

HEADS' LETTER

MAY 6, 2010

SPRING FINE ARTS DAYS: "THE HEART CONNECTION" TODAY, THURSDAY, MAY 6 AND TOMORROW, FRIDAY MAY 7

SPRING FINE ARTS DAY: This annual performing arts event will be held **today, Thursday, May 6 at 1:00 p.m.** and tomorrow, **Friday, May 7 at 9:00 a.m.** Once again, our IDS students will present "show-stopping" performances with a variety of smiles, fun, and talent. We are giving two options in the hope that all of our families will be able to choose one of these times to enjoy their children on stage in Corbett Hall! **ALL STUDENTS** from Pre-K3 through eighth grade are expected to:

- 1.) Perform and
- 2.) **WEAR IDS GREEN POLO SHIRTS, KHAKI OR BLACK BOTTOMS. STUDENTS IN CHORUS OR DANCE ARE TO WEAR THEIR OUTFITS. YOU MAY SEND AN EXTRA SET OF CLOTHES FOR YOUR CHILD TO CHANGE INTO IF YOU WOULD LIKE.**



We cordially invite you to The Spring Art show which opened on Monday, May 3 and concludes on Friday, May 7 at 12:00 p.m. in the Farish Center. Every IDSer is represented in the Art Show. Please browse all of the magnificent artwork while enjoying for your child's masterpiece.

BRILLANT BUGS RAISES FUNDS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS! YOU CAN HELP IN A DELICIOUS WAY!

ICY DELIGHTS?? That's right...these delicious popsicle treats are made with your choice of fruit punch or lemonade. The best part of each icy treat is the Gummy Worm surprise in the middle! The Brilliant Bugs are selling Icy Delights to learn the value of service to the community and to apply what they have learned about money in the classroom to a "real life" experience! All proceeds will go to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.



We will be taking orders for these YUMMY snacks until May 21 to be delivered on May 25 - 27. The cost is **\$2.00** each and all orders must be **prepaid**. Please fill out the enclosed order form completely to "beat the heat" and get your hands on a delicious SQUIRMY WORMY ICY DELIGHT! Donations are gladly accepted as well!

IDS SPRING BOOK FAIR SUNDAY, MAY 16 THROUGH SUNDAY, MAY 23

So how do you get to be a good reader? One way is to READ! READ! READ! Beginning Sunday, May 16, IDS will host the Spring Book Fair at Barnes and Noble on North Dale Mabry Hwy. Students will have an opportunity to purchase their summer reading books at Barnes & Noble during their visitation. **On Wednesday, May 19, The Warriors' Pride Chorus will perform at 6:30 p.m. on Primary Night** for all students!!!



Please remember to **purchase SCRIP** for your children to buy books at Barnes & Noble. The form is enclosed in your Thursday folder...9% of the SCRIP order goes directly back to IDS to benefit the IDS Laney Library. Please see the Book Fair Permission Slip and Field Trip Schedule in this week's Thursday Folder. All students going on Book Fair field trips during the day with classes must wear their green IDS polo shirts on their designated day. Thanks for your support!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE IDS COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS DANCE TEAM: A WOW!

The Independent Day School's Community School of the Arts Dance Team attended Showstopper Regional Dance Competition hosted in Lakeland, Florida, on April 30 and May 1, 2010. This was the CSA's Dance Team's very first time competing. Under the direction of dance teacher and choreographer, Lisa Ferlita, 13 IDS student dancers have rehearsed most Saturday mornings since October of 2009. All of their hard work and dedication has reaped amazing rewards. They competed in one Tap and Jazz routine and two Hip-Hop routines. Three of the dances scored high enough to win a Gold 1st place award. The Tap dance won a Platinum 1st place trophy and received an additional award for achieving the 6th highest score of their entire junior division. Congratulations to Mrs. Ferlita for creating such a dynamic team and for giving our IDS students this amazing experience. Bravo to our CSA Dance Team for dedicating many hours of hard work and perseverance. The CSA dancers are: Lyndsey Ausburn, Emma Bernstine, Caitlyn Distasio, Garrett Distasio, Laurel Floen, Morgan Graff, Alicia Grand, Connor Goering, Hannah Hill, Julia Peacock, Emily Quin, Lumiere Rostick and Ricky Thomas.

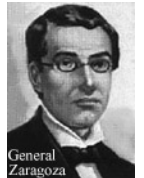


IDS SPANISH TEACHING TEAM RECOGNIZES CINCO DE MAYO

IDS students from Pre-K through 8th grades learned the history behind the *Cinco de Mayo* holiday. They celebrated with classmates and teachers and some created maracas during their FIESTA!

Did you know that...?

Cinco de Mayo is a holiday celebrated in some parts of Mexico and the United States of America. *Cinco de Mayo* commemorates the victory of the Mexican army over the invading French army in the *Battle of Puebla*, which took place on **May 5, 1862**. The Mexican army was headed by General Ignacio Zaragoza. This Battle in the city of Puebla is very famous for the amazing military strategy that was utilized by the Mexican Army that was half the size of the French and still they won! **September 16** (*el 16 de septiembre*) is when Mexico celebrates its **Independence from Spain** since 1821.

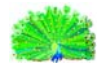


*** You can learn more from the three minute video that has the History of Cinco de Mayo.

<http://www.history.com/videos/cinco-de-mayo#cinco-de-mayo>

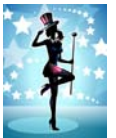


PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR OUR IDSers



TO OUR IDS FAMILIES, PLEASE SHARE SPECIAL MOMENTS SO THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY WITH YOU.

Tallulah Nouss (Multi-Age Brilliant Bug) competed in the American Dance Awards Competition this weekend at the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts. Her jazz solo won a gold medal, the judges' special "Powerhouse" Award and placed 3rd Overall in her 8 and under age group!



Grayson Kornberg (1st grade Cool Cat) has been playing Piano for almost two years. On April 24, he achieved Honors (100%) in Performance, Written Theory and Aural Theory at the Florida State Music Teachers Association Student Day!



PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWS

YOU ARE INVITED!! – ANNUAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION ASSEMBLY & BREAKFAST – MONDAY, MAY 17 AT 8:05 AM – ALL IDS Volunteers are invited to attend!! Please see the enclosed invitation in your child's Thursday folder!!



- Did you help in the classroom?
- Did you chaperone a field trip?
- Did you do Thursday folders?
- Did you help with a cookout?
- Were you a Team Parent?
- Did you sit on a committee (i.e. Big Event or Golf)?
- Did you help at Pancake Breakfast?, Spaghetti Dinner?
- Were you an RPC?
- Did you work in the library?



These are just a *FEW* ways you may have volunteered this school year at IDS. All of these and *many* more ways give us reason to celebrate YOU!! Please RSVP by May 13 to Heather Lee at heatherlee12@verizon.net or (813) 966-9022.

BE AN EARLY BIRDIE!!! Planning for the **16th Annual IDS Kids Golf Classic** will start on **Tuesday, May 11, at 8:15 am** in the PFA Conference Room on the second floor of the New Building above the Kindergarten classrooms. The Tournament will be held this year on **Monday, September 20 at the Avila Golf and Country Club**. Everyone is invited to join in on the fun of planning and preparing for the big day! Please contact Golf Co-Chairs Heather Ceresoli at (813) 748-4649 or Steve Riddle at (813) 404-6700 for more information or at info@DynSigns.com. Refreshments will be served so please mark your calendars to attend!!!



IDS PARENT BOOK CLUB UPDATE - Please join us for our **final Book Club meeting of the school year on Tuesday, May 25 at 1:30 pm** in the Grand Room's conference room, on the second floor above the Kindergarten classrooms. We will discuss To Bee or Not To Bee, a book for beeing who feel there's more to life than just making honey, by John Penberthy. We look forward to our IDS Book Fair at Barnes & Noble, where we will have the opportunity to purchase our summer reading books: Elizabeth Street by Laurie Fabiano, South of Broad by Pat Conroy, A Reliable Wife by Robert Goorick and Very Valentine by Adriana Trigiani. All are welcome! Questions can be directed to Vera Murphy-Trayner at vpmurphy@comcast.net or (813) 948-4016.



OTIS SPUNKMEYER COOKIES – We have a limited amount of Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough available for sale. See the enclosed flyer, if you are interested. Please contact Vanessa Minick with any questions at vminick@hotmail.com.



BARNES & NOBLE SCRIP

Question: Have you remembered to purchase your Barnes & Noble SCRIP card(s)?

ANSWER: You now have your opportunity to purchase SCRIP! The SCRIP order form is enclosed in your child's Thursday folder. Everyone benefits from SCRIP!

ATHLETIC AWARDS NIGHT

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010 – 6:30 PM

The IDS Athletic team is proud to announce two-time Olympian, Kemel Thompson, as our keynote speaker for the 2010 IDS Athletic Awards Celebration! Thompson, a 1996 University of South Florida graduate and 400-meter hurdle school record holder, was a world class track athlete who competed in the 2000 Sydney and 2004 Athens Olympics for his native country of Jamaica. He missed advancing to the 400-meter hurdle finals in Athens by one-hundredth of a second. After continuing his education and athletic training at Loughborough University in England, Thompson's hard work and discipline ultimately resulted in a personal best of 48.05 in 2003, as he was ranked No. 2 in the world that year. Thompson kept a top eight world ranking for five consecutive years before retiring from the sport in 2007.



We begin promptly at **6:30 pm on Monday, May 10** in the Middle School Gym to listen to one of the best in the world speak to our IDS athletes! We will have appetizers and desserts, as well as team recognition and celebration of the 2009 - 2010 Athletic Year! We will see you there, Go Warriors!

SPECIFICS: ATHLETIC AWARDS NIGHT - MONDAY, MAY 10, AT 6:30 P.M.

WHERE: MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM

WHO: ALL fourth through eighth grade **STUDENTS** who participated in sports at IDS during the 2009 - 2010 school year and their **PARENTS**

DRESS: Appropriate school attire in order to be recognized. All athletes will be called up on stage. **Suggested attire is an IDS collared shirt and long dress pants or skirts.**
ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO HONOR THE IDS DRESS CODE.

WHAT: This is our annual Athletic Awards Night. At the program, each athlete's participation in each sport is recognized and all coaches, teammates, families, and friends are celebrated for their participation in sports.

FALL: Volleyball, Soccer, Cross Country

WINTER: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Cheerleading, Wrestling, Track & Field

SPRING: Baseball, Softball, Tennis



PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2010



WELCOME BACK MIDDLE SCHOOL!

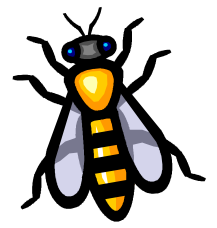
**We are so proud of your accomplishments
during New Horizons Week!
YOU DID IT!**



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



The Brilliant Bugs are selling...



Squirmy Wormy Icy Delights



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Icy delights? The Brilliant Bugs are selling a traditional favorite with a new twist! Our treats will still have that yummy gummy worm, only this year it will be frozen in a fruit juice popsicle known as a Squirmy Wormy Icy Delight!

The Primary Multiage Brilliant Bugs are taking orders for these yummy snacks to be delivered for your enjoyment on May 25th, 26th and 27th. In an effort to support the greater community, all proceeds from these yummy treats will benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The icy delights cost **\$2.00 each**. All orders need to be prepaid. Icy delights will be available for pick up by students at their lunch play time on the following dates:

Tuesday, May 25th.....Middle School

Wednesday, May 26th.....Early and Upper Primary

Thursday, May 27th.....Intermediate Division

How can you get your hands on a Squirmy Wormy Icy Delight? It's as easy as 1..2..3!

1. Fill out the order form below. Be sure to include the child's name and and their grade (be specific). Also, be sure to include a flavor choice for your popsicle.
2. Return the order form and payment on or before Friday, May 21st.
3. Eat up and cool down! Your donation has gone to a good cause!

Squirmy Wormy Icy Delight Order Form

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please indicate quantity of each:

Fruit Punch: _____

Lemonade: _____

ALL STUDENTS



Barnes & Noble Scrip Order Form

(IDS receives 10% on Scrip orders.)

Gift Certificates:	<u>Qty. Requested</u>
\$25.00	_____
\$10.00	_____

Total Order Amount: \$_____

Student Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Teacher: _____

Pick up at IDS office

Send home with child

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS
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**We have extra COOKIE DOUGH for sale!
Please continue to support our group
& select another one of your
FAVORITE FLAVORS!**

FLAVOR	# AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE	FLAVOR	# AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE
Butter Sugar	2	Carnival Candy	2
White Chocolate Macadamia Nut	3	Chocolate-Chocolate Chunk	1
Strawberry Shortcake	3	Peanut Butter	1
Café Au Lait Brownies	2		

Child's Name _____
Teacher _____
Preferred Contact Info _____
(email or phone)

Flavors to Order	Number Desired

If you would like to order any of the above varieties, please return this form in your folder or to the office.

We will confirm your order with you, and payment will be collected when you pick-up the cookie dough.

These quantities are limited and will be sold on a first come-first served basis. Get your order in quickly!

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**Who is invited: ALL IDS
Volunteers**

There are many ways you may have volunteered this school year at IDS. All of these and *many* more ways give us reason to celebrate YOU!!

**Please join us on
Monday, May 17th, 2010
8:05 a.m.**

Volunteers will be briefly honored by our students in Corbett Hall followed by a delicious breakfast in the Grand Room

(on the 2nd floor of the NEW building)

Kindly RSVP by Thursday, May 13, 2010

to

Heather Lee,
heatherlee12@verizon.net

What is a volunteer?

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If you worked in the library

**If you helped the school in any
way**

THEN

YOU are a volunteer!!

