

IDS YES!!!

HEADS' LETTER

APRIL 13, 2006

STORY TELLING FESTIVAL: 'T WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE!



The Hillsborough County Storytelling festival held on Saturday, April 8 was a winning opportunity for IDS students to demonstrate confidence and poise in front of audiences while reciting their stories. IDS was honored for the second year in a row for having the most student participants from a private school. Fifth graders Emily McMahan and Gabby Shaikh were honored as Storytelling Ambassadors. All of our students did a great job of sharing their stories, and bravo to our coaches Bettyann Pitti, Seth Travaglino, and Goldie Shear. Participating students by grade are:

3rd Grade - Dina Al-Hassani, Mercy Anderson, Avi Baskin, Katie Bernstine, Cassidy Brown, Kaitlyn Bumpass, Jack Clark, David Cortese, Cameron Farzaneh, Reed Forehand, David Friedman, Jordan Fuller, Troy Herscovici, Connor Marshall, Karli Mezo, Daniela Nasser, Jonathan Nasser, Brandon Noriega, Nathan Rice, Daniela Silva, Yael Velvel, Blake von Thaden, Jonah Watson, and Morgan Zwirn.

4th Grade - Marcus Albert, Madeline Baruch, Jonathan Bird, Jake Caldevilla, Teresa Chorvat, Cheyenne Cibien, Jade Cohn, Emily Davison, Brad Herscovici, Pedro Lima, Kayla Lloyd, Suhani Patel, Lindsay Pearl, and Caroline Poole.

5th Grade - Brandon Flittner, Sean Flynn, Abigail Friedman, Ashton Hatter, Emily McMahan, Matthew Montefusco, Morgan Renaldo, Gabby Shaikh, and Geoffrey Steiner, Jr.



**THE WARRIORS' PRIDE CHORUS PRESENTS
THE MUSICAL ANNIE JR.**



It's true! We actually are going to have the opportunity to see the musical Annie Jr. right here at IDS in the Parish Center (Theatre/Training Center). The Warriors Pride Chorus gives a **WOW** performance each year in their annual musical. Be sure to get your tickets ASAP and enjoy wonderful family entertainment with your children. Mr. LeBlanc directs the Warriors' Pride Chorus, which consists of fourth and fifth graders---actually very talented fourth and fifth graders!! ☺ He is very proud of them already. There will be two performances on Tuesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 20 at 10:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

IDS AUTHOR DAY: NEXT FRIDAY, APRIL 21



Be sure all students are on time and ready to go for one of the very special annual events that celebrates reading and writing on our campus. The Intermediate Division teachers take the responsibility to plan this event for the whole school from Pre-K through 8th grade. They spend a lot of time working hard to make the entire day a great one for our IDSers.

This year they have invited a special well-known author, Lea Wait, to share with our students what it is like to be a writer and author of published books. If you wish to purchase her books so that she can autograph them for your children, please see the enclosed form for more information.

AN IMPORTANT PROJECT SENT TO US BY THE COOL CATS: THEY COMBINE SERVICE WITH LEARNING THE PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMICS



To do this community service project we need your help, IDS! Beginning Tuesday April 18 through Thursday April 20 the IDS-CC Cool Cats will be selling Safari items ranging in price from \$0.50 to \$2.00. Our Safari store, will be open Tuesday through Thursday from 7:45A.M. - 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. April 18th through April 20th. in the "Cool Cats" classroom Thank you for helping us to help these "Cool Cats".

IDS SPRING BOOK FAIR APRIL 30 - MAY 6, 2006



Enclosed in your Thursday folder is the Spring Book Fair permission slip for all 3rd - 8th graders. All students must receive permission in order to attend the book fair at the Carrollwood Barnes and Noble. **All students attending must wear their IDS polo shirt.** Students may bring cash or SCRIP to purchase books at Barnes and Noble. The SCRIP order form is in your Thursday folder.

LAST CHANCE FOR THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY



TOP BANANAS CHOCOLATE FACTORY - Enclosed in your Thursday folder is your last opportunity to purchase chocolate from the Top Bananas. These delicious treats can be purchased for \$1.75.

PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR IDSers

To our IDS families: please share special moments so that everyone can enjoy with you.



Katie Bernstine, Kaitlyn Bumpass, Haley Jackson, Riley Wetmore, and Danielle Wilson (3rd Grade) is helping IDS in two ways. They have decided to aid our Facilities Team and our beloved peacocks by picking up debris that would hurt the peacocks. BRAVO to this much-needed project!



Alumni News: Alex Holder (Alum 2005) was published in the Tampa Tribune Op-Ed page (Thursday, April 13, 2006) as part of his ninth grade driver's education project. He raises the question of motorcyclist safety since the repeal of the 2001 Helmet Law.



Alumni News: Ellen Pautler (Alum 2005) U16 Club "Storm" Volleyball team won 1st place in the silver division at the Adidas First Coast Festival in Jacksonville, FL. last weekend.



Michael J. Vokoun (IDS 8th Grade English Teacher) and Terry Patrick Bigelow recently received a glowing review in the April 2006 issue of The Journal of Adolescent & Adult Literacy for their new book, "*What Choices Do I Have?*" Reading, Writing, and Speaking Activities to Empower Students. Congratulations on this great accomplishment!



School Calendar 2006 - 2007

August 2006

Mon. 21

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Noon Dismissal for Pre-K3, Pre-K4, & Kindergarten

Tues. 22

Noon Dismissal for Pre-K3, Pre-K4, & Kindergarten

September 2006

Mon. 4

LABOR DAY - SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Wed. 27

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Thurs. 28 & Fri. 29

Parent Teacher Conferences

October 2006

Thurs. 12

Teacher In-service

Fri. 13

Teacher In-service/State Conferences

Wed. 18

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

November 2006

Wed. 8

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Wed. 22

GRANDPARENTS DAY/NOON DISMISSAL

Thurs. 23 - Fri. 24

THANKSGIVING - SCHOOL HOLIDAY

December 2006

Fri. 15

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Mon. 18

FIRST DAY OF WINTER BREAK FOR STUDENTS

January 2007

Tues. 2

Teacher In-service

Wed. 3

CLASSES RESUME FOR STUDENTS

Thurs. 11

NOON DISMISSAL/Parent Teacher Conferences

Fri. 12

Parent Teacher Conferences

Mon. 15

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY - SCHOOL HOLIDAY

February 2007

Thurs. 1

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Fri. 16 - Mon. 19

PRESIDENTS' WEEKEND - SCHOOL HOLIDAY

March 2007

Thurs. 8

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Mon. 19

SPRING BREAK BEGINS FOR STUDENTS

Mon. 26

Teacher In-service

Tues. 27

CLASSES RESUME

April 2007

Thurs. 5

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Fri. 6

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

May 2007

Wed. 9

NOON DISMISSAL/Teacher In-service

Mon. 28

MEMORIAL DAY - SCHOOL HOLIDAY

June 2007

Fri. 1

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/ NOON DISMISSAL
8th GRADE GRADUATION**

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