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IMAGINE WESLEY

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

Dr. Hormes' Corner



IWIA FAMILY: There are so many wonderful activities that happen at IWIA and it is impossible to list them all, but these are some events that are fresh in my mind.

1. Ilan of Hope - Suns of Tomorrow charity event for our student Ilan Douglas, a child with a chronic illness that has always dreamed of going to space! 2. 5th grade received a grant that allowed them to participate in a water purification project. IT consisted of a two day workshop and ended with a visit to the water purification plant in Atlanta. The students all received certificates for participation and it was well attended with representatives from the mayor's and the governor's office.

3. Initial CRCT results for 3rd, 5th and 8th grades are in and we have made AYP in those three critical grades. See box below for details. 4. Field day was a huge success. It was run professionally and was very well organized. It was fun for all and our parents participated with staff and students.

5. 8th grade students went on a math and science field trip with their math teacher to Six Flags.

6. The 7th and 8th grades had their first ever formal dance at the school. The students looked lovely in their tuxedos and beautiful dresses! It was sponsored and organized by the staff.

7. The staff sponsored 2K run featured the school's first ever track team and was well participated. It had over 100 students participating.

8. The MYP talent show featured talent from many MYP students and was well attended by all students and staff.

9. The spring concerts were held for all grade levels.

10. Honors Day was held for all grade levels.

11. Graduation was held today for our 1st graduating 8th grade class at IWIA.

There are so many more events and wonderful achievements that we have ALL been a part of this year. It has been my pleasure to be your Principal this year, have a wonderful and safe summer!! See you in August 2010!!!

Dr. Mridula Hormes
Principal

CRCT Comparison fro 08-09 to 09-10

3rd grade - 90% in reading; (passing rate for reading in 2009 was 95% in reading)

5th grade - 80% for reading and math; (passing rate for 2009 for the same class was 70.5% in reading and 47.5% in math)

8th grade - 99% in reading and 82% in math; (passing rate for the same class in 2009 was 91% in reading and 81% in math)



HAVE A GREAT
SUMMER!



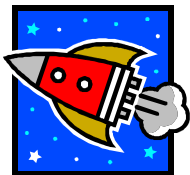
**Congratulations
to our for 1st
graduating 8th
grade class and
GOOD LUCK in
High School!!!!**

Imagine Wesley Track Team

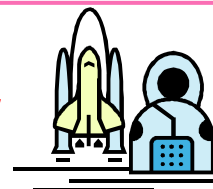
The inaugural Imagine Wesley track team competed in their 2k race to raise funds for two Atlanta-based charity on Saturday, May 22. It was an AMAZING event for all who attended. Thanks to the

IWIA families for supporting this endeavor. About 70 families from IWIA participated. The top 10 finishers were mostly all IWIA students- and there were 150 runners who competed! Wow! Special

thanks to Ms. Perry-elpers- Coach Jackson, Ms. Scholfield, Ms. Burnette, Ms. Bello, and Ms. Kraften. This would not have been possible without you! Great job IWIA!



Imagine Wesley's first charity event, "Ilan of Hope, Suns of Tomorrow"



...to honor a brave student who deals with and/or has overcome a major life challenge was a huge success!!!

On behalf of our son, Ilan and the entire Douglas family, we would like to thank all involved in making our son's dreams of going to space camp in Huntsville, AL come true! As most of you know, our son was born with a chronic illness, sickle cell anemia disease, in which he bravely faces excruciating pain crises. Each year presents health challenges for our son and family. However, each year also brings little epiphanies in which our family receives countless blessings. We are always amazed with Ilan's strength, positive attitude, gentle spirit and grace. Both of our children are our heroes!

We would like to extend special thanks to IWIA's art teacher, Mr. Terry for his "Shared Values" vision, Ilan's 3rd grade teacher and IWIA's PYP coordinator respectively, Jamie Perry and Elisabeth Thaler for their support, IWIA's spectacular PTA president Alishia Richards, for being the "vehicle" to

make Saturday night's event happen, Alishia's mom for collecting donations and distributing raffle tickets, and IWIA Executive PTA members, Elaine Banks and Amy Coble for their tireless assistance. The event Saturday evening was very intimate, engaging, and fun. Children played, adults chatted with one another, people learned about sickle cell disease, and IWIA student art was presented in an auction. A little under 50 people were present and an estimated \$850* was raised...WOW!!! As a result of IWIA's generosity, Ilan will be able to travel to Huntsville, AL to attend space camp, purchase the required student astronaut uniform, and pay for other camp necessities. Usually an extremely quiet child, Ilan was very humbled, stood on a chair, addressed the audience, and let out a heartfelt, yet gentle, "thank you" to all at Saturday's event.

Truly, we are touched, humbled, and grateful beyond sheer comprehension. This memory, special event, and generous act of kindness will forever be etched in our hearts. Specifically, we

are so impressed that Mr. Terry has created an initiative to recognize, uplift and honor a deserving IWIA student each year who is facing a major life challenge with courage and good character. As a result of Mr. Terry's selflessness, we would like to donate \$100 to his vision and charitable initiative and \$100 to Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia. It is our hope that our contribution will make Mr. Terry's future IWIA charitable events a success as this has been for our son and family.

Again, from the deepest, delicate center of our hearts...THANK YOU MR. TERRY & IMAGINE WESLEY FAMILY!!! You are loved and appreciated. I will send photos soon. :)

Warm Appreciation-

Chuck, Yashica, Emi and Ilan Douglas (and extended family)

*With additional donations, \$1022 has been raised, THANKS!!!!

IWIA's Girl Scout Brownie troop open registration for the 2010-2011 year is now. The troop is open to rising 2nd and 3rd grade girls. For more information contact -Krystal Payne krystalneal1@hotmail.com

Used Uniform Sale
Monday 6/28 at 6 pm
IWIA courtyard

State Lifts Class Sizes....

"At IWIA we are committed to maintaining the current class size maximums and keeping same gender classes when possible..."

As many of you are aware, the Georgia DOE has lifted the maximum class sizes for the next year. At IWIA we are committed to maintaining the current class size maximums and keeping same gender classes when possible. The following is our plan for next year with regards to number of classes and gender.

- K: 3 girls and 3 boys classes
- 1st: 3 girls and 2 boys classes
- 2nd: 2 girls and 2 boys classes
- 3rd: 2 girls and 2 boys classes
- 4th- 6th grade: 1 girl and 1 boy class
- 7th grade: 1 co-ed class
- 8th grade: 1 co-ed class

As always, if a class should be added or regrouped as co-ed it is for the best needs of our student's education. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Julie Merendino at julie.merendino@imageschools.com or 678-904-9137 ext. 8365

Thank you parents and all IWIA volunteers!! We have had a great year and it could not have been achieved without the support and volunteering of parents! We appreciate you!!! IWIA Staff