Opinion Column:

<u>What is Black History Month?</u> One girl says, "It is a month where we celebrate the culture of the black people," and a teacher sees Black History Month as a month that highlights cultures and histories that are unfamiliar to some. Black History Month is a month dedicated to black history and heritage. Most people remember important civil rights movement leaders like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., or Rosa Parks. They may also remember movements like the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Panther Party, with all of their tragic history.

But there is so much more to the month than that. We also celebrate black culture and those artists and activists who broke barriers of discrimination in their fields for future generations. Some examples are Sidney Poitier, Nichelle Nichols, Denzel Washington, Morgan Freeman, Viola Davis, Isabel Sanford, Whoopi Goldberg, Jennifer Hudson, Phylicia Rashad, Percival Everett, Maryse Condé, Gayle Jones, Nnedi Okorafor, Harry Belafonte, Ray Charles, Marvin Gaye, Jane Bolin, Alice Allison Dunnigan, and many more.

<u>How can we benefit from Black History Month?</u> I have a few ideas on how as a school and as individuals can celebrate Black History Month. I think teachers could talk with their class about the importance of black history and how it affected America or other countries around the world. I think we as individuals should look up interesting facts about black history month. Or go to your local library and pick up a few books on black history. I think one of the best things we can do though is to sit down and thank those black people who helped pave the way for us now. Or just to think about how they affected the whole world in such a positive way.

To me black history is very important; it makes me happy to see others take interest in my people's past and culture. So today why don't you try to learn a little bit about black history? Try it. and you may end up liking it.

- Genesis Pierre, with input from Siri Telfort and Sara Vasquez

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FCS SCHOOL LIFE

Flushing Christian SchoolMiddle School Discipleship for grades 5 and up!

WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?

Discipleship is a safe space for students to socialize with one another and lead each other to a better understanding of Christ. As Ms. Oviedo says, it also "provides a safe community to answer any questions students may have." This is also a special time since it is not a class with homework or tests, as Mr. Snavely points out. It is separated into a boys' and girls' group and divided by age. Discipleship begins every Thursday morning and it takes place during Bible Class.

WHAT HAPPENS IN DISCIPLESHIP?

Discipleship covers the topics of relationships, bullying, social media, and growing up. It is a session to open up and participate (Mr. Penland likes the participation side!), and teachers will give you tips you should know as you approach the next grade. Mrs. Martinez also adds that she enjoys the opportunities to just have fun and outside activities. These notes will help you throughout the years as you may face troubles with your personal life, your relationship with Christ, and more. <u>ALL</u> <u>TOPICS ARE DISCUSSED IN FROM A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW</u>.



Zoe Fowler Brandon Almanzar Claire Lee

5th/6th Boys discuss the maze of life!

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PERSONAL SPOTLIGHT!



Brandon Almanzar, a student in 6th Grade has a very unique story. He is learning remotely for a pretty interesting reason. According to Brandon he is not able to come to school because his immune system is not fully developed, causing him to get very severe illnesses very easily. In order to eliminate the possibility of Brandon getting sick, he can't come to school.

Brandon enjoys some benefits. Since Brandon is online he doesn't have to wake up as early as us students and teachers who attend FCS in person. Learning remotely has its obvious benefits, but there are some challenges. According to Brandon, some of the challenges to learning remotely is the internet that can sometimes cut off or that his eyes hurt from looking at screens all day. Another challenge that Brandon has is the limited learning space that makes it difficult for him to organize and sort his books.

Considering all the pros and cons, Brandon would not recommend remote learning. He can't talk to his friends in school. Another reason says is that sometimes his eyes hurt from looking at the screen for too long every single day.

We are thankful that Brandon is a part of our school community! - Jayden Chang, Melinda Jimenez, and Luis Suarez

In the Classroom

Several 6th grade students shared their thoughts about *The Diary of Anne Frank*, a crucial part of the 6th Grade ELA curriculum. **Q: How would you describe Anne Frank?** Literate, intelligent, creative, courageous, ... and whiny.

Q: What have you learned about Anne Frank? She has pretty handwriting. She was a Jewish girl who had to endure the Holocaust. **Q: How would you rate her journal?** A1: 6 of 10, because I am not excited about biographies. A2: 8 of 10, because we can see her thoughts, but she doesn't share others' ideas.

- Jada Shutes with Jason Zhou

Extras!

word of the Month:

Simper: (v.) to smile or speak in a silly, forced way (n.) a smile forced

🏂 🎗 February Birthday Shoutouts: 🅭 🎗

- Melinda Jimenez (6th): February 1st
- Jada Shutes (8th): February 15th
- Marlon Buendia (5th) February 16th
- Jailah Lewis (5th) February 16th
- Israel Marmol (1st) February 27th

Bible Verse Psalms 145:9

The LORD is good to all, his tender mercies are over all his works

Q: When is the moon heaviest? A: When it's full

Q: How do trees get on the internet? A: They log on

Q: What has 8 legs and 8 eyes? A: 8 pirates

If something is illegally legal, is it legal illegally?

(Compiled by Nathan Sabato, Oliver Jacob, and Gabriel Silva)

