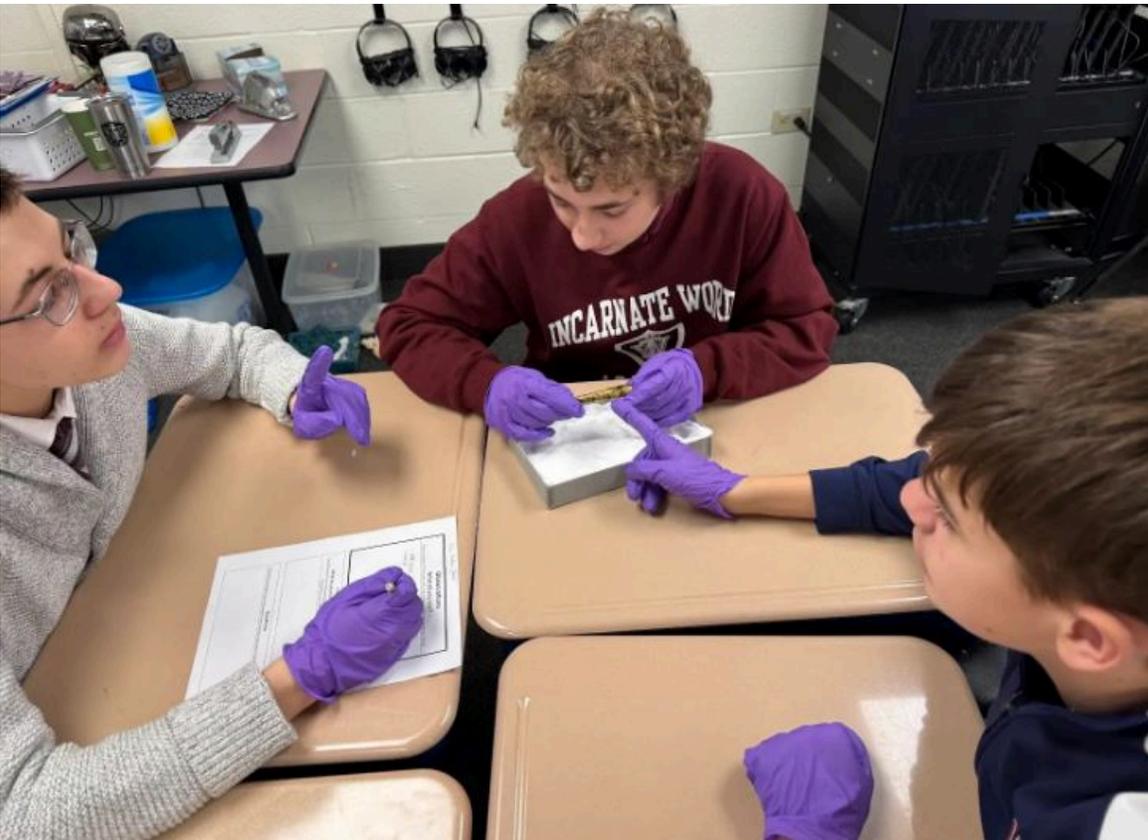




IWA Weekly Newsletter
February 7, 2026

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

WE BELIEVE: *OUR PAST INSPIRES OUR FUTURE*



3,500 Years of History

Our school-wide engagement with the **Cleveland Museum of Art** officially launched this week, beginning with the Class of 2026! The **Art to Go** program, *Calling All Gumshoes! What in the World?* students had the unique opportunity to hold and closely examine authentic artifacts from around the world. Using keen observational skills—just like scientists in the field—students made thoughtful deductions about how these objects may have been used. One

artifact from this collection included a piece that was used by the Egyptians 3,500 years ago!

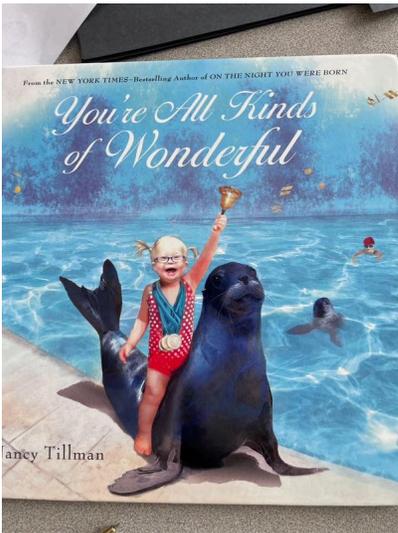
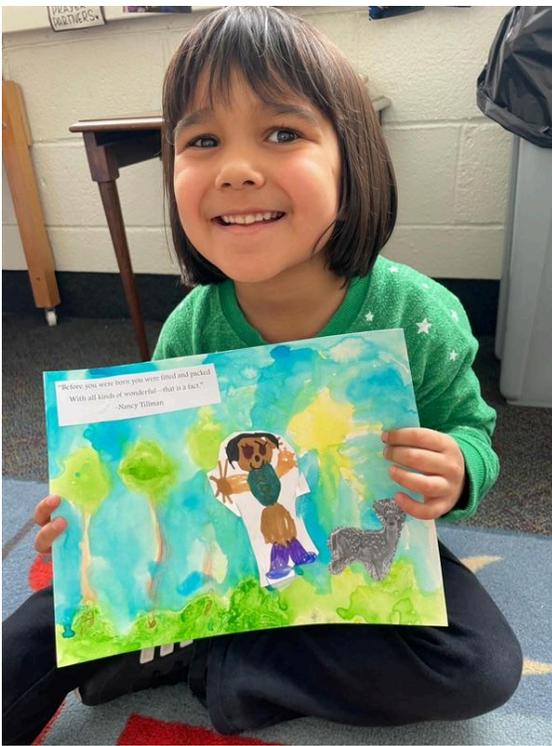
We look forward to this program joining our other grade levels throughout the month of February!

WE BELIEVE: **LEARNING IS INTENTIONAL**

Congratulations to Dominic Togliatti for being selected for the *Young Entrepreneur Institute's Next Stage Fellowship Program*. Dominic's business, which he began developing last year, is *Etched Erie*. Dominic engraves mugs, tumblers, coasters, and key chains. YEI's NextStage Fellowship is an 8-week accelerator program created to help young entrepreneurs move beyond selling products to thinking and operating like business owners. Through a mix of self-guided learning, mentorship, and live strategy sessions, students gain the tools to clarify their business model, strengthen their brand, and design a plan for growth. Each participant develops a business plan that positions them to scale to their NextStage, presents it at the program's conclusion, and has the opportunity to secure up to \$500 in funding. Congratulations, Dominic, and good luck!



Kinder Prep is All Kinds of Wonderful!



Nancy Tillman's books are all about self-confidence, empowerment, and being loved. All of her books feature multi-media illustrations of children and animals. Students in Mrs. Gray's class have enjoyed reading a few of her books this week, and made their own illustrations based on her book, "You Are All Kinds of Wonderful".

Each student chose their favorite animal, then they used watercolors to create the habitat. Afterwards, they used permanent markers to create self-portraits, and cut out images of our favorite animals.

Each illustration has a quote from the book. *"Before you were born you were fitted and packed, with all kinds of wonderful—that is a fact."*

WE BELIEVE: *FAITH IS OUR FOUNDATION*



Sower of the Good Seed

Our Kinder Prep students continue to develop their faith with opportunities visiting the Atrium, a space in our building dedicated to the Catechist of the Good Shepherd program.

Through learning by doing, students reverently explored the altar and learned about the blessing of the chalice and paten in preparation for the celebration of

the Eucharist. This learning helps the students understand and know the significant meaningfulness behind the traditions and rituals of our Mass and Catholic faith, allowing them to be more active participants at Mass, and to help them develop as faithful followers of Christ.

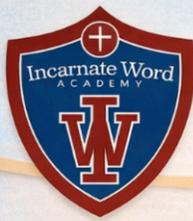


Mia's Fight, Our Fight!

This past Friday, our school community paused to pray the Our Father for Mia S. Lining the hallways on both levels, our students, faculty, and staff united in lifting up Mia and her family with love and prayer. The Our Father holds special meaning for Mia, making the moment even more powerful. This weekly prayer moment will continue throughout Mia's treatment.

Mia is a current first-grade student at Incarnate Word Academy who is bravely fighting leukemia. Although she has spent much of the year in and out of the hospital, she continues to stay connected with her teacher and classmates through daily video messages. Her first-grade friends are also stepping up in a beautiful way—designing and selling custom buttons to help support Mia and her family. More details about their fundraiser will be shared soon.

IWA STRATEGIC PLAN



INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY

PARMA HEIGHTS, OHIO

Strategic Planning Roundtables

Join us for meaningful conversations as we come together to

Reflect • Discuss • Inspire.



Share your ideas, explore possibilities, and help shape the future of IWA in a welcoming, collaborative environment.

Strategic Planning Roundtables – You’re Invited

You are cordially invited to participate in **Roundtable Discussions on Saturday, February 28, from 9:00 to 11:30 AM in St. Joseph Hall on the grounds of Incarnate Word Academy.** These small-group discussions will be facilitated by our Strategic Planning Counsel from Partners in Mission

This is **your opportunity to share your perspective** in critical areas such as Academics, Advancement, Admissions and Enrollment, Catholic Mission and Identity, Facilities, Finance, Governance, and Student Life.

[Click here](#) for more information about the roundtables.

[Click here to RSVP.](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark your calendar with these important dates which can also be found on our calendar in Digital Academy and on our IWA App.

February 11

- Beginners Instrumental Concert @ Padua 7 pm

February 13

- Registration/Technology Fee for the 2026-27 school year is due in Digital Academy for students currently enrolled in K-7. This fee will increase by \$25 after February 13th.

February 16

- President's Day- No School

February 18

- Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9 am

February 19

- PTSU Meeting @ 6:30 pm

February 20

- Dress Down for the IWA Fund
- Q3 Progress Reports sent home

February 22

- Mother Son Bowling

Admissions Update & Reminder

Re-enrollment packets were sent home with students in grades K–7 on Thursday, January 29. These packets include a Personal Tuition Statement outlining each family’s tuition obligations for the 2026–27 school year.

Please note the Registration/Technology Fee is due online through Digital Academy by February 13th. **This fee will increase by \$25 after February 13th.**

The K-8 Enrollment Paperwork can be accessed through your Digital Academy dashboard or by [CLICKING HERE](#).



Summer Updates & Notices at IWA

Please see [THIS COMMUNICATION](#) regarding summer improvements, summer camps and tutoring at IWA for the 2025-26 school year.



Get a bird's eye view of the clubs offered at IWA throughout the year. Registration for clubs can be found in our newsletter closer to the date when the club starts. Click [clubs@IWA!](mailto:clubs@IWA)

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

Kindergarten screening will take place on **Monday, March 9** and **Tuesday, March 10**. Children who are currently enrolled in Kinder Prep at IWA do not need to sign up for a screening time.

Screening sign-ups are only required for children who are not currently enrolled in Kinder Prep at IWA.

Click the link below for additional information and to reserve a screening time.



KINDERGARTEN SCREENING SIGN-UP

KINDER PREP ENROLLMENT

Enrollment in Kinder Prep for the 2026-27 school year is now open! Families who do not have a child currently enrolled at IWA should also schedule a tour by [clicking here](#).

Children must be 4 years old to begin Kinder Prep. Contact Mr. Kessler for full enrollment details at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org



[ENROLL IN KINDER PREP](#)

AVAILABLE POSITIONS

Lunch Monitor

We are currently looking for a lunch monitor to assist during our school lunch periods. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Mrs. Congelio for more information. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

Custodial/Maintenance

IWA is looking to hire a full-time custodial person to join our maintenance team. The position offers a competitive salary, benefits, paid time off, and a great work environment. If you know somebody who might be interested, please have them contact Mike Wisnor at mwisnor@incarnatewordacademy.org.

BOWLING CLUB

Bowling Club is starting soon and will run on **Mondays from February 23 through May 11!** Forms and payment are due by Wednesday, February 18. Please see the attached information for details and registration instructions. 🎳

Bowling Club is available to students in grades 3-8 and runs for 11 weeks.



[CLICK FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

DRAMA CLUB

Support the Drama Club by purchasing an ad in our program!

Looking for a splashy option that includes a photo or business logo? An **Ad** is the perfect choice. Want to wish your favorite cast or crew member good luck? A **Shout-Out** is a great way to show your support.

Ads and shout-outs need to be submitted by Friday, February 27th.



PURCHASE AN AD

PURCHASE A SHOUT-OUT

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NEWS

SPRING SPORTS SIGN-UPS

The poster for Track & Field features a white background with a grey silhouette of a runner in the center. Above the runner are five colored boxes: 'RACE' (red), 'RELAY' (yellow), 'HURDLES' (blue), 'JUMPS' (orange), and 'DISCUS' (green). Below the runner, the text reads 'INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO' in red, 'TRACK & FIELD' in large blue letters, 'SIGN-UP DEADLINE: MARCH 1ST' in black, and 'SIGN-UP FEE: \$125' in white on a red background. A small red arrow points to the right.

RACE RELAY HURDLES
JUMPS DISCUS

INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO
TRACK & FIELD
SIGN-UP DEADLINE: MARCH 1ST
Sign-up today if you enjoy sprinting and running with speed, strength, endurance, and skill.
SIGN-UP FEE: \$125

The poster for Baseball features a tan background with a baseball diamond pattern. At the top, it says 'INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO' in black. Below that, 'BASEBALL' is written in large red letters. In the center is a white baseball with red stitching. To the left of the baseball is a red starburst with '\$125' and 'SIGN-UP' in white. To the right is another red starburst with 'DEADLINE 1 MARCH' in white. Below the baseball, it says 'JOIN THE EXCITEMENT OF BASEBALL' in blue. At the bottom, it asks 'Are you ready to hit a home run this season?' and 'Sign up for CYO Baseball and give your child the opportunity to learn, grow, and have fun on the field!'. Below that are three red dots and the words 'TEAMWORK', 'LEARN SKILLS', and 'HAVE FUN' in black.

INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO
BASEBALL
SIGN-UP \$125 DEADLINE 1 MARCH
JOIN THE EXCITEMENT OF BASEBALL
Are you ready to hit a home run this season?
Sign up for CYO Baseball and give your child the opportunity to learn, grow, and have fun on the field!
TEAMWORK • LEARN SKILLS • HAVE FUN

Get ready for an exciting spring season! Students can now sign up for **Track & Field** and **Baseball**. Don't miss the chance to be part of the team, build skills, and have fun representing IWA. **The deadline to register is March 1.** Click the link below to sign up today!

SIGN UP HERE!

Join us for our upcoming Athletic Association meetings! These gatherings are a great opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and support our Warrior athletic programs.

All parents and supporters are welcome. Come see how you can make a difference for our student-athletes!

- **Monday, February 9th @ 6p**
- Monday, March 9th @ 6p
- Monday, April 13th @ 6p
- Monday, May 11th @ 6p

Join us for the

ATHLETIC MEETINGS

MONDAYS @ 6PM

ST. JOSEPH HALL HOSPITALITY ROOM

DECEMBER 15TH
JANUARY 12TH
FEBRUARY 9TH
MARCH 9TH
APRIL 13TH
MAY 11TH

JOIN US TO DISCUSS ATHLETICS AND ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE



ALUMNI UPDATE



Congratulations to Sourya Adavi, IWA Class of 2025! We are thrilled to celebrate Sourya's outstanding achievement in earning a Gold Key at the 2026 Scholastic Regional Writing Competition. Sourya was one of only three students from University School to receive this prestigious honor—an incredible accomplishment! His award-winning piece has advanced to national judging, and we cannot wait to follow his continued success. Way to make the IWA community proud!

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

Are you an IWA alum? [Click here!](#)

TREEHOUSE BEREA

Our friends at The Treehouse Berea are now offering a knitting club! This is in addition to their offerings including chess, lego, art studio, jr. robotics, minecraft, and game design!

Check out the attached flyer for more details!

[Click here for more information.](#)

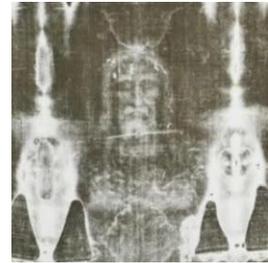


COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

The Man Of The Shroud Touring Exhibit

Coming to St Mary's Parish in Berea on February 21st and February 22nd. This event is FREE for all families. Donations are always welcomed.

Find more details on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).



PTSU



We've moved!

All PTSU related meetings, information, events, and fundraisers can now be viewed **EVERY THURSDAY** in our newly created PTSU newsletter. Find everything you need in one location!

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