

HEADS' LETTER

SEPTEMBER 6, 2007



“BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT” TONIGHT!!!

“See you there, we’re excited to share!”

SEE SCHEDULE REMINDER ON PAGE FOUR!



(Overflow parking at Carrollwood Elementary. Our two buses will be there to serve you back and forth until 9:40 p.m.)



“COFFEE TALK WITH DR. JOYCE”

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2007 AT 8:05 A.M.

“BE THERE TO BE IN THE KNOW”



“COFFEE TALK WITH DR. JOYCE” allows parents to set the agenda on items needing clarification ranging from traffic to syllabi. Come and learn the latest about IDS-CC. Bring questions, meet and interact with other parents.



FIFTH GRADE: THE BEST IDEA YET TO SUPPORT THEIR TRIP AND HAVE SCHOOL SPIRIT



Help support the fifth graders as they raise funds for their annual field trip to Savannah, GA. Enclosed in your Thursday folder is your order form for the IDS Cinch Sacks and Insulated Tumblers.



AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES



We have filled over 200 spots in our Afterschool Activities. There’s still time to get your child(ren) into our fun filled and kid-tastic afterschool activities program. Please call the office if you are in need of a form at (813) 961-3087.



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

BRAVO to our sixth, seventh, and eighth graders who took the lead to run for office. Their speeches were interesting, delivered with clarity, poise, and enthusiasm. In fact they were just amazing – all of them!

Purpose of the Student Council: The purpose of the IDS Middle School Student Council is to provide leadership opportunities to the students, communicate student feelings to the faculty, promote friendships among students, and provide service to the middle school, the entire campus and the greater community.

President (Noelle Keith) - The president will work closely with the advisors, PFA officers, and Dr. Swartzman. The president will oversee the meetings.

Vice Presidents (Sean Flynn, VP for Community Outreach and Abigail Friedman, VP for Middle School Activities) - Each of the vice presidents is responsible for helping the president in coordinating at least one activity per trimester. In the event that the president is absent, each vice president will run the portion of the meeting dedicated to his/her area of focus.

Treasurer (Corbin Robson) - The treasurer will have the responsibility of collecting and keeping track of all money from fundraising events, keeping records of all spending and income, and turning in any money collected on the day of an event.

Secretary (Pedro Lima) – The secretary will have the responsibility of keeping track of attendance and recording the minutes of each meeting.

Executive Council (Luke Blankenship, Zach Goldsmith, Ashton Hatter, Shelby James, and Paige Tucker) - The Executive Council will facilitate long range plans for the Middle School Student Council and play a leadership role in events.

Homeroom Representatives - Two students will be selected each trimester to represent their homeroom in the Student Council. The Representatives will bring ideas from their homeroom to the council, help plan events, and report information to their homerooms.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT COMBINES M.O.R.E. AND G.O.A.T

The Middle School Retreat held in the Farish Center on August 29 and 30 was designed to build and strengthen a learning community for our 180 students and 18 teachers. Academics are always **more** exciting when students become **more** aware of 1.) their impact on others, 2.) how important their words and body language are in communicating effectively, and 3.) how a positive mental attitude with an Olympic mentality can lead to success!

We planted the seeds through our annual “bootcamp intensive seminar” this year adding the business video “*Give’em a Pickle*”, which emphasized service, attitude, consistency, and teamwork in the work world and in our daily lives. For the second day, we invested in a pilot program call G.O.A.T., where leadership and goal setting skills were taught by Greg Para and Pearl Dahmen, the G.O.A.T. developers. G.O.A.T. stands for **Goals, Objectives, Actions, and Timelines**. The program uses clever characters to motivate and identify limiting beliefs externally and internally that may inhibit our potential and our big dreams!

Our Middle Schoolers received the same training that personal coaches give in the adult world to executives. Each student was instructed to take the book home and show his/her parents thus connecting home and school!!! Our Middle School Advisory Teams will work on this program throughout the year! Big goals can lead to big dreams with hard work and meaningful vision!

PFA NEWS

BY PFA PRESIDENT, AMY BOTTINI

Things are really taking off for our PFA. Thanks to all our RPCs who are organizing the school year with our faculty and staff. We appreciate all of your hard work! An extra thanks to our RPC Chair, Lisa Herscovici and to our office staff, who organized the entire RPC program over the summer. Our entire RPC team is full of winners!

LIBRARY VOLUNTEER TEA – Our Media Center Tea was a huge hit. Thank you to all of our volunteers who attended and plan on making the media center an important part of their days at IDS. Lori Markman and Ms. Pitti have such a wonderful program for our children and our parents. Thanks for all that you do!

INNISBROOK GIFTWRAP - Innisbrook envelopes have been home for one week! I hope everyone has taken the time to start shopping (and selling)! Thanks again to Brenda Okulski and Irma Schultz for Co-Chairing this important fund raiser for our school.

THANK YOU - Everyone is still talking about the Welcome Back Party! Stacy Leeds and Linda Simonton, PFA's Hospitality Co-Chairs, went above and beyond in planning the night for us. Thank you so much for such a fantastic night Stacy and Linda!



PFA SPONSORS IDS YARD SALE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2007



Clean out and help IDS! Thanks to all who have contributed already! The Yard Sale is right around the corner. With the kids in school, now is the time to clean up from Summer! Start piling up your stuff and bring it by for the IDS Garage Sale!



IDS KIDS GOLF CLASSIC

EMERALD GREENS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2007



FORE!!! Our next meeting date will be Monday, September 10, 2007, at 8:15 a.m., so bring along a “foursome”, “threesome”, and “chip” in some ideas! Thank you to all of the parents who kicked off the planning with your leadership and enthusiasm.

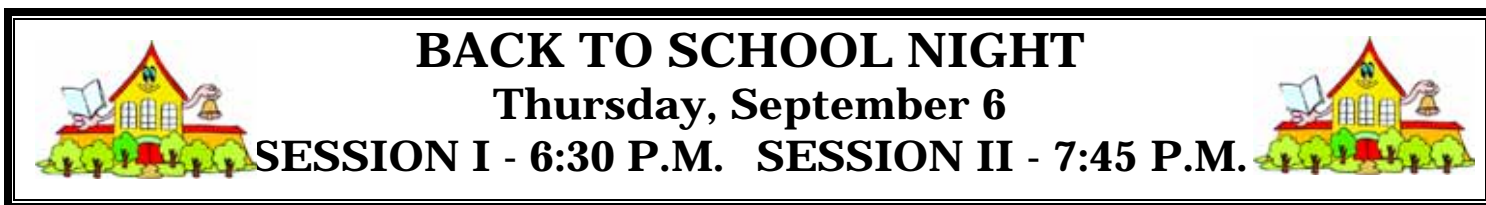
ENCLOSURES



- IDS YARD SALE FLYER
- FIFTH GRADE FUNDRAISER



Reprinted from August 30, 2007 Heads' Letter for your convenience.



PARENTS: **Back to School Night** is your **first** important opportunity to hear from your teachers who have much to share with you. It is also a great way to meet other parents in your child's classroom. Make sure your teachers know you are there! Please introduce yourselves; also watch the time so that the teachers can be ready for each rotation. In order to provide more time with teachers and accommodate "babysitting" needs, we are using the following format:

1. *Please go directly to your classrooms.*
2. *Please note that there will be two sessions for First through Fifth Grades. Pre-K/K and Middle School will have only one session. If you have children in two divisions be sure to start at 6:30 P.M. so that you can attend both sessions. If you have children in three divisions, plan ahead and divide up your time between parents and/or caregivers.*
3. ***Please ARRIVE ON TIME to each session so that the valuable time is honored with the teachers without interruptions.***
4. *Specials will also be available and eager to meet with our parents. They will be in the Grand Room (located on the second floor of the New Building) to speak to parents individually or in small groups from 6:30 - 9:00 PM. Please drop in and enjoy a special time to say hello or ask questions about their programs: Fine Arts, P.E./Athletics, and Spanish.*
5. *Technology/Media will meet in the Computer Lab on the eastside.*

PRE-K3 through FIFTH GRADE

SESSION I: Begins promptly at 6:30 P.M. and ends at 7:30 P.M.

Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 meet in child's classroom. **(ONE SESSION ONLY.)**

Kindergarten meets in the Farish Center Breakout Room. **(ONE SESSION ONLY.)**

First through Fourth Grade meet in child's classroom.

Fifth Grade will meet in the Laney Library.

SESSION II: Begins promptly at 7:45 P.M. and ends at 8:45 P.M. (FIRST THROUGH FIFTH ONLY!)

First through Fourth Grades meet in the child's classroom.

Fifth Grade will meet in the Laney Library.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

ONE SESSION ONLY: Begins promptly at 7:45 P.M. and ends at 9:30 P.M. in the Middle School Gym.

Middle School rotations begin promptly in the Middle School Gymnasium. Block out this time for meeting with, and hearing from, all middle school teachers! Please arrive at the beginning time to be placed in a rotation schedule, which the teachers and parents will follow.

PARKING: You may park on the eastside, westside, in the IDS parking lot or at the Carrollwood Elementary School parking lot. There will be two IDS buses to shuttle people back and forth to Carrollwood Elementary for overflow parking until 9:40 p.m. One car per household would be so very, very much appreciated.

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

ONE PER FAMILY

**independent
day school
Corbett Campus**



YARD SALE

Saturday, September 15, 2007

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thanks for all of the great donations that we have received so far! The Yard Sale is going to be a huge success! If you have items to donate, please bring them as soon as possible so that we can begin sorting and pricing them. Your items can be placed in the white truck parked outside the front office at pick up or drop off time every day from now until Wednesday, September 12.

We are still in need of volunteers on Saturday. Dads, this is a perfect time for you to get involved, as we could really use some strong arms to help with lifting items into cars when purchases are made!

We have a U Haul truck scheduled to make collections for large furniture that is being donated on Thursday, Sept 13. It is imperative that you let us know by Monday, Sept. 10 if you are in need of this service so that we can schedule the day appropriately.

Questions? Contact us!

Patty DeEsch	(813) 391-3243
Julie Salek	(813) 382-2525
Angie Kaliban	(813) 928-5073

Name: _____ Grade: _____

- Yes! I will donate items to sell! (toys, clothes, furniture, books)
- Yes! I will help set up on Friday!
- Yes! I will sign up to work on Saturday!
- Yes! I have big items that I need picked up on September 13.

Fifth Grade Fund Raiser



IDS Cinch Sacks AND Insulated Tumblers

Help support the fifth graders as they raise funds for their annual field-trip to Savannah, Georgia.

Order yours now!!



Cinch Sack:

- Black sack with IDS logo
- Quick close top
- Folds to pocket size
- Lightweight nylon weave
- 14 3/4"w x 18 3/4"h

<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$10.00 X	_____	= _____



Insulated Tumbler:

- Silver color with IDS logo
- 16 oz. capacity
- Stainless steel liner
- Double-wall insulation
- Slide-lock lid

\$12.00 X	_____	= _____
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Final Total _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Teacher _____

** Please turn money in with order and make checks payable to IDS.

ORDERS DUE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

September 10-14, 2007

Daily Sports Hotline: (813) 961-3087, ext. 399



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School playing	Location of game	Pick-Up	Pick Up/Comments
Mon. 9/10	3:00	Red Volleyball	Practice	Corbett Hall	4:00	Corbett Hall
	4:00	White/Green Volleyball	Trinity	Corbett Hall	5:00	Corbett Hall
	4:00	Blue Volleyball	Trinity	MS Gym	5:00	MS Gym
	4:00	Red Soccer	St. Joseph's	Soccer Field	5:00	Soccer Field
	Off	White Soccer	Off	Off		
	4:00	Cross Country	CDS	CDS	6:00	Dean Dining Hall
Tues. 9/11						
		ATHLETES' DAY OFF				
Weds.	3:00	Red & White Volleyball	Practice	Corbett Hall	4:30	Corbett Hall
9/12	3:00	White & Green Volleyball	Practice	Soccer Field	4:30	MS Gym
	3:00	Red & White Soccer	Practice	Soccer Field	4:30	Soccer Field
	3:00	Cross Country	Practice	MS Deck	4:30	MS Deck
Thur.	3:00	Red & Blue Volleyball	Practice	Corbett Hall	4:30	Corbett Hall
9/13	3:00	White & Green Volleyball	Practice	MS Gym	4:30	MS Gym
	3:00	Red & White Soccer	Practice	Soccer Field	4:30	Soccer Field
	3:00	Cross Country	Practice	MS Deck	4:30	MS Deck
Fri.	4:00	White & Green Volleyball	Terrace Community	Corbett Hall	5:00	Corbett Hall
9/14	5:00	Red Volleyball	Terrace Community	Corbett Hall	6:00	Corbett Hall
	3:00	Blue Volleyball	Practice	MS Gym	4:30	MS Gym
	3:00	Cross Country	Practice	MS Deck	4:30	MS Deck
	4:00	Red Soccer	Corpus Christi	Soccer field	5:00	Soccer Field
	4:00	White Soccer	Incarnation	Soccer Field	6:00	Soccer Field