing from the Working Class Studies Association, an Emerging Creative Bravos Award from Creative Albuquerque, a W. K. Kellogg Foundation Fellowship, honorable mention for the University of New Mexico's Paul Bartlett Ró Peace Prize, and "Best Poet" in the Weekly *Alibi's* annual "Best of Burque" poll every year since 2010. He holds an M.A. in Communications from the University of New Mexico and is the founding president of Beyond Poetry LLC.

Hakim will be working with SCIS students in the Upper and Lower School students throughout the week. We invite parents to join us for the following open assembly times:

Tuesday LS Welcome Assembly.....April 11th 8:15-8:40
 Wednesday US Assembly.....April 12th 11:30-12:10
 Friday LS Assembly.....April 14th 2:00-2:15
 Friday US Assembly.....April 14th 2:20-3:00

VISITING ARTIST