

# The Country Isles CHRONICLE



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Dear Country Isles Parents and Community Members,

As most of you are aware, Mrs. Tonya Frost, Principal, has been summoned to serve as a juror. During her absence, I have been selected to be the Intern Principal of this awesome school filled with the best students, staff and parents. I am extremely delighted to have been offered this opportunity.

Please know that I will continue to follow the policies and procedures established by Mrs. Frost. I look forward to working with each of you in a collaborative manner as we continue to address academic and operational programs to ensure that all our students reach their highest potential.

Educationally yours,

Mayra Hernandez  
Intern Principal

### Juiceblendz CIE Fundraiser

Country Isles welcomes Juiceblendz as a Partner in Education for our school. Please join us at Juiceblendz on Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm featuring Oopsy the Clown. The class with the most participation will be awarded an in-school Juice Party.

### Harvest Drive Volunteers

Country Isles Thanksgiving Food Drive kicked off at school on Friday. All those interested in helping out are invited to a volunteer Meeting on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. This meeting will be informative and everyone is encouraged to attend. For more information on The Harvest Drive please contact Renee Herman at (954)-444-5548.

### Harvest Drive Household Good Donations

If you have any household goods to donate to this year's Harvest Drive please hold them until Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at which time they may be delivered to the school. Thank You for everyone's support.

### MEET THE MASTERS

The Meet the Masters Committee would like to applaud every single Mom, Dad and Grandparent that has stepped up and made the commitment to bring this program into almost every classroom at CIE!

For Vincent Van Gogh, we reached over 800 kids ~ with over **90%** of the Teachers participating at **every** grade level. Mr. Rollins and his program have completely enveloped this curriculum and he is not only teaching supporting techniques in his regular art classes but is also reinforcing the actual Art History of the Artists and periods – he tells us that **“The kids are actually asking more about it, discussing it amongst themselves and are completing additional Van Gogh projects. Their increased retention and learning curve is just incredible”**.

We will be using new mediums and hopefully offering unique “Life Lessons” with each artist. September was Van Gogh, using oil pastels and hopefully finding better and more constructive ways to deal with internal stress as well as the old “practice makes perfect” rule.

For our October Artist ~ Georgia O’Keeffe, we will be using Water Color Pencils and Crayons. For her lesson, she wrote - , **“If I were going to paint that flower, I would make it so big that people would have to look at it - Nobody sees a flower, really - We haven’t time - and to see takes time... like to have a Friend takes time.”**

Thank you also to the CIE Staff for all that they have done to launch this program! We hope you can see and hear that it is as educational and certainly as much fun for the volunteers as it is for the kids and we hope you will come check it out and enjoy the one on one creative support that we strive to bring to every class.

Please contact Michele (954) 914-4579 [mlknipp@elitegolfcruises.com](mailto:mlknipp@elitegolfcruises.com) or Karen (954) 540-8590 [hectichouse@yahoo.com](mailto:hectichouse@yahoo.com) to get involved or receive more information on the artists or the curriculum.

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## **JUST SAY NO!**

### **Country Isles' Multicultural Family Night**

C.I.E. has your bags "packed and ready" to embark on a cultural journey through Latin-America. Join us as we explore the richness of the Hispanic culture, through art, music, dance, and literature!

Master storyteller, Lucia Gonzalez, will make an appearance to give a special reading of one of her award-winning folktales. Lucia Gonzalez was born in 1957 in Havana, Cuba, and grew up in Cuba and Miami. She attended the University of California at Santa Barbara and the University of Tampa in Florida. She has always been fascinated by the folktales of other countries, and has lived in Spain, Mexico, and Venezuela. It was while living in Venezuela that Ms. Gonzalez came up with the idea that would lead to her books for children: she discovered that many of the folktales there were similar to the ones she had grown up with, with only slight variations. "Since then," she explains, "my dream became to compile some of the most popular stories told to children throughout the Americas and retell them in English so that I could pass them onto our children in the U.S.A."

Ms. Gonzalez has made her dream come true. In 1994 she published *The Bossy Gallito*, which was a Pura Belpre Award Honor Book and included on the Aesop Accolade list by the Children's Folklore Section in the American Folklore Society. Her 1998 book, *Senor Cat's Romance and Other Favorite Stories from Latin America*, was named an Americas Award Commended Title. Both books were illustrated by acclaimed artist Lulu Delacre. Ms. Gonzalez lives in S. Florida with her husband, and their two children.

We hope to see you and your family as we enjoy this very special evening. Your tour begins on Wednesday, October 25th at 5:45 p.m. Your passport to reading & the world is waiting for you!

October 23 - 27, 2006

Sponsored by Ms. Edberg and Mrs. Gomez's Student Council

Red Ribbon Week will be celebrated from October 23rd-27th. Please join us in celebrating a drug free environment. Below is a list of activities the students will participate in throughout the week.

### **"United To Be Drug-Free" Community Service Fundraiser**

Student Council representatives will sell links throughout the school campus on the mornings of **Monday, Oct. 23rd - Thursday, Oct. 26th (4 day link sale only!)**. Students can buy links for 25 cents each. The proceeds will be donated to Kids In Distress of Broward County. The class with the longest link chain wins a Coke Float Party! The grade level with the longest chain wins a "Just Say No" team trophy!

### **Theme Days**

**Monday, Oct. 23rd** - Take the drug-free pledge! Students will repeat the pledge as they listen to it over the morning announcements. Students will also tie their red ribbon around campus to show their dedication to being and staying drug free.

**Tuesday, Oct. 24th** - "Team Up Against Drugs!" Wear your favorite sports team shirt or jersey.

**Wednesday, Oct. 28th** - "Hats Off to Being Drug-Free!" Wear a wacky hat or cap.

**Thursday, Oct. 29th** - "Sock It to Drugs!" Pull out the wackiest, most mixed-up socks you've got and wear them to school.

**Friday, Oct. 29th** - "Rally in RED day!" Dress in red from head to toe.

### **Dates To Remember:**

October 18<sup>th</sup> – Books-A-Million 6:00 p.m.

October 19<sup>th</sup> – Early Release Day

October 19<sup>th</sup> – Juiceblendz Night 6:00-8:00

October 20<sup>th</sup> – No School

October 23<sup>rd</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> - Book Fair

October 25<sup>th</sup>- Multicultural Night 6:00-7:00 p.m.,

PTA Meeting 7:00, Book Fair Night 5:30-7:00

October 30<sup>th</sup> – SAC Meeting

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