

Inverness Elementary School Newsletter

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“Committed to Academic Excellence”

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Principal’s Message

February brings with it groundhogs and hearts. During January, the IES staff looked at the mid-year data for the 1st semester in the areas of Reading, Math, and Science. Student improvement was recognized and students are working very hard to improve in every subject area. Working together we can help all students succeed!

Happy Valentine’s Day!



Upcoming Events

- ◆ 2/5 PTA Meeting @ 5:30 pm
- ◆ 2/5 Move to Learn @ 9am
- ◆ 2/6 Sweetheart Dance (6pm-10pm)
- ◆ 2/10 3rd Grade Family Night @ 6pm
- ◆ 2/13 Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ 2/13 Progress Reports Issued
- ◆ 2/16 President’s Day – No School
- ◆ 2/18 Science Boards Due
- ◆ 2/19 Muffins for Moms
- ◆ 2/24 Family Movie Night (5pm)
- ◆ 2/26 Reality Fair
- ◆ 2/27 Black History Program (9am)

In February, Inverness Elementary will be participating in Pennies for Patients sponsored by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Pennies for Patients is a service learning, character education and philanthropy program that gives students a unique experience by making a difference through teamwork—working together to aid thousands of children and adults to fight blood cancers like leukemia. Students not only enjoy participating, but feel a great sense of pride in helping others. Last year, Inverness Elementary raised about \$500 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Imagine how many patients lives were changed because of our donations! This year, we are hoping to top what we did last year. Please look out for the coin boxes which will be sent home the first week of February. The program will run until February 19, 2015.



IES TEACHER OF THE YEAR LINDSAY MASSEY

Congratulations to Ms. Lindsay Massey for being selected As Inverness Elementary School’s 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Massey has been a teacher for four years. She has been at IES for the past two years. She is very passionate about her job. Ms. Massey will now compete with other teachers in the district for the title of the district “Teacher of the Year”. She holds a BS degree from Delta State University. She has two children, Anna Sterling and Cam.



Valentine's Day Math Ideas: Don't Miss A Beat!

How many times does your heart beat in one minute? five minutes? 1 hour?

Can you predict how many times your heart would beat in a year?

Every minute, the heart pumps blood through 60,000 miles of blood vessels. Find out what the distance is for one second, ten seconds, 45 seconds, 2 hours, etc. Make a chart to record the results.

Determine how many candy hearts you will need to spell your name with them.

If there are 22 people in your class and everyone gave each person a valentine, how many valentines would be exchanged altogether? How could you find out?

How many lines of symmetry can you find in a heart?

If roses are on sale for \$29.95 a dozen, how much is 1 rose? How much would it be to buy 5 dozen roses?

Valentine's Day is on the 14th. How many number sentences can you think of that will have an answer of 14? ($7 + 7$ or $24 - 10$ etc.)

***Bring answers to the Math teacher for review!**

Coach's Corner

February is time for "Jump Rope for Heart"

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We're joining the fight against our nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers — cardiovascular diseases and stroke. During the month of February, our school will hold a Jump Rope for Heart event. These events are held at schools nationwide and not only help students learn about the benefits of regular physical activity and heart health, but also raise funds to support vital heart and stroke research as well as educational programs.

The American Heart Association is dedicated to helping people live longer, healthier lives. The money we raise helps people in our community learn how to avoid heart disease and stroke and also helps our local patient care.

Have a Great Workout!
Coach Bruce



READING FAIR ~ Inverness has four students participating in the Regional Reading Fair Friday, February 6th located at Delta State University: Kylan Appleberry (Grade K), Jamia Thornton (Grade 3), Jalilah Carter (Grade 6) and Jamel Campbell (Grade 8). **Good Luck to all of our students!**



February 27th is Read the Most Coast to Coast! The more kids read the farther they'll go! During Read the Most Coast to Coast, your students can join their peers across the nation to celebrate their love of reading and immerse themselves in books. Students will track their success with AR Quizzes, and you can watch their progress right here on our live ticker.

International Random Acts of Kindness Week is February 9-15, 2015. Take this week to step out of your normal routine or comfort zone and attempt a new random act of kindness each day of the celebratory week.



READ DAILY!