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independent day school Corbett Campus

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HEADS' LETTER

MARCH 10, 2011



SUPER HERO SPECTACULAR IN 9 DAYS! Way to go! A barrel of thanks to all of you have already purchased your tickets! There is still time to join in the fun at the **Big Event on MARCH 19 from 6:30 p.m. until 12:00 p.m.** You can mail in your check or put it in the Thursday folder or go directly to Pay Pal to make your payment...The countdown begins...9*8*7*6*5*4*3*2*1*March 19, 2011.



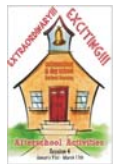
Community School of the Arts Musical Theatre presents: INTO THE WOODS JR. This delightful show for all ages combines the popular fairy tales of Cinderella, Jack and the Bean Stalk, Little Red Riding Hood and Rapunzel in a new, original story involving a baker and his wife and their quest to begin a family. Disney favorites Sleeping Beauty and Snow White also make cameo appearances in this fantasy that brilliantly transforms itself into a moral lesson about community responsibility. Our featured performers range from 3rd through 8th grade. Show times in the school's Farish Center are:



1. Saturday, March 12th, 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
2. Sunday, March 13th, 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SESSION V: BEGINS ON MONDAY, MARCH 14 through FRIDAY, APRIL 29. Another new and sensational session of *After School Activities* begins next week! You can sign up to reserve your spots in a variety of interesting and enriching activities such as Gymnastics and Tumbling, "Fungineering" with Legos, and Fishing and Canoeing! The goal is to extend learning in a variety of enjoyable and meaningful ways. The brochure and registration forms are online at <http://www.idsyeyes.com/after-school-activities.html> and in the main office.



IDS ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE - MARCH 16 at 8:30 a.m. in the Grand Room "Share the Gift of an IDS Education." If you have friends that you would like us to contact, please call Dr. Morrow, Director of Admissions, and she will be sure to personally invite them to visit IDS for a personal tour or invite them to our March 16 Open House. Enclosed in your child's Thursday folder is the postcard announcing the date of our upcoming Open House. Remember to share this with your friends, so they can apply for the same amazing gifts that your children experience and our alumni experienced each and everyday.



ALREADY????? How can it be????? Yes, it's DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Here is a friendly reminder to turn your clocks forward one hour on Sunday morning.



SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE: IDS-CC ANNUAL EXTRAVAGANZA TO CHINA: Parents and students in grades three through eighth are welcome to join IDS this summer for an unforgettable and amazing experience as we travel across China. Our third annual trip will take place this summer from July 8th to July 22, 2011. For more information, please see the color brochure included in today's Thursday Folder or contact Middle School Teacher, Mr. Freeman at dfreeman@idsyes.com.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

MR. MEL'S MEETUPS: Mr. Mel's Meetups next workshop will take place on Thursday, March 17. As a follow-up to the initial Meetup, we will be discussing online safety challenges and solutions. Industry professionals will be present to answer questions and present specific solutions designed to maintain a safe computer environment for your children. If this is your first time attending, or you are a returning guest, this month's Mr. Mel's Meetup is important so you can become more engaged and knowledgeable about the digital lifestyle that your Digital Native is living.



LEARNING ON THE MOVE: GOVERNMENT IN ACTION - Third Grade *Navigators*, Fourth Grade *Going Places*, and 3/4 Multi-Age *All-Stars* are gearing up for their field trip to Tallahassee to bring their units of study to life. They will see the branches of government in action as a culminating activity for their current International Baccalaureate (IB) unit which is called, "How We Organize Ourselves." This action packed trip will be filled with a visit to many sites that include the Florida Supreme Court, the Governor's Mansion, and the 2011 Florida Legislative Session. Students, Faculty, and Chaperones will embark on this three day exciting voyage on Tuesday, March 22. What a fabulous way to make learning come to life! If seeing is believing, then perhaps doing is understanding.



FIFTH GRADE HIGHLIGHTS ECONOMICS as a strand in Social Studies. The unit is called "**Currency and Culture**". The fifth grade will be making their annual visit to Biztown on Thursday, March 24. They are currently diving into the concepts that will prepare them for Biztown's ingenious hands-on application of economic skills and business management and concepts. This trip always affords our IDSers the opportunity to demonstrate a sense of responsibility, a positive attitude toward themselves and others, and an appreciation of economic systems. Students will assume the role of a producer in one of the twenty-one mini-businesses for which they receive an income. They will also assume the role of a consumer as they go out into the Biztown Village to spend their earned income in any one of the several businesses.



PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR OUR IDSers



TO OUR IDS FAMILIES, PLEASE SHARE SPECIAL MOMENTS SO THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY WITH YOU.

Daisy Girl Scout Troop #351, including members Caelyn Bulnes (K), Jessica Chao (K), Layla Fleming (K), Asha Judd (K), Amanda Lather (K), Camille McClendon (K) and Brittany Yanes (K) sang and performed "*This Land Is Your Land*" at the Girl Scouts' World Thinking Day, held at IDS on February 26. The Daisies did an outstanding job, and thoroughly enjoyed their first World Thinking Day, learning about different countries, cultures, activities and foods from around the world; congratulations to Troop #351 for representing the United States of America. Congratulations Daisies!

Megan Birmingham (IDS 5th Grade) was in the 16th Annual Youth Art Competition (ages 5 – 14) Sponsored by Tampa Regional Artists. Her collage titled "*Lines of Wonder*" won an Honorable Mention at the Awards Reception on Sunday, March 6. Her age category had a total of 51 pieces and 29 artists. The art exhibit continues through Friday, March 11 at the Old Hyde Park Art Center on W. Swann Ave. Hours for viewing are 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Way to go Megan!

Sydney Stuckmann (IDS 4th Grade) was part of a 4x400 relay team that took first place in the Florida West Coast League AA Junior Varsity Division on February 9. They finished at 5:25.62! Congratulations to Sydney and her teammates for their championship win!

FIND ME PLEASE: OUR FOUND AREA is loaded with beautiful freshly washed clothing items, especially coats, sweaters and jackets as well as lunch boxes that were left over the last six weeks. Please check with us in the office. **WE ARE ENCOURAGING EVERYONE TO WRITE YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON EVERYTHING SENT TO SCHOOL INCLUDING CLOTHES AND LUNCHBOXES ETC.** Thanks so much.



SUPERHERO SPECTACULAR

9 DAYS UNTIL THE IDS-CC BIG EVENT - SUPERHERO SPECTACULAR!!
Saturday, March 19, 6:30 p.m. - 12 Midnight

Use the enclosed Big Event Super Ticket Order Form to RSVP to the Big Event!
Tickets are \$75/person or RSVP as a Patron for \$100/person.
Remember! If you purchased Patron level/Underwriter tickets you are invited to the
Private Patron Preview Party, 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. on the night of the Event.



Look for our Big Event Auction Catalog coming home in next week's Thursday folder - be sure to bring it with you to the event!



THE SILENT AUCTION HAS MANY INCREDIBLE ITEMS; SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AND EVERY BUDGET!

- One of a kind Class Creations and Class Baskets
- Gift certificates for restaurants, theme parks, and spa
- AMAZING experiences for your children and their teachers
- Sports memorabilia
- Autographed GLEE poster & Much, Much MORE!!



LIVE AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ TWO Parking Spots (ONE East Side and ONE West Side)
- ❖ Student Headmasters of the Day! ONE Primary, ONE Intermediate, and ONE Middle School.
- ❖ **NEW THIS YEAR** Parent Headmaster of the Day
- ❖ BMW Driving School - Two available - one for a teen driver and one for an adult driver (learners permit or drivers license required)
- ❖ Hot Air Balloon Adventure
- ❖ Kennedy Space Center Pass and Astronaut Training Experience
- ❖ Napa Valley Wine Country Experience
- ❖ 2011 ESPY Awards in Los Angeles
- ❖ NASCAR Car Racing Adventure
- ❖ Pinehurst Resort - Golf, Dining, and Spa Package



BIG EVENT TO DO LIST

- ✓ Buy your tickets TODAY to join those who already are getting ready for a **SPECTACULAR NIGHT!**
- ✓ If you already purchased your tickets and would like to upgrade to the Patron Level, we would be happy to do that for you! Please call Kathy von Thaden, Big Event Co-Chair, at (813) 695 6784.
- ✓ Purchase a Tuition Credit Opportunity (TCO) - a chance to win \$5,000 off next year's tuition!
- ✓ Buy "Send a Teacher Packing" raffle tickets to give a teacher or staff member a chance to win a beach vacation!
- ✓ Come help decorate Dean Dining Hall and the Middle School Gym for the event. Set up begins on Monday, March 14 and goes all week. We would love ANY amount you can give - 20 minutes or ALL day!
- ✓ If you are interested in helping with registration or checkout at the event, please email jcsalek@hotmail.com.
- ✓ Dress for a casual night out or even for the theme.

**I ♥
FUN!**

**Join us for the biggest night of the year at IDS-CC!
See you there for an evening of GREAT FUN!!**

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ON THE ROAD AGAIN FOR THE GREATER GOOD

IDS-CC MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY – MARCH 9, 2011

Students at IDS: CC grow up in a school community where service to others is the norm. To continue this tradition, middle school Advisory Groups plan two off-campus service days each year. On March 9, all middle school Advisory Groups provided service to a variety of organizations in the Tampa Bay area. After each service day, our students **write a reflection** in their Advisory Journals to think back over their experiences and to connect them to the International Baccalaureate (IB) Learner Profile outcomes. Creating **meaningful** opportunities is at the heart of each and every planned activity.



SERVICE PROJECTS THIS TRIMESTER INCLUDED:

Mr. Shoe - This team had Red Cross Safety training in the fall. Today they taught hand washing skills to the Pre K 3 and 4 classes at **Bowman Center**.

Mrs. Jagdmann and Mr. Bronson's team – All 22 students worked very hard to reach many communities today. They started the morning focusing on their IDS community by picking up trash and moss throughout the entire campus. They also reached out to their greater community and baked treats for our local chapter of **Meals on Wheels**. Finally, with their global community in mind, the students each worked with Mrs. Bossard to create a tessellation to add to the IDS collage that is heading to **Nepal**.

Mrs. Glover and Sra. Clark - Mrs. Glover's and Sra. Clark's advisory groups traveled to the **United Center for Cerebral Palsy** during Community Service Day. The students decided to provide entertainment for the various age groups during their visit. All students selected different nursery rhyme songs, line dances, and popular songs to "dance to the beat". Students also played games, read stories, and rocked the infants.

Mrs. Quin and Mrs. Rivera - Students began their day hearing a presentation by **Sr. Master Sgt. Rex Temple** about his tour of duty in **Afghanistan**. As a follow up to the project our students supported in packing and donating school supplies for Afghan children. Afterwards, they travelled to the **Child Advocacy Center - Dimples Playland** to work with preschool children.

Ms. Ragg - This Advisory returned once again to **Alpha House of Tampa** that supports new and expecting Mothers needing assistance and home. During this visit they answered a huge need to do yard work for Alpha House.

Mr. McColley and Mrs. Morey – These Advisory groups teamed-up to go to the **Headstart School** next to **MOSI** for Community Service Day. Each one of our students paired up with 1-3 of the preschool children and acted as their buddy all morning. They read stories to their buddies, played educational games with them, had fun with them on the playground, and sat with them during circle time. We also donated school supplies and games to the school. Everyone had a terrific time, and we look forward to seeing our little buddies again.

Ms. Robinson – Students in this Advisory Team supported the teachers and students at **Kid's Clubhouse, a Headstart Program**. Student Bobby Kohloff said "I really think I made a difference with the kids." Sarah Smith said, "It was great to go back to the same place." One of the Headstart employees said: "Our kids were so excited when we told them the IDS-CC students were coming back. Our kids love playing with the "big kids"."

Mr. Freeman - This team visited the **Headstart** and **Kindergarten** classes at **Lake Carroll Preschool**. They supported the teachers by assisting students with their work, reading to them, and playing games.

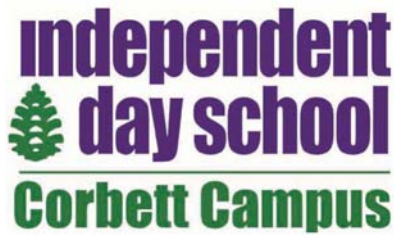
Ms. Rosenberg, Mrs. Largent, and Mr. Scott - This team volunteered at **Bakas Equestrian Center** which is a horseback riding program offered to special needs children and adults. Our students helped clean in the barn and assisted the trainers during classes.

Mrs. Thomas - Students worked with the seniors at **Westshore Senior Center**. They played games, shared current events through newspaper readings, exercised, and did sing-a-longs with the seniors. "I enjoyed learning how to play dominoes with the seniors!" said Max Cordell.

Mr. Vokoun - Students supported the staff at **Metropolitan Ministries**. They helped in the kitchen preparing meals for those in need and assisted Metropolitan Ministries in any way that was requested. Metropolitan Ministries prepares over 2,000 meals a day for up to twenty seven different sites throughout the Tampa Bay Area.

**Please see
"All School"
enclosures also
found in
Thursday Folder.**

ONE PER FAMILY



BIG EVENT “SUPER” ORDER FORM

“It’s a bird! It’s a plane! It’s ONE form for your convenience!”

In order to help you get ready for the Big Event, your Superhero Leaders have created this simple one stop shop! Below is a list of all the things you need in order to **POWER UP** on **Saturday, March 19** for our **Superhero Spectacular!**

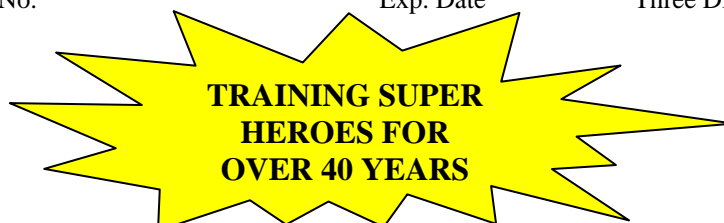
Big Event Ticket RSVP	<i>\$75 per person \$100 patron ticket \$1,000 patron table of 10</i>	
Tuition Credit Opportunity (TCO) <i>(This is your chance to win \$5,000 towards next year’s tuition – only 100 tickets will be sold!)</i>	<i>One (1) chance for \$100 <u>or</u> Two (2) chances for \$175</i>	
Send A Teacher Packing Raffle Ticket <i>(This raffle could win your favorite teacher or staff member a relaxing weekend on the beach!)</i>	<i>\$5.00 per ticket Write teacher or staff names on back of form</i>	
Babysitting at IDS	<i>\$15.00 per child (for IDS families <u>ONLY</u>)</i>	
	GRAND TOTAL	

Name(s) of those attending the Big Event: _____

Children’s name(s) and age(s) for babysitting: _____

Attach cash, check or charge account information:

_____/_____
Credit Card No. Exp. Date Three Digit Code



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CHINA 2011

There is still an opportunity to join Mr. Freeman for his third annual summer “Edventure”. For the past two years, parents and students have had the opportunity to enjoy this once in a lifetime experience. Please join us for this educational and exhilarating adventure across China and witness the best Asia has to offer.

July 8 – July 22

Contact **Mr. Freeman** at
dfreeman@idsyes.com
for more information.

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Please cut off and return to the middle school office if you would like more information

Students Name: _____

Phone contact: _____

Email contact: _____

Picasso to Pollack Inspire PreK Creativity

Applying principles founded in gifted education, prekindergarten teachers at Independent Day School-Corbett Campus develop an academic unit in artistic expression that enables all students' creativity to soar.



As part of a unit in artistic expression, PreK3 students pretend to be Claude Monet and create their own paintings in an impressionistic style.

March 8, 2011 (TAMPA, Fla.) – They laid on their backs under tables to paint like Michelangelo creating the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.

They sat on the grass by the pond where they could observe water lilies, and added them to their Monet-inspired canvases.

They studied ballerina models and replicated the style of Degas.

While imitating the diverse styles of these and other master artists, they learned how their lives influenced their work. They compared and contrasted techniques. And they connected it all to their own creativity and self-expression.

Teens in a high school or college art history class?

One day they will be. But for now, they're three and four-year olds in Lauren Bronson, Leah Gucciardi and Jill Pomet's PreK3 classes at [Independent Day School-Corbett Campus](#) who, for three weeks, were immersed in the study of artistic expression.

According to the teachers, inspiration for the unit came from one of the graduate-level courses in which the school's faculty and administration recently participated to earn endorsement in gifted education.

"The courses gave us an appreciation for the many different types of giftedness," said Gucciardi. "One course about creativity discussed how education is traditionally geared toward left-brain thinking. So we started generating a list of ideas to strengthen even more right-brain thinking and raise our bar higher to support creative giftedness."

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Picasso to Pollack Inspire PreK Creativity

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After studying the life and work of Edgar Degas, PreK3 students create their own paintings with ballerinas as the subject, as upper primary students serve as models.

PreK4 teacher, Lori Hohmann, who also serves as the art teacher for prekindergarten, joined them in their brainstorming. Excited about setting the bar for learning high, the team decided during their planning at the beginning of the school year to launch the new unit in February.

“Making it happen has been a dream collaboration with teachers throughout early primary and the art department contributing support,” said Bronson.

With each artist they studied, students were introduced to biographical information and geography to understand where in the world the artist lived. Teachers incorporated a variety of multimedia to share examples from the artist’s body of work. “And then, pretending they were that artist, students used a wide range of tools and mediums – oil pastels, paint, markers, and clay – to create a painting or sculpture in a similar style,” said Hohmann.

In addition to painting like Michelangelo, Monet and Degas, students created sunflowers like Van Gogh. They produced a Pollack splatter painting, a collage like Matisse and abstract, cubism art like Picasso. They experimented with texture in sculpture like Michelangelo. And they developed their own interpretations of da Vinci’s *Last Supper* and *Mona Lisa*.

“It was amazing how much information the students understood about the different artists and how much care they put into their work,” said Hohmann. “For example, on the day the ballerinas from upper primary came into the classroom, it was inspiring to see how totally focused and engaged they were.”

“Their attention spans grew exponentially every day,” said Bronson, “They really understand what it means to be dedicated to doing your personal best.”

The unit culminated with a museum-style art exhibition. Enthralled parents, administrators and guests meandered among displays sipping apple juice and nibbling on cheese and crackers, while students escorted them through the exhibit and beamed with pride.

“The attention to detail in the children’s work is outstanding,” said Benjamin Blunt’s mother, Cristina. “Their art is so well executed and their interpretations so consistent when compared to the original work.”

“It’s amazing what they can do at such a young age given the opportunity,” said Bronson.

Founded in 1968, Independent Day School-Corbett Campus is a fully accredited, nonsectarian private school located on Orange Grove Drive in northwest Hillsborough County with over 500 students from PreK3 through 8th grade. At IDS, all children experience the International Baccalaureate Programme in a highly academic and nurturing environment focused on excellence and excitement in learning. IDS-CC has become recognized as an exemplary school with over 6,500 visitors observing and learning from IDS-CC teachers. For more information, visit www.idsys.com or contact the Admissions Office at 813-961-3087 for a personal tour.

WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE
Mar. 14 - Mar. 18, 2011
Daily Sports Hotline: (813) 961-3087, ext. 399



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School	Location	Pick-Up	Comments
Mon. 3/14	4:00	Baseball-PurpleTeam	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	6:30	
	3:00	Baseball-Green Team	Practice	Baseball Field	4:30	
	4:00	Tennis Team	St. Mary's	MP Tennis	6:00	
	4:00	Softball	St. Mary's	*Our Softball Field	6:00	*This is a location change
Tues. 3/15	Off	Athlete's Day Off	Off			
Weds. 3/16	3:00	Baseball-Purple Team	Practice	Baseball Field	4:00	
	4:00	Baseball-Green Team	Practice	Baseball Field	5:00	Study Hall (3:00-4:00)
	3:00	Tennis (Girls Only)	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	
	4:00	Softball	Berkeley Prep	Softball Field	6:00	
Thur. 3/17	Off	Baseball-Purple Team	Off			
	4:00	Baseball-Green Team	Berkeley Prep	Baseball Field	6:00	
	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
	3:00	Tennis Team	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	
Fri. 3/18	Off	Baseball-Green Team	Off			
	3:00	Baseball-Purple Team	Practice	Baseball Field	4:00	
	3:00	Softball	Practice	Softball Field	5:00	
	3:00	Tennis Team	Practice	MP Tennis	5:00	

Directions:

MP TENNIS CENTER (formerly JUDY ALVAREZ CLUB): South on Dale Mabry / Right on Humphrey after Busch Overpass / LEFT on Hubert /Courts are ½ block down Hubert on left side.

BERKELEY PREP SCHOOL: 4811 Kelly Rd. Tampa, 885-1673.

Dale Mabry south to the Hillsborough exit. Take a right onto Hillsborough at the end of the ramp. Left onto Kelly Road (TJ Maxx and Mobil station on the corner). The school is on the left.