

Integrated Arts Academy

September 28, 2014

NEWSLETTER

Important Dates

- Oct. 1 **PTO Meeting 6pm**
ONE STRINGS Presentation
with Jody Woos, Kathleen Kono
and **ONE SINGS** - Brian Perkins
- Oct. 6 **School Picture Day**
Whole School Photo at 8:10!
- Oct. 8 **IAA Fun Run**
½ Day 11:30 dismissal
Parent Conferences
- Oct. 9 **No School**
Parent Conferences
- Oct. 10 **IAA Art Show and Sale!**
10-6 pm
Contois Auditorium
- Oct. 12 **No School**
Columbus Day



PTO Meeting this week!

Thursday
10/1

6 pm (5:45 pizza)

Childcare available!

Special Guest Speakers:

Jody Woos

Kathleen Kono

& Brian Perkins

will be speaking about
our k-5 music programs

ONE STRINGS & ONE SINGS

Students at IAA are cared for. They are loved and honored for the people they are. We know this about our school. IAA is especially adept at meeting the needs of the whole child. I think we really understand that. We meet children where they are and develop a nurturing support system around them, both academically and socially. Often, when we see our children flourish, we look toward the classroom teacher. As we should. The classroom teachers at IAA understand the needs and the developmental approaches required to truly care for our students. They make IAA a safe and comforting place, a second home. We also have an amazing supporting cast. These folks, our lunchroom staff, custodians, paraeducators, office staff, student teachers and learners from the local colleges and after school care, are often in the background but contribute mightily to this caring and formative environment. One such person, Louise Mongeon, IAA's school Nurse, was recently honored as the **Vermont School Nurse of the Year**. We've known this for well over a decade and are glad she is receiving the recognition. However, regardless of accolades, she will continue to advocate for children and assist them in developing healthy life choices. We are proud to have Nurse Mongeon as part of our community and enjoyed honoring here is a small way for her large contributions at IAA over the years. Thanks Louise! We love you!

Artfully,
Mr. Bobby
School Principal

Guidance

In guidance we are busy practicing our listening, friendship and cooperation skills. We always begin with some combination of mountain, star and tree yoga poses and finish with guided deep breathing. In the STEP classes, community members Bonnie Acker and Becky Taylor donate their time and skills and have been teaching the students how to make applesauce and hummus. Very empowering and fun!

As always, you may contact me by email me at

mhoising@bsdvt.org, call 652-4214 or stop by my office, which is across the hall from the first grade classrooms.

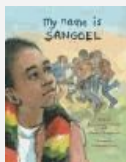
Meredith Hoisington



ELL

Adjusting to school in a new country and to learning and playing in a new language can take some time. Our English Language Learners have been learning so much in the last few weeks of school. For those who have never gone to school in a second or third language, you might want to check out some great children's books available in our school library or the city library. They tell the stories of children from all over the world adjusting to life in US schools.

One Green Apple
My Name is Bilal
My Name is Yoon
I Hate English
My Name is Sangoel
The Color of Home
Nadia's Hands



Health Matters

Besides my health office, IAA offers sick call visits with Dr. Barb Frankowski (Mondays 8-9) and Mary Lee Ritter (every "other" Wednesday 9:30-11:45) from UVM Medical Center. **Any** student can sign up and access these services. There is no charge for those on Medicaid or for those without insurance. If you have insurance, your company will be billed. If your child sees another health care provider who is not part of UVMCMC, we will fax a copy of the office visit to your child's provider, so they are kept up-to-date. It's a great resource for that sore throat that you worry could be "strep" or the cough that doesn't go away. Well child visits or immunizations are not services offered here. Services are provided on a first-come basis, appointments are not necessary. Just let me know if you want your child to be seen.

Another way that IAA is unique is that we host the Community Health Center of Burlington's satellite dental clinic. This service is for Burlington students enrolled in our public school system who have Medicaid or do not have dental insurance. Dedicated van service picks up the students from and returns them to their schools. At IAA, one of the dental staff members goes to the classroom, picks up the patient and returns them when their appointment is done. Kids are back in class in less than an hour and miss very little instruction time. Several hygienists and dentists staff the IAA site and the clinic is open 5 days a week while school is in session. The clinic does oral exams, cleanings, fillings, xrays, teaching about care of teeth and referrals to oral surgeons if needed. Once children graduate, they can continue to receive dental services at the main site on Riverside Avenue. Because a Parents/guardians presence is not necessary, paperwork has to be updated every year. If your child already has a dentist, please return the blank forms to school.

Nurse Mongeon 865-4172

PE/Dance

Come to the IAA Fun Run FUN RUN



When?

Thursday, October 8th

What time?

9:30-11

Please run/walk with us or cheer in support of all the movers and celebrate being active.

Can I help?

YES!

Interested in helping?

**Please contact
dvierlin@bsdvt.org**

We collect Boxtops for Education and the Campbell "family" of labels for IAA. *More information will be sent home soon.*

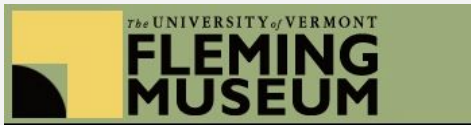
BUT during the month of **September**, we can earn 5 Bonus Boxtops equalling **\$.50** just by signing up for email newsletter. You will receive

- coupons for Box Tops products
- Exclusive free sample offers
- More Bonus Box Tops offers

Just go to **BTFE.com/signup** to get started. Make sure to enter our Box Tops ID number so our school gets the credit for the Bonus Box Tops. Ours school ID number is **591246**. Please sign up today.



Student Opportunity After School Art Class!



Once again, the Fleming Museum at the University of Vermont and the IAA are teaming up to offer our students a fall art adventure class at the museum. For eight weeks our students are privileged to attend an art class taught by UVM art education students. Using the vast resources at the museum and the museum classroom, IAA students will view and discuss exhibits followed by a hands-on art lesson in the art studio. This afterschool enrichment opportunity has been made available to the students of the IAA because of the partnership we have with the Fleming Museum. It is FREE to our students, and there are **only 10 spots** available for each session. Sessions are as follows:

Session 1

Open to grades 1 & 2
Wednesdays 2:15 -3:30
October 7
October 14
October 29
November 5

Session 2

Open to grades 3, 4 & 5
Wednesdays 2:25-3:30
November 4
November 11
November 18
December 32
If you are interested in your child participating in this opportunity please email Judy Klima at jklima@bsdvt.org as soon as possible. Additionally, we are looking for 1 or 2 parent chaperones for each session.

Children of parents willing to chaperone will be given priority.



IAA Parents!

Come to Monday Morning Coffee Connections

Every Monday morning at 8:30 a.m., the PTO hosts a friendly morning coffee, tea, & pastry hour for parents. **All parents are welcome!** We know that most of you have to scramble to work, but if you are available at this time please stay for coffee after you drop the kids off and have some pastry and conversation with other IAA parents. To sign up and help with setting up or cleaning up for coffee connections please go to the link below:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0849a5ab2b0-coffee2>



Stay in touch with the IAA PTO and to regular communication about IAA events and happenings by joining our google group. Email: iaaptoprez@gmail.com



Join the IAA Facebook Page!



ONE STRINGS Enters it's Fourth Year!

The IAA ONE STRINGS program begins this week, offering all 4th and 5th graders twenty weeks of strings instruction. Kathleen Kono, our strings instructor will be offering our students 2 thirty minute lessons each week. Being true to our mission, the work this year will be closely linked to classroom curriculum. Both Kathleen and Rosina Cannizzaro from the Vermont Youth Orchestra Association have been collaborating with IAA to provide instruction that links to classroom learning in other subjects. We are thrilled to have such an outstanding program here at IAA! Go to this link to view more details about our ONE STRINGS program. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UB_wN VcWttI



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Joy in School Rule #7 - Get Outside

“Nature is a powerful teacher, and there are so many things that kids can learn hands-on outside. Fresh air, Lake Champlain, and a sunny day can do miracles for the human spirit.”



IAA Fifth graders experience science hands on at the Community Sailing Center