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## ~Editor's Message~



Welcome to the 2007 George C. Marshall School Yearbook. It has been quite a year and we have produced for you a comprehensive and attractive yearbook to remember the fun times, the good times, and everything in between.

Many of the faces in this book will not be at our wonderful school next year, making this yearbook a true book of memories. The Senior class is graduating and Mr. Wood and Mr. Simpkins, two DoDDS veterans, will be retiring. These people will be missed and they will miss the school and those they are leaving behind.

The theme of this year's yearbook is "a work of art." The yearbook staff felt that, in a school filled with people from all over the world, this theme would be perfect. The students of our school, though different in many ways and of many nationalities, have formed a familial bond with one another.

In 1985, U.S. First Lady Nancy Reagan gave the United Nations a Norman Rockwell mosaic to commemorate the organization's fortieth anniversary. The mosaic is filled with representations of people from around the world and at the bottom it reads "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Having personally seen this mosaic at the U.N headquarters in New York, I have had the opportunity to appreciate the emotional weight of this work of art. In a way, our school is that mosaic. Not only are we ethnically diverse, we all get along and treat each other with dignity, respect, and care. We work together and attend school together in harmony.

Our school is in fact a work of art of its own. It is an example of what the world could be like. Students from countries that have been sworn enemies for generations can be found playing together at recess or working on a project together for a class. Many of the leaders and people of these countries cannot seem to figure out a way to make peace. Somehow, unintentionally, our school has figured this out and would not have it any other way. We have solved problems that are so deeply rooted in some cultures that they no longer know what they are fighting over. Our school puts these problems into perspective. The people that are in conflict were once just like us. They were all kids at one time in their lives and eventually had their minds clouded with problems. We must never forget that the future lies in our hands and that no matter what happens we all were able to live in peace at one point and there is no reason for that to change. We have all experienced cultural harmony at George C. Marshall School and I hope that you take it with you and teach it to the rest of the world.


Kaan Kadioglu
-Editor-In Chief-

# $\sim$ Dedication $\sim$ 



Usually, the dedication of a yearbook is a daunting task, but this year two of our teachers who are approaching retirement are so deserving of our respect and admiration that this tribute was made simple. Mr. Simpkins and Mr. Wood have both been in the DoDDS system for years and have made a significant impact on all of their students. So without further ado, let's take a look at these two accomplished and dedicated teachers.

In August 1972, David Simpkins boarded a plane for the first time and headed to Okinawa, Japan for his first Department of Defense Dependent School posting. He spent nine months on Okinawa before transferring to Bremerhaven, Germany where he taught for three years. From Bremerhaven, David accepted a two-year assignment to Darmstadt Career Center before driving to Incirlik, Turkey for his fourth posting with DoDDS.

David Simpkins said that when he arrived in Turkey, he felt as he had returned home for Turkey and her people were not strangers to him. After six years at Incirlik, David finally received his dream posting to Izmir, Turkey. He said that Izmir was so different than the rural life of a small farm in Salt Lick, Kentucky, and he understood that he wished to live in Turkey and Kentucky. But when the Izmir American School closed in 2002, David said that he was most fortunate to be assigned to the George C. Marshall School in Ankara, Turkey, where he said he has had the opportunity to meet some of the most wonderful students he has ever had the pleasure of teaching.

After retirement, David Simpkins said the he plans to shuttle between Izmir and Kentucky. First on his list of things to do is finish his second novel while working on having his first book published. Another challenge he plans for himself is to develop some technique and skill in watercolors. But before he settles into a life of leisure, he said that he might do an assignment with the Peace Corps, but relaxing for a period of time is first on his list of things to do in retirement.

Bill Wood entered the Department of Defense Dependents School System in 1971. He was stationed in Bitburg, Germany, for three years. Then, he was transferred to Ankara, Turkey, during the school years 1974 to 1976. After that experience, he spent one year at the DoDDS School in Bahrain. Finally, he was transferred back to Incirlik, Turkey, for five years, where he was married and had a daughter.

He applied for a transfer to Izmir, and in 1983 was transferred there, where he spent the next nineteen years. The DoDDS School in Izmir was closed in 2002, and he was transferred to Naples, Italy, for two years. He was quite homesick for Turkey, and he asked for a final transer to Ankara. He was transferred to Ankara in 2004 and has worked at George C. Marshall School for the past three years.

He and his wife, Mehtap, will retire to their home by Aegean near Cesme, Turkey; they plan to reside there permanently. He looks forward to leisure time of gardening, writing, exercising, reading, and being lazy.

Both of these men will be greatly missed for they have been wonderful teachers and friends to many people in the Ankara community. We wish them the best of luck in whatever they pursue and hope that the enjoy their much deserved retirement to the fullest!
"The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson."

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## A Glance At



## Our Canvas





## Halloween

Wth a shriek and a cackle Halloween §houls and \&remlins stormed through the halls of George C. Marshall on all hallows eve. The elementary students were the stars of the show as they ran about in costumes and received bountiful amounts of candy for their innovative dis8uises. This year, we were given the spectacular view of a youn 8 man dressed as a box of popcorn, fairies, and a beautiful collection of princesses.

Cries of delight were heard throughout the school as the younger 8rades were paraded through the building in our form of trick-or-treating. For many of our students, Halloween is not a tradition and their reaction to this American version of this holiday ranged from sheer terror to delight. Those that made the complete parade circuit were gifted with a lightshow at one end of the hall and a 'shocking' experience.

Halloween, sometimes called All Hallows' Eve or All Saints day, but the version of Halloween we are used to is only a century old. The holiday has roots in Celtic festival of Samhain, which is also the celebration of the New Year. Originally, Halloween was a day on which families would head to the cemeteries and pay respects to the dead by caring for the 8raves of the deceased. And legend has it that on All Saints Day, the veil between the world of the dead and the world of the living weakens and spirits are able to traverse the living world for one night. There are also tales of how the Jack-o-Lantern came about, and other fun tidbits about the best known pranking holiday besides April Fool's day.

However, none of this was on the students' minds as we joyfully expressed our amusement at bein 8 able to make the elementary students have a day of revelry. Truly, it was a sight to behold as the masked munchkins ran through the halls, asking for candy from teachers and older students alike. Sadly the day came to a close as the candy laden children went back to the elementary hall, and the high school students went back to their classes.


Above: Ms. Ronna Poston. Below: Katie Jurgenson



Above: Laura Castellucci, Karin Bobic-Lindstrand, Savannah Alexander Bottom: Danial Rhoades


Bottom (Right to Left): Malika Hashimova, --, Morgan Alexander,







# GCM SIBLINGS 

Whether we see them as someone to lean on, someone to count on, or someone to tell on, it is always nice to have a brother or sister. We mi\&ht have had the most competitive relationship with our brother or sister when we were younger but now that we have 8 rown and time and experience has shaped our minds, most of us have realized that our siblin§s are our best friends. We are children of the same family, the same blood, with the same first associations and habits; this is a fact we cannot change. Whether we like it or not, we resemble our siblin 8 s, to some extent, in appearance and manner.

As one steps into the school, one can see many sets of siblings. We also have some brothers and sisters who are in college, or workin8, or in some other school. Regardless of where our sibling lives, he or she is close to our hearts and always just a thought away.


James Snow (center), with his brothers, Collin (left) and Alex


The Miller sisters: Jenny (left), Casey (center) and Molly


The older Roman twins: Ella (left) and Erez


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Kaan Kadioglu (risht), with his older sister, Tara


Amani Talwar (center) andVarun Talwar (front), with their older sister, Shreya


The younger Roman twins: Assaf and Amir.


The Reparaz siblinǵs: Iciar (left) and Ínacio

## High School



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Orisinal Axtwork By: Chi-Gyun Kim

## Space amp



If has become a tradition at GCM for the
Middle School Students to joumey to lamir in the Spring-Destination Space Camp! This year was no exception tor 30 of our students who participated in a 2-day pro§ram of spacey) activities including rocket and balloon launches. stuถ̨̊ling into space suits attending lectures. coducting a space mission and getting on the simulators... everybody s favorite! There were also fun activities where the students played Earth basketball and tootball. The experience emplasized teanwork, cooperation and disci-
 pline and most of the students came away with a positive feeling about the international space program. We couldn it travel to the Aegean without at least a quick stopat the ancient city of Ephesus. We wandered from the Odeon down the Marble Street to the baths and the lavatory (always popular), past the Library of Celsus and finishing up at the grand theatre.

> Our students had a chance to contrast the ex- citing future of space exploration with the glorious civiliz ations of the past.


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## Happy Birth



Silly words, rhyming and funny pictures are what make Dr. Suess books so appealing to children. So every year on the anniversary of his birthday, schools all across the worrld take a day to celebrate this wonderful author's life and literature. This year teachers dressed up as their favorite Dr. Suess characters and high school students took the time to read their favorite Dr. Suess book to elementary school students. Refreshments were also offered. Brightly colored cakes and punches adorned the library tables with saying such as, "Oh, the Places Youll Gol" Not only were student entertained, they participated by coloring pictures of $\mathrm{Dr}_{r}$. Suess charcters the way they thought they should be colored in the books.

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## Talent Show






Ms. Ayachi and Ms. Carignan clean up after a successful lunch.



Amani performing a rendition of Fields of Gold.


Katherine composin 8 a son 8 on Ms. Yayboke's faithful piano.


Fariza finds a creative way to test


This year's band provided music for our school events, such as pep rallies, concerts and §raduation. We had two bands with nine different instruments this year and experience levels ranging from one to eight years.

The band was also offered an oppurtunity to audition for the Honors Band. One of our trombonists, James Snow, was accepted and went to Germany for a week-lon8 experience.

For the first time we had a solo recital, with each player choosing the song and later performing it.







Salut!...hello!... namaste!... hola!... bonjour!... hallo!... ciao!...
As you step through the thresh hold of GCM your senses come alive with the aroma, bright colours, electrifying atmosphere, and your mouth is made to water with the exquisite foods from many lands.

The way people move, dress, behave; and come together and show such pride in their countries on this great day. GCM is where many peoples come together under one roof.

Being international and coming together is a way of helping to create a better world, with a greater perspective on life and the many different cultures that make the world how it is today. International Day is an event which allows people to reflect on their beliefs, their way of life, and what is important to them.

This day is designed to open the hearts of our students to the diverse world we live in. International means the mix of nations, races, and, more importantly, people.

Have you ever thought to yourself, what is out there? What has life got to offer me? Then International Day helps your answer those questions. International Day gives you a proper understanding and an education on the ways of different parts of the world, all the adventures you could face, the dreams you could follow, and how to challenge yourself with the tasks in life.

International Day is a large group of diverse people coming together; after all we all smile in the same language.

Here at GCM we had many countries coming together and showing, with pride, their own diverse culture. The atmosphere was friendly and inviting. We had countries ranging from Qatar; with its quiet nature to The United States of America with vibrant display. Other countries with very different landscapes and beliefs were India, with many supporting helpers and food that set your taste buds alive, to Britain, with it's Scottish charm and tartan display.

Others also accompanied these well known countries such as Kazakhstan, Egypt, Poland, Spain, Korea and many other fantastic displays by countries of the world.

As you walked the corridors of GCM you were met by smiling faces and people interacting with one another with kindness and companionship. You were then asked to view performances that were put on by the students of GCM. When the guests were seated an International video was shown to try and capture the meaning of our multi-national community. This was followed by dramatic and colorful dances performed by the students of our school, with great appreciation. During the course of the day there were many games put on by both the teachers and students for the audience's entertainment. We were also delighted with a performance from the Turkish Ministry of Tourism, with their bright traditional clothing and cultural dance.

This year's International day was a great success with many students joining together to represent their countries with great ambition and culture. We would like to thank everyone that participated in making International Day a success. Special thanks goes to Ms. Kadioglu the organizer, Ms. Ayachi, Ms. Guinan, Ms. Yayboke, all the performers, the backstage support, and thanks to Luca Renzo, Daizy Jain, and Tamsin Tripp for the International video, also, a final thanks to everyone who participated in making it a day to remember.

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## Students Of The Quarter 2006-2007

George. C. Marshall would like to congratulate the following students who were selected as Students of the Quarter 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. These students were perceived by the staff of George C. Marshall School to have excelled in the realm of leadership, scholarship and citizenship.

## High School

1st Quarter
6th Sabrina Smith
7th Astrid Mortensen
8th Ayse Rhodes
9th Deniz Sjoblom
10th Billur Kazaz
11th Rhonda Okonkwo
12th Kaan Kadioglu
2nd Quarter
6th Azat Yazberdiev
7th Hyerin Park
8th Fariza Madsieva
9th Hannah Goldberger
10th Luca Renzo
11th Yasmine Metwally
12th James Snow

3rd Quarter
6th Ebba Engstrom
7th Marta Wojiechowski
8th Ana Ramirez
9th Jenny Miller
10th Blake Wilson
11th Sally Neumann
12th Eteri Zaviashirli

4th Quarter
6th Sura Nazarli
7th Ana Gil
8th Shelby Tellers
9th Tessa Caballero
10th Itziar Reparaz
11th Catherine Gundlach
12th Erhan Edlinger/ Ricardo Ramirez

## Elementary School

2006
October:
Kindergarten: Selin Arikan 1t Grade: Justin Kiser
2nd Grade: Brittany Okonkwo
3rd Grade: Karin Bobic-Lindstrand
4th Grade: Gregory Smith
5th Grade: Asbjorn Jacobsen
November:
Kindergarten: Aydan Habibli
1st: Barr Moller
2nd: Dylan Kiser
3rd: Maria Bobic-Lindstrand
4th: Emily Applegate
5th: Deniz Alibazoglu
December:
Kindergarten: Luka Mgaloblishvili
1st Grade: Mayuresh Tembhurnikar
2nd Grade: Zoe Skvarka
3rd Grade: Laura Castellucci
4th Grade: Selma Jorgensen
5th Grade: Emily Wudie-Jonsson

2007
January:
Kindergarten: Kush Kumar
1st Grade: Trevor Krafft 2nd Grade: Lia Weiner 3rd Grade: Gulnar Yazberhieva 4th Grade: Aylar Shikhlieva
5th Grade: Daniel Rhoades

February
Kindergarten: Katie Jurgensen
1st Grade Ian Archer
2nd Grade: Sammy Wudie-Jonsson
3rd Grade: Uyen Trang Nguyen Mau
4th Grade: Kiana Torres

## March

1st Grade: Chris Curley
2nd Grade: Jaime Trevino
3rd Grade: Josselyn Morris
4th Grade: Anastasia Morris
5th Grade: Naomi Weiner

Well done to all the Students of the Quarter keep up all the hard work you have put in over the year.

## High School



Erhan Edlinger \& Tammi Tripp


Biggest Flirt
Ricardo Ramirez \& Aysulu Sopubekova


Best Eyès
McKinley Storey \& Cascy Miller


Best Musician
Jorge Beruga \& Jenny Miller


Most Artistic
Ignacio Reparaz \& Kayla Tellers


Best Dressed
Chi-Gyun Kim \& Naile Sanders

## Superlatives



Most Likely to Become a Millionaire
Kaan Kadioglu \& Billur Kazaz


Most Athletic
Daniel Ramirez \& Iciar Reparaz


Best Sense of Humor
Blake Wilson \& Daizy Jain


Cumhur Aslankol \& Catherine Laurenson-Gundlach


Most Likely to Succeed
Terry Huang \& Eteri Zavrashvili

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Terrence Douglas


Danielle Avenick


Leigh Carignan


Donna Elza


Najet Ayachi


Serra Coruh


Raymond Esack




Linda Price


Deborah Tellers


Micheal Robbins


Lisa Tafoya


Ed Sadak


Mary VandePoel


Norman Smith


Kathy Yayboke


Mustafa Bulut Assistant Principal


Marianne Chapman


David Simpkins


Elaine Guihan


Dawn Smith


Brianna Rewey


Bill Wood


We sadly bid farewell to the teachers pictured at the left. They have all left their mark on our school and will be greatly missed. Except for Mr. Simpkins and Mr. Wood, all these teachers will be moving to the U.S. and working outside of DoDDS. We wish them all the best of luck in their future careers.


Hidir Aslan


Goksel Cetinoz


Ayfer Eran


James Giraldi


Zeynel Guven


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Sami, Mehmet, Nejdet, Yusuf, Rafet, Alemdar, Cengiz (Not Pictured: Mustafa, Serkan)



Tamsin Tripp is British with roots in Burna. Brazil, Germany, and Portural She has lived in Turkeyy and Britain. She speaks English and is leaming French, German, Portugese and I lindi. Her plans atter high school are truly noble. She would like to join the police torce in her home country. Tammiphans to enjoy a tult and thappy life which, is niet surprising tromsuch ha sonimo hy haypy aud pleasant porson th high school Tammi was a


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Ignacio Reparaz is trom Spain. He was borm and raised in Spain and moved to Turkey three years ago. He speaks Engilsh, Spanish, and some German. He plans to attend university in Turkey. He would like to eventually pursue a military career. Throughout high school Ignacio has been involved in many sports including soccer, tennis, volleyball. chimbing swimming and fudo. Ig inacios favorite quote is "Great works are performed not by streng th. but by perseverance" "Ignacto, whots पunite the artis t knows the from expertence.

Erhan Edlinger is from Austria and Turkey. He has lived in Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Germany, Austria and Turkey. He speaks English, Turkish, German, and Spanish. Erhan will attend the Illinois Institute of Technology next year and study computer science. He plans to eventually work with a gaming company. In high school, he participated in volleyball, wrestling, and soccer. His favorite quote is "There are two kinds of light-- the glow that illuminates, and the glare that obscures." -James Thurber

James Snow is from America. He has lived in France, Mauritania, the Ivory Coast, and Maryland. He speaks En g lish and French. In high school, James participated in cross country and soccer. He was President of the Senior Class and voted Most Valuable Player at the 2007 Academic Games at Hambachtal, Germany where Ankara placed first. James will attend Johns Hopkins University next year and would like to eventually become an astrophysicist. James's favorite quote, though seemingly applicable to only the world of wizardry is actually applicable to life: "Do not meddle in the affairs of wizards, for they are subtle and quick to anger." - J.R.R Tolkien

Kaan Kadioglu is from America and Turkey. He has lived in those two countries. He speaks English, Turkish, and French. In high school. Kaan was an officer of the Student Council for three years and during his Senior year served as President. He was the Editor in Chief of the yearbook and a co-Vice President in the National Honor Society. He was the captain of the Knowledge Bowl team that came in first place in Hambachtal, Germany at the Academic Games 2007. Nexi year, Kaan will attend the University of Chicago and eventually would like to become an Investiment Banker and later, a diplomat. Kaan s favorite quote opens a window onto this Senior's personality: "Love all, trust a tew. Do wrong to none." - William Shakespeare.

Ricardo Ramiree is from America and Nicaragua. He was born in Panama and lived in Georgia, Texas, Florida, Guam, Germany, Pennsylvania, and Turkey. He speaks English, and Spanish. Ricardo has participated in AYSL soccer, served as a captain for soccer, volleyball, and wrestling. He was an officer in the Student Council and his class. He seved as the student SAC representative, and worked for VBS. Next year, he plans to attend university. Although he is uncertain of what he would eventually like to do, Ricardo's favorite quote says it all about this senior: "We make a livin反́ by what we get, we make a life by what we give"- Winston Churchill

Eteri Zawrashvill is from Georgia. She has live in Russia, Georgia, and Turkey, She speaks Georgian, Russian, English, Turkish. In high school, Eteri was involved in many activities including Creative Connections for digital art, the student council, and National Honor Society.S She was also ublished in Showease. She phlans toattend university in Georgia and study computergraphics and eventually pursue a career in that field. Eteri's favonte quole is "tite is a fore ign language; all men misprononnce it" "Chinistopher Morley.

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This year's tenth grade class consisted of a diverse group of bright, talented, and fun-loving personalities. In addition to sports, our tenth-graders were involved in a number of activities including the yearbook committee, the journalism staff, the Student Council, Model United Nations, Knowledge Bowl, the International Club, and the Community Service Club. The sophomores were the first ones to participate in this year's foremost Author's Tea, and have been regular readers at the following Teas. Two of our musically inclined sophomores were an intricate part of the school band and chorus, respectively.

Under the guidance of the sponsor, Mr. David Simpkins, the sophomore class created Trojan history in selling Valentine Grams, by raising over $\$ 200$ in a gram sale. Another fundraiser that boosted the morale of the tenth-graders (and added generously to their treasury) was the Baked Potato Sale in December.

After working very hard for an entire year, the sophomores are ready to rush headlong into a fun-filled summer before facing new challenges and responsibilities in their junior year.


Meylis Amanmuradov


Casey Miller


Iciar Reparaz


Muzafar Umarov


Anar Ibrahimov


Rahul Nag


Naile Sanders


Samyaka Verma


Ariel Jacobs


Min-Soo Park


Aysulu Sopubekova


Danielle Wells


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Luca Renzo


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## Ladiy Trojans



Three sports are played during autumn. By far the most popular, volleyball caught the interest of almost forty of the seventy high school students. The girl's volleyball team, which consisted of nineteen eager young players, held practice every day after school, much to the delight of the girls. Though the fundamentals of volleyball escaped some of the players at the beginning of the season, the team went on to be one of the most proficient our school has seen in recent years. Coached by an enthusiastic geometry teacher, better known as Ms. Avenick, the team managed to put on impressive performances against Incirlik. Incirlik's players had amazing serves, but to their dismay, our team's bumps were masterful and they beat Incirlik three games out of four. However, the games against Incirlik are not the only matches that Ankara was allowed to take part in. In Kaiserslautern, Germany, our Lady Trojans played four games against schools from all over Europe. The team had an impressive performance, and won against Lajes, but unfortunately was beaten by Brussels, Alconbury, and Bamberg. The team had quite the formidable performance, and should be proud of the games they played, whether they returned victorious or not.

## Voilleybeill



Top Corner Left and Right: Varsity celebrates after winning a match. Top: Tournament game against Bamburg. Left: Casey pays close attention to the varsity match against Incirlik. Right: Tammi serves up another point for the Trojan varsity team.


Top to Bottom: The Junior Varsity play their hearts out. Mr. Giraldi encourages the J.V. team and Danielle and Jasmine show their excitement after winning the game!


# Men's Volleyball 



Top Left: Blake Wilson, Erhan Edlinger, Ricardo Ramirez, Ignacio Reparaz, Meylis Amammuradov,
Coach Carignan,


## $F_{\text {all }} 2006$

Athletes at GCM waited all summer for volleyball season to start. The 2006-2007 team saw many changes from last year's squad, with many starts graduating last spring. This year's team was younger, but was not lacking in experience.. Captains Erhan Edlinger and Ricardo Ramirez, and senior Ignacio Reparaz lead a team otherwise made up entirely of sophomores and freshmen. The varsity team performed well against Incirlik, winning three out of four games, while the junior varsity team won two of four. In the Tournament in Aviano, the team faced an intimidating schedule and struggled with consistency. GCM won only one game but demonstrated good effort and flashes of talent even in


# CR@SSCOUNTRY 



Running is seen by some as tiring, pointless, and a general annoyance. However, to the students who participated in this year's cross-country, running is one of the most enjoyable ways to spend time. Students and teachers alike would agree that the students' enjoyment of a sport is crucial to their success. This was proven when the students went to Germany, where one student, McKinley Storey, won 29th place out of 57 students. McKinley was just one of several diligent workers who comprised the cross-country team. James Snow, the captain, and certainly the most dedicated runner, had been a member of cross-country for four years. The other members, Terry Huang, Tin Music, Kamron Madiev, and Adam Michalski were a combination of returning and new runners who each had an equal enthusiasm for the sport. They were all able to join on the fall trip to Incirlik, but only five members were allowed to go to the DoDDS-wide competition in Germany. The team was coached by Ms. Rewey, the school librarian, who practiced yoga and running exercises with them. In doing so, she formed one of the most successful cross-country team our school has ever seen.


Ahmad running that last lap.


Faster than the speed of light.


What really happens during 'practice'


You can run from me, James, but you cannot hide.


Front Row (L-R): Ana Ramirez, Candace Addison, James Snow, Ahmad Al-Rashidi, McKinley Storey, Phillip Kroke Back Row (L-R): Terry Huang, Tin Music, Komron Madiev, Junior Okonkwo, Adam Michalski

## Wrestlin8



Top Row: Coach Ronna Poston, Ivan Khitsenko, McKinley Storey, Phillip Kroke, Ricardo Ramirez, Erhan Edlinger, Coach Jamal Williams
Bottom Row: Daniel Ramirez, Cumhur Aslankol


## Tennis



Top Row: Ana Gil Abizanda, Ivan Khitsenko, Reed Alexander, Akmal Soliev, Adam Engstrom, Anton Sloth,
Nuri Shikhliev, Askar Rystayev
Second Row: Alexandra McKay, Ayse Rhoades, Fariza Madieva, Naile Sanders, Kamilla Solieva, Deniz

Houston, Ercan Otunbaev


## Girls Basketball





Coach: James Geraldi.
Captains: Terry Huang, Muzaffer Umarov.
Chi-Gyun Kim, Ofer Dekel, Rahul Nag, Grady Wilson, Adam Michalski. Blake Wilson,
Deniz Sjoblom, Akmal Soliev, Erekle, Tin Music, Luca Renzo, Minsoo Park,
Meylis Ammanmuradov, Arez Roman, Arek Wojciechowski, Donovan Huston.




Above: Doing the Trojan buttline at a 8 ame. This move got a great response at the tounament!

## Hey all you Trojan fans, standup and clap your hands; for the Cheerleaders.

This year's cheerleaders had great enthusiasm, support, and dedication. With a smile on the their faces and willingness to work, the cheerleaders practiced two hours everyday after school, and three to four hours on most Saturdays. This year saw not one, not two, but four coaches. Ms. Brianna Rewey, our school librarian; Kaia Kroke, a GCM Grad and former cheerleader; Tamara Dudley, an Alabama cheerleader, coach and competition judge, and Lt. Andrew Hudson, a Princeton cheerleader, all came together to help make the 2006-2007 cheerleadin $\delta$ squad the best they could be!

The year started out with four girls who had previously been on the squad; Naile, Billur, Iciar, and Aisulu, and four girls who had never cheered before, Casey, Jenny, Hannah, and Melis. Their goals were to learn the basics and perfect them. The team was introduced to Tamara and their goals became somewhat loftier. Within weeks, the girls were gettin 8 elevators like it was nothing special, and soon Liberties, Extensions, and Retakes were not a problem.

Upon returning from Winter Vacation, the practices became intense in preparation for European Championships. The dance was choreographed and being practiced by the end of January, and, as the stunt skill level improved, the routine chan8ed to accommodate the harder stunts. Practicin8 in front of a crowd soon became a must, as many of the girls were still uncomfortable performins for any significant amount of people. This need led Tamara to finding the girls a spot to perform for a large audience at a Turk Telekom basketball game. The two games our girls cheered for gave them the confidence they needed to ensure their success.

On February 20, 2007, the cheerleaders left for Germany and the European Championships. The first two days consisted of cheering for the women and men's basketball teams, and the third day was used to relax and have a run-through of how the next day's competition would work. Finally, Saturday came alon 8 and the 8 irls were at the 8 ym by 7:50 in the morning. After warmin $\delta$-up, havin 88 roup line dances for all cheerleaders of every division to loosen the girls' nerves, and the opening ceremonies, the competition began. Three teams in division two went before our squad, and then it was their turn. The music started, the first stunt went off perfectly, and everythin $\delta$ went smoothly from there. The routine was flawless, and our 8 irls were shakin 8 with joy. After division II, III, and IV were done; the places and awards were announced. Our cheerleaders won third place, and Billur received an All Tournament award. All in all, this season was a good one for the cheerleaders,

# Cheerleaders 



Left: Practicin8 a cheer to perform at a game. Risht: Stretching is important for the cheerleaders to stay fit. Below: Taking a break form standin8 durin8 an Incirlik $\delta$ ame.


Below: The coaches dress up and show half the team they know know to have fun. at the Mardi Gras Ball. Ri $\delta$ ht: Striking a pose for the end of a half-time cheer, and for the camera..



Team Coaches:
Team Captains: Team Members:

Ms. Coruh, Mrs. LeDuc and Ms. Erwin
Tamsin Tripp and Sally Nuemann
Daizy Jain, Catherine Laurenson Gundlach, Billur Kazaz, Iciar Reparaz, Naile Sanders, Aisulu Sopubekova, Danielle Wells, Jenny Miller, Lucretia Curley, Hannah Goldberger, Melis Ozaltin, Aigerim Daniyarova.



## 8 <br> C Boys' Soccer



Coaches:
Team Captains:
Team Members:

Mr. Carignan, Mr. Ramirez and Okan Kittleson
Ricardo Ramirez and Ignacio Reparaz
Erhan Edlinger, James Snow, Tin Music, Ofer Dekel, Luca Renzo, Blake Wilson, ChiGyun Kim, McKinley Storey, Minsoo Park, Arkadiusz Wojciechowski, Rahul Nag, Daniel Ramirez, Komron Madiev, Grady Wilson, Phillip Kroke, Donovan Houston, Erekle Koplatadze, Cumhur Aslankol




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## Yearbook $\tan _{\mathrm{o}}$ Journlism



The Journalism Staff in the first semester:
From row (L-R): Nathatie, Daizy, Sally, Casey, Amani, Mr. Douglas (Yearbook Sponsor).
Back mow (L-R): Kaun, Chi-Gyun, Blake, Kayla

## Journalism Staff finishesYearbook

ANKARA, MAY 18: Creativity, determination, and backbreaking hard work were the salient qualities of this year's Journalism staff. For the very first time, the group was given the dual responsibility of the Yearbook and the school newspaper, the Trojan Tribune. Under the guidance of Mr. Simpkins, the Journalism sponsor and of Mr. Douglas, the Yearbook sponsor, these bright students worked hard as a team and as individuals to produce this excellent yearbook and also three very informative editions of the paper.

In September, the staff started off with nine members: Daizy Jain, Kaan Kadioglu, Chi-Gyun Kim, Casey Miller, Sally Neumann, Amani Talwar, Kayla Tellers, Nathalie Van der Elst, and Blake Wilson. With the beginning of the second semester, Blake, Chi-Gyun, and Kayla left the staff to join Model United Nations and Natalie moved to China. At the same time, three new members joined the staff: Yasmine Metwally, Tamsin Tripp and Catherine Laurenson-Gundlach.

## The Second Semester Additions




| Editor-in-Chief | Kaan Kadioğlu |
| :--- | :--- |
| Finance Officer | Casey Miller |
| Assignments Editor | Amani Talwar |
| Photography Editors | Chi-Gyun Kim, Tamsin Tripp |
| Art Editor | Kayla Tellers |
| Copy Editors | Sally Neumann, Blake Wilson |
| Layout Editors | Daizy Jain, Catherine Laurenson-Gundlach, Yasmine Metwally, <br> Nathalie Van der Elst |

## ~Personal Messages~

The Yearbook Staff would like to recognize the individuals who devoted much of their time and energy to the production of this Yearbook.
--Ricardo Ramirez and Billur Kazaz.
"Thanks for helping us out with the pages. They rock!"
--Mr. Simpkins' Photoshop students:

## Iciar Reparaz, Ignacio Reparaz, and Daniel Ramirez.

"Thanks for helping with the pages and touching up pictures. Ignacio's senior picture looks great, Iciar!"
--Our Middle School contributors:
Ayse Rhoades, Varun Talwar, Nicholas Reed Alexander, Ana Ramirez, and Candace Addison.
"Thanks for writing the Middle School, Math Counts, and Band reports, guys. We really appreciate it!"
--And a very special thanks to

## Eteri Zavrashvili

whose Photoshop artistry can be seen in many pages of the Yearbook.
"Thanks for working way beyong the call of duty, Eteri. The yearbook could not have been the same without your work."

## Knowed 8 Bow



Above. The team after their first few wins, once again, completely relaker.
Left James Snow, a Semior on the team won Most Valuable Player after his astonishins display of knowledge:
Below: The team proudly standing by their final game winning score. Right:Coach Ray Esack


## Ankara Takes Fist Pace!

## STARS STRIPES

# Ankara school wins in DODDS-E academic games 

Stars and Stripues
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The Knowledge Bowl team this year made George C. Marshall School history. After years of defeat at the tow maments, this year's team made first place. Throughout the two days of competition, the team managed to stay relaved and made an effort to simply have a good time Writh this fleel-gcon, la id back attitude the Anteara team toit only one of their pool-play games and darried their on-lockers and peers alike. According to the team, their ability to carry out their positive philosophy was their saving grace though, the intensely talented team had nothing to worry about. Kaan Kadioglu, the team's captain, and James Snow, an all-tournament MVP, will be graduating at the end of thisyear but Sally Neumamn, Blake Wilson, and Casey Minler will defimitely be retuming to the Aceademic Commes next year to perpetuate the legecy. This year's win showed that even the smallest school could have the biggest brain.

## Model United Nations



This was one of the best Model United Nations teams ever! At the Ankara and Lubeck conferences all the delegates distini8uished themselves for their knowledge of the topics, public speaking and enthusiasm for the class. Congratulations are in order for Ofer Dekel, Blake Wilson, Kayla Tellers, Sally Neumann, Chi-Gyun Kim, and Jorge Berruga.



## The National Honor Society



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${ }_{\mathrm{J}}{ }^{\mathrm{J}}$ ye. $\mathbf{x}$. With a vete cran teacher as their new sponsor, the members held a successtul induction ceremony. The list of inductees was a veritable list of the top students in the school with a total of 13 new members. The new sponsor, Mr. David Simpkins, organized an induction ceremony that went perfectly and was enjoyed by all.

This years executive officers included Eirhan Edthinger as President, Billur Kazaz and Kaan Kadioglu as Co-Vice Presidents, James Snow as Secretary, and Terry Huang as Treasurer. Their fund-raising activities included their annual tree sale, which was a campus beautification project.
"I pledge myolf always to seek the lighty of truth, to hold schoh arly habile, to engage in worthy service, and to lead forrand in all things that shall adoance the welfare of George C. Olarwhall School" ~ OCational Tlonor Sociely Pleage


Above: Iemy Fuang, Nif Treasurer, speaks about Leadership.
Rightilithan Ealinger, NHIS President, speaking as emcee about Wisdom and the NHS.
Bottm: Ms. Margo Squire, a parent and NHIS member, was the guest speaker. Far Right: Ofer Dekel taking a moment to himself before the the ceremony.


# The Student Council 



## 2006-2007



The Student Council this year was led by President Kaan Kadioglu, Vice President Ricardo Ramirez, Treasurer Terry Huan§, and Secretary Billur Kazaz. Kaan, who has been on the Student Council for three years was the veteran in the group. The council held three remarkable pep rallies, each one better than the last. Every pep rally dazzled audiences and did a tremendous job raising school spirit. The four officers worked long and hard to make sure every pep rally was a smashing success. Along with the help of the artwork from Ms. Ayachi's art classes and the music from Ms. Yayboke's band, the pep rallies all went exquisitely. Along with the fantastic pep rallies, the Student Council hosted many 8 uests at our school including the Air Force's Chief Chaplain, Major General Baldwin during his visit.








## Eighth Grade




## Class <br> Of



The students suddenly find themselves in a classroom where they really have to work to get the grade. They must rapidly devour what is being said by the teacher, in order to excel in the class and to get good 8xades.

The seventh grade is just as much a year of introduction as it is a year of handling responsibilities. For example, students no longer find their parents looking after them any more, and they must swiftly become more organized in the schoolroom. Many students find it very complicated to stay ahead in their lessons, while homework is being piled upon them. But in the end, we seem to all make it through the year.

This year, as well as bein8 a year of introduction, it is a year of comfort. Students find their friends moving away and then find that this is a 8 ood thing for even more friends come in their place. Teachers give you harder tasks, with which you stru8sle. But then those same teachers comfort you saying that you have shown enormous improvement from the previous year. Overall, the 7 th 8 rade is one of the very best in which many students get to know each other and just have a good time.



Ahmad Al-rashidi


Tiffany Colllins


Astrid Mortensen


Nicolas Alexander


Ana Gil Abizanda


Erjan Otunbaev


Andrew Applegate


Deniz Houston


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Alisher Rysbekov


Askar Rystayev


Alberto Torres


Nurmukhamet Shikhliev


Jafar Umarov


Samuli Yliaho


Kamila Solieva


Salil Verma


Srishti Tariyal


Aurelien Van Der Elst


Marta Wojciechowski




## Sixth Grade



Left to Right Front Row:
Justin Williams, Fitzgerald Brown, Marwan Metwally, Amir Roman, Assaf Roman, Sara Remzo.
Middle Row:
Back Row:

Ebba Engstrom, Sapir Assaraf, Tamara Del Rio Emshoff, Sura Nazarli, Menli Tirkishova, Brandon Apol.
Azat Yazberdiev, John Cuthbertson, Justinas Slepavicius, Rakan Al-Hazza, Sabrina Smith, Ata Kazaz, Connor Rhodes.



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Azat Yazberdiev


Connor Rhodes


Sabrina Smith

This year the 6th graders have undergone a BIG change in the way they go to school. The most important of these changes is that instead of having a single teacher and working in the same classroom for all their subjects, now they have different teachers and different spaces in which to learn each of their disciplines. This means having to adapt themselves to the different personalities and rules that each teacher has for their classrooms for the first time. This is probably the most difficult transition that each student has to make. Most of this class has made the transition well, but none will deny that it has been a formidable task.

In addition, for the first time, some have started to discover that boys and girls are not natural enemies and some have gone so far as to develop budding relationships with the opposite gender, and while the boys still gather in
 in-hand down the aisles or takin 8 their lunch together.

For the first time, some of these kids have been exposed to 'CULTURE' (who can forget the ballet??!!) and have been allowed to travel without their parents (Space Camp), and have discovered that rules can be bent while playin8 Ms. Hayward's own brand of kickball.

This is a talented and precocious group, displaying their talents from musicianship to math, from social studies to science, from English to Video Production and we applaud their success. Finding and meeting a challenge is the definition of success in this life and these guys and girls have done it.

So congratulations to the class of 2012 for taking their first step on this ladder and we wish them all the best in their future endeavors as they progress through Middle and High School.






Bottom Row: Mr. Bernstein, Daniel Rhoades, Amit Assaraf, Naomi Weiner, Anwar Al-Rashidi and Jordan Storey
Top Row: Iiro Taavitsainen, Asbjorn Jacobsen, Georg Sloth, Nigel Collins, Forbes McKay and Molly Miller



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Naomi R. Weiner




## Fourth Grade




Ethan Jurgensen

S. K. Kyle Nelson


Gregory Smith

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## ThircdGrade




## Second Grade: <br> Artists of Tomorrow

Second graders are like a rainbow.
We come from all around the world.
~Amit

Second 8raders are like a dragon.
We are stron8 and powerful.


Second graders are like butterflies.
We are all colorful and unique!
--Brittany

Second graders are like Sinbad.
We like to help others.
~ Jonathan

Second graders are like cheetahs.
Weare so stron 8 and fast.
H 14 -Asya
Second $\delta$ raders are like explorers.
-h We look around a lot!
$15 y^{2}-$ Zoe
Second 8 raders are like the 8 lobe. 4. We are from all over the world. - Jaime

Second $\delta$ raders are like fruit.
We are healthy.
~Takis


Second 8 raders are like stars.
We are so bright!

- Lyrique \%


Second 8raders are like a rollercoaster. So much goes by and we have so much fun.
--Sammy
Second 8xaders are like owls.
We are very smart.

Second graders are like computers.
We are always thinkins.
~-Ivan
Second graders are like lions.
We are so strons!
_ Fajer
Second 8 raders are like caterpillars.
We are always chan

Second 8raders are like Olympic athletes. They are champions and always ready to 80 the distance! ~~ Mrs. Smith

## Second Grade



Fajer Al-Abdul§̧hani


Jonathon Cook


Ida Jacobsen


Fay Al-Rashidi


Lyrique Daley


Dylan Kiser


Brittany Archer


Aysa Eminkahyasil


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Brittany Okonkwo



Kabyl Oxikbayev


Ivan Tkachenko


Damon Rogers


Jamie Trevino III


Amit Shalem


Liana Weiner


Zoe Skvarka


Samuel Wudie Jonsson


From left to Right, bottom row to top row: Mrs. Dawn Smith, Samuel Wudie Jonsson, Liana Weiner, Aysa Eminkahyagil, Fajer Al-Abdulghani, Amit Shalem, Fay Al-Rashidi, Kabyl Oxikbayev, Sevin Artik, Lyrique Daley, Brittany Archer, Zoe Skvarka, Jonathon Cook, Ivan Tkachenko, Damon Rogers, Panayiotis Floros, Dylan Kiser, Ida Jacobsen

## The Fantastic First Grade



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The
$Y$ Y oung Artists...


The First Grade Class of 2007


Danah Al-Hazza


Morgan Alexander


Ian Archer


Madison Dorey


Ashton Collins



Augusta Jorgensen


Barr Moller


## Abigail J. Townsend



Justin Kiser


Alexandra Shteliuk


Madelief Van Den Nieuwenhot

Zilola Hashimova: Having Valentine boxes, cards, and a party!
Augusta Jorgensen: Ms. George, and learning the Word Wall Words!
Justin Kiser: Makin8 the VIP packet!
Trevor Krafft:Making a reindeer ornament with earmuffs!
Mackenzie Marcus: Learning to read and asking, "Does it sound right? Does it look right? And does it make sense?"

Barr Moller:Ms. George! I love you Ms. George!
Alexandra Shteliuk: Making the VIP packet!


Trevor Krafft


Christopher Siebentritt


Harijs Vinovskis

Mayuresh Tembhurnikar: Having a Holidays Around the World packet!
Madelief van den Nieuwenhot:Planting a tree on Earth Day!
Harijs Vinovskis: Watching the Magic School Bus!
Ms. George: The wonderful learning that has taken place amongst these beautiful children from all over the world. Even thoush we have varied backgrounds, customs, and languages, we have learned and played together in cooperation and harmony. We have made many wonderful memories and friends who will remain a part of our lives forever.

And the Twentieth Good Thing About First Grade:
The parents support and help throughout the year!

## Kindergarten

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## Learnin8 our $A B C$ 's and 123 's



## Kindersarten



From Top Left: Mrs, Elza, Kennedi Thompson, Aydan Habibli, Luke Mgaloblishvili, Kru Green, Odysseas Digbassanis, Mrs. Tellers, Ariel Shalem, Selin Anikan, Muhammadjon Madiev, Joy Morris, Kush Kumar, Katie Jurgensen



Selin Anikan


Aydan Habibli


Luka
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Miriam
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The PTSO would like to congratulate the Class of 2007 and wishes them happiness and success in their future.

## Signatures

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The Classof 2007


[^0]:    Ariel Jacobs (left), with her little sister, Abigail Thomson

