

Integrated Arts Academy

October 27, 2013

NEWSLETTER

Important Dates

- Oct. 30** Family Drum Circle
6:00 pm
- Oct. 31** Whole School Field Trip
Step Afrika! 10:00 am
- Nov. 1** Friday Town Meeting
2:15 pm
Jeh Kulu Jr.
- Nov. 4** Monday Morning Meeting
Parent Coffee Connections
- Nov. 8** Literacy Breakfast
K-2 + Step 8:15 am
Friday Town Meeting
2:15 pm
Magical Mailbox
- Nov. 9** Kids are Alright Concert
Doors open at noon
- Nov. 14** PTO Family Traditions
6-8pm
- Nov. 15** Friday Town Meeting
2:15 pm
Korean Dance Troupe
- Nov. 18** Monday Morning Meeting
Parent Coffee Connections
- Nov. 22** Friday Town Meeting
2:15 pm
- Nov. 25** Turkey Pick-up
2:00-5:00 pm
- Nov. 27** NO school!
- Nov. 28** NO school!
- Nov. 29** NO school!



IAA presents at the Arts Summit in Montpelier, VT. on Saturday

A message from the principal

Exciting week here at IAA. Part of what we do is provide arts experiences. While our greatest mission is bringing the arts and content areas together through integration, developing an "arts as life" mentality is vital. Bringing in artists to perform at town meetings, developing a strings program, students presenting through poetry breaks, field trips to art institutions and plays, will develop in our students the idea that art experiences can be a healthy part of a fulfilling life.

We have always said, since we started the IAA magnet, the student experience is about the artistic process. Of course we have finished products; skits, paintings, poems, songs, but the interaction with the artistic process is where we see great growth and joy. As such, students having the opportunities to interact with the arts outside the school walls will enhance their connection to arts. Our hope is, that as adults, our students will rely on the arts and make it a part of their lives. That doesn't mean being an artist, although many of our students may do just that, but its more about living an artful life that helps deepen their thinking in creative ways and connects them to others and their community. Over the weekend (see the picture above) a group from IAA had the opportunity to express the importance of these arts connections at the state house in Montpelier. The message was well received and the arts community is excited by the work we are doing at IAA.

One such arts experience is scheduled for this week. On Thursday, the entire school will attend the performance **Step Afrika!** at the Flynn. Our community looks forward to this opportunity to experience the arts together. We have something special planned for Friday Town Meeting that is related. Hope to see you there.

PTO

Next PTO Meeting

Wednesday, December 4th

Curriculum Focus

6:00 pm

Pizza and childcare available

Kindergarten News

Kindergarteners have been working very hard in so many academic areas. We are learning sign language with Ms. Amy. As we sing songs, nursery rhymes and the alphabet we sign! This movement helps our brain remember and stretches our learning. If you see us please ask us to sign color names!

We have been busy with fall activities making apple sauce, gathering kale for the school(and having a picnic) in the Community Garden, and making banana bread. Looking at the beautiful colored leaves the children have gathered studied, sorted and compared the leaves. The children noticed the lines in the leaves and discovered veins. We connected this observation to our study of line, shapes and color. The children created their own leaf using cray-pas and water colors. Using fall colors the water colors blended together to give a great effect. We are excited about science and art coming together.

Ms. Maggie & Ms. Emily

Third Grade News

The Third Grade Team is excited to report on the many exciting field trips we have going on at this time in October. Last week we went to the Flynn Theater to see a musical adaptation of *Bunnicula*. This trip connected to our reading work as a fun kick-off to our exploration of mystery stories. It also helped deepen our theater work with Joan, who has been working with us during co-teaching. This week we return to the Flynn with the whole school to see Step Afrika! If you would like a preview, Google "Step Afrika! Promotional Video".

We are honored to have the opportunity to visit the Flynn and fortunate to have a great resource like Joan to help make the most of our experience. In addition to the Flynn we are also visiting the BCA Clay Studio over the next couple of weeks as we prepare for Fill The Bowl. The folks at the BCA Clay Studio are very generous with their time. The students will have the opportunity to learn how to make two different styles of clay bowls, both throwing on the wheel and handbuilding.

Mr. Wallace, Mr. Mike



Fifth grade drummers

Fifth Grade News

Fifth grade students just wrapped up their second integrated arts co-teaching unit of study. During this session students worked on creating dances that represented a timeline of their own personal history. The focus in dance was how students can use **ENERGY** in their movements that match the emotion of their important memories. As part of our social studies standards we also focused on how people have different perspectives of the same events that occurred throughout history. In literacy we will be working on the elements of realistic fiction and in math we will begin our intervention and enrichment groups. These groups will meet once a week on Tuesdays. Enjoy the Fall and thanks for your support.

Mr. Whitman and Ms. B

Integrated Arts Academy • Snapshots

Coming NOVEMBER 9th!

The Kids are Alright Benefit Concert














Come ROCK & Support IAA

Tickets available at the front office-
correct change only please!

Reduced price tickets are also available.

School Menu

BURLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT *** LUNCH MENU - NOVEMBER 2013 ***				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 				
 « « VEGETARIAN  « « CHICKEN  « « BEEF  « « TURKEY				
VERMONT PRODUCTS OFFERED THIS MONTH: Shelburne Farms Cheddar, Vermont Grass-Fed Beef, Vermont Bean Crafters Bean Crumble. Beets. Carrots. Winter Sauash. Milk				
4 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH BAKED POTATO BAR CHEESE, LOCAL BROCCOLI, and ALL THE FIXINGS	5 PIZZA TUESDAY! with CHEF'S CHOICE OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES	6 BEEF or LOCAL BEAN TACO LETTUCE, TOMATO, SHELburne FARMS CHEESE RICE & BEANS	7 SZECHWAN CHICKEN VEGETABLE RICE PILAF with VEGETARIAN EGG ROLL	8 SPAGHETTI LOCAL BEEF or TOMATO MARINARA OVEN ROASTED BROCCOLI & CAULIFLOWER
11 CHICKEN FAJITA **FIESTA RICE** SAUTÉED ONIONS & PEPPERS SEASONED LOCAL BLACK BEANS	12 PIZZA TUESDAY! with CHEF'S CHOICE OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES	13 SHELburne FARMS MAC & CHEESE GARLICKY STEAMED KALE	14 SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN VEGETABLE RICE PILAF with VEGETARIAN EGG ROLL	15 LOCAL BEEF or LOCAL BEAN NACHOS LETTUCE, TOMATO, SHELburne FARMS CHEESE & CORN CHIPS
18 CHICKEN NUGGETS BAKED POTATO BAR CHEESE, LOCAL BROCCOLI, and ALL THE FIXINGS	19 PIZZA TUESDAY! with CHEF'S CHOICE OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES	20 THANKSGIVING MEAL ROASTED TURKEY & GRAVY MASHED POTATOES MAPLE GLAZED LOCAL WINTER SQUASH	21 ORANGE CHICKEN VEGETABLE RICE PILAF with VEGETARIAN EGG ROLL	22 MEATBALL PARMESAN SANDWICH & SEASONED SWEET POTATO FRIES
25 ROASTED CHICKEN BAKED POTATO BAR CHEESE, LOCAL BROCCOLI, and ALL THE FIXINGS WHOLE WHEAT ROLL	26 PIZZA TUESDAY! with CHEF'S CHOICE OF SEASONAL VEGETABLES	 THANKSGIVING BREAK NO SCHOOL 		
 *** AVAILABLE EVERYDAY *** 		USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER & EMPLOYER		
FRESH FRUIT & SALAD BAR and VERMONT LOW FAT OR SKIM MILK VEGETARIAN and VEGAN OPTIONS		 www.facebook.com/burlingtonschoolfoodproject		