

Dear Parents,

This week was Safety Week. Students were engaged in a variety of activities that taught them the importance of safety. Some of the lessons and topics covered this week were Fire Safety, Bike Safety, and Online Safety. ECC/ Elementary teachers were given suggested book titles daily to read to their students—all these book selections aligned with the safety themes for the week. Students practiced and participated in a bus evacuation drill. The school participated in a wide lockdown drill.

Parent Teacher Conferences are on November 3rd. Regular classes will not be held that day. We highly encourage you to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher. This is a time to ask questions and learn more about what your child(ren) is learning in class. Parents connecting with teachers creates a stronger parent/teacher relationship, which has tremendous benefits. Students overall are impacted in a positive way both academically and socio-emotionally. We want as many parents to participate as possible. We also encourage students to come as well.

You should have received a message yesterday explaining how to sign up for a PTC time slot. Please read through the directions carefully. Don't hesitate to contact our MAC team if you have any questions.

The Ai Mei Yuan Children's Recovery Center needed a smart conferencing TV for instructional purposes. During Spirit Week, we helped raise funds for them. On Thursday, some ISW staff members visited the center to present the Smart Conferencing TV to the staff. Ai Mei Yuan's leadership was very thankful and showed their appreciation.

It was a pleasure to welcome the Japanese Chamber of Commerce to campus. We had a great meeting, and we hope to build a stronger relationship with them. They also had a chance to see all the wonderful STEAM projects students are working on in our Elementary and Secondary divisions.

Throughout the week, staff and students did a great job demonstrating "Random Acts of Kindness". As stated last week, this will become part of the ISW culture. We will continue to inspire and encourage our staff and students to show acts of kindness even outside of school.



NewStar has graciously sponsored our school with a discount for our students and staff. Please follow the <u>Link</u> to see what they have offered. Please make sure to identify with the school ID to receive this special offer. We are very thankful to NewStar for supporting ISW and the ISW community.



Here are some important dates and reminders to be aware of for the coming weeks.

- Java and Jazz
 - o Tonight at 6:30 p.m.
- Q1 Parent Teachers Conferences
 - O November 3rd. Please be sure to sign up for a time.
- SAT Exam
 - O November 4th.
- Fall Family Festival
 - O November 17^{th,} 5:00-8:00 pm. More information about FFF will be forthcoming.

Pride Chip Total

Liddell Leopards - 644 points Morrison Mountain Lions - 431 points Taylor Tigers - 471 points Goforth Jaguars - 348 points

For the month of October, our LifePlus 9 Qualities of Life focus is **Courage.** Ask your child(ren) what they have learned about **Courage** and how it has impacted them this month.

Have a restful weekend.

Dr. Williams