

IDS EDU-NEWS

GIRLS' Basketball: The Florida West Coast League Basketball tournaments took place last week and for the third year in a row, the IDS girls' basketball team fought hard and won the championship! They proudly brought back their #1 trophy to put in the Middle School Trophy Case. They deserve to be proud after a challenging start to the season. Like the "Mighty Ducks," our Lady Warriors rallied to become the "Mighty Warriors" and most importantly, they also had fun!! They leave for Vermont in a few weeks to play in a tournament. Congratulations to one and all as well as the leadership of Coach Sonny LeBlanc, Coach Adam Chumbley and Coach Amanda Jankowski.

BOYS' Basketball: Boys' Basketball had four teams this year under the leadership of Coach Dewey, Coach Heller, Coach Mr. T., and Coach Starkey. They all had a great season with more wins than losses. The varsity team brought home second place in the tournament after some very tough games. Bravo, boys, for an excellent season! You worked hard and your coaches are so proud of you!

Pre-Kindergarten three year-olds celebrated the 100th day of the school year with a parade of seniors...so we thought. At first sight, they looked very, very old. However, as you got a closer look, it was obvious that our three year-olds had a long way to go. Their clothes and 100th day hats and shawls, dyed hair, canes, and glasses almost fooled us. What fun for them to have the office, Pre-K4 and Kindergarten enjoy their celebration of the number 100. It is a day they will long remember.

Pre-Kindergarten four year-olds also enjoyed their annual parade honoring the letter "U". You knew "U" was the honoree as they paraded in decorated underwear over their clothes and very stylish and fun umbrellas. What a delight! As you walk to the Farish Center, you can also see an art gallery along the walk by Pre-K4, which displays their paintings! They too bring a smile. Mixing academics and the arts makes for a very brain-friendly environment.

Third Graders Madeline Dixon and Kayla McGory brought their first pepper of the season to the office to honor the success of their Third Grade Garden. The garden has taken on an international flavor with each item labeled in English, Spanish, and Chinese.

Fourth Grade Annual Readathon last Thursday was a sight to see! With pillows, blankets, sleeping bags, and stuffed animals, fourth graders snuggled up with magazines, books and more books for their **180-minute readathon!** The fourth graders collected pledges from family and friends who agreed to contribute funds to support their efforts, and they read voraciously as they worked to help earn money for their trip to Tallahassee. The Tallahassee trip is an impressive experience that is part of their unit of study on government in action.

Fifth Grade is learning to appreciate roots as they study their unit on "Where We are In Place and Time" by focusing on immigrant travels past and present. Learning why people migrate and immigrate around the world gives a deeper understanding of how diversity is created. Of course, their unit is filled with simulations and activities to bring these lessons to life.

Middle School Multi-Cultural Fair is today, February 8. The whole school will receive a taste of the wonders of the world as presented by our middle schoolers in three shifts. Each shift will include presentations, a mock United Nations debate, a trip through a gallery or museum in each of the common spaces in the Middle School, and more. The gym is set up for quite the worldly experience. Bravo to all...

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Eighth Graders Apply Math to the REAL WORLD. Their trip to Finance Park was part of their study of managing a budget and they did that "as real as it gets." They learned the value of money through budgeting, through the awareness of multiple taxes and its effect on gross income, and through gaining knowledge about the difference between gross and net monthly income when thinking about living expenses. The pros and cons of credit cards and their effect on finances gave clarity to the difference between debit and credit cards. Each student was given an identity, a family situation, and assumed a role in the community. Students planned, calculated and balanced a budget. Their eyes were opened to the realities that it takes to live and pay expenses. The entire Math Team was so proud of their insights, efforts and skill development. All of that took place while learning either Algebra I or Algebra II. Congratulations to all!

Our Nanjing Four left this morning amidst tears and appreciation: What a beautiful team they became. Jun, Jie, Rain and Vanessa came to IDS as acquaintances and left as a working team. They embraced the lessons of IDS, and they learned them well. Together, they completed a 30-page booklet about the many lessons learned. They will take this back to China and spread the word. The booklet is entitled: "The Art of Schooling: 21st Century Wisdom. The main sections are Generic Wisdom, Valuing Attitudes, and Customer Service. As much as they gained, we perhaps gained even more. Each of these young angels enriched our lives as individuals as well as connecting East and West! Below is the letter that we received from them yesterday before leaving:

February 7, 2007

Dear IDSers,

Thank you very much for giving us the chance to get to know such a group of the happy and well educated students. As the big pride of your country, you, IDS students, will be a phenomenal contribution to our bright future of the whole world.

Thank you, all the IDS Faculty, Staff, and Board of Trustees. Thanks for taking such good care of us that we all feel at home in IDS. Thanks to your support, we are able to learn as much as we could about this school and get prepared to share our experience in China.

The inspiration IDS has given us is more than schooling; you demonstrated to us a way of living. It's about how to improve ourselves with the "best getting better" mentality, it's about how to get along with each other, and it's about how to elevate ourselves while promoting others. You are a close family including students, parents, teachers and leaders; you are an effective and efficient team; you are a diverse community where the school develops sustainability through giving everyone dignity and respect.

Thank you, every IDSer, the four fabulous months being with you has become one of the best periods of our lives.

We are looking forward to taking our wonderful experience back to China and being a stable bridge between you and China. We will be with you on Skype, Homemeeting, and/or in China. Deal!

Thank you again!! Best wishes to all of you and enjoy yourselves in IDS!!

*Yours sincerely,
Jie, Jun, Rain, and Vanessa*

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Goodbye

THANK YOU!

Window to the World

GET YOUR PASSPORT FOR AN EVENING OF INTERNATIONAL FUN!
Buy your tickets today!
PLEASE RSVP BY FEBRUARY 23, 2007!

Join us for Big Event meetings every Thursday morning at 8:15!

Auction Items are “Tres Bon!”

Thank you for all of your donations. We appreciate that you are always so generous in donations of your class baskets and general auction items as well! “Travel” on over to fill your suitcases with:

- Autographed movie posters
- Jewelry and purses
- 4 day stay in Orlando
- Weekend trip to The Colony!
- Dining experiences
- Park passes to Disney World or Busch Gardens
- Headmaster of the Day
- 4 pack to Bucs training camp and more!
- Exciting Hummer Party
- So much more!!!!



Send A Teacher PACKING!

Send an IDS staff member on a fantastic getaway! See the insert in today's Heads Letter for your chance to show your child's teacher how much they are appreciated! A \$5.00 ticket could send them on an overnight 2-day trip for rest and relaxation! They will love it, & it will mean even more because it came from YOUR FAMILY! Buy a raffle ticket now!

TCO

See the insert in the Heads' Letter (or stop by the office) to buy your TCO raffle ticket. Here is your opportunity to save \$5,000 on next year's tuition!!!

IDS TENNIS TEAM TO PARTNER WITH MP TENNIS CENTER

Independent Day School-Corbett Campus and MP Tennis have partnered to provide our IDS community with a chance to “live” the sport of tennis! IDS will use the MP Tennis Center for all practices, matches, and team clinics. This is a beautiful facility that will allow our team to practice on three different tennis surfaces. Mike Pratt, owner and head professional of the facility, will conduct team clinics to help instruct every player from the beginning tennis player to our most advanced players. The MP Tennis facility offers all types of lesson packages from beginner junior clinics to advanced adult lesson packages. The Athletic Department encourages our IDS family to think of MP Tennis for all of their tennis needs. IDS families call MP Tennis and tell them who you are and enjoy the game.



Carrollwood Store

14845 N Dale Mabry Hwy
(813) 961-8844

New Tampa Store

18033 Highwoods Preserve Pkwy
(813) 866-5000

MP Tennis Center






8419 N Hubert Ave
(813) 882-3620

EIGHTH GRADE FUNDRAISER



EIGHTH GRADE will be selling Valentine carnations before school (7:30 - 8:00 am) on Wednesday, February 14, 2007 in front of Corbett Hall and the Middle School Gymnasium. The cost will be \$1.00. The eighth grade students are raising money for their class gift.

IMPORTANT DATES AND SCHOOL-WIDE ENCLOSURES

-  1. **WOW! TCOs** are selling fast. By investing \$125, you are entered into the Big Event Raffle, which buys you a chance to receive a \$5,000 credit toward 2007 - 2008 tuition. Only 125 tickets will be sold and of course, you will be helping IDS do all the things we work so hard to do for our IDSers! The form is enclosed in your Thursday folder.
-  2. **SEND A TEACHER PACKING** is another great opportunity sponsored by the Big Event...Read the enclosure for how you can help win a special opportunity for your teacher through a raffle that is sure to make one member of our special staff very, very happy.
-  3. **IDS COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS:** It's time to join in with the over 200 people who participate in the Community School of the Arts. **Session 3 classes open February 20** with music, instrumental, performance, and dance opportunities. There are lessons and opportunities for both adults and children. They are even sponsoring the Adult Hip Hop Class. Register now and fire those neurons through the arts! The information and registration forms are in your Thursday folder.
-  4. **REFLECTIONS CONCERT will be held on Sunday, February 25 at 4:00 p.m....**This time, the concert series will mix music with a delicious spaghetti dinner. This promises to be a perfect afternoon with great classical music by the lake followed by a delicious dinner, and just think, it's all done for you. See enclosure for information and ticket purchase.
-  5. **BREAKFAST WITH THE ARTS: HOLD SATURDAY, MARCH 10 IN THE MORNING FOR PANCAKES AND PERFORMANCES.** All students will perform and all families will enjoy connecting in a delightfully relaxed, inspiring and joyful morning thanks to our incredible Fine Arts Team and your terrific children. See enclosure for purchasing breakfast tickets.

**Please see
"All School"
enclosures also
found in
Thursday Folder.**

Send a Teacher Packing!



For only \$5, you could send your favorite IDS employee on a fabulous 2 night trip for rest and relaxation!

This raffle is a school fundraiser and the winner's name will be drawn at **Window to the World** on March 3. What better way to show appreciation to our very special "above and beyond" faculty and staff? In addition, you'll be raising money for the school, too!

Here's how it works:

- Each raffle ticket costs \$5.
- Purchase as many as you choose. (Additional copies are in the office.)
- Purchase them for anyone who works at IDS. (teachers, administrative staff and/or maintenance workers)
- The winning ticket will be drawn at 10:00 pm at the Big Event. The more tickets purchased for a person, the higher his/her chance is of winning a fabulous 2 night getaway!
- To purchase your raffle tickets, complete the bottom of the page and return it with cash or a check (made to IDS) in your child's Thursday folder.

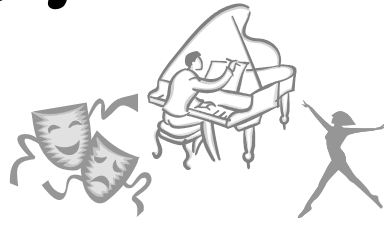
(PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN)

IDS EMPLOYEE NAME (S): _____

PURCHASER: _____

RAFFLE TICKETS _____ X \$5= _____ Total Enclosed

Community School of the Arts



SO, WE THINK YOU CAN DANCE!

The hit television show, SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE, brought dance into homes all over the United States. We are going to take it up a notch. We think **YOU** can dance and our magnificent dance teacher, Lisa Kelly, would like to prove it to you. We have afternoon dance classes for “children” of all ages. Check the schedule on the back of this sheet. We have classes for every age group from “**Broadway Babies**” to “**Adult Hip Hop**.” The kids love working with Lisa and adults will too. “**Adult Hip Hop**” is a perfect choice for **parents, teachers, even headmasters!** Dance is a great way to express yourself, build confidence, reduce stress, develop muscle tone, burn calories, and make great friends! Try it today.

SESSION 3 DATES

Lessons - February 20 – May 5, 2007

Music and Dance Recitals – May 3, 4, 5
“Seussical” Performances – May 18, 19, 20
Holidays – March 19-26, April 6

REGISTRATION FOR SESSION 3

If you are currently enrolled in lessons, you are guaranteed a place in the same class for Session 3. You only need to contact us if your needs change.

To enroll for a new class, please fill out the enclosed registration form and return to the IDS-CC office.

SEUSSICAL



Rehearsals are underway for the spectacular, Community School of the Arts production of the Broadway hit, “**SEUSSICAL**” Performances are scheduled for **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 18, 19, and 20.** Mark your calendar now and join the “Cat in the Hat” for a show that is great for the whole family!

MAKE-UP LESSONS ONLY FEBRUARY 12-15

Please contact
Tom McColley
if you need a make-up lesson.
tmccolley@idsyes.com
(813) 961-3087 X354



MUSIC & DANCE RECITALS

Public performance gives students a goal to work toward and often provides the extra push needed to reach a new level of mastery. Our students have been preparing all year for this special day. Treat your eyes and ears to wonderful performances by students of all ages. Recitals are scheduled for Thursday, May 3, at 6:00, Friday, May 4, at 6:00, and 7:30, and Saturday, May 5, at 10:00 A.M.

COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS 2007 STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the registration form and return it to the IDS-CC office with a \$50 deposit. Classes will be filled on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Name: _____ (Age/Grade): _____

(Parent's name): _____ Email: _____

Address/City: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Phone: _____

Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Insurance: _____ Policy #: _____

Class or Private Lesson	Class Name or Instrument	Day	Time	Cost	
1) Group Dance or Music				\$150	
2) Group Dance or Music				\$150	
Private Lesson		To be arranged		\$360	
Pair Lesson		To be arranged		\$250	
				Total:	\$ _____

Type of payment: Check Number: _____ -or-

Credit card number _____ Expiration date: _____

Credit card type: **Master Card** **Visa** **Other** (Please circle) Name on card: _____

DANCE CLASS SCHEDULE

(All classes are 45 minutes long)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
3:00-3:45					Broadway Babies PK3 – PK4		
4:00-4:45	Tap 2 nd – 5 ^h Grades		Adult Hip Hop Adults Only!	Ballet K – 2 nd Grades			
4:45-5:30	Hip Hop 2 nd – 5 ^h Grades		Modern/Lyrical 5 th – 8 ^h Grades	Hip-Hop and Jazz 3 rd -8 th Grades			

MUSIC CLASS SCHEDULE

(All classes are 45 minutes long)

Private and pair lessons are scheduled separately. Please contact Tom McColley to schedule a time. tmccolley@idsyes.com (813) 961-3087 X354

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		SATURDAY
2:00	Adult Piano					9:15	Group Strings
3:00	Group Piano Group Guitar	Group Piano Group Woodwinds and Brass 1	Group Piano	Group Piano Group Voice	Group Piano	10:00	Group Piano
4:00	Group Piano	Group Woodwinds and Brass 2	Jazz Ensemble				
5:00		Chamber Music					
6:00							

PROFESSIONAL CONCERT SERIES



REFLECTIONS

Sunday, Feb. 25, 2007

in the Farish Theater

Independent Day School/Corbett Campus - 12015 Orange Grove Drive - Tampa, FL 33618

Musical Program at 4:00 p.m.

Join us after the concert for a Spaghetti Dinner.

(includes spaghetti, salad, bread & beverage)

LA CUISINE DE MUSIQUE

Featuring a smattering of "delicious" musical selections
from China, Italy, Czechoslovakia, and the U.S.



For Additional Information Contact Tom McColley or Michael LeBlanc
(813) 961-3087 or tmcolley@idsyes.com

REFLECTIONS ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Student Grade/Homeroom: _____

Adult Tickets: _____ @ \$10.00 = _____

Child Tickets: _____ @ \$8.00 = _____

Spaghetti Dinner: _____ @ \$6.00 = _____

TOTAL: _____

I would also like to support
Reflections with my donation
at the following level:

Platinum Baton (\$1,000) _____

Gold Baton (\$500) _____

Silver Baton (\$250) _____

Bronze Baton (\$100) _____



Please make checks payable to REFLECTIONS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE.

ONE PER FAMILY



Breakfast with the Arts: The 11th Annual IDS Pancake Breakfast!

Saturday, March 10, 2007
8:00 - 11:00 AM
Corbett Hall, IDS campus



Cost in advance: \$7.00 (per Adult) and \$5.00 (per Child)
Tickets will be distributed at the door.
Cost at door: \$8.00 (per Adult) and \$6.00 (per Child)

Featuring IDS students of all ages performing in bands, choruses, dramatic presentations, and hands-on art activities sponsored by the Visual Arts Department!

Adult portion includes four 5" pancakes, syrup, two sausages or bacon, with coffee, juice, and/or water.
Child portion includes two 5" pancakes, syrup, one sausage or bacon, with juice and/or water.

Proceeds benefit the IDS Fine Arts Division.



Breakfast with the Arts



Name: _____

Student: _____ Grade: _____

No. of tickets: Adult(s): ____ @ \$7.00 _____

Child(ren): ____ @ \$5.00 _____

TOTAL \$ _____

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WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

February 12-16, 2007

Daily Sports Hotline: 961-3087, ext. 399



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School	Location	Pick-Up	Pick-Up/Comments
Mon.	3:00	Track	Practice	Forest Hills	4:45	Middle School
2/12	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	4:30	Middle School
	3:00	White Baseball	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	Middle School
	off	Red Baseball	off			
	3:00	Tennis	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	Middle School
	3:00	Vermont Girls B-ball "B"	Practice	MS Gym	5:00	Middle School
	7:30pm	Vermont Girls B-ball "A"	Scrimmage	*Call Sonny - (813) 714-2966		
Tues. 2/13	4:00	Boys Track Meet	Berkeley	Berkeley	7:45	Middle School
	off	Girls Track	off			
Weds.	3:00	Track	Practice	Forest Hills	4:45	Middle School
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Thur.	3:00	Girls Track Meet	Berkeley	Berkeley	7:45	Middle School
2/15	off	Boys Track	off			
	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	4:30	Middle School
	3:00	White Baseball	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	Middle School
	off	Red Baseball	off			
	3:00	Tennis	Spectating	USF	5:30	Middle School
Fri. 2/16		School Holiday	Athletes' Day Off			