



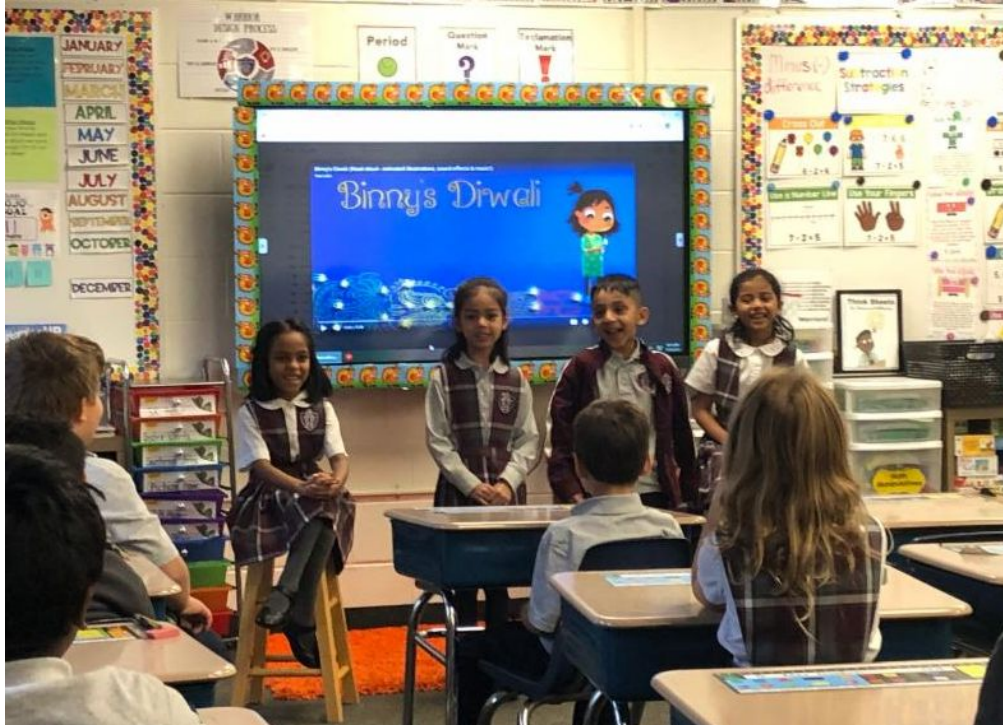
***IWA Newsletter***  
***November 10, 2023***

**CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS**

*from the desk of Mrs. Congelio*

**Our Diversity is an Expression of God's Creativity- Celebrating Diwali**





Thank you so much to our Indian families, as they prepared Indian treats for the faculty and a video for our students to help others learn about Diwali, a Hindu festival of lights which is celebrated with family, friends, prayer, special food, and gift giving. This festival marks the spiritual victory of light over dark, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance.



## Honoring Our Veterans



As a designated Purple Star school, we create opportunities for our faculty and students to honor the men and women that have served and sacrificed. Today, Ms. Shalala's 7th grade class lined Pearl Road to encourage others to remember our heroes on Veteran's Day.



# THE DAY OF GIVING IS LESS THAN 3 WEEKS AWAY!

*Support IWA on November 28!*

Please join us for this year's IWA Day of Giving on Tuesday, November 28! Our theme for this year is #BeLove, as we invite the IWA Community to be and spread love this holiday season, in big and small ways, by helping a fellow student, making time for family, or lending a hand to a neighbor in need.

Because of your support last year, we were able to transform space on the second floor into our beautiful new Library and Writing Lab. Take a minute to watch the video below to see the transformation!

Be sure to follow us on social media and check your emails on November 28 for updates throughout the day and to make your gift.





# CHRISTMAS

## *Around The World*

Join us on the Day of Giving, Tuesday, November 28, 2023, from 5 to 7 p.m. in St. Joseph Hall as we celebrate the IWA community with Christmas Around the World!

This event was created to showcase the culture and traditions of our students and families at IWA and how they celebrate Christmas. Each country will have a space (or spaces if multiple families wish to participate together) for their display. Activities can include a cultural food or dish, baked goods, a craft or activity, a music performance, cultural dance and more.

Click the button below to learn more and to sign up to participate!



[Click here to participate in Christmas Around the World!](#)

So far, the following countries will be represented: **India, Greece, Puerto Rico, Ireland, Albania and Columbia**. We'd love to represent the over 19 countries our students and families represent. Click to participate by yourself or with another family or families!

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## PARMA

### Community Cares Event

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Skip the kitchen on **Tuesday, November 14**, and visit the Parma Chick-Fil-A for dinner between 5 and 8 p.m.! When ordering in-person, be sure to say you're supporting IWA, and if ordering online through the APP, select "Support Community Care Event" and use the Code "Music!" A portion of the sales will be donated!

## THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's Thanksgiving Food Drive! Due to the generosity of our students and families, we were able to send over 50 Thanksgiving meal kits for clients of the Middleburg Heights Food Pantry, plus dozens of additional pantry essentials.

Special thanks to our parents and students who sorted, packed, and delivered our donations. We couldn't have done it without you!

*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for Me. - Matthew 25:40*



## SCIENCE OLYMPIAD: GRADES 4, 5 & 6



Attention 4th, 5th, and 6th grade families: it is that time of year! That's right, the John Carroll University Science Olympiad sign-ups are here! All levels of science exposure are welcome.

Important note for all 4th and 5th grade students participating in the math competition: this date

conflicts this year. Please do NOT sign up if you will be participating in the math competition. Practices will be tentatively on Mondays from 2:30-3:30 p.m. (room to be determined).

Click the button below to sign up! [Questions? Click here to email Mrs. Hribar.](#)

[Click here to sign up for Science Olympiad!](#)

## PICTURE RETAKE: DECEMBER 1

Picture retake day will be **Friday, December 1**. If you were absent on September 8, 2023, or are not happy with your photos, you will be able to have them retaken.



**Please note that if you received a photo package and are not happy with the photo, the entire package must be returned to have them retaken.**



## SKI CLUB: GRADES 3 - 8

We are hoping to bring to ski club back to IWA! The price for the club is \$280 plus transportation costs. Price per student will depend on interest. If we have a full bus, the price will be about \$355 per student.



*IF your child is a first time skier in 3rd or 4th grade, a parent must be present.*

Please reach out to Mrs. Flinn with any questions!

[Click here for the Ski Club interest form!](#)

## IWA ATHLETIC NEWS

### IWA Athletic Association November Meeting

The IWA Athletic Association invites all parents and guardians to attend its monthly meetings, held on the second Monday of each month.

Our next meeting is Monday, November 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sisters' Hospitality Room at St. Joseph Hall.

Questions? Please contact Tony Lee, IWA Athletic Director, at (440) 539-4962 or Chris Brooks, IWA Athletic Association President, at (440) 409-6291.

## IWA ONLINE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT SHOP SALE



Are you starting to think about Christmas yet? Would you like to include some IWA Spirit Wear? Now is the time to start your list as orders begin next week on Wednesday, November 1! We have several items with the Blue Ribbon logo as well as cozy winter items, toddler apparel and accessories that even include the Millie in your life!

Reminder that all sales are final. Sweatpants and jogger samples are in the office to try on before you order. Sorry, no other samples are available at this time.

[Click here to shop the Christmas sale!](#)

The shop will be open until Thursday, November, 2023. All orders will be shipped to the school for free and delivered to your child's homeroom before Christmas break. *Please notify Mrs. Bleakley at [hbleakley@incarnatewordacademy](mailto:hbleakley@incarnatewordacademy) if you*

## IWA ALUMNI NEWS

### 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 Roseanne Deucher, IWA Board Member](#), 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!



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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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