



CITY YEAR ORLANDO

SCHOOLHOUSE NEWS, ISSUE 2

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Highlights from the Red Nose Day team serving at Catalina Elementary School

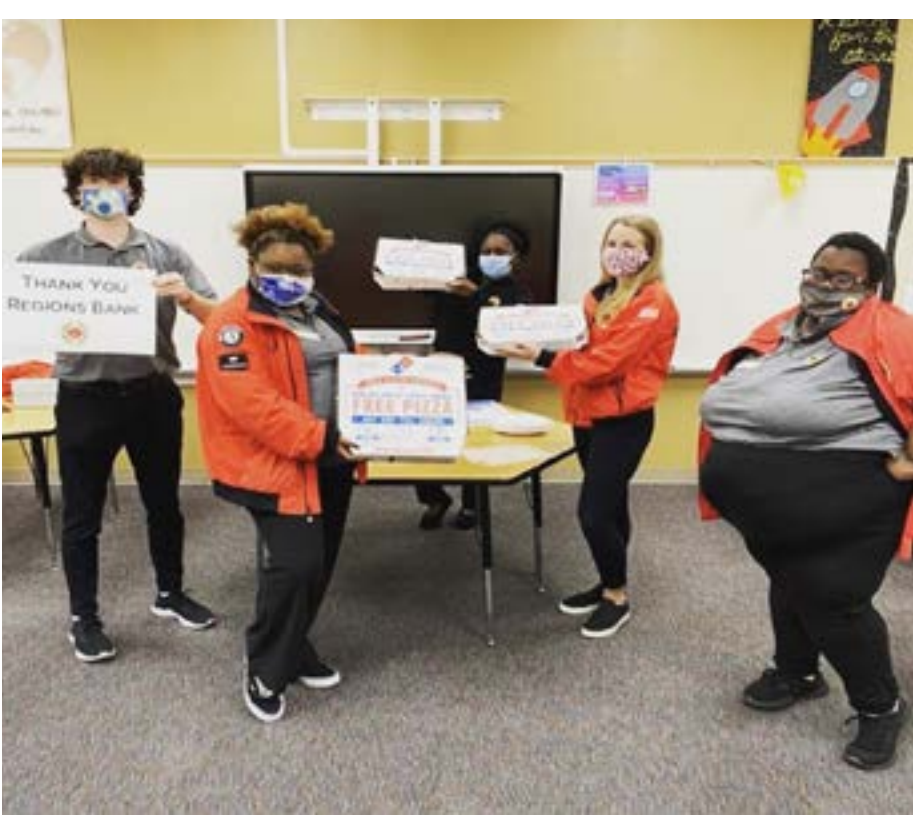


JOYS

- We are excited to share that Xavier Driscoll got accepted into University of Edinburgh in Scotland
- Principal Daub was nominated for the Vice President position of the National Association Elementary School Principals
- We were able to appreciate Mr. Ingram, our Dean of Students and our Officer Joe, our School Resource Officer

STARFISH STORY - A STORY OF STUDENT IMPACT

BY ALYSSA JONES



Growing up, I needed that person who would never give up on me and challenge me to do my best. I wanted that person who only wanted to see you shine, so I decided to dedicate my time to being that for my student. It quickly became clear that they not only needed me, but I needed them as well. Throughout the first couple of weeks of school I met two students that wanted absolutely nothing to do with me. I wanted to build those relationships and

get them to open up, feel comfortable, and trust me. Each day, I made an effort to greet them and try to get to know them. It was not easy, but the challenges and hurdles were nothing compared to the reward. Hard work, consistency, and dedication to these students allowed me to create two very special relationships that I will carry with me forever. These boys now gravitate towards me, and do everything they can to try and make me proud. Whether its running over to show me their test scores or to implementing the behavioral techniques and coping mechanisms I have been continuously working with them on. I am so grateful that I made the decision to serve with City Year. Every day, my students bring me joy and I am excited to what the rest of the year holds.

AMERICORPS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Laney DeRose is a proud team member serving on the Red Nose Day team at Catalina Elementary. She is from Tampa, FL and a graduate of Florida Atlantic University where she studies Sociology. Laney learned about City Year during her time at FAU. She quickly fell in love with the mission of City Year and how service works to make education and school a better place. Laney is enjoying serving the students at Catalina and appreciates the continued support from her teammates and staff. After City Year, Laney plans to begin a career as a guidance counselor.

THE TEAM

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| Nechelle Davis | Laney DiRose | Xavier Driscoll |
| Alyssa Jones | Jaline Mareus | Katie McLaughlin |
| Christina Ocean | Journey Reichhoff | Alexandra Woodson |

UPCOMING DATES

February
Black History Month



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