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CORE VALUES Honesty

We'd like to recognize Lizbeth Diaz for returning a USB that had been left on the computer in the Information Center.

Also, Pedro Taveras returned a cell phone that was left in the Information Cen-

February Reading
Give Away Winners:
Juanita Melau
(Mrs. Lemus)
Vanessa Martes
(Mr. Lopez)

Top Teacher Patron:
Bianca Rodriguez

Top Student Patron:
Priscilla Villa
From Mr. Rowe's
class

Most Popular book: Life of Pi by Yann Martel.

Falcon's Feather

Mrs. Kilpatrick's Annual Black History Display



Once again, Mrs. Kilpatrick uses the Information Center to display her

students' projects. As before, she instructs her students to create a 3 dimensional "thing" that represents one of their African American heroes.

If you had the opportunity to bring your classes by, you'll agree that this is a display filled with quality, well-thought and planned projects.

It appears as if they get better each year. Let's see what





her classes have to show us next year.

The students had enough time to research, plan, and create their "thing". Brendan Hartnett, one of her students, said, "Working on the project was fun!"

The IB Group 4 teachers would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the Group 4 Field Days, especially our lifeguards, Ms. Melau and Ms. Arellana, our Dock Master, Ms. Oliver, who returned from retirement to volunteer for this position and M. Graham, our intrepid sample collector, and all of the science teachers who accepted displaced students into their classes.

Written by Dr. Dowd

IB Group 4 Projects

The International Baccalaureate Group 4 project encourages students to appreciate the environmental, social and ethical implications of science. This exercise is collaborative and interdisciplinary: students analyze a topic or problem that can be investigated in each of the science disciplines offered by the school. It is also an opportunity for students to explore scientific solutions to global

questions.





Dr. Dowd has been working intensely with the students and their projects. Hats off to her! (No picture file for Dr. Dowd was available.)

Hats off to Dr. Rashida Rose



Dr. Rose has been bringing her students to the Information Center and requiring them to use biographies, collective biographies, nonfiction, and refer-

ence books. It is a good practice to have students learn how to use

print resources. We remind students that up-to-date information that comes from a print source is more reliable than the information they gather using search engines on the Internet. In previous collaborative planning sessions, and during our lessons, we recommend students use print resources and to use the Virtual

Library if they need to have an electronic reference. It is also recommended that students be required to turn in bibliographies.

Thank you Dr. Rose for bringing your students to the Information Center and requiring them to use print resources!