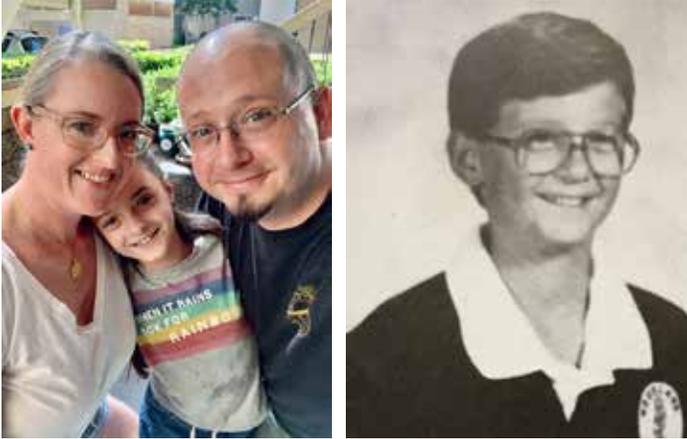


Alumni Spotlights

Bob Archibald Class of 1994



Current occupation:

Senior Environment Artist at Sony Playstation

Other schools attended:

Woodside High, Foothill College, Academy of Art in San Francisco

Activities:

My name was on the science fair plaque! I did a project on earthworms in the 8th grade and tied to win the science fair.

Favorite Woodland memory:

I attended primary school in Redwood City and was referred to a Woodland scholarship program. To balance the classes, they were looking for more boys to attend. At first it was intimidating to go to school in a new town and wear uniforms, but I ended up loving it. I made incredible lifelong friendships including Coach Schneider (I was best man in his wedding and he was best man in mine) and am grateful for the excellent teachers, especially the math teachers who helped me through Middle School geometry, which I now use every day in my job creating worlds for Sony PlayStation!

Fun facts and updates:

Woodland became something of a family affair. My sister worked in Early Childhood for a few years and my wife taught lower school science at Woodland. She loved the school but wanted to return to multi-subject teaching and is now a 2nd grade teacher at Audubon Elementary School.

I'm currently back at Sony, which was actually my first job out of college. I've also worked for LucasArts and some start ups, but enjoy being back at PlayStation creating worlds for players to experience. For me, it's the perfect balance of technology, creativity and psychology.

Nikhila Nanduri Class of 2017



Current occupation:

Student

Other schools attended:

Pinewood School. Will attend Carnegie Mellon this fall.

Activities:

My a cappella group, Pinewood Take Note, has professionally recorded on Spotify. I created two non-profits, one dedicated to improving online learning for young students during the pandemic and another dedicated to the empowerment of girls in STEM. At Pinewood, I was inducted into math, science, spanish, and history honors societies and served as president of the service club.

Favorite Woodland memory:

I started at Woodland in kindergarten and truly grew up there. It was my home for 10 years. I have great memories of my teachers, too many great ones to count. I remember their patience and dedication to making sure students really understood the material and loved learning. My math teachers really inspired me and I plan to major in mathematical sciences at Carnegie Mellon.

Fun facts and updates:

The strong sense of community at Woodland was a big factor in my picking Pinewood. It has the same, small vibe and people who are kind, trustworthy and genuine. It also made me attuned to the community at Carnegie Mellon, which has a quirky and nerdy feel.

Woodland is still a big part of my life. Both of my brothers attend Woodland, my mom taught there, and my dad served on the board. I formed lifelong friendships and stayed close to many Woodland friends throughout high school.

Future issues of Roots will include alumni class updates. Please keep an eye out for a message requesting updates or send your updates at any time to Erin Stevenson, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at estevenson@woodland-school.org. We look forward to learning where life has taken our Woodland Wildcats.