



PARENTS CORNER: A Monthly News Update

April 2019

School Year 2018-2019

Dear Interfaith Families,

This year's Silent Auction and Enchanted Carnival will provide a large variety of baskets, gift certificates and lots of fun for the whole family. We are very thankful for all of you who collected items, wrapped baskets, help putting items together and brought in so many wonderful sponsors for our school. This event is scheduled for Friday, April 26 from 5pm to 7pm. We will run the event outside the front doors of ICDC. No parking will be available in the street, only in Falconwing Park. Proceeds from this event will be applied directly to benefit the school. Tickets for the event can be paid at the front desk with cash or check to the order of Parents Club – ICDC. A gold bracelet will be provided, and you come right in. We will be selling the bracelets at a booth during the event. Food or drinks will not be considered a part of the bracelet fee. Chick-fil-A, Kona Ice and drinks will be purchased directly from the vendors who will be parked diagonally to our school.

At this time, we are receiving Enrollment Packets for the fall. Please come drop of all your documents and we will be happy to review them and notarize them if needed.

We will have a busy month celebrating the Week of the Young Child, International Week and Earth Day, please read your teacher's Newsletter for additional information.

We hope the heartfelt warmth and spirit of our interfaith family continues to shine throughout our community. Happy Easter to everyone!

Sincerely,
Martha Klie
Director of School





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HEALTH & SAFETY

As our children grow, we as parents and teachers thoroughly enjoy watching every new phase of their lives, milestones they hit, and tasks they accomplish. How a helpless infant grows and develops into a fully functioning, independent adult has fascinated scientists for years as well. One of whose theories we thought would be very interesting and fascinating to share with you, from a scientific perspective, is Erik Erikson's theories on child development.

Trust v/s Mistrust (Ages 0 to 1 Year)

A baby has no way to control the world other than crying for help and hoping for rescue. During the first year, the child learns whether the world can be trusted to give love and concern for only frustration, fear, and despair. The infant who is fed on demand learns to trust that cries, communicating a need, will be answered.

***It is critical to remember that trust has to be established then reinforced at each stage of growth and development. Help the child build a trusting relationship by being consistent and responding appropriately to the child's needs at every age.**

Autonomy v/s Doubt and Shame (Ages 1 to 3 Years)

Even the smallest child wants to feel in control and needs to learn to perform tasks independently, even when this takes a long time or makes a mess. The toddler gains reassurance from self-feeding, from walking alone where it is safe, and from being free to handle materials and learn about things in the environment.

A toddler exploring the environment begins to explore and learn about his or her body too. If caregivers react appropriately to this normal behavior, the child will gain self-respect and pride. However, if caregivers shame the child for responding to this natural curiosity, the child may develop and sustain the belief that somehow the body is dirty, nasty, and bad.

Initiative v/s Guilt (Ages 3 to 6 Years)

During this period, the child engages in active, assertive play. Steadily improving physical coordination and expanding social skills encourage "showing off" to gain adult attention and, the child hopes, approval. The preschool child, still self-centered, plays alone, although in the company of other children; interaction comes later.

We hope this was helpful. Thank you.



CURRICULUM CORNER

Art News

Children will learn about this month's famous artist, Claude Monet and John James Audubon. They will reproduce some of their masterpieces. Do not forget to look in the Green Folder to find them!

Literacy News

In the library this month we will showcase Eric Carle's books like The Very Hungry Caterpillar as we will learn about life cycles.

Other books our children will be reading will be:

Eric Carle – The Tiny Seed

Eric Carle – The Grouchy Ladybug

George Weiss – What a wonderful World

Barbara Seuling – People Around the World

Nancy Buss – Ready, Set, Grow

Colleen Madden – What if Everybody Did That

Marcus Pfister – Hopper Hunts for Spring





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ICDC PARENTS CLUB – NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



2019 ICDC ONLINE AUCTION AND CARNIVAL

Please join us for our annual Online Auction and Carnival Night "Enchanted". The event will take place on the evening of Friday, April 26 at 5:30 pm in the school parking lot. All family and friends are welcome, and we encourage the kids to dress Chick-fil-A for purchase and so much more!

RAFFLE TICKETS will be sold during the carnival for **FREE TUITION AND A BALANCE BIKE!**

ONLINE AUCTION will be Friday, April 26th @ 8 pm and end Sunday, April 28th @ 6pm. You will be able to view the items in the hallways of the school the week prior to the Carnival.

TEDDY BEAR MOBILE: We will be sending out a pre-order form for a 16" stuffed animal of your choosing! This is similar to build-a-bear and your child will get to make a wish and stuff and build their animal the day of the carnival. Order form will be going home in the next few weeks.

Our last parent's club meeting will take place Wednesday, May 8th at 9:15 am in the library. This is an important meeting to discuss what is to be expected for the Parent's Club next year!

As always, thank you for supporting our school!

Stephanie Lasala
ICDC Parent's Club President
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Important dates

April 15 – 18	Week of Young Child
April 19 – 22	ICDC will be closed for all programs
April 23	Earth Day
April 23 – 26	International Week
May 6 – 10	Staff Appreciation Week
May 13 – 17	Rainbow Week

Week of the Young Child

ICDC will celebrate NAEYC'S Week of the Young Child. Here are some activities your child will experience during this week:

Music Monday – Children will make music in our Outdoor Nature classroom using musical instruments.

Taco Tuesday – We will enjoy a delicious taco lunch!

Work Together Wednesday – Our children will get a jump start on celebrating Earth Day by using recycled materials to build a classroom masterpiece.

Artsy Thursday – Teachers will plan fun art projects outside that will be prostrated by our fences. This day using a variety of art media.

Fun Friday – We will have a surprise for all the classrooms and children will enjoy ice cream, popsicles or popcorn.

International Week

Please come and share your family's culture with your child's class. This could be done through food, pictures, books, stories, song and of course wearing or showcasing your native outfits or costumes.

Please speak with your child's teacher about how you would like to share your culture with the children at ICDC!





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ICDC Parent's Club Staff Appreciation Week!

During the first week in May, with your help, Parent's Club will be hosting our annual staff appreciation week. Please be on the lookout for our daily activities and what you can help out with. We have an incredibly talented and dedicated group of teachers and staff and we want to make sure they know how much we appreciate them.

CALLING ALL PARENTS ...

If you would like to be involved with the Parent's Club for the year 2019-2020 school year we would love to have you! We will discuss next year's Board, Chair Positions at the last Parent's Club meeting in May. Please join us for a morning of coffee! Everyone is welcome to attend!

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applications for the 2019-2020 school year are now available at your request. Please provide your email and mailing address to the Front Desk.

