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AND SERVICE TO OTHERS.

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SAVE THE DATE



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021



From the Head of School

Dear Parents, Alumni/ae, and Friends,

This has been a year of challenges, extraordinary events, and some true heartache. Yet there have also been moments of joy, renewal, and fresh perspectives. The pandemic threatened to upend all aspects of our lives and indeed led to pain and suffering for many; last summer's racial turmoil opened old wounds and rightly caused us to double down on reflection and change; and our Capitol and elected leaders, symbols of democracy and justice, were marched upon and threatened.

In the midst of the turmoil and pain, East Woods School, our students, faculty, parents, alumni/ae, and staff have remained resolute, focused, and open to new ideas and ways of operating. Students demonstrated adaptability, accountability to the need for pandemic responsibility, and interpersonal respect. We have an incredible faculty and staff who have gone above and beyond the call of duty these past months implementing virtual learning and encouraging their students even when they themselves felt vulnerable. Our parents have been wonderfully supportive and understanding of Covid requirements and restrictions, and our alumni/ae continue to support East Woods with high spirit and generous resources. I am so grateful and I salute our community, the achievements of our students, and all that we have accomplished in spite of the challenging events of the past year.

In the pages of this publication, you will read about our programs and how we adapted and indeed thrived since the pandemic forced us to virtual instruction in March 2020. I give credit to our Board of Trustees and my Administrative team who had already put into place contingency plans if the school had to move to a new way of instruction. Technologically, we were ahead of the game and we seamlessly taught our students using Google Classroom software.

I am also so grateful to our Head of Maintenance, Robert Checco, and his staff, who quickly and effectively implemented safety and wellness protocols with the maintenance and disinfection of all of our building's spaces – and continue to do so.

I am especially grateful to our own East Woods Heroes, our faculty. You have shown perseverance, fortitude, and joy in delivering your profession. However, it is much more than a profession - teaching for our faculty is a devotion and a passion and for this and you, I am so thankful.

With hope for a brighter future as we look to celebrating the 75th Anniversary of East Woods this fall.

Sincerely,

Laura Kang
Laura Kang
Head of School

Dana Bratti, Board Co-President (left)
Kristin Dennehy, Board Co-President (right)



From the Board Co-Presidents

Greetings to the entire East Woods community! What a wild year it has been! We are certain that you have likely said this phrase more times than you can count over the last year.

First and most importantly, we are hoping that you and your families have remained safe during this unprecedented time. While so much has slowed down this last calendar year, we would like to take this opportunity to update you on the ways that East Woods, through the leadership of Laura Kang, has kept its proverbial “foot on the gas” pedal and has kept forging ahead in a very positive direction, despite all of the distractions and the circumstances of the world around us. We should applaud Laura and her team as East Woods School pivoted quickly in the spring of 2020 to deliver a high quality virtual educational program once New York State was forced to quarantine. To prepare for the 2020-2021 school year, the school installed smart screens, and computers and software in every classroom to educate children virtually, even if families chose to quarantine, or were forced to quarantine at any point during the pandemic. The entire community at East Woods has found new ways to connect, learn, grow, and develop.

It is exciting to share that East Woods remains one of the very few schools on Long Island that has focused 100% on in-person learning since September of 2020, and remains in an enviable position. The enrollment is very strong, with many classes having a “waiting list” of students. Our faculty, staff, and administration did an exceptional job in transitioning to remote

learning last spring, and have continued to hone the skills needed to teach virtually. We have balanced both in-person AND remote learning collectively for the benefit of our students, as well as welcomed new families to East Woods who were not finding in their schools the robust educational options we are providing.

**THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AT EAST WOODS
HAS FOUND NEW WAYS TO CONNECT, LEARN,
GROW, AND DEVELOP.**

The soul of East Woods has been elevated, even during this trying time, by the tireless work ethic of every staff and faculty member, and by the clear focus of our Head Of School, Laura Kang. She has been relentless in the pursuit of student safety while still preserving what the essence of East Woods School is – a caring, nurturing, and challenging environment for our children. The Board of Trustees would like to publicly thank Laura and Assistant Head of School, Alex Carter. We are certain neither of you has had much rest since last March! Your tireless efforts to keep us moving forward during a global pandemic are not unnoticed by anyone in our East Woods community. We would also like to specifically thank Melissa Cedrone who has continued to lead both the business office as

well as admissions throughout this challenging time, creating innovative ways to interact with potential new EWS families and adjusting the ways we showcase our incredible school. We would also like to acknowledge how much we appreciate our amazing teachers. Without them, our children would not be inspired daily to continue to learn in this challenging time. They are working harder and are tireless in their efforts to keep our children inspired.

We want to share with you that East Woods School has completed our first three-year plan for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, led by our consultant, Lawrence Alexander, and have plans in place to continue the formal learning for another three years. The feedback on this initiative has been very positive, and we hope that you all have been able to take part in some of the community groups to discuss these key subject areas of focus. If you would like to know more about ways to be involved in this powerful group, please reach out to us.

We announced last year at this time that we had started our planning for the creation of the next Strategic plan given VISION 2020 was completed in December of last year. Last school year, the Board formed a Strategic Planning Committee led by Luan Doan, a Trustee and current parent in our community. Luan, Laura Kang, and the Board, based upon the advice of experts in independent school governance, elected to develop a four-year strategic plan, rather than a five year plan. This is based upon the uncertainty of the impacts of the current COVID-19 pandemic. In April of 2020, due to the pandemic, the Strategic Planning Committee renamed our plan PRIME, which is an acronym for: *Pandemic Restabilization, Initiative & Management Effort*.

After fifteen months of thought and preparation, we launched PRIME 2025 in the Spring of 2021. This is the Board of Trustees' vision for our next four years, after deep and deliberate work dating back to October 2019, when we met with past parents, teachers, and faculty, to begin planning our road map for the future. The following six key areas are the focus of PRIME 2025: Faculty, Curriculum, Community, Finance, Enrollment, and Facilities.

Although we do not know what the future holds regarding the pandemic, we are prepared for in-person and virtual school. PRIME 2025 acknowledges the need to re-stabilize and grow

certain programs and initiatives both during this extraordinary time in history, and after our hopeful return to normalcy. As we commemorate the 75th year of East Woods, we celebrate persistent and deliberate effort by our community to create a new high bar in independent schools. The roots and history of East Woods School began with a small group of committed and engaged parents in 1946 who collectively wanted "more" for their children's education. Our parent body is still enthusiastically moved by this principle. Thank you to all parents, alumni parents, alumni, grandparents, and friends of East Woods who have generously supported the school this year. Our Annual Fund is the most critical fundraiser of the year. It is important for you to know that the funds that are raised go directly to the operating budget to enhance the students' experiences at East Woods. The school is accepting donations for this fund through June 30, 2021.

Please note that we have planned a family friendly virtual fundraising event this school year, scheduled for Friday May 14, 2021. Be on the lookout for more detailed information as we would love to "see" all of you there! There are also plans in place for an in-person celebration of the 75th Anniversary next Fall 2021. We wish everyone continued health and safety in the months ahead as we look forward to emerging from the pandemic as an even stronger school community.



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Dana Bratti

*Co-President, Board of Trustees
Parent of Mia (8th grade)
and Brayden (6th grade)*

Kristin Dennehy

*Co-President, Board of Trustees
Parent of Cate (EWS Class of 2018)
and Charlotte (7th grade)*



New and Noteworthy at East Woods

Diversity, Equity, And Inclusion

East Woods School launched three discussion groups this year as a central part of the School's important work in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

This has been a brave and trusting space for parents from all backgrounds to learn, share, and to grow. While the School articulated its commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion as a strategic initiative three years ago, these groups have been and will continue to be core working components of this ongoing dedication. We are grateful to all those who have led and participated with open and welcoming hearts and minds.



UPSTANDER PARENT GROUP

Requested by a group of White parents and faculty members and is for any parent or faculty member who has wanted to take active responsibility for being what we call an "Upstander" rather than a bystander. This group has been moderated by Mia Notarnicola, Parent Association President and Alex Carter, Assistant Head of School.



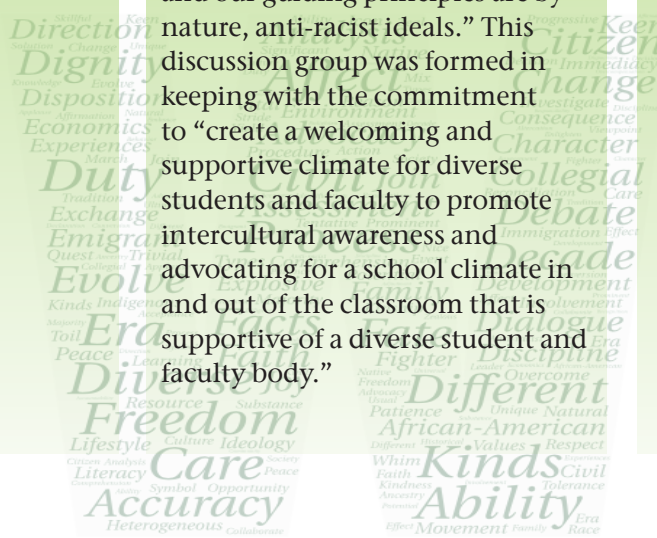
BLACK PARENT AFFINITY GROUP

Led by Magda Labonté-Blaise, Trustee, and Kerri-Ann Smith, Parent Association Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Liaison. In their invitation to parents to join them, they referenced the School's commitment to fostering a caring, welcoming environment for all of its members. They noted the statement by our Head of School, Mrs. Kang, who wrote to the community saying, "our mission and our guiding principles are by nature, anti-racist ideals." This discussion group was formed in keeping with the commitment to "create a welcoming and supportive climate for diverse students and faculty to promote intercultural awareness and advocating for a school climate in and out of the classroom that is supportive of a diverse student and faculty body."



EWS PARENT DIVERSITY GROUP

Led by Lawrence Alexander, EWS Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Consultant, and Laura Sacco, EWS Faculty Diversity Coordinator. This group welcomed all parents at East Woods to explore the issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion together.





Mrs. Laura Sacco, Director of Technology

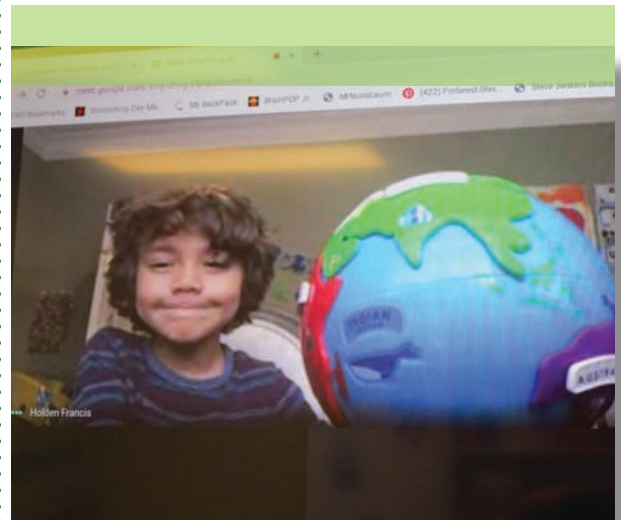
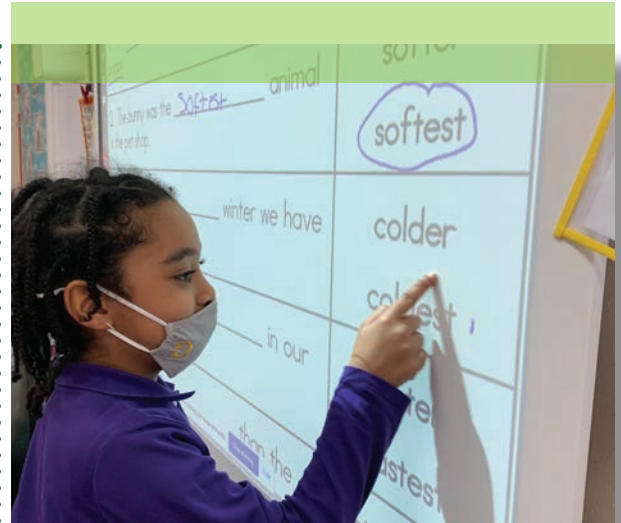
Timely Technology Enhancements

East Woods was well prepared to deliver education in the pandemic environment.

In March of 2020, East Woods School faced a challenge no school has had ever encountered before. However, as part of the School's essential and pre-established contingency planning, East Woods had a plan in place and was prepared to go virtual if necessary. When schools were forced to close, we hit the ground running on the second day, and both teachers and students continued to teach and learn, and finished the year strongly.

Looking to the future, we set off to start the 2020-21 school year even stronger. East Woods equipped every classroom with Chromeboxes, large screen televisions, and 4K-HD cameras, allowing teaching and learning under all circumstances; in-school, virtually, and hybrid.

A variety of training opportunities were offered to the faculty as they prepared for the upcoming year. With new knowledge, teachers prepared digital lessons that could be delivered in all situations. East Woods made every effort to maintain high learning standards. As we look toward the future, we will continue to keep a careful eye on necessary technological enhancements that will enrich learning, whether we are in the classroom or learning virtually.



*Emcees Laura Kang and Alex Carter
hosted a virtual Magic Show, with
Student Videos, and a Silent Auction*

2021 Spring Auction and Magic Show

Festivity, Magic, and Dreaming

As the only community fundraising event this year or last year, aside from The Fund for East Woods, the pre-recorded event provided enjoyment for the entire family and benefited the School's operating budget with its proceeds.

The event was emceed by our Head of School, Mrs. Kang, and Assistant Head of School, Mr. Alex Carter, who interjected their remarks with humorous skits. The fundraising-family event also included video clips of students in each grade sharing a short message with the audience, a magic show with the famed illusionist Chris Dare, a silent auction with a full range of appealing items including teacher-hosted experiences, class creations, unique baskets, travel experiences, sports memorabilia, and a special appeal to support items that will benefit East Woods students. These items included outdoor musical instruments for the East Woods nature trail, new spectator bleachers for the athletic field, and a photo printer for our Early Childhood Center.

Thank you to all those who supported the event. A special thanks to Mrs. Kang and Mr. Carter, and to the Event Committee including Michèle Bahnik-Mercier, Mia Price-Notarnicola, Wendy Lattibeaudiere, Leslie French, and Sean Collins from our Development Office.



Madame Martine M. Tawaji



East Woods School Community Service Program

“Of what we have, we pledge to give.”—East Woods School song. Since the onset of Covid 19, the East Woods School Community Service program never slowed down.

- Students of all grades continued engaging in numerous activities and serving others. They wrote cards to first responders and seniors and made toys for the animal shelters. They kept the school donation bins overflowing with clothing, food, and toiletries. Diligently wearing their masks and observing distancing, they participated in beach cleanups and volunteered at soup kitchens. Children caring about children, they created a message of love through artworks, music, and poetry for youth victims of political crisis. Two Upper School students, James Godsell and John Michael Allegra, joined forces with Save-the-Children and a local supermarket to run their own food drive and collected over 25 large bags of donations. And the list goes on. The joy of service selflessly has become a deeply rooted trait in the character of our students. Thank you to the parents and faculty for supporting our students' missions.



By Kerri-Ann M. Smith, Ed.D.
Photo right: The Smith Family.



Integrating East Woods School: The Bennett Legacy

In his acclaimed Broadway musical, *Hamilton*, Lin Manuel Miranda writes in the voice of Alexander Hamilton, “Legacy/ what is a legacy/ it’s planting seeds in a garden you never get to see.” Merriam-Webster defines the word “legacy” as “something transmitted by or received from an ancestor or predecessor or from the past.”

When history is written, those who leave legacies often never get a chance to see the rewards of their labor. Fortunately, **Tracey Bennett ’77, Dean Bennett ’81, and Christopher Bennett ’86** have lived to see the rewards of their parents’ sacrifices and of their own courage as the first family to integrate East Woods School.

The year was 1967, a little over a decade after a flurry of cases regarding school integration in southern states made national and international news. Eugene and Celia Renelda Bennett, residents of Huntington, heard about the culture of academic excellence offered by East Woods School. They were sure that this institution was the best option for their curious, brilliant, and tenacious first-born child, Tracey. Thus, they took a chance and enrolled her there. They knew she would be an agent of change, and they knew of all the challenges associated with integrating a school, but they were brave, and the Head of School assured them that Tracey would be in good hands. On a balmy September morning in 1967, Tracey entered kindergarten and became the first Black student ever admitted and the first Black graduate of East Woods School. In subsequent years, the Bennetts enrolled their two sons, Dean and Christopher at East Woods School, thereby creating the Bennett legacy at the institution.

Tracey, Dean, and Christopher have fond

memories of their time at East Woods School. They speak favorably of their friends and teachers, noting that teachers were integral in making them part of the culture of the school. They recall a strong connection to the institution, as families at the time created legacies through enrollment of multiple children. The youngest sibling, Christopher, remembers the honor he felt as he entered the doors, walking in his older siblings’ footsteps and joining the Green Team as his siblings had done in their time at East Woods. He had not attended East Woods while his sister, Tracey, was there, but he felt proud whenever passed pictures of her standing out among her peers. He felt a sense of belonging because his siblings had paved the way for him to persevere and carry on the East Woods legacy.

While Tracey, Dean, and Christopher are nostalgic about East Woods, they still remember the sting of the challenges associated with belonging, since their differences were amplified when they entered the school each day. They were each the only Black child in their classes, with the exception of Christopher, who had a Black male peer who joined his class and basketball team in later years. Their differences could not be carefully tucked away and hidden, nor could they be ignored. They were aware of their involuntary historical significance to the school and starkly aware of the climate in which they existed as

Black children at school and in the world, at large. At home, they were taught self-love, self-worth, and were reminded of their boundless potential. At school, they stood out and as a result, often wrangled with issues of self-image, efficacy, isolation, and loneliness. They still reminisce on what it was like to identify with the culture of the school, but longing for the community of another child who “looked like them” and who “understood them” in their respective classes. They played team sports, played in the band like other children, and commingled with their classmates but eventually, it was Celia’s homemade pound cake that granted them full access and acceptance among their peers and with the other families.

For the Bennetts, the children of a labor leader who had attended the March on Washington, attending East Woods School was a revolutionary act. They had dual identities that sometimes collided and contrasted each other. Eugene Bennett was a noble man, who instilled principles of pride and excellence in his children. He spoke to his children often about his activism and ensured that his children had a solid foundation and knowledge of their history. Celia found boundless opportunities to keep the children balanced outside of East Woods. They were members of Jack and Jill of America, active participants in their local church, and part of a strong, well-grounded family. They were expected to succeed—to exude excellence in all endeavors. They were building a legacy, and there was no room for failure.

The Bennetts excelled at East Woods, not in spite of, but because of the strong commitment and partnership between their parents and the faculty and staff at East Woods School. While social and cultural differences colored their experience, Tracey, Dean, and Christopher Bennett still attribute their success to the firm foundation laid at East Woods School. Tracey Bennett graduated East Woods and then attended the Kent School in Connecticut, Trinity College, and Hofstra University, where she pursued a master’s degree and became a history teacher for many years, before retiring. Dean Bennett attended Trinity-Pawling School after graduating East Woods and then went on to Hofstra University for both undergraduate and graduate degrees, and then ran for office in Nassau County, where he is now a county executive. Christopher followed his sister’s footsteps to the Kent School, and then attended Tufts University, (where he was initiated

into the Gamma chapter of the historically Black Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated) and then The Maurice A. Dean School of Law at Hofstra University. Following their father’s legacy of service to the East Woods Board of Trustees, Dean was also appointed as a member and served the school well, in that capacity.

The ethos of “kindness, excellence, and confidence” left an indelible mark on the Bennett trio and today, they remain proud to have walked the halls of East Woods. They are hopeful that East Woods School’s faculty and staff are equipped and willing to continue embracing all students’ experiences, in order to make them erudite, committed citizens, and critical thinkers. At first glance, the photos in the hallways of the class of 1977 may reflect a past that seems exclusionary. However, with a shift in perspective, one may realize that the pictures in the hallways are no longer relics of a segregated past, but are now trophies of hope, inspiring today’s East Woods students to persevere, despite the odds. The Bennett family’s legacy is a gleaming example of excellence, a poster of pride, and a wealth of wisdom and courage, and every Black student who has entered through the doors of East Woods since 1967 is a flower in the beautiful garden planted and watered by the Bennett family and the East Woods community.

Kerri-Ann M. Smith, Ed.D. is an Associate Professor of English and the Inaugural Faculty Fellow for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity (DEI) at her institution. She and her husband, Michael, are parents of two beautiful girls: Michaela (1st grade) and Micaiah (2years old). She serves on the Diversity Committee at East Woods School, is the DEI liaison for the Parents Association, and is the co-facilitator of the Black Parents Affinity Group.

East Woods believes in promoting a climate of intercultural awareness and respect; developing and implementing a curriculum to appreciate the depth and breadth of diverse thoughts and perspectives; and actively seeking a diverse student body, faculty and staff in the composition of EWS.

We believe in equal opportunity and equal access focused on empowerment and co-ownership of the community, in strategically building and sustaining diversity, multiculturalism, and inclusivity. We believe in self-reflection and challenging perceptions, prejudices, and biases.



Gifts and Special Scholarships

Gifts from Current Parents Give EWS Playground Much Needed Lift

Generous gifts from current parent, Mr. Perry Youngwall, and the Courdert Foundation shepherded by current parent Mrs. Sandra Graham, provided funding for new playground equipment on the North Lawn of the East Woods School campus. Head of School, Mrs. Kang was delighted saying, "I am so grateful to Mr. Youngwall and Mrs. Graham for this extraordinary generosity. The playground provides so much enjoyment for our students as well as tremendous benefits in gross motor skill development and social interaction. Thank you, thank you!"



Thank You!

*Special Scholarship Initiative Led by Prominent
Alumnae Members*

Last summer Meredith Luce '68, Christie Luce McNicol '71, Clare Luce Abbey '74, and Campbell McNicol Mumford '06 led a special scholarship initiative with a significant family gift to East Woods School.

- The gift formed the foundation of a fundraising challenge to the community to support families who were struggling to pay the full cost of tuition as they were impacted by the Covid pandemic.
- The ensuing fundraising initiative garnered 61 gifts and raised \$115,000. Mrs. Kang, Head of School, praised the initiative and expressed deep thanks to all those who shared in making this effort a success. Mrs. Kang remarked, "I am tremendously thankful to Meredith, Christie, Clare, and Campbell for their wonderful generosity, which inspired so many others in our community to also support this initiative. This fund represents the true meaning of the East Woods School community – caring and generous in spirit and resources."





Danielle Landini, Upper School English and History Teacher

Similarities In Upper School English And Theatre

In his acclaimed Broadway musical, *Hamilton*, Lin Manuel Miranda writes in the voice of Alexander Hamilton, “Legacy/ what is a legacy/ it’s planting seeds in a garden you never get to see.” Merriam-Webster defines the word “legacy” as “something transmitted by or received from an ancestor or predecessor or from the past.”

At East Woods School, theater thrives even in the most tumultuous of times. In a dazzling new way, the Upper School students this year have struck a balance between artistic expression and the limitations of a pandemic. Jeremy Black, director, actor, and East Woods parent, leads this year’s students in a production of Shakespeare’s *The Tempest*. This new production utilizes green-screen technology to film individual student performances safely at home, later to be edited together in post-production with student art pieces created under the direction of teacher Marie Ucci. During the school day, the students examine the story, the characters, and the history behind the text. As a group, they draw connections between the arc of the play and their own year, one in which everything seemed blown off course.

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The Tempest opens in utter chaos. A lone ship, out at sea, is tossed about by a sudden storm. This storm is not understood by the crew or the passengers, and they find themselves unable to navigate the danger. The ship sinks, and its passengers are scattered about an uncharted island. This catastrophe has now isolated the men and separated family members. They find themselves in a bizarre world, at the whims of forces beyond their comprehension.

For East Woods students, the parallel is stark. The sudden school closures, travel restrictions, and confusion of a world grappling with an unanticipated threat are a tempest of their own. The students pour these feelings and experiences into their performances. As they read lonely Ferdinand staggering about the island, they recall wondering when they could finally see their friends again. As they read innocent Miranda discovering a crowd of new faces just outside her door, they channel the joy they felt when East Woods School successfully reopened in September.

The masque in Act IV has acquired a new and emotional significance. The sorcerer Prospero summons spirits of color, light, dance, and music to celebrate his daughter’s marriage. The spirits sing blessings for the couple’s future: health, prosperity, true love. In this scene, students give

voice to their own hopes for the future as they emerge from the darkness of the past year. The students will be performing new songs composed for this production, their voices and instruments edited together to create a chorus of wishes.

Of course, while beautiful, the masque is only an “insubstantial pageant,” a hazy and uncertain dream. The true ending of *The Tempest* is that of courage in the face of this uncertainty. The

characters must leave the island and make the journey back home, forever changed by their experiences. As they stand on the precipice, they wonder if they are prepared to navigate the dangerous open waters again. As all students at East Woods face this “brave new world,” they can’t know what will happen next. Moving forward together, they can only reflect on Miranda’s words: “How beauteous mankind is!”



More suggested reading lists and student book reviews can be found on the EWS Library web page: www.eastwoods.org/library
Have a wonderful summer & keep reading!

Ruth Lorbert, East Woods Librarian



Summer Reading

Summer is a wonderful time to relax, play, and spend time with family. At the same time, studies show that in order to avoid the “summer slide,” it’s beneficial for students to practice academic skills over the summer, especially reading. Here are recommendations to consider for your children and suggestions for encouraging your children to read over the summer.

ECC

Together We Grow by Susan Vaught

On a rainy night, a family of foxes seeks shelter from the storm. They find a barn crowded with farm animals, but will they be invited in? A small chick welcomes the foxes, and all the animals settle in for the night. This rhyming book sends the message that everyone is accepted and welcome, and together we are better, together we grow.

Grades K-3

The Not-So-Great Outdoors by Madeline Kloepper

A city girl reluctantly accompanies her family on a camping trip to the (not so) great outdoors, thinking about the lack of electricity and things she will miss from her usual busy life. But as she explores the lakes and mountains of the forest, and watches animals, she realizes that there’s a lot to appreciate in these simpler surroundings. The book’s full-spread detailed illustrations highlight the beauty of the great outdoors.

Grades 3-5

Do Your Best Every Day to Do Your Best Every Day:

Encouraging Words from John Cena

John Cena is a wrestler and entertainer who has also authored several books for children. This recent colorfully illustrated book of encouragements offers readers advice about being true to themselves, aiming high, and striving to be the best that they can be in order to make the world a better place.

Grades 3-7

The Outdoor Scientist: the Wonder of Observing the Natural World by Temple Grandin

Have you ever wondered why moss is the color of emeralds? Or how the skeleton of an extinct shark was found hundreds of miles from the ocean? This book by scientist, author, and autism spokesperson Temple Grandin connects readers with fascinating information about the natural world. She shares stories and introduces readers to other scientists. The book includes 40 project ideas that will have budding scientists and nature lovers exploring and creating.

Grades 7 and up

Notes From a Young Black Chef (Adapted for Young Adults) by Kwame Onwuachi and Joshua David Stein

This newly published memoir by Top Chef and 30-Under-30 phenom Kwame Onwuachi has been adapted for young adults. Chef Kwame tells his inspiring life story of his love of food and cooking, and it highlights his perseverance and overcoming the challenges of becoming a young Black chef in the world of fine dining. This book has received high praise and has been described as “fierce and inspiring.”

Tips for Keeping Children Reading Over the Summer

- Give children access to different types of books and keep them in easy-to-find places at home and in the car.
- Listen to audiobooks in the car on road trips.
- Take your children to your public library frequently and let them choose books that appeal to their interests. Participate in summer reading programs through your library.



Mia Price-Notarnicola (left)
Kimberly D'Agostino (right)



Parents Association

East Woods School was founded in 1946 by a committed group of parents who wanted the very best education for their children. Parents were then and have always been part of the fabric of the school – supportive, caring, involved. Our parent community today remains steadfast in their dedication to East Woods, our mission, and the students we educate.

We are so grateful for your commitment to our school, students, faculty and staff. Your tireless efforts on behalf of East Woods School is so appreciated especially during this time.

With heartfelt appreciation, we extend our deep gratitude to the 2020-2021 Chairs of the Parents' Association, **Mrs. Mia Price-Notarnicola** and **Mrs. Kimberly D'Agostino**. Together, your commitment is exemplary and extraordinary.

This year we also thank **Mr. Brad Ketcher**, Board Liaison to the Parents' Association, for your

help in creating seamless communication with parents and trustees.

A special thank you to **Mrs. Sandra Graham** who retired from the Co-Chair position but who remains very involved in school life and on the Board of Trustees.



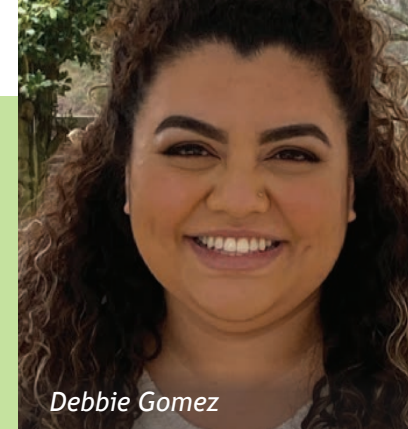
Brad Ketcher (left)
Sandra Graham (right)



Courtney Cabo



Kelly Doherty



Debbie Gomez

2020-2021 Faculty and Staff Additions

East Woods School is proud of its superb faculty and staff whose commitment and passion is at the core of our mission. We welcomed the following new faculty this school year.

COURTNEY CABO

Fourth Grade Assistant

Courtney Cabo first joined the East Woods community in the Spring of 2018 as an employee of the Learning Center. She worked as a 1:1 for two years while completing her Master's in Childhood Education and Literacy at LIU Post. In the Fall of 2020, Courtney student taught in the First Grade with Daisy Tuzzolino. Upon finishing student teaching, Courtney began working as a Teacher's Assistant in the Fourth Grade and officially joined the EWS faculty. After the arrival of some new students in January, the Fourth Grade split, and Courtney became the teacher of one of the classes. She has her Bachelor's Degree in Speech-language Pathology and her Master's Degree and certification in Childhood Education 1-6 and Literacy Birth-6th. Thank you for your great work, Courtney!

KELLY DOHERTY

Pre-K Assistant Teacher

Kelly Doherty joined East Woods as a Pre-K Teachers Assistant. Kelly has a BA in Psychology with a minor in Social Work from Iona College. During her time at Iona, Kelly took part in mission trips and community outreach programs where she worked with children from all different backgrounds. In 2018, she traveled to Kolkata, India to help teach the students of

St. Mary's Orphanage & Day School. She also interned at The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater New York City. In addition, Kelly is an East Woods Camp lead teacher for Pre-K entering Kindergarten. Outside of East Woods, she is a nanny for local families. Welcome, Kelly!

DEBBIE GOMEZ

Spanish Teacher

Debbie Gomez joined East Woods in April and is enjoying every second of it. She graduated from Hofstra University with a double major in Spanish and secondary foreign language education. She also substitutes for the Port Washington School District High School foreign language department, where she student taught. She is looking forward to being back at East Woods in September.

TINA LAMPOUTIS

Pre-Nursery Assistant Teacher

Tina Lampoutis joined East Woods School as an Early Childhood Assistant Teacher. Tina went to parochial school all her life and taught early childhood education for 10 years at her church school where she was highly regarded for her love and creativity of teaching young minds. She holds a degree in Psychology and a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Human Resources



Tina Lampoutis



Denise Lynch



Mariana Sanchez

Management from Cornell University. Tina worked for a top tier investment banking firm for several years before deciding to leave her career to stay home and raise her three children. Tina is very excited to be part of the intimate East Woods family where passion for character development and teaching is at its core!

DENISE LYNCH

Pre-Nursery Assistant Teacher

Denise Lynch joined East Woods School in February 2021 as a Teacher's Aide in the Pre-Nursery program. She has a BA in Marketing/Business from St. John's University in Queens. Denise worked on Wall Street for Fahnestock, PaineWebber, and then UBS as a Financial Assistant for many years. Denise stayed home

with her three children for twenty years after her husband passed away on 9/11 (Lt. Michael F. Lynch, FDNY 4 Truck) and volunteered at her children's schools in all aspects - candy sales, fundraisers, picnics, field days, book fairs, etc. She joined East Woods School and is very excited to be part of a wonderful team in the Early Childhood Center.

MARIANA SANCHEZ

Nursery Assistant Teacher

Mariana Sanchez Joined East Woods School as an ECC assistant teacher. Mariana has her Bachelors in Spanish: Cultural and Literature. She is currently Pursuing her Master's degree in Early Childhood Education at Stony Brook University.





Kate Bedard



Rosana Marabotto



Chase Zuzzolo



Amy Forman



Wilmer Lazo

Faculty Milestones

At the 2020 and 2021 graduations, we recognized faculty and staff on their milestone years. They have instilled scholarship, character, sportsmanship and creative expression in our students and alumni and continue to instill in our students. We salute you!

2020

5 years

Kate Bedard- Mrs. Bedard has been a steady and positive leader of East Woods School's summer camp and athletic program. She significantly increased the enrollment and the "fun factor" of our summer camp each year since taking over. We also have had the joy of welcoming her family into the East Woods community.

Rosana Marabotto- Senora Marabotto is as serious about her role as a student adviser as she is about teaching Spanish. She has made an outstanding transition to teaching third through eighth grade. She is an energetic and positive member of the EWS faculty, always willing to roll up her sleeves to help out.

Chase Zuzzolo- Ms. Zuzzolo has been one of our faculty leaders in terms of sharing her wealth of knowledge about how to weave technology into teaching. She enjoys her students and has a great sense of humor. She keeps the students always progressing in their skills and knowledge but she adds pizzazz to her lessons that her students all enjoy.

15 years

Amy Forman- Amy Forman essentially is our den mother at East Woods School. She keeps all systems running smoothly and is the first alert if something

goes awry. Even during the pandemic, we knew we could trust her to chase down the correct attendance to create our official records. She is like an air traffic controller - and a very dependable one. Students and parents know her as a fount of knowledge behind the desk in the main office but only those of us who work with her daily know how much she helps us all. She also shows her enjoyment of the students and supports them by attending their performances and special events.

2021

5 years

Wilmer Lazo- Wilmer has been a great addition to our staff. He is always cheerful and willing to help. He really cares about the students and teachers, and it shows in his work. He is kind and thoughtful. We are so delighted to have him at East Woods, and he and his wife Yessica and their sons are an excellent family within our community.

15 years

Jillian Ammirata- Jillian joined the East Woods faculty in 2006 as a physical education and health teacher and as a coach. Over the past 15 years she has married and had two children, Layla and Amelia. In that same time she has instilled the values of lifelong fitness and wellness and the importance of fair play in hundreds of East Woods students.



Jillian Ammirata



Jeanne Lore



Martine Tawaji



Susan O'Connor



Laura Sacco

20 years

Jeanne Lore-Jeanne Lore arrived at East Woods in 2001 having graduated with honors from Molloy College. Over the past twenty years she married her husband, Erick, had two beautiful daughters, Kierstin (one of our graduates this year) and Riley, and she earned her master's degree from Hofstra University. In addition to teaching Upper School Science, Jeanne is one of those faculty members who pitches in whenever needed, from coordinating the School Store, managing the concession stand at past musical theater productions, and co-chairing the faculty annual fund drive. Thank you Jeanne for all of your years of service to our community.

Martine Tawaji-Madame Martine Tawaji celebrates twenty years as a member of the East Woods Community. The achievements of her French students are legendary and are the direct result of the high expectations she sets for them. Martine has also nurtured student leadership through her work with the student council. Everyone who knows Martine is familiar with her passion for community service and, by following her example, countless East Woods students have experienced the intrinsic rewards that can be gained through selfless service to others.

25 years

Susan O'Connor-Susan O'Connor joined the East Woods Community in 1984 (taking time off to have her two daughters) and has been an integral part of our Early Childhood Center ever since. Her passion for working with children and early childhood education shines through in all of the wonderful art projects and activities she implements in the classroom. Her dramatic play area that she changes in the classroom each month makes it so fun and exciting for the students. Young minds have benefited for years from being in Mrs. O'Connor's classes.

30 years

Laura Sacco-Laura Sacco first came to East Woods as a student teacher in second grade while studying at Queens College. The following year she was hired to teach Nursery, and then moved on to Transition and Pre-Kindergarten. For the past decade she has been our Director of Technology, focusing on the integration of technology throughout our curriculum. Through her technology role and because of her devotion to East Woods, Laura finds herself in many and varied aspects of the life of the School, and we are the beneficiaries of her many contributions.

5 YEARS

Kate Bedard

Rosana Marabotto

Chase Zuzzolo

Wilmer Lazo-Herrera

15 YEARS

Amy Forman

Jillian Ammirata

20 YEARS

Jeanne Lore

Martine Tawaji

25 YEARS

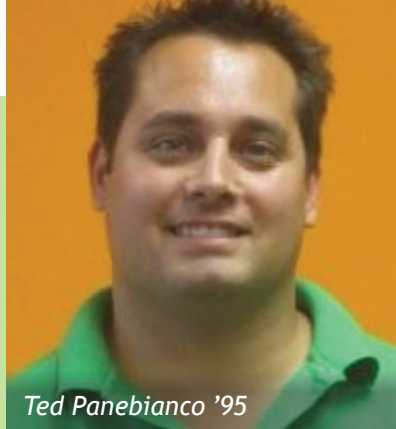
Susan O'Connor

30 YEARS

Laura Sacco



Leslie French



Ted Panebianco '95

Board of Trustees

Among the primary jobs of the Board of Trustees of East Woods School includes its role to shape and uphold the school mission, guide the school's strategic direction, support the Head of School, and to ensure the fiscal sustainability of the institution. These are important and demanding responsibilities and are those upon which East Woods was built.

East Woods is grateful to the following trustees who joined the Board this past year.

LESLIE FRENCH

Leslie and her husband, Michael, are the parents of Gramercy and Bowie (4.5 years), twins who will be attending Kindergarten at EWS in the Fall. Leslie has been an East Woods parent since 2018 and serves on the Marketing Committee.

Leslie holds a strong marketing background with 15+ years in the luxury goods industry. She has held senior management positions within large organizations such as Estee Lauder Corporation and L'Oreal Paris, where she developed both International and Domestic marketing programs. Leslie also contributed toward the growth of a new beauty brand, where she drove the business modeling, marketing and product development initiatives. An entrepreneur at heart, Leslie was the founder and president of a Special Events company that served Manhattan and Long Island.

Leslie has served on the Board of a Manhattan Cooperative where she held the title of President for a 215 unit building. In this position she developed the strong systems, processes and partnerships needed to maintain a healthy and financially stable environment. As her real estate experience broadened, Leslie coordinated new

development projects – both residential and commercial, overseeing the financials, project management, marketing and sales initiatives.

In her recent career, Leslie Co-Founded and currently holds the position of Principal at East Egg Realty, a Boutique Real Estate Brokerage Firm with multiple offices throughout Manhattan & Long Island.

Leslie French graduated from Villanova University with a B.A. in Political Science and a minor in Economics.

TED PANEBIANCO '95

Ted is delighted to serve on the Board of Trustees for his alma mater. After graduating from East Woods, Ted went to Avon Old Farms and then Rollins College. After graduation he traveled worldwide for a textile machinery company before leaving to pursue a career in the sports industry. After two years with Elite Sports Marketing he decided to start his own company, Park Avenue Sports Marketing. Ted then decided to pursue the College Hunks brand opportunity. Building the company from a small start-up operation with his husband, Steven, they became the sole owners of the entire Long Island territory in 2011, making it the largest College Hunks Franchise. They currently service all of Long Island, Brooklyn, Queens and Manhattan.

OUR DEEP THANKS TO THOSE TRUSTEES WHO RETIRED IN 2020 AND 2021

2020

Beth Godsell

Gideon Pollach

2021

Dana Bratti

Jennifer Casey

Joseph McCartan

Your work was tireless and sincere. For this we are forever grateful.

- Ted has also been a supporter of the Long
- Island YMCA Association, a board member for
- the Huntington YMCA, and is involved with
- many charitable organizations and endeavors,
- including Cohen Children's Medical Center,
- Huntington and Islip Breast Cancer Coalition,
- LI Ovarian Cancer Coalition, Ronald McDonald

- House, NY Special Olympics and Move for
- Hunger, US Hunger, Island Harvest and LI Cares
- as part of his HUNKS Against Hunger campaign.
- Ted is a proud recipient of the East Woods
- School James E. Gay Alumni award. Ted and his
- husband, Steven Nickels Panebianco, are the
- proud parents of their son, Spencer.

Chef Tim's Food Program Stands Out



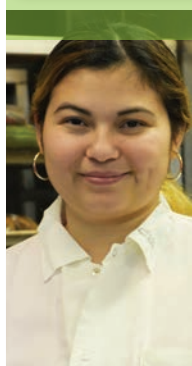
Life during the pandemic impacted all aspects of school life not the least of which was the East Woods School kitchen and meal preparation for approximately 170 students including lunch and snack time. Chef Timothy Chenkin, and his staff Yessica and Flor, have received high marks from parents, administration, and, most importantly, the students, when it comes to food choices, tastiness, and safety protocols during these challenging times.

Chef Tim notes that there were many silver linings to the school's meal delivery service over the past year. Those silver linings included healthier eating habits among the students, less food waste, and an increased interest on the part of students to eating balanced meals.

- Students and their parents pre-ordered lunch
- online. The offerings included nine options of
- entrées and five side dishes. Chef Tim notes that
- 75% of students ordered carrots for lunch and
- that he goes through fifty pounds of carrots each
- week. Meals are prepackaged and there have been
- three lunch periods in three different rooms to
- accommodate social distancing requirements.
- Of course, Chef Tim is well aware of students
- with allergies and carefully monitors which
- students are ordering what meals. Sanitizing the
- kitchen, including the food preparation areas as
- well as the dining rooms has been of paramount
- importance during this time.

- Chef Tim also began an online cooking
- class for which he has had a lot of interest
- among students.

- Our (chef's) hat is off to Chef Tim and the
- kitchen staff and we are so grateful for his
- diligence and dedication to our students during
- this time. Thank you, Chef Tim!

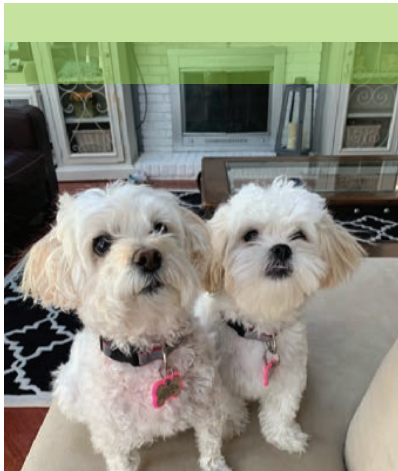


And not to be outdone by the faculty and staff, our Pre-K students submitted a photo of their own favorite pets, straight from the East Woods pond – fish and creepy crawlers!



“Teacher’s Pets”

We asked faculty and staff at East Woods to share a bit about their favorite “teacher’s pet.” Here is what we learned...



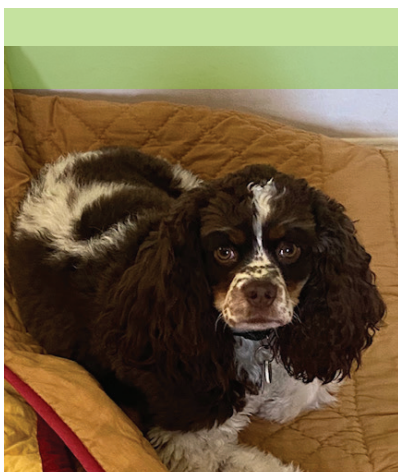
PAM SCHUSTER

Role at East Woods: Director of the Early Childhood Center
 Pet’s name(s): Daisy and Quinnie
 Breed: Multipoint and Lhasa - tzu
 Pet’s age(s): Daisy is 10 and Quinnie is 7 months
 In one sentence, describe your pet’s personality: *Sweet, affectionate and energetic.*



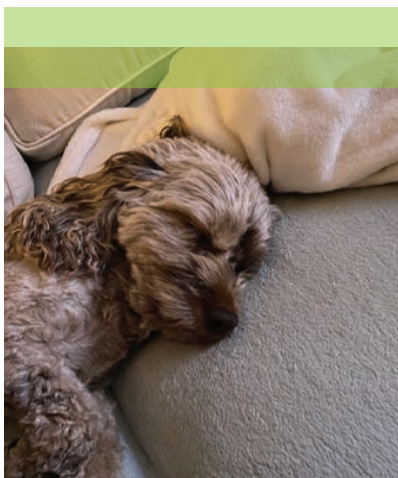
ELLEN YAP, R.N

Role at East Woods: School Nurse
 Pet’s name(s): Remo and Martha
 Breed: German Shepherd Dogs
 Pet’s age(s): Remo Age 3 and Martha Age 7
 In one sentence, describe your pet’s personality: *Remo is loving but mischievous, Martha is shy and loving.*



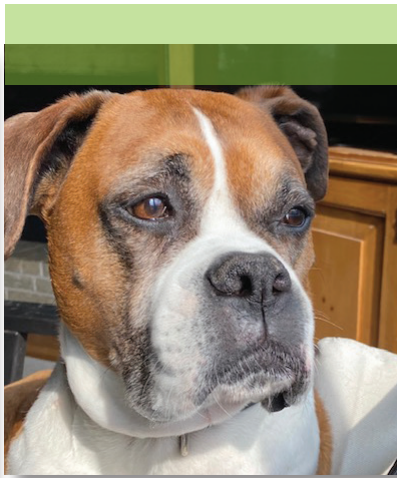
MICHELE BURKE

Role at East Woods: Pre-K Teacher
 Pet’s name: Rocky
 Breed: Cockapoo
 Pet’s age: 2 years old
 In one sentence, describe your pet’s personality: *Rocky follows me wherever I go!*



ALEX CARTER

Role at Eastwoods: Assistant Head of School
Head of Upper and Lower Schools
Pet's Name: Chase
Breed: Cockapoo
Pet's Age: 8
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *Chase has a lot of spunk and energy followed by long periods of R and R.*



ROSANA MARABOTTO

Role at East Woods: Spanish Teacher
Pet's name: Duke
Breed: Boxer
Pet's age: 8 years old
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *Affectionate, playful, loving, and smart.*



KARYN WROBEL

Role at East Woods: Second Grade Teacher
Pet's name: Brewster
Breed: Black Lab/Bordee Collie Mix
Pet's age: 5 years old
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *Brew is playful and loves a good game of catch!*



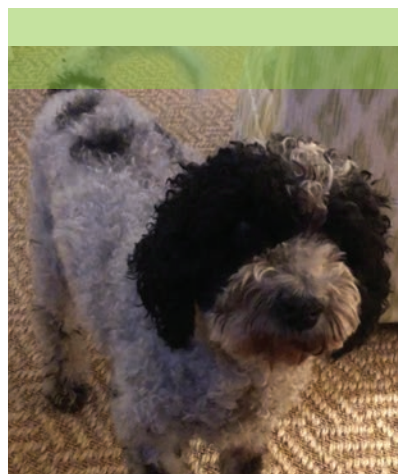
MARIE UCCI

Role at East Woods: Art Teacher
Pet's name: Cybi
Breed: Tuxedo Mix Rescue
Pet's age: 8 years old, we think
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *I know there is an angel inside of me.*



LISA MINTZ

Role at East Woods: Reading Specialist
Pet's name: Biscuit
Breed: Cockapoo
Pet's age: 4
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *Biscuit, a sweet, friendly, playful dog who loves to chase and catch balls, can even swim!*



SEAN COLLINS

Role at East Woods: Development and Alumni Relations
Pet's name: Bandit
Breed: Cockapoo
Pet's age: 15 years old
In one sentence, describe your pet's personality: *He might be blind and deaf, but still knows a good treat when he smells it.*



74th and 75th Commencement Celebrations

The Commencement celebrations of 2020 and 2021 were similar but at the same time different from Commencement celebrations of past years at East Woods School.

Attendance limits, face coverings, and social distancing reflected the necessary prudence and caution imposed by the COVID-19 global pandemic. At the same time, however, much of the East Woods Commencement proceedings, steeped in tradition, remained the same.

Students for both Commencement exercises processed to their seats on the north lawn of the campus as a recorded version of Pomp and Circumstance was played. Family members and some faculty and staff looked on while others watched the live streamed exercises from their homes. In 2020 Head of School, Mrs. Laura Kang, recited a portion of a poem by Maya Angelou titled A Brave and Startling Truth in lieu of the typical invocation. In 2021, we welcomed Reverend Adekunmi Brown, parent of a third-grade student, to give the invocation. Mrs. Kang noted that his words of gratitude and grace were the perfect words for the Class of 2021.

Mrs. Kang made opening remarks saying that students had come full circle from the beginning of the East Woods journey. She remarked that this journey could not have been made without their devoted and brilliant guides, our East Woods faculty. Mrs. Kang addressed the graduating class saying that they had all grown and changed over the years and had distinguished themselves as a class and as

individuals and are now prepared for the next phase of their education.

At the 2021 ceremony, The James E. Gay Alumni/ae Awards were presented in abstentia for both 2020 and 2021. Mrs. Kang noted that these awards were presented annually to an alumnus and an alumna “who have shown a sense of commitment and dedication to a personal challenge. These qualities typify the life of Jim Gay who devoted his energies to being an outstanding teacher and a close friend to three generations of East Woods students, parents, and alumni/ae.” The 2020 winners were **Wendy de Clairville Kemper ’54** and **Chris Havemeyer ’62** and the 2021 winners were **Tracey Bennett ’77** and **John Hambrook ’06**. Each winner recorded a message which was shown at School Assemblies this Spring.

Following the presentation of The James E. Gay Awards, Mrs. Kang recognized faculty members with Milestone Awards for years of service and then introduced Commencement Faculty Speaker, who was Mr. Alex Carter, Assistant Head of School, in 2020 and Mrs. Jill Werblin, Upper School Math Teacher, for 2021. Student honors, awards, and diplomas were then presented by Board Co-Presidents, **Mrs. Dana Bratti** and **Mrs. Kristin Dennehy**.



The George and Abby O'Neill Outstanding Faculty Award

George and Abby O'Neill sent six children through East Woods School. George served on the Board of Trustees and was President of the Board from 1959 through 1962. Abby and George were tireless volunteers who always took a deep personal interest in the school and the students. Their family, all these years later, continues to support East Woods and to care deeply about our students.

The George and Abby O'Neil Outstanding Faculty Award will be given each year in recognition of a teacher who has demonstrated unwavering dedication to East Woods School and its students. A plaque with his wording is displayed in the school to remind us of all the qualities of fine teaching and community participation. The one-time recipient is chosen by the Head of School and the Assistant Head of School, who considers teachers for their

high academic standards, their academic and emotional support of students, their professionalism, and their visibility and participation in the life of the school community beyond the classroom.

THE 2020 RECIPIENTS OF THE GEORGE AND ABBY O'NEILL OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD WAS THE FULL FACULTY OF EAST WOODS SCHOOL FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THEIR STUDENTS DURING THIS CHALLENGING TIME. IN 2021, THE AWARD RECIPIENT WAS MRS. LAURA SACCO, WHO WAS IN HER THIRTIETH YEAR AT EAST WOODS AND IS THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY.

Congratulations and thank you to the Faculty and to Mrs. Sacco for your dedication to East Woods School.



Secondary School Placement

Congratulations to Classes of 2020 and 2021!

: CLASS OF 2020

- : *James Belfi*: Cold Spring Harbor High School
- : *Alexander Catalano*: Friends Academy
- : *Gianna Cedrone*: Sacred Heart Academy
- : *Ben Ciuffetelli*: Chaminade High School
- : *Nile Jean*: Staples High School of Westport, CT
- : *Samuel Laserson*: Friends Academy
- : *Elijah Levine*: Harborfields High School
- : *Anna Martinkova*: Sacred Heart Academy
- : *Zhengqi Martin Miao*: Portledge School
- : *Devin Sweeney*: Portledge School
- : *Christian Thomas*: Trinity High School

: ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVES

: *To Be Determined!*

: CLASS OF 2021

- : *Mia Bratti*: Choate School
- : *Camden Carter*: Portledge School
- : *Wilder Finkel*: Portledge School
- : *James Godsell*: Portledge School
- : *Jacqueline Heslee*: Friends Academy
- : *Henry Koelmel*: Friends Academy
- : *Huan ran Liu*: Cold Spring Harbor High School
- : *Kierstin Lore*: St. John the Baptist
- : *Andrew McCartan*: Friends Academy
- : *Zoe Sanders*: Harborfields High School
- : *Emma Sordi*: Philips Exeter Academy
- : *Logan Taylor*: St. Anthony's High School
- : *Charlotte Tsekerides*: Cold Spring Harbor High School
- : *Willa Wang*: George School

: ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVES

: *Henry Koelmel and Emma Sordi*





James E. Gay 2020 Alumnus Awardee Christian Havemeyer '62



James E. Gay 2020 Alumna Awardee Wendy de Clairville Kemper '54 with husband Claude and grandson Deke

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Wendy de Clairville Kemper, Class of 1954

I am delighted to report that I have kept East Woods School with me in some form or another thru out my entire life. We'll start from 1946 when I overheard a group of men in our living room talking about starting a new private school. The new school started in a house in West Hills my grandfather owned. One dollar a year was paid to use the house. East Woods school was born!

The parents painted the interior walls and supplied items for the nursery through second grade. I was in second grade, my sister in first grade, and my younger sister in nursery. We then moved to a new building which is the present site adding third grade and from then on a grade was added each year until we reached the ninth grade. I am the oldest student at age 82.

Years later my husband Claude and I moved back to Long Island and entered our son Tony in kindergarten eventually there were three sons Tony, Stephen, and Christopher and four years of dear, wonderful Jim Gay teaching and parent conferences. Jim became a very dear friend.

At that time the parents committee was a very strong minded, innovative group. We started the clothes exchange, the freezer with casseroles and the East Woods school fair. At the old age of 42 and with my boys gone, I began to wonder who I really was and what should I do with my life. The answer was opening a store with 12 other women in Cold Spring Harbor called *Gilliewrinkles*. Ten years later I decided that it was time to move on, and started another company called Mill Pond Flowers and did weddings and parties around the eastern seaboard. Years later I received a telephone call from another East Wood's mother. She said, “my daughter just got engaged and you must do the wedding.” A new career began as a bridal consultant doing weddings all over the United States as well as in foreign countries. After 22 challenging years, I retired and moved to a community called Bishop Gadsden in Charleston, South Carolina.

Again I began to wonder what meaningful way I could use my time and energy, a friend said,

“ I have the perfect job for you a mentor in the men’s prison”. And how right he was. I found my next mission in life and it’s teaching the men in orange about the life outside prison. Essentially preparing them for reentry into the community. We use a workbook designed by us and assign homework and after fifteen weeks and graduation, they then can apply to our home which houses over twenty-five men. This gives them a step up in life. We teach them the words you have all heard from your parents and teachers: responsibility, commitment, respect, accountability, and punctuality, just to mention some of them.

I could have never achieved these valuable commitments without the solid foundation I received from my parents and the wonderful teachers at East Woods. Thank you very much for this award I hope you will find as much joy in life as I have.

Christian Havemeyer, Class of 1962

Greetings to the Class of 2021. I’m Chris Havemeyer and I graduated from East Woods in 1962. I spent the next four years at the Choate School in Wallingford, Connecticut. In the fall of 1966, I entered the freshman class at Drew University and graduated in 1970 with a degree in social anthropology.

As I reflect back on my years at East Woods, Choate, and Drew, there were some similar characteristics at each school that I believe made a bigger impact on me than I realized at the time. These influences were not academic but rather the buildings and nature around me and they led me to the activities that have interested me most of my life. At East Woods, I was captivated by the stunning beauty of the main building and its park like setting. The School is a half hour away from my home which was an 18th century farmhouse in the middle of rolling hills, numerous ponds, and woods. The Choate School is full of stately buildings mixed in with 18th century houses. The campus of Drew University is set in a forest at a distance from any signs of city life.

When I graduated from Drew, I move to a farm on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The farm house was built in 1740 and sits on the banks of a river flowing into the Chesapeake Bay. There are many fish, crabs, oysters, ducks, geese, osprey, eagles and much more. On the farm, we grow grain crops which we send to the nearby poultry industry as feed. If you have ever had a Perdue

chicken, it might have eaten some of my farm’s corn and soybeans. Over the years we made a tremendous effort to farm responsibly. These efforts limit the amount of chemicals and soil that can run off our fields and harm the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

In the 18th century, the nearby town of Chestertown was an important port of entry into the United States. That means ships sailed there directly from England and had to be inspected by custom agents and pay taxes on their cargo. It is said that Chestertown had an anti-tax rebellion just like the famous Boston Tea Party. Because of the importance of this town, many wealthy merchants built beautiful brick houses. By the time I arrived in 1970, many of them were in bad condition. I teamed up with a group of friends and we restored a number of them.

My greatest passion in recent years has been my involvement with a group that built a replica of an 18th century ninety-foot wooden schooner made named Sultana. She was built over three years by volunteers on an empty lot in the middle of Chestertown. Launched twenty years ago, she now sails as a school ship teaching kids about colonial history and the ecology of the Chesapeake Bay. Too bad East Woods isn’t down here so you could all sail with us. (sultanaeducation.org)

So this is a long way of saying that if you have a passion for something that is not traditional, try to find a way to work it into your life’s work.

I am extremely grateful to East Woods for giving me a foundation for more than just my academic life and now for the honor of being a recipient of the James E. Gay Alumni Award.

CONGRATULATIONS!

2020 WINNERS

Wendy de Clairville Kemper ’54
Christian Havemeyer ’62

2021 WINNERS

Tracey Bennett ’77
John Hambrook ’06





Graduation Awards 2020 And 2021

: ART

: Awarded for outstanding effort, interest and achievement in various aspects of art.

: 2020 Winner:
: *Anna Martinkova*

: 2021 Winners:
: *Emma Sordi*
: *Kierstin Lore*

: 2021 Honorable Mention:
: *Wilder Finkel*

: COMPUTER SCIENCE AWARD

: Recognizes that student who has demonstrated outstanding effort and interest in mastering computer technology and demonstrated outstanding ability and achievement in the use of computer technology.

: 2020 Winner:
: *Kierstin Lore*

: 2021 Winners:
: *Kierstin Lore*
: *Emma Sordi*

: DRAMA (Performing)

: For outstanding achievement in acting.

: 2020 Winner:
: *Anna Martinkova*

: 2021 Winners:
: *Logan Taylor*
: *Emma Sordi*

: DRAMA (Backstage)

: For outstanding achievement in backstage management.

: 2020 Winner:
: *James Belfi*

: PATRICK DRISCOLL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN MUSIC

: 2020 Winner for Band:
: *Gianna Cedrone*

: 2020 Winner for Chorus:
: *Anna Martinkova*

: 2020 Honorable Mention:
: *Mia Bratti*

: 2021 Accompaniment
: *Willa Wang*

: JAMES F. ADAMS GEOGRAPHY AWARD

: Jim Adams was Headmaster of East Woods for 17 years in the 1970's and 1980's. Established in honor of his love of and interest in geography, the James F. Adams Geography Prize is awarded to that student who has demonstrated that same interest and love for geography throughout the academic year.

: 2020 Winner:
: *Sam Laserson*

: 2020 Honorable Mention:
: *Devin Sweeney*

: 2021 Winners:
: *Mia Bratti*
: *James Godsell*

• 2020 Honorable Mention

• *Joseph McCartan*

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• **GORDON M. FERGUSON HISTORY AWARD**

• The Gordon M. Ferguson Award is for excellence
• in history. Mr. Ferguson was a highly regarded
• history teacher in the 1950's.

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• 2020 Winner:

• *Ben Ciuffetelli*

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• 2020 Honorable Mention:

• *James Belfi*

• *Alex Catalano*

• *Gianna Cedone*

• *Anna Martinkova*

•

• 2021 Winners:

• *Andrew McCartan*

• *Kierstin Lore*

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• 2021 Honorable Mention:

• *Logan Taylor*

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• **SPANISH**

• For outstanding achievement in Spanish
• language.

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• 2020 Winners:

• *Gianna Cedrone, Ben Ciuffetelli*

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• 2020 Honorable Mention:

• *Kierstin Lore*

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• 2021 Winners:

• *Kierstin Lore*

• *Logan Taylor*

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• **FRENCH**

• For outstanding achievement in French language.

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• 2020 Winners:

• *Anna Martinkova, Sam Laserson*

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• 2020 Honorable Mention:

• *Emma Sordi*

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• 2021 Winner:

• *Emma Sordi*

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• 2021 Honorable Mention:

• *Andrew McCartan*

• *Willa Wang*

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• **SCIENCE**

• For outstanding ability, interest and achievement
• in science.

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• 2020 Winner:

• *Nile Jean*

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• 2021 Winner:

• *Andrew McCartan*

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• **INFORMATION LITERACY**

• For outstanding effort and proficiency in inquiry-
• based research and for effective communication
• of information.

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• 2020 Winner:

• *Ben Ciuffetelli*

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• 2020 Honorable Mention:

• *Jovana Moy*

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• 2021 Winner:

• *John Michael Allegra*

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• 2021 Honorable Mention:

• *Blake Doan*

• *Katherine Purdy*

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• **WRITING**

• The following awards are given in the interest of
• excellence in writing.

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• **MARCIA CRADEN CREATIVE WRITING AWARD**

• The Creative Writing Award is given in memory
• of Marcia Craden, who taught English and
• Ancient History for 30 years.

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• 2020 Winners:

• *Anna Martinkova, Alex Catalano*

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• 2020 Honorable Mention:

• *Eli Levine*

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• 2021 Winner:

• *Charlotte Tsekerides*

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• 2021 Honorable Mention:

• *Wilder Finkel*

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• **EXPOSITORY WRITING**

• Mrs. Porter and Mr. Andrews, both English
• teachers in the 1950's and 1960's, were the
• originators of these awards.

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• 2020 Winners:

• *Gianna Cedrone, Ben Ciuffetelli*

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2020 Honorable Mention:

Devin Sweeney

2021 Winner:

Emma Sordi

2021 Honorable Mention:

Logan Taylor

READING

For the quality and quantity of the books read as well as outstanding interest in reading.

2020 Winner:

Ben Ciuffetelli

2020 Honorable Mention:

Emma Sordi

2021 Winner:

Emma Sordi

2021 Honorable Mention:

Charlotte Tsekerides

JESSE KNIGHT, JR. MATHEMATICS PRIZE

For outstanding ability, interest and achievement.

2020 Winner:

Ben Ciuffetelli

2021 Winner:

Emma Sordi

2021 Honorable Mention:

Willa Wang

JOHN R. REESE SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The John R. Reese Sportsmanship Award is presented to a girl and a boy from the varsity athletic teams who best exemplify good sportsmanship throughout this school year.

The varsity coaches recognize these students for their ability to accept defeat without complaint and victory in good grace. The coaches further recognize these students for treating teammates as well as opponents with fairness, generosity and courtesy. Mr. Reese is a past parent and was President of the Board from 1980-1984.

2020 Winners:

Girl: Gianna Cedrone

Boy: Christian Thomas

2021 Winners:

Girl: Kierstin Lore

Boy: Camden Carter

CHARLES BARTLETT AWARD

This award goes to the sixth through eighth grade student who has, according to the faculty, brought the most happiness and cheerfulness to the school during the academic year. Mr. Bartlett was a history teacher and then Assistant Headmaster from 1954-1988.

2020 Winner:

Anna Martinkova

2021 Winner:

Wilder Finkel

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD

The Environmental Award is given to recognize an eighth grade student who has exhibited environmental responsibility and demonstrated a commitment to our environmental program and "green" practices.

2020 Winner:

Nile Jean

2021 Winner:

Henry Koelmel

FACULTY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The Faculty Award for Outstanding Community Service recognizes the sixth through eighth grade student who best exemplifies East Woods' ideal of service to others.

2020 Winner:

Kierstin Lore

2021 Winner:

John Michael Allegra

PETER WESTERLING EFFORT AWARD

This prize goes to a student in sixth through eighth grade who, in the eyes of the faculty, demonstrates consistent and commendable effort. This prize was instituted as a result of the class gift of the graduating class of 1962. In 1986, it was named in memory of Peter Westerling who graduated from East Woods in 1983.

2020 Winner:

James Belfi

2021 Winner:
Kierstin Lore

JAMES F. ADAMS CITIZENSHIP AWARD

The James F. Adams Award is given to the fifth grade student who consistently demonstrates the qualities of a good citizen.

2020 Winners:
Veronika Martinkova, Jaya Persad

2021 Winner:
August Finkel

FACULTY AWARD FOR CITIZENSHIP

The Faculty Award for Citizenship recognizes students in 6th grade and above who have best exemplified East Woods School's ideals of citizenship throughout the year.

2020 Winners:
6th: *Jenna Gambella*
7th: *Kierstin Lore*
8th: *Anna Martinkova*

2021 Winners:
6th: *Riley Lore*
7th: *John Michael Allegra*
8th: *Kierstin Lore*

EAST WOODS SCHOLARS

Since 2003, the East Woods School Scholars Award has been awarded to the 8th grade graduates who have achieved Academic Honors in each term during their Upper School tenure.

2020 Winners:
Alex Catalo, Gianna Cedrone, Ben Ciuffetelli, Sam Laserson, Anna Martinkova, Devin Sweeney

2021 Winners:
Mia Bratti, Camden Carter, James Godsell, Jacqueline Heslee, Henry Koelmel, Kierstin Lore, Andrew McCartan, Emma Sordi, Logan Taylor, Willa Wang

THE JAMES C. FERRER AWARD

Mr. Jim Ferrer was East Woods School's sixth Headmaster, serving from 1990 to 2002. The James C. Ferrer Award is given to the 8th grade boy or girl who has best demonstrated a commitment to the values of "Studium et Voluntas" – Eagerness and Willingness. The recipient of this award is to be one who best exemplifies an enthusiasm for learning, a caring for others in the community, and who best

represents those qualities of East Woods School both on and off the campus.

2020 Winner:
Gianna Cedrone

2021 Winner:
Andrew McCartan

TRUSTEES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP

The Trustee Award for Excellence in Scholarship is presented to the student in the 6th through 8th grades who has achieved the highest academic average for the year.

2020 Winner:
Ben Ciuffetelli

2021 Winner:
Katherine Purdy







Honor Roll 2019-2020

FALL 2019

High Academic Honors

- 5 Brayden Bratti
- Blake Doan
- Thomas Dolan
- Hudson Gaeta
- Angela Heslee
- Veronika Martinkova
- Edward Mercier
- Jaya Persad
- Katherine Purdy
- Brendan Sweeney
- Wynne Wang

- 6 John Michael Allegra
- Landon Cedrone
- Neela Jarmon
- Jovana Moy
- Ben Segal

- 7 Mia Bratti
- Henry Koelmel
- Kierstin Lore
- Andrew McCartan
- Emma Sordi
- Logan Taylor
- Willa Wang

- 8 Alexander Catalano
- Gianna Cedrone
- Ben Ciuffetelli
- Samuel Laserson
- Anna Martinkova
- Devin Sweeney

Academic Honors

- 5 Brent Burman
- Riley Lore

- 6 Ian Black
- Lilah Black

- Michaela Burke
- Charlotte Dennehy
- Jenna Gambella

- 7 Camden Carter
- James Godsell
- Jacqueline Heslee
- Huan ran Liu

- 8 James Belfi
- Nile Jean

High Effort Honors

- 5 Riley Lore
- Veronika Martinkova
- Jaya Persad
- Katherine Purdy

- 6 John Michael Allegra

- 7 Kierstin Lore
- Emma Sordi
- Logan Taylor

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- Ben Ciuffetelli
- Samuel Laserson
- Anna Martinkova

Effort Honors

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- Edward Mercier
- Brendan Sweeney
- Wynne Wang

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- Michaela Burke

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- Charlotte Dennehy
- Jenna Gambella
- Neela Jarmon
- Jovana Moy

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- Camden Carter
- Jacqueline Heslee
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- Willa Wang

- 8 Alexander Catalano

WINTER 2020

High Academic Honors

- 5 Brayden Bratti
- Blake Doan
- Thomas Dolan
- Hudson Gaeta
- Angela Heslee
- Veronika Martinkova
- Edward Mercier
- Jaya Persad
- Katherine Purdy
- Wynne Wang

- 6 John Michael Allegra
- Lilah Black
- Landon Cedrone

- 7 Mia Bratti
- Henry Koelmel
- Kierstin Lore
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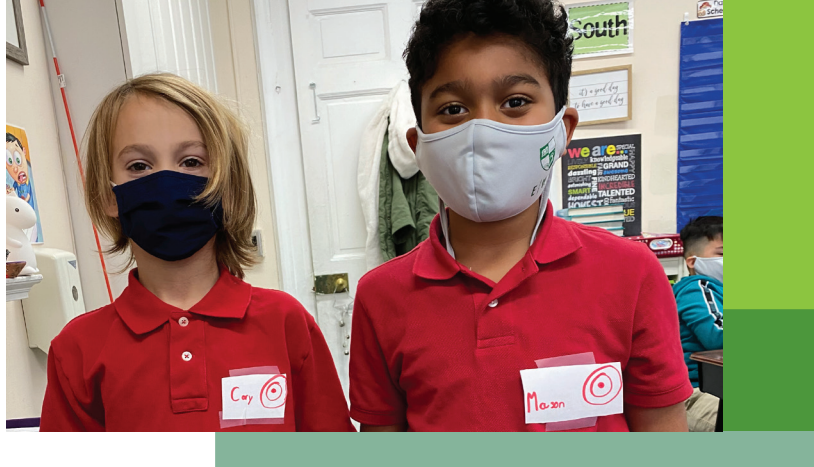
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8 Alexander Catalano
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Christian Thomas
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Honor Roll 2020-2021

FALL 2020

High Academic Honors

- 5 Mason Crousillat
August Finkel
Ayla Schulman-Hughes

- 6 Brayden Bratti
Blake Doan
Veronika Martinkova
Edward Mercier
Jaya Persad
Katherine Purdy
Nicholas Vapnyar
Wynne Wang

- 7 John Michael Allegra
Landon Cedrone
Jovana Moy

- 8 Mia Bratti
Camden Carter
Kierstin Lore
Andrew McCartan
Emma Sordi
Logan Taylor
Charlotte Tsekerides
Willa Wang

Academic Honors

- 5 Joshua Jacobson
Luca Khanamirian
Anabelle Koelmel
Channing Labonté

- 6 Alexander Alessio
Angela Heslee
Riley Lore
Emma Prieur-Paulwell
Brendan Sweeney

- 7 Ian Black
Lilah Black
Michaela Burke
Charlotte Dennehy
Neela Jarmon
Ben Segal
John Stair

- 8 Wilder Finkel
James Godsell
Jacqueline Heslee
Henry Koelmel
Zoe Sanders

High Effort Honors

- 6 Blake Doan
Veronika Martinkova
Jaya Persad
Katherine Purdy

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Landon Cedrone
Jovana Moy

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Kierstin Lore
Emma Sordi
Willa Wang

Effort Honors

- 5 Mason Crousillat
Sophia Dong
August Finkel
Joshua Jacobson
Anabelle Koelmel
Channing Labonté
Sophia Schillaci
Ayla Schulman-Hughes

- 6 Alexander Alessio
Brayden Bratti

- Brendan Callender
Riley Lore
Edward Mercier
Emma Prieur-Paulwell
Nicholas Vapnyar
Wynne Wang

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Gabriella Della Ratta
Neela Jarmon
Ben Segal
John Stair

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Wilder Finkel
James Godsell
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Henry Koelmel
Andrew McCartan
Zoe Sanders
Logan Taylor
Charlotte Tsekerides

WINTER 2021

High Academic Honors

- 5 August Finkel
Ayla Schulman-Hughes

- 6 Alexander Alessio
Brayden Bratti
Blake Doan
Veronika Martinkova
Edward Mercier
Jaya Persad
Katherine Purdy
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BONJOUR

Foreign Language Awards

FRENCH LANGUAGE AWARDS

Grand Concours 2019-2020

Organized by the American Association of Teachers of French, Nassau Chapter, this competition consists of a listening comprehension segment and a multiple choice segment done in a limited time.

Seventh Grade

Silver Medal winners

Mia Bratti

Emma Sordi

Honorable Mention winners

Jacqueline Heslee

Andrew McCartan

Willa Wang

Eighth Grade

Bronze medal winners

Anna Martinkova

Samuel Laserson

NYSSMA Awards

NYSSMA:

Katherine Purdy - *Voice*

Landon Cedrone - *Piano, Trumpet*

Jeremy Lee - *Piano*

Brayden Bratti - *Voice*

Anabelle Koelmel - *Voice*

Zi Yue Wang (Susan) - *Piano, Violin*

Bowen Wang - *Piano*

Jaya Persad - *Voice*

Brendan Callender - *Piano*

Blake Doan - *Piano*

The New York State School Music Association is the New York affiliate of National Association for Music Education. NYSSMA is a professional organization that evaluates student musicians in New York state from elementary school to high school.



Congratulations White Team!

2020 The Green Team was led by Ben Ciuffetelli and Devin Sweeney. The White team was led by James Belfi and Alex Catalano.

2021 The Green Team was led by Mia Bratti and Andy McCartan. The White team was led by James Godsell and Kierstin Lore.

Green And White Competition

GREEN AND WHITE TEAM AWARD 2020 AND 2021

- The Green and White teams are made up of students in the 5th - 8th grades. Throughout the year the teams enjoyed spirited competition in both scholarship and athletics. The cumulative scores have been tracked all year.
- Congratulations to both teams.

2020:
GREEN POINTS 951
WHITE POINTS 1,394

2021:
GREEN POINTS 1,731
WHITE POINTS 2,137

- The cup will be inscribed with "White Team" for 2020 and 2021 to acknowledge the White team victories.





Performing Arts

FROZEN II AND PETER PAN



East Woods School is deeply grateful
to all of its alumni for their continued
commitment and support. You reflect the very
best of East Woods!

Alumni News And Notes

Catching Up With Your Classmates

Alumni of East Woods School play a vital role in our history, traditions, and excellence. The Board of Trustees, Head of School, administration, faculty, and staff highly value and appreciate the ongoing relationship of the school with its graduates.

OUR ABILITY TO REMAIN CONNECTED WITH EAST WOODS ALUMNI IS GREATLY FACILITATED BY LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS THAT WERE BORN WITHIN THE SCHOOL WALLS AND ON ITS FIELDS.

: 1954

: **Joan Callaway Pratt '54** says Hello to 1954 Classmates....she is so sorry to report that we lost two classmates in 2020, **Judy Murphy (Adams)** and **Annie Ingersoll (Boyden)**. Judy's twin, **Sally Murphy** (Feimer) had died a few years ago, while she's not aware of any other recent deaths in our class, losing three amounts to 33% of our class, since they had a class of 9 as the first class to graduate from East Woods in 1954! She would like to suggest that each of us make a donation to EWS in memory of these classmates (and of our whole class) in 2021. We were a lively bunch!

: **Sandy Ryon '54** says it was such sad news to hear that **Joanie Garver Anderson** died recently. They became "best" friends when she came to East Woods in the fourth grade and then they were at Ethel Walkers together. Over the years, although they didn't often see each other, they would call each other on their birthdays. She knows that we all have happy memories of Joanie and what a sweet person she was. In November Harry Sears and Sandy went to visit friends in Mill Neck. It was a wonderful

: nostalgia trip. They went to East Woods and were impressed with how great it looked with just enough unchanged to bring back lots of memories. How about playing Capture the Flag in the woods in front of the school as the only Winter sport that was offered? **Wendy deClaireville Kemper** and Sandy have remained in close touch. She is always a good source of news about our classmates. It's so nice to know how happy she and Claude are at Bishop Gadsden in Charleston. Sandy has been living in Chestertown on the Eastern Shore of Maryland for the past ten years. She tries to see her four children and ten grandchildren as often as possible. After almost a year of quarantine, it will be so nice to be free to travel again!

: 1956

: **Lucia Trowbridge Johnstone '56** tells us she is turning 80 this year and still working as a full time Realtor in Eastern Connecticut and Rhode Island. Currently working with Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices New England. She and her husband, Rod Johnstone, currently live in Stonington, CT and will be celebrating their

50th anniversary in November. They have two adult children, a daughter Ashley Kehrig Burt living in Kittery Point, Maine and son Robert Kehrig living in northern California, in Somes Bar inland from Arcata/Eureka. She has 2 Grandsons and 5 stepchildren and total of 12 grandchildren. Her husband is a sailboat designer having started his company J. Boats Inc. back in the mid-1970s. Her sister, **Barbara Trowbridge Barnes '55**, is widowed and in an independent living facility in Mystic CT, she has two grown children and 4 grandchildren. Her sons are Andrew Sheriff and Nathalie Sheriff Comstock.

They have remained well during COVID but have been very cautious and wear masks always and wash hands a lot. She has been able to work showing/selling houses throughout this past year but also being very cautious. They do not go out to restaurants or entertain but go outside on their patio when the weather warms up. They purchased a fire pit just to help warm up the patio when needed. She hopes our classmates are all well.

1957

Edward Cox '57 tells us in 2004 he simultaneously retired from a busy neurosurgical practice in northeast Massachusetts, remarried to an English widow he had met on a cultural history trip to Sicily, and moved to a foreign country, where we both live in her house in central London.

Patty Billman Frothingham '57 says Wow! What a year! But out of the ashes of Covid have arisen amazing and unusual adventures for her family. Above all they are very grateful that they are living safely at The Landings and that their whole family is flourishing. Heidi, Hannah,

and Colby have remained on Cuttyhunk Island so that the children could attend the one room school house (circa 1873). This has become an extraordinary educational experience for them. Andrew is taking a gap year. He has bought an old van, repaired it and completed a living space in it. He is exploring our country "off the grid." Though it was disappointing to miss the summer in Cuttyhunk as well as the traditional New England family Christmas, they have found ways to stay connected and appreciate each day.

1959

Peter Rousmaniere '59 says all eight Rousmaniere siblings went to East Woods in the 50s and 60s. Two of us have spent time in hospitals due to COVID -- Joe and I. We are both recovering.

Lindsay Schieffelin '59 tells us life is fairly simple up here in Granville, NY. The main excitement is that their son Lindsay got married and their fitness center was closed for 5 ½ months. They had to move every piece of equipment for "social distancing"!

1962

Alison Corning Clarke '62 had a wonderful visit with **Louisa Thomas Hargrave** at her North Fork home last fall, and sadly a near-miss this October in Greenport. She wishes there were more EWS alums near her in Boston--her two years at East Woods are her happiest school memories.

1965

Sarita Weekes Beebe '65 says this past year does have some happiness- her daughter, Laura, had a baby, Sarita's first grandchild, a boy. Her son Jake is now engaged to be married in January of 2022. She relishes her time with her kids and

new grandson and is fortunate enough to be able to see them often as they all live in the next town. Her beautiful dog, Stewart, keeps her sane with two long walks every day. Otherwise, she truly misses her dear friends and cannot wait to see them and the rest of her family.

Geoffrey Churchill '65 says that he and Kathie are grateful for video-chatting technology. Between connecting with family and friends, maintaining their roles at church, and working hard at keeping fit, they've had a busy year.

Cricket Scovil, her daughter, Amanda Stieglitz and her husband, BJ, and their girls Caroline and Ellie, and her son, Matthew Scovil.



• **Sandy Simone Jaques '65** says, "Hello friends!" She is doing well and living in Avon, CT. She has kept in touch with many of her friends from EWS. Tenley and her boys are doing great. Charlie is at Fordham. She can't believe she has a grandson in college. Where does the time go? Holly is expecting her second baby any day now. That will make five grandchildren. Everyone is well, thank goodness. This has been quite a year to say the least. She hopes everyone stays safe and healthy.

• **Janet (Cricket) Fates Scovil '65** reports she has lived in North Carolina for 45 years. She lives in Durham and works at The University of North Carolina Hospital. She continues to love her work as an Addictions Therapist and is now working four days a week and then spending three days a week at Emerald Isle, NC. That is a great schedule so she may never completely retire! She has two sons and a daughter and three grands. Life is crazy busy, but, no complaints. The picture was taken at the beach last summer, on the occasion of one of those milestone birthdays she and her classmates recently celebrated. They were missing her older son and his family, who have a new baby, but they were there in spirit and on FaceTime every day. Her older brothers, **Rob** and **Dick Fates**, also attended East Woods, as did her sister in law, **Linda Galston Fates**.

• 1966

• **Peter G. Schiff '66** tells us he and Lisa are downsizing to a smaller home in Cherrywood but have made Jupiter Island in Florida their main residence. They will continue to visit Harbor Springs, Michigan during the summer where their grandchildren are in the fifth generation to summer there. They now have ten grandchildren who they try to visit as often as they can, along with their parents - their three

• children and their spouses. He is still active with Northwood Ventures, but have given up some of his responsibilities in order to travel less and golf more. All is well.

• **Janet von Briesen Peña '66** writes, "Well, as we all know, it's been a year, and like all years, there was the good, the bad, the ugly, and everything in between. But it was also a year unlike any we have known. Covid has brought out the best and the worst of us as a society. It has impacted each of us differently, imposing varying degrees of hardship and heartache, but also gifting some of us time for reflection, reconnection, reevaluation, and even extended time with family members. And while certainly opportunities were lost, some were gained as well." So it was for her too. Janet considers herself extremely fortunate. She is fully vaccinated as of mid-March, one among the lucky 6 percenters in Texas. She didn't lose a job or her home and is lucky to live in a place where she can walk out of her front door and take a walk, without having to ride in a crowded elevator or wait for an empty one. She has a constant companion in her husband. She has family and friends to keep in touch with by phone or FaceTime. All of this she is grateful for. They have lost two family members to COVID, one an elderly relative of hers and one a cousin of Ernesto's in his 60's. Her son and granddaughter both got it but fortunately fared well. There have been bright spots. Ernesto, their son Travis, and Janet drove to Princeton, NJ in August for a one week visit with their other son Austin, his wife Cate, and their grandsons Justin (6) and Ryan (1). They had moved there from NYC two weeks prior, so it was glorious chaos. The consulting company Travis had been working for folded due to COVID (lost opportunity) so he was free to join us before starting his new job at McKinsey Consulting



Betsy McIntyre '73 and David Corrsin wedding day.

- (gained opportunity). Now THAT was a gift: the
- opportunity to spend a whole week with our two
- boys and grandsons. A second bright spot was
- spending Thanksgiving weekend in Houston
- with Travis, his daughter Evelyn (6), and
- Ernesto's sister. They were super careful, keeping
- socially distant, and eating separately. While it
- wasn't ideal and she worried every minute, it
- truly nourished her soul to see family.
- Other stuff....
- **Good:** She had a hip replacement in July. It went



Robin Gimbel Senior '68 spring luncheon left to right, Kiwi Hilliard, Robin Senior, Mary Alice Kolodner, Susan Turner, Christie Luce McNicol, Fern Tailer, Olga Duke, Lisa Schiff, and Phyllis Weekes.



Betsy McIntyre '73 wedding day with East Woods friends.

well and am fully operational. Other good news: our niece is expecting her first baby in July. Also, she's become a much better cook.

Bad: The Texas Power Outage in February. The news reports were not exaggerated: it was bad. Really bad. They were lucky for the most part: some leaks (but no burst pipes) and their house did get down to 37 degrees indoors! We slept in ski clothes!

Ugly: I resigned under duress as President of our Homeowners Association. We are a little community of 24 town homes, and are as divisive as our country is today.

So there you have it, the good, the bad, and the ugly of the past year. I look forward to hearing happy news from everyone next year. Until then, my friends, please, be careful and stay safe.

1968

Robin Gimbel Senior '68 hosted a spring luncheon for East Woods friends and family.

1969

Doug Arthur '69 is happy to report that his grandson is now enrolled in Pre-K at East Woods having started several years ago in Pre-Nursery overseen by his former classmate Anne Thompson. East Woods has had a remarkable year, keeping the students safe, staying open throughout the school year and, as a result, seeing a strong tick-up in enrollment...Gavin loves it! And as Doug is mostly working from home, he gets to go to the school most days to pick-him up.

Bill Denby '69 says "Hi, all good in San Diego. Hoping to travel more.. Retired in 2014 from the biotech industry. Playing tennis and golf. Kids

are grown and live nearby. Hoping all my classmates are well. Best wishes, Billy."

1971

Christie Luce McNicol '71 writes that Campbell and her husband Henry were living with her and Paul for the past year. Paul, Campbell, and Henry were all working from the house so at times the hum of Zoom meetings throughout the house was a bit crazy. The four of them finally got off of Long Island after Christmas and went to Turks and Caicos. They celebrated Campbell's 30th birthday there which they've done every year since her 9th birthday. Paul and Christie then went to Florida. She speaks regularly to **Wisner Murray '72** and **Betsy McIntyre '73** and their Covid bubble includes Susan and **Bill Sheeline '69** and Terry and **Bob Lindsay '69**.

1973

Betsy McIntyre '73 and longtime companion, David Corrsin, were married on leap day, February 29, 2020, in Greenport, New York. For a delightful read, look up the wedding online to find The New York Times article reporting on the day. It notes, "Before Rebecca Pomeroy McIntyre and David John Corrsin got married on Feb. 29, they came up with a couple of quips about why they chose leap day. Mr. Corrsin joked that he likes the idea of having to remember his anniversary only every four years. Ms. McIntyre declared that marriage is a leap of faith, so the day seemed fitting." Accompanying photo by Johnny Milano for The New York Times. Best wishes to Betsy and Dave!

Tom Nammack '73 says he was having trouble sleeping one night, so tried to walk through the school building at East Woods by memory. From the front entrance, he recalled the location of



Family wedding from Cynthia Mayer Benfield '74.

Bill Brengle's office, where as a student he spent a considerable amount of time. He took the stairs to the second floor but could not remember if that was the level for Tom Knight's science class. He made the trip to the third floor where French was taught by Mme. Rosenthal and later Mme. Prosky. Dropped downstairs to the more modern wing in which teachers like David Frothingham, Craig Raisig, Mrs. Holmes and others did their best to bring order out of chaos. Mrs. Beers' (Betty) classroom and Mr. Bartlett's were another level down, and around the corner from there a passage to his favorite place: Mr. Wise's shop class. He has not been in the building in almost fifty years, but many good memories surfaced as he tried to recall his way around. Retirement in June of 2021 from a life spent in school prompts this grateful note to East Woods. His three children, ages 37, 29 and 27 are all well with wonderful people in their lives. He and his spouse, Zandi, head to Easton, Maryland in June from their current home in New Jersey, but they are frequently back to Long Island to visit his stepmother and to haunt his good friend Tim Lee.

1974

George Cutting '74 tells us major changes in life had him moving to Homer, Alaska with his Labrador Retrieve and camera, pausing first to spend the winter in NY with family.

Cynthia Mayer Benfield '74 says what a year! The silver lining is that their son, Thomas, married his lifelong sweetheart in August. It was a beautiful, windy, small gathering. This picture is from that day, on Sandy Point Beach in Stonington, CT. My brother Tad and sister Debby were there with some of their kids. Cathey and family were not able to make the long trip. Cynthia is still working with special ed. students

and changed schools last fall. Masks seem to be doing the trick because we've been open since August. She and Dan are staying healthy and feeling grateful for time with family and friends (outside, of course!). Wishing you and yours all the best.

1983

Anna (Nancy) Hargraves Hall '83 reports she is living in NYC with her husband James and their two kids, two cats and their dog Lucy. They periodically raise fowl in their apartment including two chickens and two ducks - now settled happily at a friend's farm upstate. Their daughter Violet is 18 and a senior at Marymount School in NYC. She is in the process of applying to and hearing from colleges which has been really exciting. Their son William, 15, graduated last spring from St David's School and is completing his first year as a freshman at The Millbrook School. He is enjoying it immensely and is quite happy with life outside of NYC. During the application process to high schools they were able to catch up with **Ginger/Camilla Campbell Platt** and **Sarah Balkind Adler** while interviewing at Grace Church School

She and James work together selling residential real estate in NYC for Compass and while the pandemic put a halt to things last Spring, they are seeing a resurgence in activity which is good news all around. They spend their weekends upstate in Millbrook, NY and love being there and spending time with her sister Elizabeth and her family. She sees **Abby Sheeline** and keeps tabs (loosely!) on **Cynthia Lee Dow, Courtney Hurley, Edie Meyer, Ned Truslow, Arron and Julie Lippert** and several other East Woods alum. Anna would love to hear from anyone living in and around NYC- would be great to get a group together!

: 1990

: Jesse Laserson '90 tells us after graduating from EWS this past June, their son Sam is settling into Friends Academy nicely. Despite the pandemic he has made a good group of friends, is on the soccer team and chess team and doing well academically. In fact, EWS academic program seemed to give him a step-up this year and allowed him to transition with minimal stress. Jesse changed jobs and is a Director at Columbia Property Trust now and Amanda has

: been doing contact tracing for the state. Looking forward to opening up again soon.

: 1995

: Katie Smith Roberts '95 lives in Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn with her husband, John and their boys Teddy (7) and Sam (5).

: 1996

: Heather Senior '96 celebrated a birthday last summer and classmate Abby Weir had a dinner for her with some close friends.



: Top (back) row l to r: Seanna Senior '03, Nicole Carosella Mills '96, Fern Senior '97 (current EWS parent), Heather Senior Monroe ('96). Front row l to r: Amy Pournaras Haynor '96 (current EWS parent), Sarah Ingraham '96, Abby Youngs Weir '96, Olivia Lacroze '96, Kristin Thomas Senior (current EWS parent).



Andres Oranges '99 with Christina and children, Anthony and Alessandra.

• **Andres Oranges '99** Two important and longstanding components of the East Woods School mission are citizenship and service to others. Andres Oranges certainly exemplifies these values. As a busy young father and businessman, it is hard to imagine there is enough time to participate in volunteer activities and service to one's community, but Andres finds the time. Whether serving on a board or panel or coordinating food runs, Andres' participation in charitable works may be less hands-on than when he had fewer responsibilities, but he remains fully committed in ways that fit his life's activities.

• Andres recalls lessons in service as a student at East Woods as well as seeing and working with his father, who was well dedicated to giving back. He remembers going with his father to work on projects for Habitat for Humanity, an organization with which Andres still volunteers. Among other organizations with which he volunteers are the Ronald McDonald House and St. Anne's Soup Kitchen. He is also a board member with Helping Hands and a mentor for Cathedral Catholic High School. Andres remarks that he was blessed to have been born into his family and, by chance, others were not so blessed. This work is a continual reminder of what others do not have in the way of food, education, and opportunity.

• East Woods School is grateful to Andres for sharing his commitment to service with us and for exemplifying the School through his words and deeds.



Pitch Lindsay '02 with daughter Zemi.

: 2002

: Chauncey Kerr Hamilton '02 is a partner at XYZ Venture Capital where she leads investments in early-stage technology companies. She lives in San Francisco with her husband and two children. She is thankful she gets to see her sister nearly every day.

: Roddy Lindsay '00 and family are still in San Francisco.

: Pitch Lindsay '02 writes that he is enjoying a new home in Culver City, CA with wife, Dre, and baby Zemi, 14 months old. He spent most of January back on Long Island and had great catch up walk with Milena Duke Holmes.

: Esther Eva Tehrani '02 moved from Manhattan NY to Greenwich CT and lives right in town which currently has a beautiful display of holiday lights along Greenwich Avenue. After two years with T-Mobile investor relations and closing the \$26B M&A with Sprint, Esther is now starting a new role as Account Director with the Brunswick Group in New York, an advisory firm that focuses on business critical issues. She continues to serve on the National Investor Relations Institute (NIRI) NextGen Committee, a group geared specifically to meet the needs of up-and-coming investor relations professionals and was selected as a 2020 NIRI 40 under 40 Honoree. In her spare time, she volunteers with the UJA Federation of New York as a career mentor to CUNY students, and enjoys spending time in the great outdoors in the White Mountains of NH.

Chauncey Kerr Hamilton '02 with her husband, Perrin and children, Reese and Perrin, 3 months.





Samantha Kerr '05 with niece and nephew Reese and Perrin.



Hailey Feldman '05.

2004

Alec Lindsay '04 and wife Julia are living between NY and FL.

2005

Hailey Feldman '05 tells us life in West Palm Beach, FL is delightful. She is competing in the Winter Equestrian Festival in Wellington, FL in the jumpers this year. Her brother, **Mack Feldman**, will be visiting soon. **Tamara and Jared Greenman** will also be paying her a visit!

Samantha Kerr '05 reports that she is a Senior Associate at Rich Talent Group in San Francisco, which is a boutique executive search firm. She focuses on marketing and board searches for high growth technology and consumer companies. She is very happy to live so close to her sister and her family! But adds, that she also misses her family and friends on the East coast especially during the pandemic.

2006

John Hambrook '06 is a member of the FDNY. He is now at Engine 231/Ladder 120 in Brownsville, Brooklyn and is also the Chief of Department in the Oyster Bay Fire Department. He lives in Oyster Bay Cove with his aptly named black Labrador, Coal, who is also a pandemic puppy (which brings our known class total to 4...!) and who John is working hard to train for next duck season.

Campbell McNicol Mumford '06 submits this report about herself and her classmates from 2006:

This spring, **Molly Miller** will be graduating from Cornell University's SC Johnson College of Business with her MBA. After graduation, she will be taking her talents back to New York City

where she has accepted a full time role at EYP which she's excited to begin this summer.

Another New York City resident, **Lianna Murphy** is wrapping up her second year of law school at St. John's University School of Law. Even though she lives in New York City, she still makes time to visit her parents and brother on Long Island whenever she can and has accepted a job offer from the international law firm, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP and is looking forward to starting her new role there this summer.

In a very exciting start to 2021, **Lucy Wallace** got engaged to her now-fiancé, Tyler Brewster in early February! Prior to their engagement, Lucy and Tyler adopted Hank, a very photogenic Bernese Mountain dog in May, 2020, so it was only fitting that Hank would also be by their side when Tyler popped the big question. Lucy, Tyler and Hank live in Boston where Lucy works as Senior Manager of Marketing Strategy at Staples.

After living abroad in London for the last few years, **Laura Ott** has returned home to the US and is gearing up for her newest endeavor in Corporate Governance and Sustainability at Blackrock. Laura and her adopted Australian Cattle dog-mix puppy, Wiley, live in New York City and make frequent trips out to visit her parents and their two dogs on Long Island. This summer, Laura also got to spend some time at home with her niece, Olive Ott when her brother, Gib and sister-in-law, Laura, all came to visit from the UK and were able to spend some time with family in Oyster Bay.

Campbell McNicol Mumford and her husband, Henry, have been living on Long Island and working remotely since March of 2020. Campbell is coming into her third year



Laura Ott '06 & Campbell McNicol Mumford '06.

- at the television and film production house,
- Engel Entertainment, where she is the Chief of
- Staff. Last but not least to the pandemic puppy
- bandwagon, Campbell and Henry adopted a
- rescue German Shepherd-Rottweiler mix puppy
- named Dodger over the winter. Dodger and

- Laura Ott's puppy, Wiley actually share the same
- birthday (allegedly) and have already had several
- very loud but very enthusiastic puppy playdates.

• **Michael McCloskey** is headed for low country living and will be moving from North Carolina to Charleston, South Carolina this summer. In addition to relocating, he will also be starting up a new job at Charleston Table Company in July. After moving to the Carolinas in 2019, Michael has become an accomplished woodworker and will take over the responsibilities of building and completing finishes for custom furniture and doors in his new role at Charleston Table Company.

• Emmy Award-winning reporter, **Danny Freeman**, has said goodbye to the ever present sunshine of San Diego and hello to the City of Brotherly Love where he is now a newscaster and reporter at NBC Philadelphia.

2007

• **Duncan Lindsay '07** is currently stationed in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, and has been working-from-home for Songtrust as part of their Royalties team. Ensuring that songwriters are being fairly compensated is in his best interest as he prepares to release a solo EP. Quarantine also provided the impetus for Duncan to begin hosting a series of Zoom Trivia sessions, in which fellow East Woods classmates **James Hogg**, **Christian Sbarro**, and **Oliver Lee** occasionally took part.

2010

• **Juliette Lee '10** reports that this fall, she began her Master of Environmental Management at Duke University's Nicholas School. She was granted a merit-based assistantship as Oceans@Dukes Programming Assistant showing off Duke's ocean expertise to external audience.



Lucy Wallace '06.



Will Sheeline '12, Alec Sheeline '12,
Nathaniel Hogg '11, and Pete Hopkinson '11.

Nathaniel Hogg '11 As reported in On the Hill last year, Nathaniel joined the Peace Corps as an Education Volunteer in 2019 and was stationed in Ethiopia. We caught up with him recently to hear a bit more about his experience and to find out what will be next. Nathaniel arrived in Ethiopia in June 2019 and, after a three-month training period, began teaching eleventh grade English in a village in north central Ethiopia named, Sholagebaya. He expected to be there for two years, but the global pandemic forced him to return to United States in March 2020. Nathaniel notes that the experience was life-changing albeit unfinished because of the mandatory return. It gave him the perspective of being part of something much bigger and was a period of tremendous personal growth. Shortly after his return to the United States, Nathaniel embarked a months-long hike on the Appalachian Trail. From July until October of 2020, he completed the northern end of the trail and began hiking the southern end of the trail this past February. After having begun in Georgia, and currently in Damascus, Virginia, Nathaniel expects to finish in Port Clinton, Pennsylvania in May. Nathaniel next plans to attend graduate school to study international relations. He hopes to go to school in Edinburgh or London with a goal of taking the foreign service exam. East Woods School thanks Nathaniel for sharing his experience and wishes him our best as he completes the Appalachian Trail hike and begins his next chapter. We look forward to staying in touch.



Jack Towse '17.

She is also a research assistant for the Ocean Evidence Gap Maps Project looking to identify gaps in conservation interventions of tropical ecosystems including coral reefs, sea grass, and mangroves. Go Blue Devils! Go Spartans!

2012

Elizabeth James '12 graduated in May with a Bachelors in Elementary Education from Loyola University Maryland. After spending the summer as a camp counselor on Long Island, she received a job offer to teach fifth grade in Maryland. She made the move in August and began her first year virtually!

Spencer Low Woods '12 is a Legal Assistant at Parker Waichman LLP in the firm's Intake Department. Spencer graduated summa cum laude from the University at Buffalo in May 2020, with a Bachelor degree in Economics and Political Science with a Spanish minor. He is also a member of the prestigious Phi Beta Kappa Society and Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society. Spencer will be attending law school in the fall of 2021.

2017

Jack Towse '17 won National YoungArts Foundation finalist in Jazz, the organization's highest honor, as reported to us by his mother, Michelle. The press release reads, "Towse has been recognized for his caliber of artistic achievement and joins 659 of the nation's most accomplished artists in the visual, literary, and performing arts. Towse was selected by an esteemed discipline-specific panel of artists through a rigorous blind adjudication process. YoungArts award winners gain access to one of the most comprehensive programs for artists in the United States in which they will have opportunities for financial, creative and professional development support throughout their entire careers." Michelle adds that Jack toured Asia in the summer of 2019 with Sean Jones and Carnegie Hall. In 2020, he won Vail Jazz as well as National YoungArts.

2019

Jack Ceriello '19 reports everything is great at school. He belongs to the robotics and investments club, and his classes are all going well. He is currently learning about nuclear fission and what makes a "political monster." He hopes everything is great at EWS.

In Memoriam

East Woods School remembers with sadness our friends who passed away this year.

Joan Garver Anderson '54

Jan Azzoni, past EWS parent of Meg '74 and Michael '76

Leigh Porter Ball '59

Lesley ("Lel") Bush-Brown Gimbel

Margaret (Margie) Hamilton Howe, past EWS parent of Meredith Luce '68, Christie Luce McNicol '71, and Clare Luce Abbey '74 and grandmother of Campbell McNicol Mumford '06. She was predeceased by her daughter Lisa Luce '70.

George B. Schwab '76

Anne Jay Vieth '76

The background of the page features a large, light green watermark of the East Woods School crest. The crest is shield-shaped and contains the letters 'EW' inside an open book, with a torch positioned below the book.

Annual Report of Giving 2019-2020

Letter From the Head of School

June 2021

Dear East Woods School community,

On the following pages you will see the incredible generosity of our East Woods School community in supporting our mission during the 2019 to 2020 school year. Remarkably, we also saw an increase in contributions to the School during this past fiscal year, which ended June 30, 2021*. This is particularly notable given the challenging times. I believe it reflects the success of our faculty and staff in delivering upon our promise to provide a superior academic and character-building education.

As we approach the anniversary of our 75th year, which we will mark with a Gala on Saturday, October 16, 2021, I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to you, all of the members of the East Woods School community, for your steadfast support of our long-standing mission.

We were founded by a small group of parents who rolled up their sleeves, dedicated endless hours of thoughtful work, and contributed their own resources to build a school community like none other. East Woods School has the warmth of a home, a rigorous education guided by a nurturing faculty, and a mission rooted in character excellence.

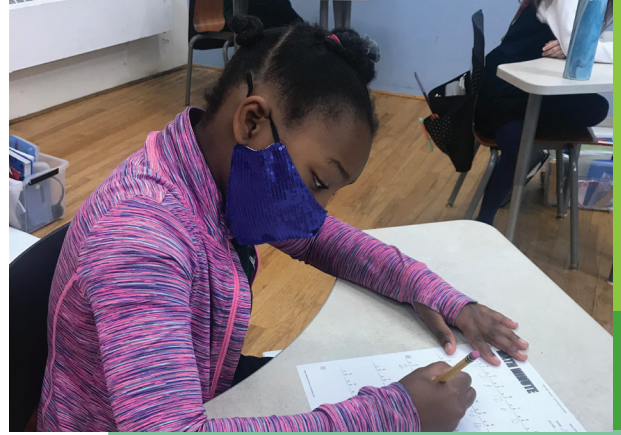
As an independent school, we rely on tuition and charitable gifts to operate. Every gift, of every amount, is valued and appreciated. As Head of School, my overriding objective is to continue to build upon our strong educational foundation for the next 75 years. Without a doubt, our objective to foster and achieve a community that is inclusive, diverse, and equitable is central to achieving our mission. You're giving supports all of these initiatives today and for years to come.

With my sincere gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Laura Kang'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Laura Kang
Head of School

**Gift listings for the 2020-2021 fiscal year will be published in the next issue of this publication.*



**Donor list for 2020-2021 will be published in the fall of 2021.*

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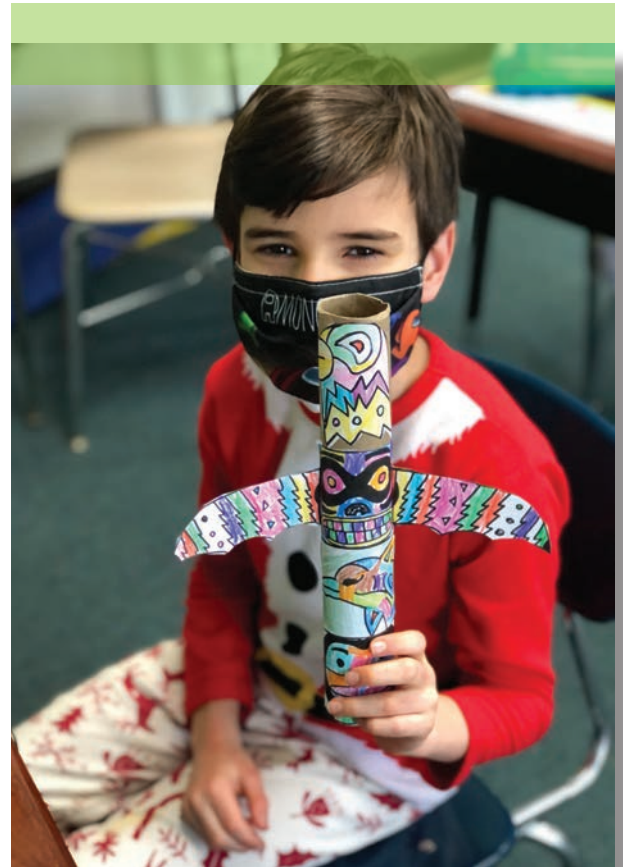
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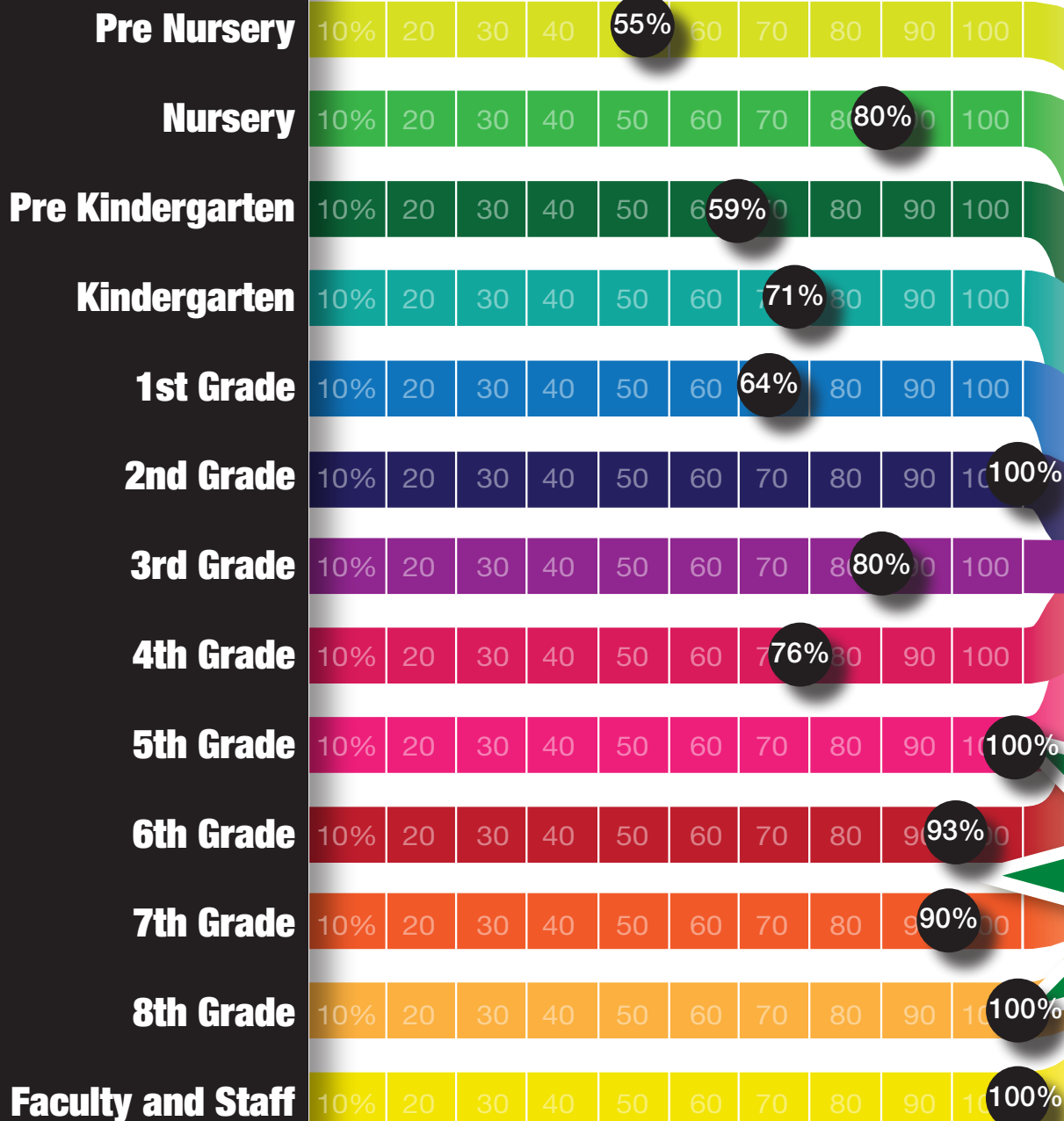


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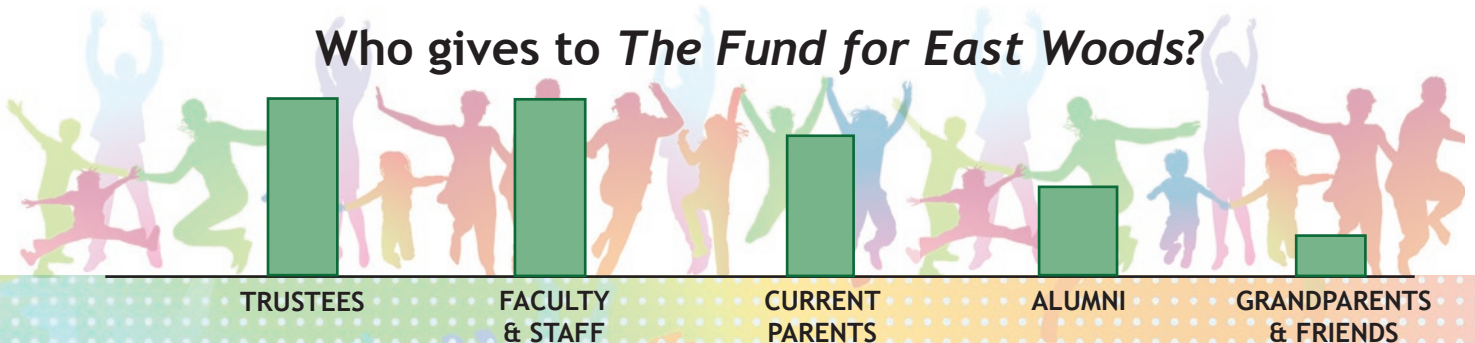
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