

SCHOOL NEWS AND UPDATES

Standing with Our AAPI Community

Gulliver stands in solidarity with our Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community in the wake of the terrible acts of violence committed against members of the AAPI community last week in Atlanta. As a school, we do our best work when we engage in the educational process, helping our students, faculty, and families come together to explore these issues, ask tough questions and engage in difficult conversations that expand our knowledge, our abilities, and our humanity. We will continue discussions with our students, faculty, and staff to learn from current events, and we are committed to engaging in these dialogues throughout the school, working to change systems to create communities in which all children are safe and able to thrive.

As we all grapple with the tragic events that have unfolded in recent days, we wanted to share educational resources we hope you find helpful to join us in the conversations with your children.

[Classroom Resources and Tips To Address Anti-Asian Discrimination | WeAreTeachers.com](#)

[How to Talk to Kids About Anti-Asian Violence | Parents.com](#)

[Resources for Parents and Teachers to #StopAsianHate: Read, Watch, Do | Khan Academy](#)

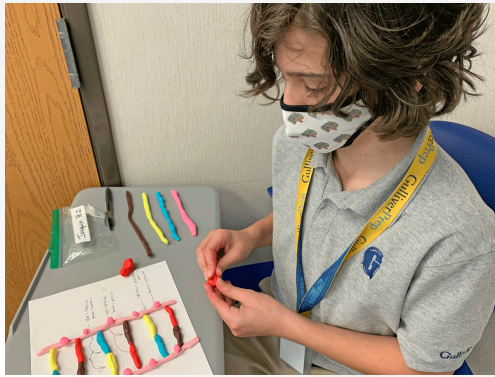
[Countering COVID-19 Stigma and Racism: Tips for Parents and Caregivers | National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\)](#)

[Talking to Young Children About Race and Racism | PBS](#)

**Women's History Month: Choose to Challenge**

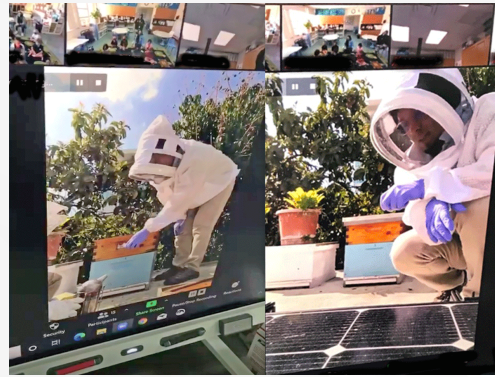
In celebration of Women's History Month, Upper School faculty and staff are inviting the entire Gulliver community to take part in the #GulliverWHM2021 #ChooseToChallenge initiative. [InternationalWomensDay.com](https://www.internationalwomensday.com) writes, "A challenged world is an alert world. Individually, we're all responsible for our own thoughts and actions - all day, every day. We can all choose to challenge and call out gender bias and inequality. We can all choose to seek

out and celebrate women's achievements. Collectively, we can all help create an inclusive world. From challenge comes change, so let's all choose to challenge." Post a photo on social media with your hand raised high, demonstrating your commitment to choose to challenge inequality, call out bias, question stereotypes, and help forge an inclusive world. *Pictured: Upper School Miller Campus faculty and staff.*



Connecting an Abstract Concept with a Hands-On Activity

Middle School Introduction to Biology students are learning about traits and reproduction, including knowing and understanding the basic, but complex, structure of a DNA molecule. "We discuss so many aspects of heredity and genetics, and it all starts with DNA," said Mrs. Olympia Schneider, Middle School Science Faculty member. "As such, we like to have the students create some form of a basic DNA double helix. This year, students used a polymer clay to recreate the structure with various colors representing the four nucleotides that make up the base pairs of A-T and C-G, as well as the side deoxyribose sugar and phosphate side structures." While in-person students worked with clay, remote students created a digital drop-and-drag version to submit via Google Classroom. *Photo by Corina Basulto-Fraga, Middle School Journalism Faculty & Yearbook Advisor, and The Raider Flash.*



Zooming Live and Learning About Bees

Primary School students had a chance to Zoom live with a SK classmate and his dad, getting a first-hand look at what it takes to care for bees! Students learned all about how and why bees make honey, how humans safely collect their honey, the importance of the queen bee, and why bees swarm. The presentation tied in with the JK Recycling Study, in which students focused on the importance of taking care of our Earth and how that supports living things. The class also took the opportunity to adopt its own bee hives from a family-owned farm in Jacksonville called Bee Friends Farm and, along with PK, JK students planted wildflower seeds and other bee-friendly plants like lavender and rosemary to support our local bee populations.



Español Students Create Virtual Exhibits

Last year, Mrs. Maria Picado, Middle School World Languages Faculty & Department Chair, learned that the Smithsonian was going to open a museum dedicated to Hispanic Americans. While browsing the National Museum of the American Latino website, she noticed a section

that asked for suggestions on what should be included in the museum. Fast forward to this year, and Mrs. Picado stepped into action, giving students in her Español D class an assignment to research an Afro-Latino and create an exhibit idea for the museum. To learn more, click on the button.

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Faculty/Staff Spotlight: Mrs. Andrea Cook P '35

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 Mrs. Andrea Cook P '35, Educational Technology Instruction & Innovation Librarian PK-8. Click on the button to learn about how libraries have changed, the last book she read, two women she admires, and more.

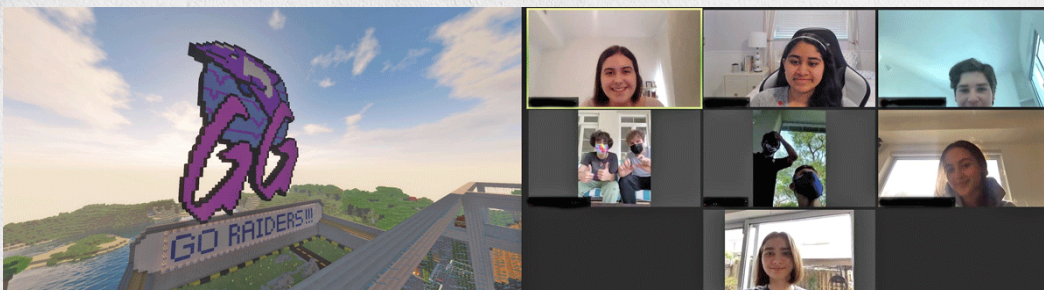
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Ms. Febo Experiences Service Trip

Last month, Ms. Denelsa Febo, Educational Technology Instruction & Innovation Librarian 9-12, embarked on a BLUE Missions service trip. Click on the button to discover why she wanted to be involved in the mission trip, her biggest takeaways, and how her experience helped make her more conscientious about conservation.

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Clubs Host Minecraft Tournament to Support Female Entrepreneurs

In honor of Women's History Month, the Upper School Business Club partnered with the Gameplay Club to host a friendly, fun, and competitive Minecraft tournament. Students engaged in fierce competition while playing a part to build a better world for those who are less fortunate, as the tournament winner was able to choose a female entrepreneur to support through microloans with the money raised from the event. Click on the button to watch the tournament recap.

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ALL-SCHOOL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021 | 9:00 a.m.

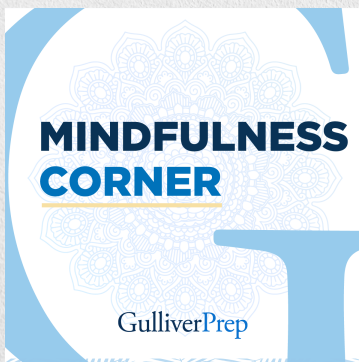
TUNE IN AT GULLIVER.LIFE/MARCHMEETING



2021-22 Academic Calendar

Last week, we announced some updates to the **2021-22 key dates calendar**. Based on feedback received from our families and from faculty and staff, we have amended next year's school calendar to include a full week holiday for February 21-25, coinciding with President's Day. January 14 and March 18, previously scheduled as Teacher Workdays, will now be regular school days. The Professional Development Day originally scheduled for February 18 has been moved to January 3. To view the 2021-22 Academic Calendar for Families, click on the button.

[View Calendar](#)



The 5 most common types of meditation — and how to choose the best type for you

Courtesy of insider.com

Practicing meditation can help you focus and feel more connected to the present moment. In doing so, you can also benefit your health by lowering stress, achieving higher self-awareness, and improving your tolerance for pain. Click on the button to learn about five of the most common types of meditation and the benefits they offer.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 23

Varsity Baseball vs. Ransom Everglades, 4:00 p.m., Baseball Field, PK-8 Campus

Varsity Softball vs. Archbishop McCarthy, 4:30 p.m., Softball Field, Upper School Campus

Wednesday, March 24

Grade 11 SAT Testing, Upper School Campus (Grades 9, 10 & 12: remote learning)

Parents' Association All-School Meeting, 9:00 a.m., Virtual, gulliver.life/marchmeeting

JV Baseball vs. Westminster Christian, 4:00 p.m., Baseball Field, PK-8 Campus

Upper School Business Plan Showcase, 6:00 p.m., Virtual, gulliver.life/business2021

Thursday, March 25

Varsity Girls' Lacrosse vs. Palmer Trinity, 3:00 p.m., Sean Taylor '01 Memorial Field, Upper School Campus

Middle School JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Carrollton, 3:30/4:30 p.m., Blue Dungeon, Upper School Campus

Varsity Boys' Lacrosse vs. Stoneman Douglas, 4:00 p.m., Sean Taylor '01 Memorial Field, Upper School Campus

Friday, March 26

Lower School Field Day

Monday, March 29

Varsity Girls'/Boys' Water Polo District Tournament, TBD, Aquatic Center, Upper School Campus

March 29-April 5

Spring Recess, Campuses Closed

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

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