

HEADS' LETTER

DECEMBER 4, 2008

	TEACHER IN-SERVICE & EARLY DISMISSAL: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 12:00 P.M.	
THERE WILL BE EXTENDED DAY ON WEDNESDAY FROM 12:00 – 6:00 P.M.		

If you are in need of Extended Day on Wednesday, December 10, please call the IDS office by Monday, December 8. Activities will be based in the Extended Day Room and an afternoon snack of fresh fruit, chips and juice will be provided. We also will arrange for quiet time so that students can do their homework. The cost for the afternoon will be \$15.00, regardless of the length of stay, (except for those on the Yearly-Extended Day Plan). **NOTE: PLEASE BE SURE TO SEND A LUNCH WITH YOUR CHILD IF HE/SHE WILL BE STAYING FOR EXTENDED DAY.**

FINE ARTS NIGHT: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT 6:30 P.M.
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Please clear your calendars and plan to be at IDS next Thursday for a delightful evening at our **ANNUAL FINE ARTS NIGHT**. The **ENTIRE** school will participate in the program. **ALL STUDENTS** from Pre-K3 thru eighth grade are expected to 1). perform and 2). **WEAR IDS GREEN POLO SHIRTS**. All chorus and band members wear specified White Fine Arts polo shirts.

TIME SCHEDULE: 6:00 P.M. Students in **Pre-K3 thru fifth grade** will report to their classrooms where their teachers will be awaiting them. All students will watch the performance with their classes on WIDS closed circuit TV. **Middle School** will report to:

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| ★ Musical Theatre | Art Room |
| ★ Band (Beginning/Advanced) | Music Room |
| ★ Narrators | Corbett Hall |
| ★ Middle School Division | Laney Library |

6:00 P.M. Corbett Hall opens for adult seating and slide show presentation.
6:30 P.M. Program begins **PROMPTLY** in Corbett Hall; please be seated by this time.

PARKING FOR FINE ARTS NIGHT: There will be **deputies** on duty as well as our own staff to assist us in parking. **The parking options include:**



Parking area

1. IDS main school parking on the East Side;
2. IDS Middle School parking lot on the West Side;
3. IDS grassy parking lot on the East Side north of the school (lighting will be provided); and
4. Carrollwood Elementary School parking lot on the corner of McFarland and Orange Grove Drive. **Our buses will shuttle people to and from Carrollwood Elementary or you may enjoy the short walk.**



KEY DATES: GRAB YOUR CALENDAR...

BE SURE TO MAKE THE MOST OF ALL THE FOLLOWING OPPORTUNITIES

- 1. ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008, FROM 8:30 - 10:00 A.M.:** PARENTS: Tell a friend about our IDS Admissions Open House and after the campus tour, attend the IDS Boutique and Brunch!
- 2. IDS-CC BOUTIQUE AND BRUNCH – DECEMBER 5, 2008, FROM 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.:** Does shopping over 25 quality vendors while munching away on a fabulous brunch overlooking Lake Lipsey sound like an enjoyable way to spend a morning? If so, the IDS-CC BOUTIQUE AND BRUNCH may be for you. This year's brunch will **INCLUDE: A made to order omelet station and carving station with roast beef along with brunch menu items - all prepared by our own Chef Garret.**
- 3. IDS HOLIDAY GOURMET TO GO FUNDRAISER -** Make your holiday meals easier with **Dinner Done.** Create four wonderful holiday dinner packages and 10% of the proceeds of all purchases will come right back to IDS! **All orders due in by Monday, December 8.** See enclosed order form for more details.
- 4. IDS BOOSTER SPONSORED HOLIDAY POINSETTIAS** will be delivered on Tuesday, December 9.
- 5. IDS SKATING PARTY - DECEMBER 10, FROM 12:15 – 2:15 P.M.** It will be held at **United Skates** on 5121 North Armenia Ave. Tickets are \$4.00 in advance or \$5.00 at the door. Have lunch at the party: Large cheese pizza, pitcher of soda, and 40 tokens – Just \$20.00. Ticket forms are available at the offices on both sides of the campus.
- 6. LOOKING FOR DINNER OPTIONS FROM 4:00 – 6:00 P.M. BEFORE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, WINTER FINE ARTS PERFORMANCE?** Our PFA Fundraising Chairs Vanessa Minick and Heather Lee have arranged two options for all IDS Families; **SWEET TOMATOES**, on Dale Mabry in Carrollwood, will donate 15% of every meal and beverage purchase to IDS. Simply present the Sweet Tomatoes form, available in the IDS office, at the time of purchase. **PLEASE NOTE: The form MUST BE presented at the register along with a beverage purchase in order for IDS to receive credit.** **CICI'S PIZZA**, Carrollwood, will donate 10% of every purchase made when you simply mention IDS. In addition, the class with the most participation at the restaurant will receive a FREE pizza party!
- 7. THE INTERMEDIATE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL IS SPONSORING CRAZY HAIR DAY ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12.** Mohawks, Rayhawks, Buzz cuts, Curls, Pig-tails, Spikes!! Get a little crazy and have some fun with your hair!
- 8. FOR A HOLIDAY TREAT, THE IDS COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS PRESENTS THE MUSIC MAN, JR.** This legendary musical tells the story of con man Harold Hill, who poses as a boys' band leader and sells band instruments and uniforms to naive townsfolk in River City, IA. before skipping town with the cash. "Opening Night" is Friday, December 12, 2008, and is scheduled to run through December 14. Performances are:

- ★ **Friday December 12**, at 7:00 p.m.
- ★ **Saturday, December 13**, at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.
- ★ **Sunday, December 14**, at 2:00 p.m.



TICKET PRICES ARE \$5.00 AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR.

A MESSAGE FROM AMY BOTTINI PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION (PFA), PRESIDENT

Thank You

Dear Parents and Faculty:

After a relaxing weekend celebrating and sharing with our friends and families, we are back to school at full speed! Over the weekend and in preparation for a fun filled December, I looked over my calendar and saw what our RPC's had accomplished over Fall Fest, Thanksgiving week and Grandparents Day, and I was able to see what was ahead for our wonderful RPC's. I am truly amazed at the many wonderful activities and events our RPC's lead at school. With their hearts and giving spirit, these volunteers are the backbone of the PFA. By supporting and assisting our classroom teachers, they are models and leaders in every way and make so many things possible for our children and community. Thank you, thank you, thank you RPC's for giving us your attention and care. You are so appreciated and valued!

Sincerely,
Amy Bottini
PFA President

Thank You

IDS ANNUAL BOOK FAIR RUNS THROUGH SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2008

Thanks a million for your support of the Book Fair! The IDS Laney Library/Media Center receives 25% of the sales from the book fair. ALL items sold throughout the store will count toward our book fair total **INCLUDING** café consumables, magazines, and DVD's.

Wednesday's Primary Night brought many people to the Book Fair to buy books for now and holiday gifts. Featuring Chinese and Spanish storytimes, we also heard a beautiful mini-concert by our Third Grade chorus, The Spirit of IDS. Led by Barbara McBride, over 25 third graders sang a variety of songs, which brought smiles, laughter, and joy to all of us. Thanks to Milene Lima and Cathy Peacock for coordinating a great Book Fair.

IDS-CC GREEN CLUB'S GREEN BAG UPDATE

The IDS Green Club would like to extend its deepest appreciation to everyone who has ordered green bags! We have received orders for hundreds of bags and look forward to delivering them just in time for your holiday shopping! IDS Green Club students will be assembling the orders and delivering them to classrooms this Friday. A new order form has also been provided in this week's Heads' Letter enclosures for anyone else who would like to take the opportunity to purchase these reusable shopping bags! New orders are guaranteed to be filled by the winter break.



HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

The Middle School IDS Student Council sponsored a food drive to benefit Metropolitan Ministries. The westside collected 750 canned goods. When combined with the eastside Leadership Council's contribution, IDS was able to make a total contribution of 884 pounds of food to Metropolitan Ministries. A big thanks to the entire IDS Community for supporting the Student Council's community service program. By contributing, we know that we made a difference in many peoples' lives.

THE SPRING HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM

Once again, IDS has the opportunity to contribute to a very worthy cause, The Spring Holiday Giving program. This marks the 17th year that IDS has participated in this program, and we are proud to be one of the main sponsors. Please remember that your participation is strictly optional. Any help is greatly appreciated and goes a long way in helping families in crisis and in need.

The Spring is a local shelter for families of domestic abuse. The families we are helping typically arrive at the shelter with only a few clothes and personal items. Most, if not all, are single parent families, and will eventually leave the shelter and start out on their own again. As you can imagine, their needs are extremely great, even for the most basic items, and they really count on our support.

KEY POINTS IN GIVING:

1. All items donated must be NEW and UNWRAPPED. Please see handout in Thursday folder detailing items desired.
2. Gently used bikes are also accepted and very welcome.
3. Gift certificates from WalMart are greatly appreciated, as it allows the families to purchase the items they truly need with dignity. Please see SCRIP order form in Thursday folder.

Donations can be dropped off in your child's classroom any time between now and **Monday, December 15**. We will have a box for collection of all items and an envelope for collecting all gift cards/certificates. Thank you for your help with this wonderful program. Please call or e-mail your RPC if you have any questions.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Party City of Carrollwood! We would like to give an IDS cheer to parents, Cameron and Kristine Drew, and Mighty Monkey, Elicia Drew, for their generous contribution of decorations for the IDS 40th Anniversary Celebration.



ENCLOSURES



1. December 2008 school calendar
2. IDS-CC Green Club's Green Bag Flyer
3. The Spring Scrip Order Form
4. Dinner Done order form



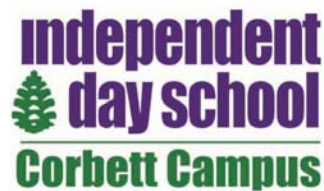
**Please see
"All School"
enclosures
found in
Thursday Folder.**

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 IDS Book Fair Day 4	2 IDS Book Fair Day 5	3 Fifth Grade Visits Middle School IDS Faculty reading time at book fair 3:15 – 4:30 pm Primary Night at IDS Book Fair 5:00 pm Day 1	4 PFA General Council Meeting 8:05 am IDS Book Fair Day 2	5 IDS Book Fair Admissions Open House 8:30 - 10:00 am IDS Boutique & Brunch Farish Center 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Day 3	6 IDS Book Fair Last Day
	7	8 Fifth Grade Parents Meeting at Middle School 8:30 – 10:00 am Day 4	9 Day 5	10 NOON DISMISSAL/TEACHER IN-SERVICE Day *	11 WINTER FINE ARTS NIGHT 6:30 pm Day 1	12 Community School of the Arts Presents <i>The Music Man, Jr.</i> 7:00 pm Day 2
14 Community School of the Arts Presents <i>The Music Man, Jr.</i> 2:00 pm Day 3	15 Day 4	16 Day 5	17 Day 1	18 All-Stars (3/4 MA)/ Navigators (3 rd) Auction 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Day 1	19 NOON DISMISSAL Day *	20
21	22 WINTER BREAK	23 WINTER BREAK	24 WINTER BREAK	25 WINTER BREAK	26 WINTER BREAK	27
28	29 WINTER BREAK	30 WINTER BREAK	31 WINTER BREAK			

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IDS-CC "Go Green Bag" Project



The IDS-CC "Go Green Team" is sponsoring a Green Bag Drive to support both our school and our environment!



Please join the IDS-CC Green Team as we roll out our first-ever fundraiser! We will be selling reusable shopping bags, in two styles, for the next two weeks. Profits from the sale of these bags will be used to support the American Red Cross, individual classrooms and future environmental projects around campus.

Why buy reusable shopping bags? The use of plastic bags produces much waste for our landfills and environment. Many plastic bags end up in our river, oceans, and waterways. By using reusable bags, we will produce less waste and help to keep contaminants out of our local land, oceans, rivers and springs.

How will this help me, personally? One bag can hold the same amount as three to four Publix plastic bags. This will help minimize the time between your trunk and your kitchen!

Could you please tell me more about these bags?

Bag 1 (offered in brilliant purple) is an environmentally friendly polypropylene grocery tote bag with all reinforced seams, full 8" gusset, 26" self handles, covered bottom insert and tear resistant, water repellent fabric.



Bag 2 (offered in hunter green) is an environmentally friendly, reusable shopping bag. Nylon folding tote bag, that fits over supermarket checkout frames. The bag folds into the attached pouch, measuring 2.5" x 3.5" x 1", making it super easy to store!



All bags will be printed with the IDS-CC logo!

Yes, I would love to support my child's classroom, the American Red Cross and the IDS Green team!

Student's name: _____ Grade: _____

I would like to order Bag 1:
One bag for \$2.50
Special offer: 3 for \$6.00

I would like to order Bag 2:
One bag for \$5.00
Special offer: 3 for \$12.00

Total no. of Bag 1 ordered: _____ Total no. of Bag 2 ordered _____

Total cost: _____ Total cost: _____

I have included my check, made out to IDS, for _____ (total amount ordered).

_____ (signature)

Classroom teachers: Please return all order forms and money to the Middle School Office. Thank you!!

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HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM

SCRIP ORDER FORM

Walmart \$25.00 x Quantity_____ = Total \$_____

The Spring has requested Scrip from this merchant.

Student Name: _____

Phone# / E-mail Address: _____

Teacher: _____

Thank you for your support!

THE SPRING
HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM

2008 SPECIAL REQUESTS

CHILDREN

- Pull-Ups and Diapers – all sizes (especially size 6)
- Baby wipes
- Baby shampoo
- Baby soap
- Baby clothes
- Toys – All Ages: Barbie dolls; board games; action figures; cars; Legos; soccer balls, basketballs or footballs; multi-ethnic books; art sets

ADULTS

- Personal care items: deodorant; shampoo; toothpaste and toothbrushes; combs and brushes; disposable razors;

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

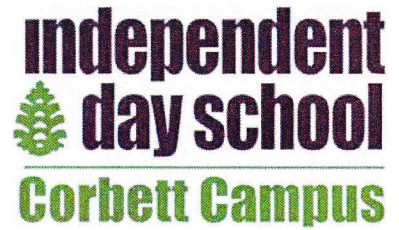
- School supplies
- Canned foods
- Detergent / Bleach
- Small electrical appliances

SCRIP OR GIFT CERTIFICATES TO: WAL-MART

GENTLY USED BIKES AND STROLLERS



**IDS Holiday Gourmet ToGo
Fundraiser Order Form
Percentage of Proceeds to Benefit IDS**



To order, please return this form to school by **Monday, December 8th**

Name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Information:

____ Check is enclosed. (Please make checks payable to "Dinner Done")
 ____ Cash is enclosed.
 ____ Visa/Mastercard: Credit Card #: _____
 Exp: _____ Billing Zipcode: _____
 Signature: _____

Pickup Options (select one):

_____ at IDS on December 12th (at pick up)
 _____ at Dinner Done on _____ (any date from Friday, 12/12 to Friday, 12/19)

Select the package(s) of your choice.
 Package details are shown on reverse side.

Package	Petite Package - \$24.95 (Serves 2 Adults)	Family Package - \$44.95 (Serves 4 Adults)
Friends & Festivities		
Season's Eatings		
Most Wonderful Time of the Year		
Home for the Holidays		
TOTAL		

Prefer different side dishes than what is shown in the package? No problem!
 Please indicate that by **circling the two side dishes** you would like:

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| Herb Pesto Linguine | Herbed Butter Asparagus |
| Baby Carrots | Almond Herb Rice Pilaf |
| Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes | |

Questions? We're happy to help! Please call us at 813.264.7700 or email Carrollwood@DinnerDone.com.

Happy Holidays from DinnerDone!
 See www.DinnerDone.com for our monthly menus and other holiday specials!

