



MQ Connections | December 2018



No Stress: Ibrahim Kamara '05 is open to the world and takes life one day at a time, with intention

"Time to play and run on the wood chip field every day at Miquon was the simplest and yet happiest moments of my life," says alumnus Ibrahim Kamara '05.

"I was so young, and not cerebral or thinking of what it meant to play in the creek or what was

really involved with all the countless plays we produced over the years. But I owe so much of my deliberate, laissez-faire attitude to Miquon."

Although Kamara's approach may be hands-off, he has accomplished quite a bit in the few years since graduating from Franklin & Marshall College. To get his feet wet, he worked closely with the partners in a small legal firm, and calls the experience "great."

After about 18 months, he was flown to San Francisco for a morning of interviews, his first time in that part of the country. Although he did not get the job, "I had seen the other side of the curtain and was convinced I needed to be in the tech space."

Later, after more interviews with Google and Dropbox, he landed his current position as a member of the legal investigations team for Google in Austin, TX.

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Building a Life on a Strong Foundation: Olivia Khalili '92

Her Miquon education prepared Olivia Khalili (nee Kuhn-Lloyd) '92 well for Germantown Friends School and then the University of Pennsylvania, where she earned her bachelor's degree in International Relations and Diplomatic History, with a minor in French.

She worked in international trade at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C., and later, moved to Los Angeles--where she joined a small consulting firm and worked with nonprofits and foundations. She then joined a small start-up business built around providing content about wellness and healthy living.

"Working in multiple sectors gave me an understanding of each sector's strengths and

weaknesses and the elements that resonated with me personally," Olivia explains.

"From that, I developed a philosophy for work that combines business with social impact that I've followed ever since."

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We hope you consider making a gift to Miquon to this year! Remember, make your gift before December 31 to receive tax benefits for 2018.

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Your gift to Miquon allows us to do even more for children--through financial aid for nearly 50% of our families, support for our talented teachers, and care for our beautiful woodland campus. If you have already made a gift this year, thank you!

Alumni Happenings



Alumni Reunion: The First Fifty Years at Miquon

Any student or staff member at Miquon during the years 1932–1982 are invited to a party on Friday evening, May 17, 2019! Also, **Spring Fair** is the next day, May 18, and all alumni, friends, and family are welcome to attend!

New: Alumni Association

In March a group of alumni from five different decades met at Miquon to discuss forming an Alumni Association.

Founding members include Matt Taylor '84, alumni parent Sara Gordon '72, current Miquon parent Steph Elson Bruneau '90, Gabi Isaac-Herzog '11, Elise Hocking '12, Allie Lipschutz '12, and of course current Principal Susannah Wolf '81.

Get in touch with us today so you can join in on the fun. To be included in Alumni Association communications, please email alumni@miquon.org.

See you on Facebook!

There's a new closed Facebook group has been created just for Miquon alumni! Take a minute to join the group and contribute your photos and memories. Reconnect with old friends and invite your classmates to join as well!

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The Miquon School Alumni Group

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Matthew Blake Taylor is with Rebecca Hankin and Thea Vaughan.

Founding Member · November 16 at 8:48 AM

Hey Fellow Alums!

Check out what I found when I was going through some old files recently: My Class Of 1984 Miquon Yearbook!! True to the times, it looks like we each got a color xerox copy of the book — held together with a simple paper clamp!

Who else out there still has their Miquon Yearbook? If you can find it, post pics of it here. We'd love to see them! ❤️



Minicourses Heating Up

Pictured below: Fifth and sixth graders making their own glass beads in Friday's minicourse.





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