UPCOMING EVENTS

School Bus Safety Week

- Monday Oct 20\textsuperscript{th} Kindergarten Fun Day
- Tuesday Oct 21\textsuperscript{st}
- Wednesday, Oct 22\textsuperscript{nd}
- Thursday, Oct 23\textsuperscript{rd}
- Friday, Oct 24\textsuperscript{th} 5-8pm PTA Harvest Family Festival (Moose Lodge)

MESSAGE FOR PARENTS OF CURRENT 5\textsuperscript{th} GRADERS

Effective July 1, 2006, all students in Virginia must receive a booster dose of Tdap vaccine prior to entering sixth grade, if at least five years have passed since the last dose of tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine (DTP, DTap, DT or Td).

Please check your child's immunization records carefully. If your child is required to have a Tdap booster, please do not delay in getting the immunization. The Tdap booster can be obtained from your child’s physician. Immunizations required for school also are available at the Fairfax County Health Department at no charge. Students receiving immunizations at the Health Department must be accompanied by an adult, and students should bring their immunization records to the Health Department with them.

Documentation must be provided to the school office. This documentation can be a copy of your child’s immunization record, or a note from your physician listing the date of their Tdap booster shot. If your doctor will not administer the shot until your child’s 11\textsuperscript{th} birthday, we need a note from the doctor so stating. Sixth graders cannot begin school next year without documentation.

Please contact Gail Acker, the school public health nurse, at 703-704-6100 or gail.acker@fairfaxcounty.gov, if you have any questions.

BOX TOPS

If you have been clipping box tops, please send them in with your student by October 22\textsuperscript{nd}. If you have the target form please be sure to send that as well. This is one of the easiest fundraising programs around. Each box top is worth 10 cents to Island Creek. Last year over $1100 was raised for Island Creek Elementary School.
Island Creek Elementary will be holding the yearbook cover contest again this year.

If you are interested in entering this year's cover contest, please submit your entry on 8 1/2 X 11 Unlined paper. Your drawing should be aligned vertically on the page. No pencil please—we need color!! Turn your entry into the office no later than November 14th. GOOD LUCK!

Grand Prize—Your design will be on the front cover of the Yearbook.

1st-2nd Place Winners—Your design will be on the back cover.

TIPS:
- Use your imagination
- Be Creative
- Use lots of color
- Have Fun!!!