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Winter Concert
The Island Creek Music Department will be holding their Winter Concert on Thursday, January 21st at 7pm. The Advanced Band, Advanced Strings, and Chorus will be performing.

January 2016 Calendar
PTA Spirit Night at Moe’s Deadline for Level IV AAP MLK Jr. Birthday Holiday Winter Music Concert
Dear Parents and Guardians,

School safety and security are high priorities at Island Creek. As we move into 2016, we will continue to tighten our safety procedures to ensure the continued safety of our students and staff.

As part of our safety plan, all outside doors are locked throughout the school day. The front doors will only be unlocked from 8:10-8:30am for student arrival. In addition, we staff our Kiss and Ride entrance from 8:10 until 8:30. We ask that students do not arrive to school before 8:10 as there will be no access to the building before that time. If your student attends SACC they may enter through the SACC entrance located at Door 1.

After 8:30 the front doors will again be locked, and visitors will need to press the buzzer to be allowed entry. You will be greeted by an FCPS staff member using the intercom. You may be asked to show a picture ID via the camera located by the buzzer. Once in the building, please come to the office to sign in, present your ID, and receive a visitor’s badge. Visitors must sign out when leaving the building and exit through the main doors. This will allow us to know who is in the building at all times.

At dismissal, we ask that parents wait outside until 3:15. Our students are still moving about the building and any congestion in the front lobby or other common areas pose a safety and security concern. In addition, we ask that students and siblings stay with parents and are not allowed to run around in front of the school during dismissal times. This is a safety issue as we are trying to get buses, daycare vans and students safely off the school property.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we continue to improve the safety of our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Macrina
Principal
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Online Databases

FCPS students have access to numerous online databases that have been paid for by the county. “Biography in Context” and “World Book for Kids” are just a few that are available. Students can access all of these databases from the FCPS Homepage. Click on “Students” followed by “Library Online Databases”. The databases can be viewed by subject, alphabetically or by level. Username and password information can be found on @The Library with Mrs. Woodall, 2015-2016 Blackboard site.

Library Staff:
Jill Woodall
Librarian
Leslie Scully
Library Assistant

Did you know?

During November, Island Creek students checked out 5,943 print books from the library. In December, students checked out 5,182 books. This is a huge number of books especially since December was a short month for us. Students also read 1,757 myON (electronic books) during November and 1,578 books in December. We are a school of readers!

Library Catalog
You can access the Island Creek library catalog from home: http://libcat.fcps.edu/uhthbin/cgiisirsic/0/0/57/499
IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR PARENTS OF CURRENT 5TH GRADERS

It’s not too early to check!

Effective July 1, 2014, all students in Virginia must receive a booster dose of Tdap vaccine prior to entering sixth grade.

If your child is 11 years old, he or she must get the Tdap immunization and provide documentation to the school.
If your child is still 10 years old, he or she may receive the Tdap vaccine, Boostrix, which is approved for 10 years old, or you may wait until the 11th birthday to receive the vaccine approved for 11-year-olds.
If your child’s 11th birthday is after the first day of school, your child must have a medical exemption from the doctor stating when he or she will receive the Tdap immunization in order to attend school.

Please check your child’s immunization records carefully. If your child is required to have a Tdap booster, we ask that your child receive it and that you provide documentation to the school as soon as possible. This documentation can be a copy of your child’s immunization record, or a note from your physician listing the date of his or her most recent Tdap booster shot.

The Tdap booster can be obtained from your child’s physician. Immunizations required for school are also available at the Fairfax County Health Department at no charge. Clinic locations and walk-in hours are listed on the back of this letter and are available online at [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/hdclinicsite.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/hdclinicsite.htm). Students receiving immunizations at the Health Department must be accompanied by an adult, and students should bring their immunization records to the Health Department clinic with them.

It is most important that you attend to this matter soon. Sixth graders cannot begin school in the fall without documentation of having had the Tdap booster.

Please, plan ahead to attend to this matter at your earliest convenience. When the 2016 school year begins, sixth graders for whom the office has no documentation of the Tdap shot will not be assigned to a teacher.

Please contact Laura Lux, the school public health nurse if you have any questions. She can be reached at 703-704-5203 or by email at Laura.Lux@fairfaxcounty.gov.
GIVE ME 5! COLORS THAT JIVE!
Eating at least five servings of different colored fruits and vegetables each day is important for better health. No one color provides all the needed nutrients. Select and eat fruits and vegetables from the rainbow --

**red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, and white.**
Research shows families with children under 12 years of age eat less than five servings of fruits and vegetables per day. Fruits and vegetables are easy to prepare and taste good. They are low in fat and calories; high in minerals, vitamins, and fiber; and cholesterol free.
Each month the Energy Zone menu highlights fruits and vegetables from the

GIVE ME 5! RAINBOW!

GIVE ME 5! COLORS THAT JIVE!
Es importante para tu salud consumir por lo menos 5 porciones de frutas y vegetales de diferentes colores.
El consumir un solo color no podría proveer todos los nutrientes necesarios. Seleccione y consuma frutas y vegetales del arco iris.--

**rojo, naranja, amarillo, verde, azul, lila and blanco.**
Investigaciones muestran que familias con niños menores de 12 años de edad consumen menos de 5 porciones de frutas y vegetales al día. Las frutas y vegetales son muy fáciles de preparar y tienen buen gusto. Son muy bajos en gorduras y calorías; altos en minerales, vitaminas y fibra; además de ser libres de colesterol.
Los menús mensuales de Zona de Energía resaltan frutas y vegetales de

**GIVE ME 5! ARCO IRIS!**