

### SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES



#### Conrad Challenge Semifinalists

Four teams from the Upper School's Engineering, Biomedical Science, and Computer Science Department have advanced to the semifinal round of this year's Conrad Challenge. An annual multi-phase innovation and entrepreneurship competition, the Conrad Challenge encourages young adults to participate in designing the future through purpose-driven education. It challenges students to come up with an innovation to solve a real-world problem, a concept that Gulliver students are familiar with as they strive to make a real impact on the world. Gulliver Prep teams have won the Conrad Challenge six times, and will look to make it seven when the winners are announced on February 12. To learn more and watch a video about each team's innovation, click on the button.

[Learn More](#)



#### Remembering Dr. King

To recognize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Mrs. Lang's fifth and sixth grade students created an educational exhibit on the windows of classroom G-3. Students and faculty can learn more about Dr. King through the photos, quotes, facts, and videos (accessed via QR codes), on display. Both in-person and remote learners participated in the project, as on-campus students researched and wrote out facts and quotes, and those learning from home created photo collages and emailed them to Mrs. Lang to print and display. Students also searched the internet for appropriate and factually correct videos about Dr. King in order to create QR codes that could be scanned for viewing.



## Arctic Animal Extractions in PK

PK students have embarked on a mini study on the Arctic, the Eskimos who live there, what they wear every day to survive in cold conditions, and how Arctic animals' blubber keeps them warm. Students are able to put their math, science, literacy, STEM, and problem solving skills to work during a "cool" lesson, as they test out different ways to extract animals from igloos. Last week, they used a hammer and a nail, and this week, they will try a different method of extraction by utilizing "snow potion" (a combination of vinegar, baking soda, and water). Using scientific inquiry skills, students will compare what happens when plain water is used versus the snow potion, and then answer the question, "do you think the snow potion will help you release the animal faster or slower than using the hammer and nail?" Having just learned about tallying, each student will tally their answer on a chart, and explain why they chose faster or slower before witnessing the chemical reaction from the snow potion.

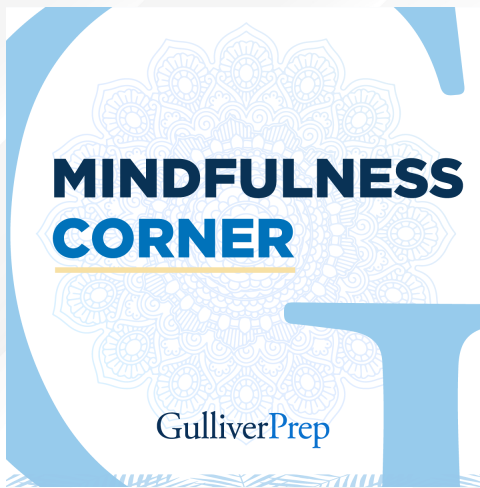
## Faculty/Staff Spotlight:

### Mr. Tyrone Sandaal P '23 '26

Each week through our Faculty/Staff Spotlight series, we invite our community members to get to know Gulliver Prep teachers and staff members across every division. This week, our spotlight features Mr. Tyrone Sandaal P '23 '26, Upper School Dean of Students. Click on the button to learn about his goals for the school year, favorite local restaurant, the Upper School's recycling program, and more.

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## Top 50 Mindfulness Resources for Children & Teens

Courtesy of [biglifejournal.com](http://biglifejournal.com)

Mindfulness, as a practice, isn't just for adults. Children and teens can benefit from it as well. Here's a list of helpful apps, books, and videos to share with your children and teens to help bring the concept and practice of mindfulness into your homes.

[Explore Resources](#)



## Middle, Upper School Dancers Participate in Professional Exposure Day

Last week, Middle and Upper School dancers participated in the department's annual Dance Professional Exposure Day. Students learned choreographed variations from *On Your Feet*, *Hamilton*, and *Moulin Rouge* from Broadway dancers themselves and also participated in a Fosse workshop, all via Zoom. The Master Class teachers joined in from New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Australia, bringing new dances, skills, discussions, and professional relationships to our students, combining real world experiences with the classroom.

# CULTURAL CONNECT

## JANUARY 27

5:45 p.m.

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Cultural Connect presentations are led by our own Mr. Kevin King, a longtime faculty member who has taken generations of students on a journey through the mysteries of the ancient world. For the last six years, he has shared that journey with Gulliver parents through Cultural Connect, making this a cherished Gulliver Prep tradition. Join Mr. King next Wednesday as he selectively explores the dizzying highs, lows, and common ground of the daughters of Pandora in 19th century literature. Click on the button to RSVP.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Tuesday, January 19**

JV Boys' Soccer vs. Belen Jesuit, 4:00 p.m., Sean Taylor '01 Memorial Field, Upper School Campus

Varsity Girls' Basketball vs. Pine Crest, 7:00 p.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

### **Wednesday, January 20**

*Upper School Miller Campus Parent Chat, 6:00 p.m., Virtual*

### **Wednesday, January 20 - Wednesday, January 27**

*Middle School Montgomery Mid-Year Conferences, Grades 7-8*

### **Thursday, January 21**

JV/Varsity Girls' Basketball vs. Calvary Christian, 5:00/6:30 p.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

### **Friday, January 22**

Freshman Boys' Basketball vs. American for International Education, 3:30 p.m., Blue Dungeon,

Upper School Campus

Varsity Girls' Soccer vs. Miami Palmetto, 4:00 p.m., Sean Taylor '01 Memorial Field, Upper School Campus

Varsity Boys' Basketball vs. Pine Crest, 5:00 p.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

### **Saturday, January 23**

Middle School Boys' JV/Varsity Basketball vs. Belen Jesuit, 9:30/10:30 a.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

### **Monday, January 25**

JV/Varsity Girls' Basketball vs. Southwest Miami, 6:00/7:30 p.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

### **Monday, January 25 - Friday, January 29**

*Winter Spirit Week, Grades PK-12*

*Non-athletic events appear in italics.* | All events are subject to change.

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