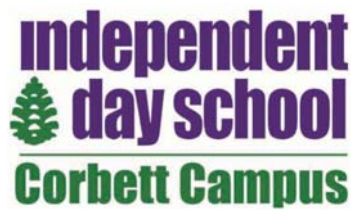


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## HEADS' LETTER

APRIL 15, 2010

**THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS (CSA) PRESENTS - MOBY DICK THE MUSICAL!** Join the CSA in the Independent Day School: Corbett Campus Farish Center for a "Whale of a Tale!" The Community School of the Arts Musical Theater program will present the **hilarious** show, *Moby Dick! The Musical*, on two consecutive weekends: The youth cast, Grades 3-8 will present a "PG" rated version April 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.



The high school cast, grades 9-12, will offer a "PG-13" version the following weekend, April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. Both casts are directed by Seth Travaglino, along with assistant director, Jeanne Rivera, and musical director, Jared Porter; each cast features many IDS students, IDS alumni, and students from **all over the community**. Both casts are extraordinary! Come, bring a friend, and join us for the voyage of your life on the "Pequod". Tickets will be available at the door. **SHOW TIMES:** Friday, April 16, 7:00 pm; April 17, 2:00 and 7:00 pm; Sunday, April 18, 2:00 pm; *High School Cast: Friday, April 23, 7:00 pm; Saturday, High School Cast: Saturday, April 24, 2:00 and 7:00 pm; and High School Cast: Sunday, April 25, 2:00 pm.*

**SAT TESTING WEEK: THANK YOU!** We want to extend a big thank you to all of our families for making the extra effort to ensure that all students are on time and even early this week for SAT Testing Week. Remember, tardy students will miss the testing and need to do all make-ups next week by themselves with other than their own teachers. Your continued support through Friday is key! As always, we appreciate the partnership with you.

**AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES SESSION VI: BEGINS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 22 through MAY 26.** The last afternoon session of the year begins next Thursday. Please reserve a spot before next Thursday to insure that your child has another opportunity to extend the day with a variety of fun-filled, creative sessions. All options are interesting and designed to extend learning that is active and exciting. Once again, you will find the favorites that everyone loves; **plus there are some new options** including: Legos, Splish Splash, and Manners and Etiquette! **The brochure and registration forms are online at <http://www.idsyes.com/afterschool.html> and also available in the office by coming by or calling (813) 961-3087.**



## MIDDLE SCHOOL MAKES "POWDER PUFF CHALLENGE" AN EIGHTH GRADE TRADITION

Thursday, April 13, the eighth grade class hosted the second annual Powder Puff Challenge. This 8th grade fundraiser has quickly become a much anticipated tradition in the middle school. The eighth grade ladies competed against the sixth and seventh grade ladies in a flag football game. The sixth and seventh graders were amazingly talented and played an outstanding game. This year, the eighth graders came out and demonstrated their poise and athleticism as they secured a solid win for the class of 2010! The cheering crowd was made up of middle school students, parents, teachers and even some intermediate students there to cheer on their siblings! The half-time entertainment was provided by select eighth grade young men dressed in their role as cheerleaders and expertly trained by Cheerleading Coach, Chris Thomas. The event was a huge success! The energy and enthusiasm felt by everyone in attendance was remarkable! It was simply fun for all. Thanks go to Heather Robinson and eighth grade parents for coordination of the event, to Michael Vokoun for being a super M.C., to Rick Bronson and Dave Freeman for their referee roles and to the entire Middle School Staff for all being there to contribute to the fun and to support our Middle Schoolers both inside and outside the classrooms.



**BRAVO TO THE SPANISH DEPARTMENT:** We need to backtrack to Spring Break when we bid farewell to our 12 students and three teacher guests from Madrid, Spain, who spent three weeks living with IDS families and embedded in our IDS classrooms from Grades 4 through 8. We have followed up with our families both here and in Madrid from Ramón y Cajal School, and we are proud to report the results were overwhelmingly positive. Friends were made and many will last a life time. This was the third year that Ramón y Cajal students and their teacher chaperones joined us and once again, we were all grateful for the opportunity.



*“Once again it was a privilege for me as an educator to see how much the students from IDS and from Ramón y Cajal gained from this fabulous experience,”* said Sra. Figueruelo. *The families from IDS are the best hosts that anyone can have! The experience was exceptional for all. We are looking forward to more successful study programs in the upcoming year!*

Senoras Figueruelo, Jennings and Morgan want to thank the families of the following students for being terrific hosts: Holden Bridge (6<sup>th</sup>), Seth Cashen (MA-3/4), Delia Ferguson (8<sup>th</sup>), Connor Goering (5<sup>th</sup>), Walker Hills (7<sup>th</sup>), Ethan Kittredge (5<sup>th</sup>), Jeremy Leeds (6<sup>th</sup>), Gabe Paggio (5<sup>th</sup>), Jordan Payne (5<sup>th</sup>), Jessica Riddle (8<sup>th</sup>), Sally Thompson (5<sup>th</sup>), and Jack Tolliver (5<sup>th</sup>). Our parents have been giving us "feed-forward" so that we can continue improving and growing the program. The students on both sides of the Atlantic truly were gifted in interacting with one another and bridging the gap between cultural differences.

This year, 5<sup>th</sup> grade had the privilege of enjoying a number of our guests whose parents sent them to learn English as well as experience a new culture. It is both a new experience for our Spanish visitors as well as for our IDSers. It is typical for students from Spain to participate in study programs in countries like Ireland and England to improve their English. Coming all the way to the United States adds a new dimension for all of us.

Fifth grade teachers reported: "Fifth grade thoroughly enjoyed immersing our Spanish guests into our curriculum. They learned about the history of the Dust Bowl from the 1930's and celebrated the culmination of our focus novel, Children of the Dust Bowl, by participating in real-life activities like fishing, making butter, and creating flavored cosmetics. In addition, they applied economic principles of the United States' commerce system by experiencing our BizTown simulation that prepared us for Enterprise Village/Biz Town. Students worked in "real-life" jobs and interacted with our currency by selling goods and services. Both the teachers and students added a lot to our classroom enthusiasm and global connections." Our friends from Ramón y Cajal are already planning a return visit for next year.

Our IDS Spanish Department both in the Elementary and Middle School programs also utilized the visit to allow our students to practice their Spanish speaking skills. One way was to bring our guests into their classes and have them interview the students using their Spanish skills, which served to emphasize the importance of learning languages. Did you know that after English and Chinese that Spanish is the third most spoken language in the world?

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## **IT ALL BEGAN WITH A BRILLIANT BUG OF THE WEEK (BOW)**

**PRESENTATION BY VETERAN BUG SECOND GRADER CARL BERTOLINO.** He proudly shared one of his hobbies in a PowerPoint for his class called "*Project Monarch: How We Turned Our House into a Butterfly Farm*". His teachers and class were so fascinated that Mrs. Jones had a great idea. The Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten classes were studying their International Baccalaureate Unit *Living Together in Harmony* that focused a lot on insects. Carl agreed to make his presentation to our early primary students who asked a lot of excellent questions while allowing this willing 2<sup>nd</sup> grader to practice his leadership and presentation skills. It was a thrill for all. Carl invited everyone to consider planting milkweed in their yards in order to provide a host plant for Monarch butterflies, whose population has decreased dramatically in recent years due to storms and other factors. Anyone wanting more information should definitely contact the Brilliant Bugs teachers to schedule time to learn more.



# PARENT/FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWS

## BY PFA PRESIDENT, HEATHER LEE

**COOKIE SALE UPDATE** - We did it! Otis Spunkmeyer Sale is Complete!!! Thanks so much to all of the families who participated in this fundraiser. With your help, we raised approximately \$2,000 that will go directly to all of the extras our students enjoy thanks to our active PFA work! **The orders will arrive during the week of May 3rd.**



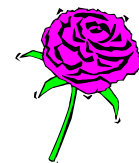
### **REMINDER! Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week is scheduled for April 19 - 23.**

We are still accepting small donations of \$2 or \$3 for the cost of lunch and the gifts to be provided during Teacher Appreciation Week. All donations are voluntary and can be directed to your RPC in an envelope marked "For My RPC, Teacher Appreciation Week". This week of activities will recognize faculty and staff for the above and beyond dedication to our children and enthusiasm for our school community which they demonstrate on a daily basis. Join us to thank our teachers and staff for making a huge difference in the lives of our children! See last week's Heads' Letter (April 8, 2010) online at <http://www.idsyes.com/heads-letter.htm> or from your Thursday folder or contact your RPC for more details. Questions can also be directed to TAW Planning Committee Chair, Vera Murphy-Trayner at (813) 948-4016 or [vpmurphy@comcast.net](mailto:vpmurphy@comcast.net).



### **EIGHTH GRADE FLOWER SALE MAKES IT EASY! - Monday, April 19 -**

Coordinating with Teacher Appreciation Week's Flower Day for our Teachers, the IDS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade will be selling flowers on both sides of the campus on Monday, April 19 from 7:15 to 8:15 am on Flower Day. If your child would like to purchase flowers for his/her teachers that morning, all you need to do is make sure they bring their money to the **EAST SIDE** Flower Sale which will be located between the office and Corbett Hall. On the Middle School **WEST SIDE**, the Flower Sale will be located at the flag pole in front of the Middle School. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be selling multi-colored carnations for \$1.00 each and all proceeds from the sale will go directly towards the 2010 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Gift.



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT SOCIAL - April 22 at**

**8:05 am.** The Parent Faculty Association (PFA) is hosting a coffee for middle school parents at 8:00 am on Thursday, **April 22 in the Dean Dining Hall.** Join us to meet and mingle with other **middle school parents and hear about volunteer opportunities for next year.** Parents of **current 5<sup>th</sup> graders** are also encouraged to attend. For questions, please contact Marcie Mueller at [perform@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:perform@tampabay.rr.com).



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR: ICE SKATING PARTY** - On **Wednesday, May 5th**, a half day for our students, we will be having an ice skating party at the Tampa Bay Skating Academy. Look for more information and presale ticket order forms in next week's Thursday Folder!



### **SAVE THE DATE - 2010 IDS-CC Kids Classic Golf Event - September 20, at Avila Country Club**

- The 2010 Golf Event is scheduled for Monday, September 20. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend! The Golf Event will be held at Avila Golf & Country Club once again! A Golf Event planning meeting will be scheduled BEFORE the end of this school year. Please keep reading the Heads' Letter for the meeting date and time. We are excited to begin working on this fantastic event and would love to welcome new volunteers. If you have any questions, please contact our **2010 Golf Event Chair, Heather Ceresoli** at [heatherc@twcareers.com](mailto:heatherc@twcareers.com) or **Steve Riddle, the 2009 Golf Event Chair,** at [info@dynamicssignsfl.com](mailto:info@dynamicssignsfl.com). They are a terrific team and you definitely will enjoy working with them!



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**Please see  
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# Independent day school Corbett Campus School Calendar 2010 -2011

## August

Mon. 15 – Tues. 24 Pre-Planning and Teacher In-Service  
 Wed. 25 First Day of School (Noon Dismissal for Pre-K and Kindergarten Only)  
 Thurs. 26 Noon Dismissal Pre-K and Kindergarten Only  
 Fri. 27 Welcome Back Party Farish Center 7:00 pm



## September

Mon. 6 Labor Day -School Holiday  
 Tues. 7 Back to School Night East Side 6:30 pm  
 Mon. 13 Back to School Night West Side 6:30 pm  
 Wed. 15 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
 Mon. 20 IDS Kids Classic Golf Tournament



## October

Wed. 6 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
 Thurs. 7 & Fri. 8 Parent Teacher Conference Days  
 Thurs. 21 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
 Fri. 22 Professional Study Day / Students Day Off



## November

Wed. 3 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
 Wed. 24 Grandparents Day / Noon Dismissal  
 Thurs. 25 & Fri. 26 Thanksgiving Holiday



## December

Wed. 8 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
 Thurs. 9 Fine Arts Night  
 Fri. 17 Noon Dismissal / Teacher Meeting  
 Mon. 20 Winter Break Begins



## January

Mon. 3 Teacher In-Service  
Tues. 4 Students Return from Winter Break  
Mon. 17 Martin Luther King Day – School Holiday  
Thurs. 27 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service / Parent Teacher Conference Day  
Fri. 28 Parent Teacher Conference Day



## February

Wed. 9 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
Fri. 18 Student Holiday/Teacher In-Service  
Mon. 21 School Holiday



## March

TBA Big Event  
Wed. 9 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
Fri. 25 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
Mon. 28 Spring Break Begins



## April

Mon. 4 School Resumes for Students and Teachers  
Mon. 11 – Fri. 15 SAT Testing Week  
Thurs. 21 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
Fri. 22 School Holiday



## May

Mon. 2 – Fri. 6 Middle School New Horizons Week  
Thurs. 12 & Fri. 13 Fine Arts Days  
Wed. 18 Noon Dismissal / Teacher In-Service  
Mon. 30 Memorial Day – School Holiday



## June

Fri. 3 Last Day of School – Class Celebrations  
Noon Dismissal  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation



**WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE**  
**April 19th - April 23rd**  
**Daily Sports Hotline: (813) 961-3087, ext. 399**



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School	Location of game	Pick-Up	
Mon. 4/19	3:30	Tennis	CDS	MP Tennis	6:00	
	4:00	Softball	Berkeley Prep	Softball Field	5:45	
	4:00	Baseball-Silver Team	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	6:30	
	3:00	Baseball-Purple Team	Batting Practice	Batting Cage	3:45	
Tues. 4/20	3:00	Community Sports Baseball	Practice-Game	Baseball Field	4:30	
Weds. 4/21	3:00	Tennis	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	
	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
	3:00	Baseball-Silver Team	Practice	Baseball Field	4:30	
	4:00	Baseball-Purple Team	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	6:30	
Thur. 4/22	4:00	Tennis	St. John's (E)	MP Tennis	6:00	
	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	Scheduled Game Canceled
	3:00	Baseball-Silver Team	Practice	Baseball Field	4:30	
	Off	Baseball-Purple Team	Off			
	5:00	AAU-Volleyball	Practice	MS Gym	7:00	
Fri. 4/23	Off	Tennis	Off			New Horizons Week
	Off	Softball	Off			
	Off	Baseball-Silver Team	Off			
	Off	Baseball-Purple Team	Off			

**Schedule for May 3 - May 7 will be posted online on Friday April 30th .....Please check online for that week!!!**

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**DIRECTIONS:**

**MP TENNIS CENTER** (formerly the JUDY ALVAREZ CLUB): South on Dale Mabry Hwy. Right onto Humphrey after the Busch Blvd. overpass. Left on Hubert Ave. The courts are 1/2 block down on Hubert Ave. on the left side.

**BERKELEY PREP SCHOOL:** 4811 Kelly Rd. Tampa, FL. (813) 885-1673

Dale Mabry Hwy south to Hillsborough Ave exit. Take a right onto Hillsborough Ave. at the end of the ramp. Left onto Kelly Rd (TJ Maxx and Mobil station on the corner). The school is on the left.