



IWA Newsletter December 15, 2023

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio



7th Grade LEGO Robotics Team

Congratulations to our Grade 7 LEGO Robotics team! These students have been preparing since August, perfecting a LEGO robot and a required innovative project on Stop Motion for the competition. On Saturday, our team traveled to Warren High School and won the Best Design Award, as well as ranking in the top 5 overall, earning them a seat at the district competition in January.

Team members include Riyansh A., Aayan S., Sourya A., Abhijeet M., and Saharsh G.. Way to go, Warriors!

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE



The Main Office will be closed
December 25 through January 2.
The Main Office will be open from
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. from
January 3 through January 5.

*Merry Christmas
& Happy New Year!*

Normal office hours will resume on Monday, January 8, 2024!

GIFT CARD ORDERS: LAST DAY FOR 2023



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Please note that the last day to order physical gift cards for school delivery in 2023 is next Monday, December 18! All orders received by 8 a.m. will be delivered next week. No physical gift card orders will be processed over the break. Orders for physical gift cards will resume on Monday, January 8, 2024. Don't forget, you can order digital gift cards at any time through the Raise Right app! [Click here to get started!](#)

[Questions? Please click here to email Mrs. Heather Schmuhl.](#)

CALENDAR NOTES & FESTIVE DRESS DOWNS

FESTIVE DRESS DOWN DAYS!

DECEMBER 1ST

Dress Down in
Flannel

DECEMBER 7TH

Dress Down in a Christmas
Sweater/ Shirt

DECEMBER 15TH

Dress like your favorite
Christmas Character or
Christmas Dress Down

DECEMBER 22ND

Wear Christmas Pajamas to
School

Uniform Donations

Do you have IWA school uniforms that are too small for your child? Consider donating them to the Uniforms-R-Us program. Volunteers will be collecting used uniforms and sorting them over Christmas break. Please consider washing the items before turning them in, as this helps streamline the process. Used uniforms can be turned into the main office at any time.





Catholic Schools Week 2024!

SAVE THE DATE!

When: January 28, 2024

Where: St. John Bosco/ Incarnate Word
Academy

What: Mass at St. John Bosco at 11am
followed by an open house (12-1:30) filled
with family design challenges at IWA.

Music at Mass will be led by IWA's Singing Warriors!

SPRING FLING: SAVE THE DATE FOR MARCH 16!



SATURDAY, MARCH 16
ST. JOSEPH HALL

Save the date for Saturday, March 16, for the annual IWA Spring Fling fundraiser in St. Joseph Hall! Tickets will be available in early January, and sponsorship opportunities are available.

We are also seeking any connections to auction and raffle items including sporting events, local entertainment and activities, travel experiences and more!

Finally, we are looking for a local company or connections for event up-lighting.

Please reach out to Heather Schmuhl at hschmuhl@incarnatewordacademy.org!

**Click here for Spring Fling 2024 Sponsorship
Opportunities!**

PTSU NEWS: MOTHER DAUGHTER EVENT



ANNIE

**IWA MOTHER-DAUGHTER
EVENT**

 **Saturday**
March 23, 2024

Show Time: 
1:30pm

Conor Palace 1615 Euclid Ave Avenue

**Please register via the Google Form between 12/01/2023 and 01/12/2024
- Ticket charges will take place via Digital Academy and must be paid by
01/26/2024. Tickets are \$37.50 per person.**

[Click here to register for tickets via Google Form](#)

CAMPUS MINISTRY CORNER

*We will gather again for an all school **Advent prayer service** on December 19th at 10:00 a.m. in Saint Joseph Hall.*

*Lastly, **parents** will be invited to join a brand new **IWA Interfaith Parent Prayer Group** that will meet monthly, starting in January. Please see the flyer below for more information and to sign up.*

These are just a few of the ways we will be preparing our hearts for Christmas. We pray that you and your family will find meaningful ways to engage in the beautiful traditions of Advent in your parishes and homes.

May the peace of Christ be with you during this special time of year!

[Hallow App Advent Resources](#)
[Loyola Press Advent Resources for Families](#)
[NCEA Advent Resources for Families](#)



Let's Pray

Together

You're invited to join the new

IWA Interfaith Parent Prayer Group



monthly evening gatherings
prayer and reflection
community building
light refreshments
all religions welcome

Email Mrs. Hjort to sign up
ehjort@incarnatewordacademy.org

SISTERS RAFFLE TICKETS

Sisters of the Incarnate Word ~ Annual Raffle

\$10,000 GRAND PRIZE

Second Prize ~ \$1000 Third Prize ~ \$500



TICKETS: \$5 Each

Drawing Date: Friday, February 2, 2024
6618 Pearl Road ~ Parma Heights, OH



**FUNDS RAISED WILL BE USED TO TRANSITION
CONVENT SPACE ON THE SECOND FLOOR FOR USE
BY IWA STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF.**

**Purchase tickets
here!**

It's time for the Sisters' Annual Raffle! Tickets are \$5.00 each with a Grand Prize of \$10,000! Funds raised through this year's raffle will be used to transition convent space on the second floor for use by IWA students, faculty and staff.

This year, **ALL SALES ARE ONLINE**. Each family received an email with a unique, personalized link for your students. Please also note that only Ohio residents can purchase online. If you have family members out of state, please reach out to Heather Schmuhl or Emma Rubadue in the Advancement Office by emailing sistersraffle@incarnatewordacademy.org for purchases.

WINTER CHESS CLUB



Save the date for the winter session of the IWA Chess Club!

Chess will be held on Thursdays after school from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m., beginning January 18, 2024 and ending on March 21, 2024.

The program is open to students in Grades K-8. Click the button below to register!

**Click here to
register!**

IWA ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni Spotlight: Tiffany Yap, IWA Class of 1993



Tiffany Yap, IWA Class of 1993, recently donated a signed copy of her newly published graphic novel titled "Tales of the Urban Wild: A Puma's Journey." Her book shares an intriguing story of a young puma in central California facing habitat loss, poison, dangerous roads, conflict with farm animals, and wildfire.

In addition to writing, Tiffany works as a conservation scientist in California. She holds a doctorate in environmental science and engineering and has published studies in Science, EcoHealth, and other scientific journals.

Although Tiffany was not able to personally deliver her book to IWA, her parents were able to make the trip! Fun Fact: Tiffany's brother, Michael, graduated with Mrs. Bleakley!

Alumni Engagement Committee - Members Wanted!

We are looking for IWA alumni to join our newly formed Alumni Engagement Committee of the IWA Board of Directors! This group will help formally align alumni engagement efforts with the work of the board and its committees.

We invite you to be a part of this committee in some way. [Please click here to email Hannah Hill '12](#) to let her know that you are interested or want to learn more about the various ways to engage with this group - leadership role, committee member or a class ambassador. If you have specific alums that you think would be strong Alumni Engagement Committee member, please consider nominating them!



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

Are you an IWA Alum? Click here!

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