

WEEK IN REVIEW

Wednesday

SIF hosted a pizza party honoring the winners of the January Attendance Contest, a competition among all 18 classes at 10 schools. Congratulations, Cross Country School! <u>Three</u> sixth and seventh grade classes won! Same school! Same teacher! 100% attendance for all three classes! Fantastic!

Friday

During the guest appearance by Goldman Sachs' VP Dan Shapiro, two seventh and eighth grade SIF classes at The Barclay School learned ways to analyze possible stock purchases. Glancing at 2005 charts on Procter & Gamble, Dell and Apple, students compared price-earnings ratios, growth, credit ratings, debt and earnings. If they invested \$10 then, which company had the best return today? (See below)



Recent Survey

Results when querying SIF teachers showed two thirds believe SIF improved their students' performances. And 70% of the principals rated the success of SIF as very good or excellent; 80% said the program positively impacted the students. Comments by teachers:

- "I have been able to talk to my students about a REAL endeavor, not merely an academic exercise"
- "As a result of Stocks in the Future, my students have learned the benefit of thinking about this future, which is something that our students need."
- "Students use their SIF knowledge outside the classroom by talking with their parents/guardians about investing."