

IWA Weekly Newsletter March 14, 2025

Classroom Highlights from the desk of Mrs. Congelio







Fourth Grade Explores Electrical Energy

Students in Ms. Schram's classes science were challenged to build a device that would mimic the design of a flashlight. Using a button battery, foil, tape, an LED light, and a notecard, the students Warrior used the design process to construct the device. There was much redesigning and failing along



the way. With the support of their classmates and teacher, the students found success.

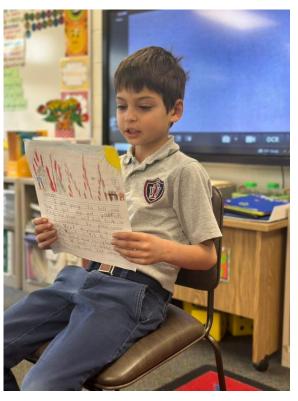
2nd Grade Authors Share Personal Stories

Both second grade classrooms have been working through the writing process composing personal narratives. The students put much effort and consideration into choosing a special memory to write about as they developed an opening hook to capture the reader's attention, details to illustrate the events, and a closing sentence that ended the story. I had the pleasure of hearing the students read their personal narratives to the class, which allowed the students to develop their oral communication skills, as well as being a good audience member. Many of the stories had similar themes: vacations, pets, and personal accomplishments. Our 2nd grade writers did an outstanding job!









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2025 SUMMER FUN AT IWA Pickleball Printmaking Puppet De

Vacation Bible School Watercolor Superkids Friendship Once Upon A STEM

Sewing

Pickleball Puppet Design Watercolor Friendship Camp



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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Off to Columbus





Eighth grader students Riyansh A. and Jaanvi S. are heading to Columbus this weekend to represent IWA at the state MATHCOUNTS competition with coaches Mrs. Zullo and Mrs. Battaglia. These students secured scores at the regional level to earn them a spot at states. Wishing you both the best of luck!

Design Winners Announced



Congratulations to the following students! Their designs will be used to create our 2025-26 student planners! The primary planner winner is Charlotte S. and the preparatory winners are Sam G. and Samhita M. We can't wait to see your designs in print when we return in August!

CAMPUS MINISTRY



Fostering Friendships and Faith During Lent Students paused on Thursday to spend time with their Prayer Partners as they engaged in activities that build community, develop friendships, and grow their faith. Watching our older students guiding and praying alongside their younger peers is a beautiful reminder of Christ working through us!



Students in grades 3-8 attended Reconciliation in the chapel this week. A special shout-out to Father Bill, Father Rob, Father Lou, Father Dominic, Father Matt, and Father Thomas for sharing your time with us.

Students that do not participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation also take time to reflect on their spiritual journey. Some of these students took advantage of the beautiful weather this week as they meditated along the Labyrinth and reflected using the Hallow app.









COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Our classrooms are always buzzing with visits from community partners. These special people volunteer their time to enrich the learning for our students by sharing their passions and talents. See who stopped by over the past several weeks!



Dental Health Presentation

Local dentist and team visit Ms. Cajka's kindergarten class to educate students on the importance of healthy dental practices.



Story and Craft

KPA had a visit from Cora's Gaga. Students listened to a story and created a St. Patrick's Day craft. Our Kinder Prep students had a blast!



Our annual **Career Day** boasted ten various career paths that our students could attend and learn about. Presentations offered included cyber security, the arts, medicine, teaching, civics, engineering, entrepreneurship, and more. Pictured above include IWA parent Mr. Streicher, Parma Mayor DeGeeter, also an IWA parent, and IWA alumna Ms. Julianna Pavicic.



Drink Local Drink Tap educator, Heather Bambam, has been engaging our 5th grade classes by introducing them to Wavemaker, an educational program that inspires students to recognize and solve water issues.

KINDER PREP ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for our Kinder Prep program is open! This is a wonderful opportunity to begin your child's educational journey at Incarnate Word Academy.

Please note that your child must be **4 years old** to begin the program and a **non-refundable \$250 registration fee and 10% of tuition are required** at the time of enrollment to reserve your child's place.

If you currently have a child enrolled in Kinder Prep who will remain in Kinder Prep for the 2025-2026 year please contact Mr. Kessler.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gabe Kessler in our Admissions Office at (440) 842-6818 x304 or by email at <u>gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org</u>

> Click here to enroll in Kinder Prep

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Turning taxes into tuition with the Catholic Community Foundation

Redirect your Ohio tax dollars at**no cost to you** Provide **tuition assistance** for IWA families Join the **community of supporters** lifting up our students

The April 15 deadline is approaching, but there's still time to make a difference! Contact Mr. Kessler at <u>gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org</u> or call (440) 842-6818 x304 with questions.

Click here to donate!

2025-2026 CALENDER



The official school calendar for the 2025-2026 school year is here! Click the button below to download and review next year's calendar.

August 20 - First Day of School for Grades 1-8. August 25 - First Day of School for Kindergarten and Kinder Prep.

2025-2026 Parent Calendar

ANNUAL RAFFLE



We will be going **live on Facebook** this coming Monday to pull the winning tickets!

Grand Prize - \$10,000 | Second Prize - \$1,000 | Third Prize - \$500 Grand Prize Ticket Seller - \$250 | Highest Ticket Seller - \$500

SPRING FLING 2025



Help make this year's **Spring Fling** a fantastic event! We're looking for volunteers to assist with:

Raffle Baskets – Gather and organize exciting prizes Attendance/Sponsorships – Boost participation and secure event sponsors Decoration – Bring the venue to life with creative designs

Whether you have a little time or a lot, your help makes a big difference! To get involved, contact Susie Cheraso at <u>PTSU_vicepresident@incarnateword.org</u>.

Let's make this Spring Fling unforgettable!

If you or someone you know would be interested in sponsoring the 2025 Spring Fling or donating a raffle item, please fill out the form below or contact Mr. Kessler at <u>gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org</u>

Sponsorship Intent Form **Raffle and Auction Item Donation Form**

INNOVATION SERIES WITH MR. WISNOR

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Featuring: MIKE WISNOR

The Diocese of Cleveland's Innovation Series seeks to gather and share valuable learning from the Keeping the Faith Strategic Plan in order to strengthen the system of elementary Catholic education.





IWA President, Mike Wisnor, was recently featured on the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland Innovation Series podcast, which highlights key lessons learned related to Catholic education.

Mr. Wisnor was able to share valuable insights and best practices with Dr. Frank O'Linn, Superintendent of Catholic Schools.

You can listen to the full podcast by clicking here.

AFTER SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

Incarnate Word Academy and **Progress With Chess** are pleased to offer students in **grades K-6** the exciting opportunity to learn and play the game of chess! No previous experience is necessary.

The spring session will run from March 20 - May 22 on Thursdays from 2:45 - 3:45 PM. The cost is \$108. <u>Click</u>

<u>here to register</u> or click the button below for more information.



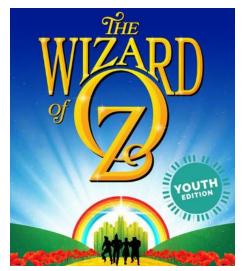
Chess Club Spring Flyer

SUPPORT DRAMA CLUB

Program Ads, Student Shout Outs, & DVD/USBs

Please consider purchasing a business ad or student shout out for the program that will be distributed at the show. These forms must be completed by March 14th. Please reach out to Ms. Grusenmeyer with any questions.

Business Ads <u>CLICK HERE</u> Shout Outs <u>CLICK HERE</u> DVD/USB <u>CLICK HERE</u>



Tickets are on sale now!

Tickets will be sold at the door, but space is limited. Buy tickets today by clicking the button below.

Buy Tickets

FIELD DAY 2025 T-SHIRT ORDER FORM



Field Day 2025 will be here before we know it! Click the button below to purchase your child's Field Day t-shirt through Digital Academy.

The last day to purchase your child's Field Day shirt is Monday, March 17.

Click here to order

REFUGEE SUPPORT

JOIN THE SISTERS OF THE INCARNATE WORD & INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY

DONATE TO THE 91ST DAY OUTREACH COLLECTION

The 91st Day Outreach Collection was started by the Ursuline Sisters and is supported by the Congregation of Religious Leaders in the Diocese of Cleveland. The collection supports refugee families recently resettled in the Greater Cleveland area.

MARCH 10-21 STUDENTS MAY DROP OFF DONATIONS INSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE ITEMS REQUESTED: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleaning supplies, diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, 6), shampoo

Help our Sisters help the community!

Donations directly support the <u>Refugee Resource Center at</u> <u>St. Colman Parish</u>

Email Mrs. Hjort with any questions: ehjort@incarnatewordacademy.org

TREEHOUSE BEREA CLUBS

Be sure to check out some of the many great clubs that Treehouse Berea will be offering this April! Visit <u>treehouseberea.com</u> for more information.



PTSU NEWS

BUTTERBRAID FUNDRAISER

PTSU will be selling ButterBraids from March 3 through March 17. Flyers will be sent home with the students on February 26 and 27.

Delivery/pick up will be on April 9 after school.

Click the button below to view the full flyer of delicious treats available!

Click here to order





The students have created their own Marco's Pizza Box. To participate, order anytime and your order will be placed in your child's box for pick-up or delivery. Click the buttons below for more details.





ALUMNI

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!

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