

MARCH

# SOMERSET UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER

### RECAP

We kicked off the month by celebrating our incredible counselors during National School Counseling Week, recognizing their dedication and support.

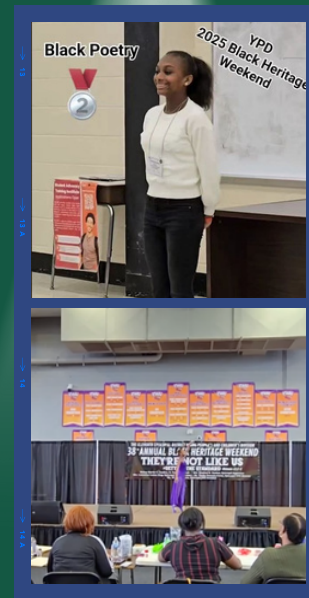
Our students have been making waves with their achievements, and we loved hearing about so many tournaments and successes from our student-athletes. Seniors had an important meeting marking the beginning of their exciting graduation countdown, reminding them just how close they are to this major milestone.

At our Grade Level Meet-Up, we had an unforgettable experience hearing from Tony Hawk, courtesy of Mr. McCormick, and took the opportunity to refresh on all the amazing clubs available—be sure to sign up if you haven't yet! Our clubs have also been celebrating Black History Month in creative ways, and we have to admit, we're a little jealous of Baking Club's beignets!

Students on the Principal's Honor Roll had the chance to celebrate their high academic achievement in person at Kings Dining, where they bowled their hearts out and even got to sing Happy Birthday to our wonderful principal, Ms. Iglesias.

With so much accomplished this month, we are more than ready for Spring Break—a well-earned chance to recharge and come back even stronger for the remainder of the school year!

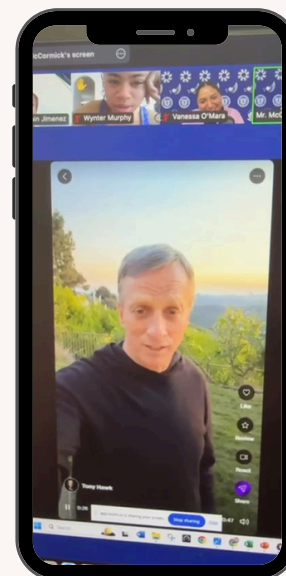
### SPOTLIGHT



**Alejandra Jimenez**

Alejandra participated in a Black Heritage Weekend in Jacksonville at Edward Waters University and placed 2nd in Black Poetry

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**GRADE  
LEVEL MEET  
UP-  
FEATURING  
TONY  
HAWK**



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THESE KIDS ARE

# ON A Roll!

FEB 20 • 11 AM-1PM

Kings Dining Bowling Alley  
Celebrate your straight A's with us!

HENRY BARFOOT  
LUKAS CORTES  
LENNON HODGES  
DYLAN HORTON  
LOGAN HOSTETLER  
JAMARCUS FLUITT  
NESSIM JENA  
JAXON NAVRATIL  
JONATHAN PARKS  
ADRIAN ROSARIO

ALEXANDER SHAW  
MARCO SIMION  
KATHERINE SUAU  
DANIEL SUMALLA  
CHASE VAZQUEZ  
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RONDELL WHITE  
CHAZ WILLIAMS  
JONATHAN WILLIAMS





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**STAY ON TRACK:**

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**YEARBOOK CLUB**

**PIONEERING BLACK JOURNALISTS WHO CHANGED AMERICA**

- Ida B. Wells (1862-1931):** Fearless investigative journalist who exposed lynching through detailed reporting.
- Alice Allison Dunnigan (1906-1983):** Broke barriers as first Black female White House correspondent.
- Ed Bradley (1941-2006):** Award-winning CBS journalist known for powerful interviews on "60 Minutes".

**Key Impact:** These journalists gave voice to untold stories and challenged systemic racism through factual reporting.

## UPCOMING Dates:

### Women's History Month

**Subject Selection for Rising Juniors (Must schedule through Calendly link w Ms. Gonzalez)**  
March 3-13

**Graduation Form Deadline (Seniors)**  
March 11

**Info Meeting (InterMiami CF Only)**  
March 12 6 pm

**Dual Enrollment Info Meeting**  
March 18 2:30pm

**Grade Level Meet up**  
March 19

**Spring Break**  
March 24- March 28

**Teacher Planning Day**  
March 31

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WE ARE CELEBRATING

# Black History Month

02/01 → 03/01

Highlighting and learning about Black leaders in STEM, sports, literature, and activism.

"Courage is like - it's a habitus, a habit, a virtue: you get it by courageous acts. It's like you learn to swim by swimming. You learn courage by couraging."  
- Marie M. Daly

First African American woman to receive a Ph.D. in chemistry in the United States.

**Marie M. Daly**

## BAKING CLUB FEBRUARY BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**& DISNEY-LOVERS INSPIRED SWEET TREAT:**



**Easy Air Fryer Beignets**

5 stars (10 reviews)

Prep Time: 10 min | Cook Time: 10 min

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup warm water
- 1/2 cup warm milk
- 1/2 cup warm oil

Instructions:

1. In a large bowl, combine flour, sugar, and salt.
2. Add warm water and milk, and mix until a dough forms.
3. Knead the dough for 5 minutes.
4. Roll out the dough and cut into small circles.
5. Fry in a hot oil for 2-3 minutes.
6. Drain and dust with powdered sugar.

