

Integrated Arts Academy

May 18, 2014

NEWSLETTER

Important Dates

- May 20 HMS Step-up day 12:30
- May 22 **IAA - BCA Art Opening**
4-7pm
Firehouse Gallery
- May 23 EMS Step-up day 12:30
- May 26 **Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL!**
- May 28 **Incoming K Assessments**
8:10-10:45 & 12-2 pm
Jon Gailmor Concert
6:00 pm
Grades 3, 4, 5 and STEP
- May 29 **Sen. Bangoura's 4th Grade Play**
at 333 Stage
Jon Gailmor Concert
6:00 pm
Grades PreK, K, 1, and 2
- May 30 **Student Council Dance**
Grades 3-5 Only 6:30 pm
- June 4 **Step Up Day**
Incoming K Assessments
- June 5 **Mr. T's 4th Grade Play**
@ 333 Stage
- June 6 **Arts Field Day**
- June 10 **5th Grade Graduation**
9:30 am
- June 11 **Last day of School!**
Early dismissal 11:30 am



Jon Gailmor's back!

A message from the PTO

Parents and Guardians,

There is a special election on June 3rd on the school budget. The school board worked hard has cut \$1.5 million dollars to the budget to keep it affordable. If this budget does not pass, there will be an additional \$1.2 million dollars in cuts. This will be extremely detrimental to the IAA and the district in general. We encourage all families to get out and vote YES! There are three ways to vote:

- At the polls on June 3rd,
- At City Hall from now until June 3rd,
- Via an absentee ballot, and you can request yours here:

<http://www.burlingtonvt.gov/sites/default/files/CT/Elections/20140603/AbsenteeBallotRequestForm.pdf>

For additional information about the budget visit the webpage of Burlington Friends of Education:

<http://bfoe.org/>

For more information visit Burlington Friends of Education facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/burlingtonfriendsofeducation>

Encouragingly, The IAA PTO



THE IAA PTO SAYS
Get out and VOTE!

BSD School Budget
Tuesday, June 3



IAA Parents!

Step right up!

We need parent volunteers for the annual *and* amazing Arts Field day

on June 6th!

email Teal Doggett at teal.doggett@gmail.com

if you can help in any way!

(ps- there are many ways you can help!)



Images from the 5th grade Chamber Recital

5th Grade Happenings!

May is filled with exciting happenings in 5th grade as students finish up our final units of study and prepare for their transition into middle school. We are very proud of your children and we thank you for your continued support during these last few busy weeks. Below is a reminder list of some important activities that are still to come. Enjoy the warmth of Spring and all it has to offer!

Mr. Whitman and Ms. B

Tuesday May 20-

Students going to Hunt Middle School will visit their new school for step-up from 12:30-2:15. The (HMS) parent information night is scheduled for 7:00pm later this same evening.

Friday May 23-

Students going to Edmunds Middle School will visit their new school for step-up from 12:30-2:00pm

Wednesday May 28-

Grades 3-5 will all attend and perform at our Jon Gailmor concert, 6:00pm

Friday May 30-

Grades 3-5 school dance. 6:00 pm. Get your groove on if you plan to join!

Friday June 6-

Arts Field Day

Monday June 9-

5th grade field trip to Camp Abnaki... Rain or Shine! We will be returning to school around 3:30pm. Students who need to go to the Boys and Girls Club will be escorted. Please make other pick up arrangements as needed.

Tuesday June 10-

5th grade graduation at IAA! 9:30 am. Please join us in celebration if possible. Students may be dismissed following cake and juice or may continue their day in the classroom.

Wednesday June 11-

School is optional for 5th grade students. This day will be early dismissal, 11:30

Second Grade News

Hot off the Weekly Leal:

Interview with the New President- Elect Gracie B.!

by Johali

J: Are you still going to change anything?

G: Yes.

J: How do you feel about being the president next year?

G: Very happy and excited!

J: Will you like being the president next year?

G: Of course!

J: Will you enjoy being the president?

G: Absolutely!

J: Will you change your mind about being the president?

G: Absolutely not!

Note: Gracie says that she would like to change things and make more arts in the school.

Interview with Cooper

by Jessica and Huxley

Cooper is a fourth-grade student at IAA. He won the election for president of the student council. He is in Sra. Bangoura's class. We interviewed him the other day.

JH: What did you run for?

C: I ran for president.

JH: What does the president do, dude?

C: I run student council meetings.

JH: Thank you, Cooper! Very much!

Our Fairy Tale Movie

by Liam and Tianna

We made a movie about fairy tales. It's about Little Red Riding Hood and it's really funny! Jon Gailmor made a song with us that goes with the movie and it is awesome! Most of the kids are in our class movie. We are presenting our movie the day that the newspaper comes out, at Friday Town Meeting!

Drama News

It's clear the fourth grade classes will be finishing the year to enthusiastic applause. Both classes have created original plays based on books they have read. Senora Bangoura's class began working on an adaptation of the Newbery-award winning novel *Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo in the fall. The novel's theme of love, light, heroism and honor inspired Senora to write the play and the children to write songs for the play that are new lyrics to well-known Beatles' tunes.

Mr. Thibault's class studied heroes and biographies earlier in the year and were captivated by the story of Harriet Tubman. They chose Harriet's story as the topic for their play. The children wrote the script following an outline drawn from a book about Harriet by Kate McMullan. After auditioning for their roles, the students created their lines and actions based on what they knew of their characters. The majority of the roles are either slaves or conductors on the Underground Railroad, and all are heroes in their own right.

Both plays will be performed at 333, Very Merry Theater's stage near the corner of Riverside Dr. and So. Winooski. Dates and times of performances are listed in the calendar. Besides permitting use of their special stage, Very Merry Theater has generously loaned costumes, props and set pieces to the production and provided technical and directorial support. Reserve your seats with Senora or Mr. T. to see these remarkable achievements!

Drama news cont....



Fourth graders rehearse "The Tale of Despereaux"



Fourth graders rehearse "Going North" at Very Merry's Stage 333

Ms. Joan, Drama Coach

Fourth Grade Plays Coming Right Up!

Senora Bangoura's class presents:
The Tale of Despereaux

May 29th

10-11& 1-2

at Very Merry's 333 Stage

Mr. T's class presents:
Going North

A Play about Harriet Tubman

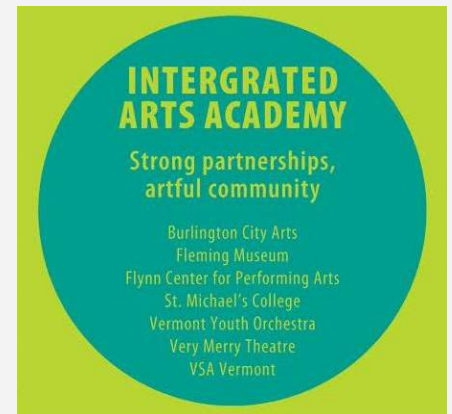
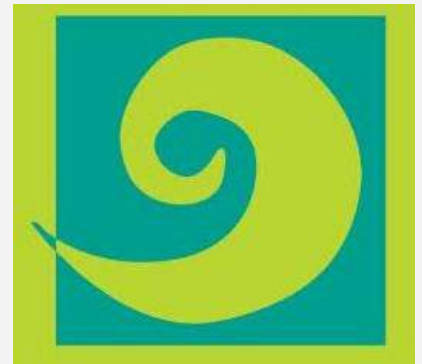
June 5th 11-11:30 & 1-1:30

at Very Merry's 333 Stage

(An original play written by the cast)

All families are welcome to attend these performances at Very Merry's 333!

This year's IAA T-Shirt!



Our Annual Jon Gailmor residency has begun - students in all classrooms are busy writing songs with Jon to perform for you next week on May 28th and May 29th! Check the calendar for specifics. Don't forget to send in your T-shirt money! We are excited to wear these next week in support of IAA!



Arts Connect



May 22 — May 29, 2014

Opening Reception:
Thursday May 22, 4 — 6pm

The BCA Center
135 Church Street
Downtown Burlington



**IAA
STEP,
kindergarten,
1st and 2nd
grade work!**

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Arts Connect is a partnership between Burlington City Arts, VSA Vermont, Integrated Arts Academy (Burlington School District), Flynn Center for the Performing Arts, the Vermont Arts Council and Saint Michael's College.

Arts Connect is funded in part by grants from the Vermont Community Foundation, Vermont Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts. This program is provided under a contract with the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

**Join us this Thursday, May 22, from 4-6pm at BCA!
Refreshments served!**

PARENTS & GUARDIANS-

You're Invited

to the

6th Annual

ARTS FIELD DAY

at the

Integrated Arts Academy!

**WHEN: Friday, June 6th
from 10-2:00**

WHERE: all over the school

Please check in at the front office and Mrs. Henry can direct you where to go from there.

**WHAT: an end of the year celebration of the arts
for the students of the IAA**

including dancing, drumming, bumbalooning, circus arts,
cartooning, yoga, live music, a BBQ, and more!

Please sign up below or contact Ms. Amy in the library
to let us know you would like to join us.

Thanks!

Yes! I would love to be a part of the IAA Arts Field Day on June 6th!

Student Name _____ Teacher _____

Parent or Guardian _____

phone # _____ or e-mail _____

____ I would like to spend the day with my child's group

____ I would like to help at one of the arts stations

____ I will help wherever you need me

Return this form to the front office, your child's teacher, or Ms. Amy in the library.