## IST GRADE FIELD TRIP: DISCOVERY CUBE

Our recent field trip to Discovery Cube was an exciting adventure for our first-grade students! The engaging exhibits and relevant material provided a unique opportunity for handson exploration. The students were challenged to expand their knowledge while experiencing enjoyment in learning, and their participation throughout the trip showed an enthusiasm for discovery! Here are a few thoughts from the class as they share about our trip:

Expertise: "Learning about science and technology helps us in college because there are things we might not know if we don't learn them now in 1st grade! Just like how we learned plants need specific things to survive like nutrients, pollination, water, sunlight or shade, college helps us learn even more about our world!" – Luca S., 1st Grade Student

Response: "On our field trip, we got to choose which parts of Discovery Cube we wanted to explore—like the grocery store or the space section. It got me really excited! I love choosing what I get to learn especially if other people like it because then I get to learn with them! It's like when I choose my favorite books to read or toys to play with. We like the things we choose more than the things we don't choose because it gives us responsibility over our learning!" — Kenzie, 1st Grade Student

Rigor: "Thinking deeply about hard things can sometimes be tricky, especially when I haven't learned about it before! When I was learning about sound waves at Discovery Cube, it made my brain confused. Then, I figured out how they work at different speeds, and I felt like I could accomplish and learn new things!"-Liana, 1st Grade Student

Joy: "The best part of our trip to Discovery Cube was going to the store and pretending to shop for healthy foods. I felt like my mom and I loved getting to do what she does! Now, I know what it feels like to shop but AS A KID. It was so much fun!" – Ruby, 1st Grade Student

Health: "One of my favorite parts of our trip to Discovery Cube was a tour where we pretended to travel inside the human body, just like Mrs. Frizzle and the Magic School Bus! I learned how our bodies need fruits and vegetables to stay healthy. By taking good care of my body, I can keep doing all the things I want to do like playing with my friends and learning in class!" – Charisse, 1st Grade Student

Relationships: "We learned at Discovery Cube that working together, just like gears in a machine, makes everything run smoothly. We can help each other, stick together, take turns, share and listen, just like Jesus did with his friends!" – Aliya, 1st Grade Student

Honoring God: "On our field trip, I learned how I can take care of God's world and others! For example, I can recycle trash to keep nature clean and healthy. I can also help take care of others by telling them how fruits and vegetables keep our bodies healthy! Being kind to the world and others is really important, just like how God tells us to love Him and one another!" – Evan, 1st Grade Student

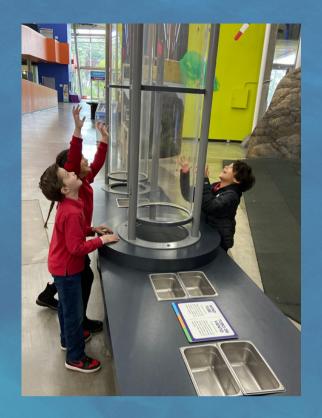
As we concluded our field trip to Discovery Cube, we're proud to see how the experience contributed to instilling confidence and fostering healthy habits. Our first-grade students not only learned about science, but also focused on teamwork, confidence and a love of discovery. As they continue to grow in their walk with the Lord, we look forward to more opportunities that spark curiosity and nurture a love for learning!















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