



IWA Newsletter - September 30, 2022

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

from the desk of Mr. Wisnor





A Message from Mr. Wisnor

While it seems like the school year just began, the calendar will turn from September to October tomorrow and we will already be six weeks into the 2022-23 school year. On behalf of the faculty, staff, and administration, I want to sincerely thank you, the parents, for your support and for a great start to the new school year.

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CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

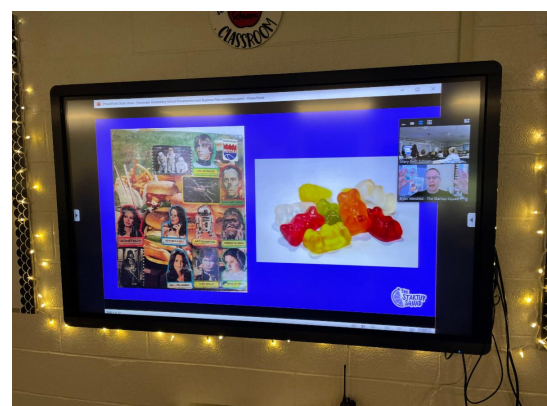
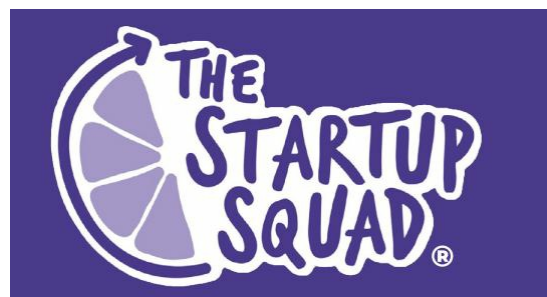
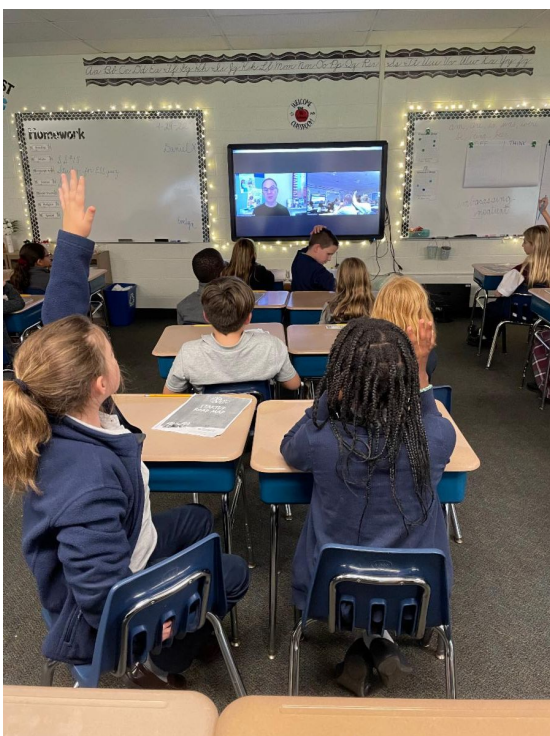


Student Generated Ideas

Quinn O. and Audrey H. proposed some new ideas to Mrs. Congelio this past spring. One idea in particular was to provide playground equipment for all of the K-5 classes. They felt that if the classes had their own equipment to take care of, then they would take ownership of collecting and maintaining equipment. New equipment was ordered this year and the girls spent several recess periods sorting and organizing the equipment. On Friday, the baskets were delivered!

Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

Science Technology Engineering Art Mathematics



Start Up Squad in Fourth Grade

Fourth graders launched an entrepreneurial unit this week with an interactive Zoom call from Brian Weisfeld, [The Start Up Squad](#) Founder, TEDx and global speaker, and former executive. Mr. Weisfeld led the students through an interactive exercise and each child received a business plan template, brainstormed some points towards their own business idea, and began to plan the details of their own business! Students received *The Startup Squad's Startup Roadmap* thus beginning a journey of entrepreneurial mindsets and skills. Furthermore, Mr. Weisfeld shared many examples of kidpreneurs and discussed the importance of mindsets and how to think like an entrepreneur along with the importance of risk and failure. He will be sending our fourth grade classroom signed copies of his series for the classroom library!

SAVE THE DATE

Schedule your Parent Teacher Conference now!

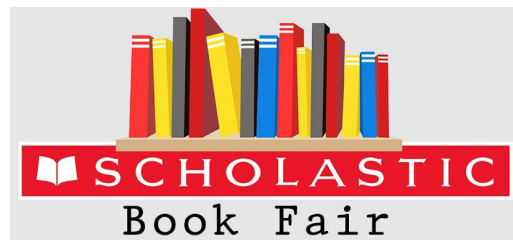
Parent Teacher Conferences will take place on Wednesday, October 12 from 3:30 to 6 p.m. and on Thursday, October 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

[Schedule your conference by clicking here!](#)

The Book Fair is Coming!

Parent helpers are needed to help with our book fair on Monday, Oct. 10-12th.

[Click here](#) to see when your child is attending the book fair.



[Sign-Up to Volunteer!](#)

PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Homeroom parents are needed for the following homerooms:



106 - Ms. Grusenmeyer

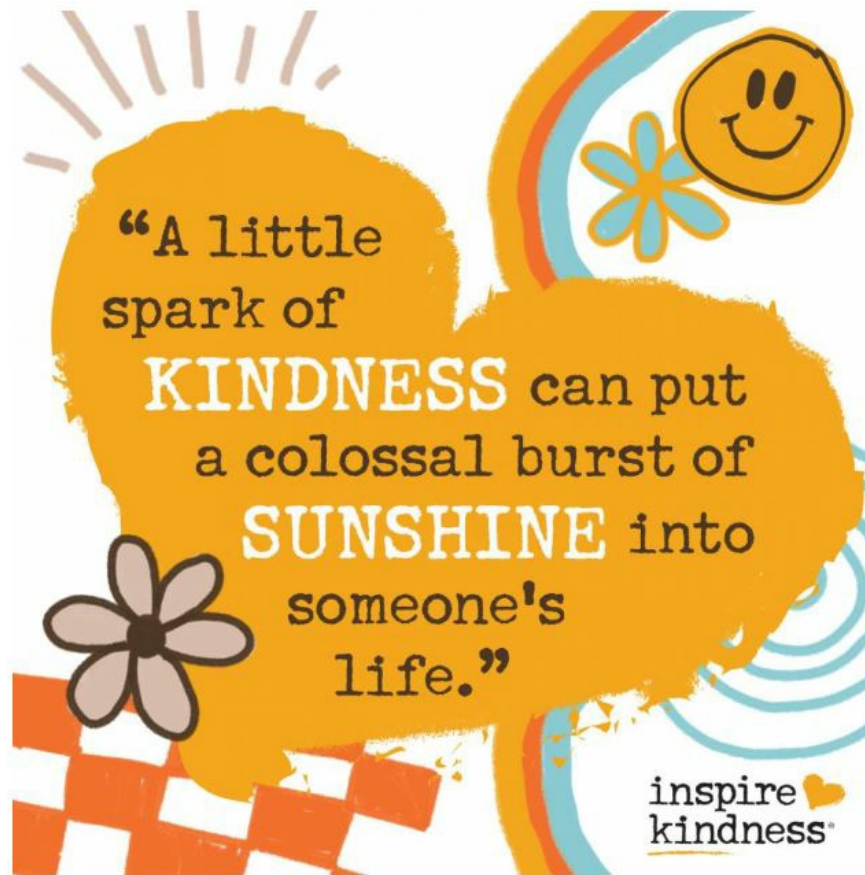


213 - Mrs. Borden



214 - Ms. Shalala

[Click here to sign up to be a homeroom parent!](#)



The SPARK Committee (formerly No Place for Hate) is looking for new members! As part of the SPARK Committee you could help plan and run school-wide events that spread the message of empathy and kindness. If you are interested in joining the committee, please fill out the application below. Applications are due on Thursday, October 6, and our first meeting will be after school on Monday, October 10. Please contact Ms. Grusenmeyer if you have any questions! This is for students in grades 4-8.

[Click here for the SPARK Committee Application!](#)

Maltz Museum Presents

STOP THE HATE

Are you civic-minded and an advocate for the rights of others? Do you enjoy writing or wish to improve your writing? Would you like to collaborate with other professionals to leverage these skills and even explore songwriting? Then this club is for you! Join us in the writing workshop for the STOP THE HATE and explore advocacy, be a change-maker, and contribute ideas with others as you shape an idea to combat bias. Stand up and speak out! Sign up here:

CLUB SIGN UP (use your iwaonline account).

Who: Interested 6th-8th grade students with Mrs. Borden and Mrs. Hribar

When: Tuesday mornings before school on Tuesdays mornings (first meeting TBD).

(Additional meetings may be scheduled depending upon the availability of *Roots of America Music* and *Lake Erie Ink.*)

Where: Mrs. Borden's classroom

UPCOMING EVENTS

Warriors for Moms Volleyball Tournament: IWA All Stars

The Warriors for Moms ALL STAR Games are next week! 52 teams in grades 3 – 8 played in the tournament.

The IWA Volleyball All Stars are:

- **6th Grade:** Nina L., Julia S., & Hadyn M.
- **7th Grade:** Gabby Z., Ava B., & Julia S.
- **8th Grade:** Sophia H., Adie H., Victoria S., and Lyla P.

All games begin at 7:30 p.m. next week, and the schedule is as follows:

- **6th grade:** Monday, 10/3
- **7th grade:** Wednesday, 10/5
- **8th grade:** Friday, 10/7



[Click here to purchase your game tickets!](#)

We are collecting items for Zelig's Home, which can be brought to any of the games.
Items include:

Toilet Paper
Avent Bottles
Paper Towels
Sensitive Skin Laundry Detergent
Dryer Sheets
Sensitive Skin Body Wash
Swiffer mop pads
Mops

SOS pads
Hair Conditioner (All hair types)
Baby Toothbrush
Baby Nail Clippers
Rubberbands
Baby hygiene items
Dishware
Pots and pans
Twin size sheet sets

Altar Server Training: October 17, Grades 5 - 8

Save the Date! There will be an altar server training for new and returning altar servers on Monday, October 17 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Students must be in Grades 5 - 8 and Catholic to participate. Click on the button below to register by next Friday, October 7! Questions? [Email the Director of Campus Ministry, Mrs. Hjort.](#)

[Click here to be an altar server!](#)

PTSU: Monster Mash - Sunday, October 23, from 3 to 6 p.m.

Candy donations are needed for this year's Halloween event and can be dropped off in the red bin located in the Main Office. Thank you for your generosity!



RSVP to the Monster Mash here!

November 2, 3 & 4: Music Boosters Clothing Drive

Clean out your closets and help the IWA Music Boosters! Music Boosters are collecting large bags of clothes and household soft goods November 2 - 4 in the after school pick-up line.

Our goal is \$1,000 which equates to 385 tall kitchen bags worth of items!

Clothing: We are collecting men's, women's and children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, ties, belts, backpacks, etc.

Household Items: Bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

All items must be clean and in sellable condition.

Click the flyer to the right to learn more!



FUNDrive® Coordinator
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Our Goal: \$1000
385 Tall Kitchen Bags (avg. 15 lbs.)
Fundraiser Dates:
10/02/2022 - 10/04/2022

Clean out your closets for Incarnate Word Academy- Music Booster Club!

We are collecting large bags of clothes and household soft goods on November 2nd, 3rd, & 4th, in the after-school pickup line. All proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit the Music Boosters Club and the many scholarships, field trips, and activities that it provides.

We Are Collecting

Clothes

men's, women's and children's clothes, coats, shoes, scarves, handbags, wallets, fashion accessories, ties, belts, backpacks, etc.

Household Textiles

bedding, comforters, blankets, sheets, towels, linen, tablecloths, curtains, pillows, etc.

Please gather clothes and household textiles in bags. All items must be clean and in sellable condition.

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SPIRIT WEAR

Did you forget to order a t-shirt, pair of sweatpants or joggers for gym class from the online store? If so, a limited number of items are available by using the link below. Please note that a small fee is charged for your order to be shipped directly to you. Our next large sale will be in November in time for Christmas!

[Click here to shop the Spirit Wear Sale!](#)

LUNCH MONITORS STILL NEEDED

We are in need of lunch monitors for the school year. Monitors work as a part-time position. If you are interested in this **paid position**, please contact Michelle Konopka at mkonopka@incarnatewordacademy.org.

IWA ALUMNI NEWS

#FlashBackFriday Alumni Spotlight: Hannah Hill '12



Happy #flashbackfriday! This week, we are featuring Hannah Hill, IWA Class of 2012!

After IWA, Hannah attended St. Joseph Academy and graduated in 2016. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from John Carroll University, earning her Master of Arts in Nonprofit Administration this past May. This summer, Hannah began her role as the Alumnae Director at her alma mater, St. Joseph Academy.

When asked about the Sisters of the Incarnate Word, Hannah had many memories to share. She says, "The Sisters of the Incarnate Word were integral to my experience and I am most grateful for their presence. Sr. Elizabeth Ann, Sr. Elizabeth, Sr. Catherine, and Sr. Eileen are some of the most remarkable women I have ever known. They are, and always will be, what continues to keep the school's spirit alive."

[Click here to read more about Hannah's IWA experience!](#)



Are you an Incarnate Word Academy alumni? We'd love to hear from you! Please take a moment, click a button below and send us an update!

Are you an IWA Alumni? Click here!

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