## **February** IS Newsletter



ART Mrs. Shaarda

Third through sixth graders completed some pretty impressive detailed flower art this month using black glue and watercolor. I appreciate the good attitudes shown by those whose drawings got accidentally dripped on with glue! Tissue paper flowers were also made for nursing home residents with encouraging notes attached. In addition, a fantastic bubble art project was completed by tracing various sizes of circles and then using oil pastels to outline, add highlighting and color. One of my helpful assistants, Sarah Heininger, also demonstrated how to make origami frogs. Kindergarten through second graders made "love bugs" for

graders made "love bugs" for nursing home residents by folding and cutting construction paper. They also completed an ocean themed origami project with waves, whales, and boats. They did a great job of focusing in order to complete their projects by the end of class!

Thank you for allowing me to have so much fun with your kids!



SCIENCE Mrs. Them

The 3-6th grade students concluded their physics unit. Students finished their catapults and had a catapult competition.

The younger students began a 2-week study on light and light movement. The light study will continue into March focusing on shadow creation and applying that information to the earth's relationship to the sun.

Each class participated in a Valentine's Day party. We had a lot of fun! We enjoyed passing out cards, games, music and treats. The students did an amazing job on their boxes. It is special to see a creative side since we spend most of our time together focusing on the fields of science.

#### \*\* WANTED \*\*

Plastic caps of all kinds & sizes - from water bottles, milk, shampoo, juice, lotion, etc. Needed by April 20.



In music class, we have been preparing songs for Grandparents' Day and practicing performance skills. The Kindergarteners learned about melodies and melodic direction, the 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> graders have been learning about pitches, intervals and how to read notes on a staff. The 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders finished up learning about the classical

boomwhackers. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have continued to grow in their leadership of our chapel sessions, playing live music and learning new instruments. They have done a great job planning songs and activities that will help

all of our students grow

closer to God!

period in music and practiced

playing a song by Mozart on

Students from the music classes also had the chance to perform their selections for Grandparents' Day at Mansfield Memorial Homes as part of the IS talent show, and they did a really fantastic job. They were a true blessing to the residents!



**P.E.** Mrs. Byler

The calendar says Spring is around, but you just never know when our last snow will be here in Ohio!

After we finished up our basketball unit, we took some time to celebrate the Winter Olympics. It was so fun to talk with the kids about the athletes and their favorite event to watch. We practiced bobsledding on scooters in the gym. The kids quickly discovered that it is not as easy as it looks. We did bobsled races to see who could go the fastest and who could make it all the way across the gym. Some classes were determined and raced the whole class, others wore out quickly so we ended the class with scooter freeze tag.

















## Valentine's Day Party & Boxes





























### IS Educational Expo February 23 -6:30-8

Thank you to all who participated in this event. We had a wonderful time listening to all the topics and fellowshipping after.

It is great to see the kids addressing an audience at a young age

#### **Next Field Trip** The Farm at Walnut Creek Sugarcreek, Ohio

Our next field trip is to The Farm at Walnut Creek. We will have the opportunity to view and feed over 500 animals from a horse-drawn wagon ride. The animals are from six different continents. They range from buffalo, llamas, giraffes, deer, elk to many more that call The Farm home.

We will experience a working farm in action, a tour of non-electric farmhouses, a produce stand and more.

Check out thefarmatwalnutcreek.com for more details.

# **Upcoming Events for IS!**

March	April	May
Class - March 2 March 3 - IS Pancake Breakfast 8-11 am <i>Thank you for making</i> <i>this a success!!</i> Field Trip - March 14 Sheila the Great Renaissance Theater March 19-21 Heartland Camp	Class - April 6 Grandparent's Day Class - April 20 Walk-a-thon HEA Open House April 23-27 Testing 9-11:30 & Swimming 1:00-2:00	Class - May 4 Field Trip - May 11 The Farm at Walnut Creek 9:30-12:30 Class - May 18 Field Day May 25 - Last Day of School!! Have a wonderful summer!
Class - March 23		

March 24-April 2 -

Spring Break