



ISLAND VIEW SCHOOL

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Mission: We can all learn. We need a safe, respectful and challenging place to learn. We learn best when teachers, children, parents and community work together. We have a responsibility as partners in learning to help others in our local and global communities.

Vision: To ensure all children have a safe and positive learning environment inspiring them to be lifelong learners as respectful, responsible and productive citizens.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Report cards will be coming home with students on March 26th, and parent-teacher interviews will be taking place at the following times (more information to come):

March 28th—3:30pm-6:30pm

March 29th—12:30pm-2:30pm

There will be **no classes for students on March 29th and March 30th.**

French Immersion Registration Update

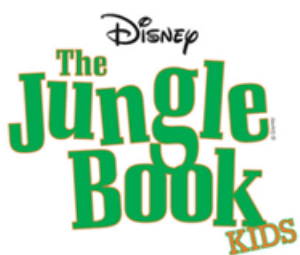
French Immersion registration was conducted online this year and the district is currently in the process of assessing program placement for the 2018-2019 school year. There is currently no decision on whether or not the program will be introduced at Island View School, but once the District comes to a conclusion about this, IVS will communicate this information to families immediately. We appreciate your patience as we wait for updates.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR AT IVS



On March 28th and March 29th, Island View School will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair. This book fair is put on by IVS volunteers and provides students and families a great opportunity to purchase new books at a great price. In addition to a great selection, a percentage of the sales is returned to the school to be used to purchase books and other educational materials for the students.

IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE!



We have begun preparations for our 2018 school musical and we are happy to see the excitement spread through the school. The school musical this year is *The Jungle Book* and we will begin our auditions Thursday, March 1st. The casting list will be posted after March break and permission slips will be sent home to ensure that the students are able to participate.

Practices will typically happen during first and second recess but students are expected to practice their lines and songs at home as well. After school practices will begin towards the

end of April; but, a monthly schedule will be sent home with all practices at a later date.

The tentative date for the musical will be **Thursday, May 10th**, and we will be looking for parents to help with things such as costumes, props, sets and during practices. More information will be coming home in the near future!

The school district has been rolling out a new software for online purchases and Island View School will be part of the next group of schools to introduce this software. This system will allow parents to make purchases and pay fees online without having to send any money to school. Once the system is integrated with our school system, and the training has taken place, we will go live. We anticipate this process to take about a month and we will be sending more information home in the near future.



IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 1st—Estey Art Club
- March 2nd—Estey Art Club
- March 12th—Yearbook Order Deadline
- March 14th—Professional Learning Day (No school for students)
- March 15th—Speed Stacking Jamboree (Milledgeville North School)
- March 15th—Estey Art Club
- March 16th—Estey Art Club
- March 19th—PSSC Meeting 6:00pm (All welcome)
- March 21st—Hot Lunch Orders Due
- March 22nd—Estey Art Club
- March 23rd—Estey Art Club
- March 26th—Report Cards go Home
- March 28th—Parent-Teacher Interviews (3:30-6:30pm)
- March 29th—Parent-Teacher Interviews 12:30-2:30pm (No classes for students)
- March 30th—Good Friday (No Classes)
- April 2nd—Easter Monday (No Classes)
- April 20th—Heritage Fair

MARCH THEME: FAIRNESS

Students often associate fairness with equality; but, fair is not always equal. We presented the idea of Fairness as each person have equal opportunity to succeed. We will continue to discuss this through the month of March.

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Cooking Classes



Students had an excellent experience in our after school cooking classes. It was excellent to see the excitement about cooking, the focus for the whole time, and the finished products looked delicious! We hope this experience has introduced the students to cooking and that they will be looking to continue at home. A special thank you to Hillary Kierstead for leading the group, and to Mrs. Daigle for being the Sous Chef!

Pink Shirt Day

Island View School acknowledged Pink Day on February 28th to show our support for the anti-bullying movement.



Our assembly included an excellent presentation from the Student Leadership group about the history of Pink Shirt Day, and a skit to explain even more about the day. Thank you Mrs. Jeffrey for supporting the Student Leadership group as they prepared this presentation.

PSSC MEETING MARCH 19TH

Our next PSSC meeting will take place at 6:00pm on March 19th in the Library of Island View School. The PSSC is a great way to participate in the discussions that shape the culture of our school and even if you are not a member of the PSSC you are welcome to attend. At our next meeting one of the main components will be the introduction of our new School Improvement plan and taking a closer look at our current goals. Let us know if you would like to attend; all are welcome.

Speed Stacking

The students have been practicing for the upcoming speed staking jamboree that takes place on March 15th at Milledgeville North School. More information will be coming home with the grades 3-5 students who qualify.



TALENT OVERFLOWING

From our perspective, the talent show was a huge success. Seeing the students on stage performing in front of an audience songs and dance routines that were created by them in many cases is a great experience that will help build confidence. We hope you enjoyed the performances as much as we did. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the talent show possible, and a special thank you to Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. O'Neill who were the lead organizers of the event.



Salmon and Geocaching

Finding new and exciting ways to engage the students in learning helps motivate them to take control of their learning. In the coming weeks, some of the students will be preparing to raising salmon and creating caches for geocaching around our schoolyard. Stay tuned for updates and more information.



PLAYGROUND PLAY

We have noticed an increased amount of rough play on the school yard and we are having regular conversations about how this can be unsafe at school. Although the students believe they are simply playing and having fun, rough play can often lead to somebody getting hurt or becoming upset. Please talk to your child about ways to play safe on the playground to help support us in delivering this message and we will continue to discuss this at school with the students to help keep everyone smiling.

