

HEADS' LETTER

NOVEMBER 16, 2006

GRANDPARENTS DAY: ALL STUDENTS NEED TO WEAR THEIR GREEN IDS POLO SHIRTS. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2006

First: GRANDPARENTS DAY IS FOR "SPECIAL GRAND-FRIENDS" AS WELL AS GRANDPARENTS.

Second: This day is for **all students** at IDS, with or without their own personal guests. Everyone prepares in music and classrooms for weeks for this special performance and the guest visits to classrooms.

Third: This is a special opportunity for children to **give** service to others by their smiles, deeds and community spirit. This is also a wonderful time to unite the generations with joy and appreciation for "*spans of time.*"

Fourth: We expect our students to be at school, join in and do their part. Thanks for allowing every student to contribute.



PROCEDURES FOR GRANDPARENTS DAY

- **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 AT 10:00 AM**, Grandparents please report to Corbett Hall.
- **SEATING ETIQUETTE** for the program. Parents are asked to **leave all seats for Grandparents** *unless they are in need of special assistance*. The students will be sitting in the bleachers for Grandparents Day. **IF YOU CHOOSE TO STAY FOR THE PROGRAM, PARENTS, PLEASE ABIDE BY STANDING ROOM ONLY.**
- Following the program, Grandparents and Grand-friends will visit the classrooms for a reception hosted by all IDS students, RPCs and parent volunteers.
- **DISMISSAL AT 12:00 PM.** School closes for everyone early on Wednesday. Please be prompt with pick-up so the faculty and staff may also begin their holiday on time.
EXTENDED DAY RESUMES ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2006.

PARKING FOR GRANDPARENTS DAY: OPTIONS



Parking area

- IDS parking lot on the East Side or
- IDS Middle School on the West Side or
- Our grassy parking lot on the East Side or
- Carrollwood Elementary School parking lot on the corner of McFarland and Orange Grove. Our buses will shuttle people back and forth from Carrollwood Elementary unless you choose to enjoy the short walk.



It will be a "GRAND" DAY! We're all looking forward to it.

IDS BOUTIQUE AND BRUNCH



Make your reservations now for the First Annual Boutique and Brunch on **Wednesday, November 29** in the Grand Room of the New Building. This will be a great opportunity to find that special holiday gift, enjoy a wonderful brunch, and visit with your friends. We will have almost 30 local vendors (including some IDS families) participating with many unique and creative gift ideas. Please make your reservation by calling Marie at (813) 961-3087. **Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door.** We will begin at 10:00 AM and wrap up at 1:00 PM.



HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE FOR METROPOLITAN MINISTRIES SPONSORED BY STUDENT COUNCIL



The IDS Student Council will be sponsoring a canned food drive for Metropolitan Ministries. The collection boxes will be in each grade level area and in both offices. The last day for donations will be Tuesday, November 21, the day before Grandparents Day. With a small contribution, we will be able to help families in the Tampa Bay area have a wonderful holiday season.

IDS BOOK FAIR

The **IDS Book Fair** will begin on **Sunday, November 26** at Barnes and Noble (N. Dale Mabry Hwy.) and concludes on **Saturday, December 2**. Please look for the register reserved at Barnes and Noble for IDS. Primary Night at the Book Fair will be on Wednesday, November 29, from 3:30 - 7:00 PM. This is a special night for primary students. The Spirit of IDS Chorus (3rd Grade) will perform at 6:00 PM. Enclosed in your Thursday folder is a SCRIP order form to making shopping easy! All proceeds benefit the Laney Library and Media Center. Thanks for your help and support!



IDS REMINDERS...



1. **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2006** is a **NOON DISMISSAL**. All students will depart campus after Grandparents Day by noon. **Extended Day resumes on Monday, November 27, 2006.**



2. **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 and FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24** are **SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**. Have a safe and wonderful holiday weekend!



3. To insure that you receive your child's school picture for the holiday season, please return your order form tomorrow, Friday, November 17, 2006. All orders received after Friday may receive their pictures after the holiday season.



4. All Lunch Order Forms are due Friday, November 17, 2006. Please return them so we can make sure that we have the appropriate amount of lunches for students. If you have chosen Option 1: Full Options for the December 1, 2006 through February 28, 2007 time period, the lunch amount is \$168.75 for 45 lunches as opposed to 35 lunches for \$131.25.