# WEEKLY WORDS ON THE ISLAND
**FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS**

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<td>ALL LIBRARY BOOKS DUE 8:30-10:30 Kindergarten Fun Day 12:30-1:30 PTA Flex Spanish Mrs. Jackson’s Heritage Days, Café</td>
<td>7:30-9:30 PTA Meeting, Café 2:50-4:15 GEMS 5:30-7:00 SACC Global Arts and Food Festival, Café 6:30-8:00 Mrs. Markon’s Coffee House, Theater</td>
<td>7:00 Strings Concert, Café</td>
<td>LAST DAY FOR BAND AND STRINGS</td>
<td>SCA Spirit Day (Exercise &amp; Fitness Day) 7:30-8:30 Friday Friends</td>
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**ARE YOU MOVING?**

The school needs to have current addresses for all our students! If you have moved, please call the school office so we can update our records. If you are planning to move away from Island Creek, also be sure you let the school office know. We really hate to see you go, but there are important documents that need to be filled out by parents in order for a smooth transition to take place and for school records to be sent to your child’s new school.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR PARENTS OF CURRENT FIFTH GRADERS**

It’s not too early to check!

As a parent of a current 5th grader, you need to know that all students in Virginia schools 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).

This is a Fairfax County regulation; it is a State regulation that all schools must follow.

Please -- check your child’s immunization records carefully. If you need a copy of your student’s record call the school office and we will provide you a copy.

If your child is required to have a Tdap booster, we ask that your child receive it as soon as he or she is old enough, and most importantly that you provide documentation 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 most recent Tdap booster shot. If your child won’t be old enough for the shot until a specific date, we need a note from the doctor stating that.

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 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 with them.

Please, plan ahead to attend to this matter at your earliest convenience. When the 2013 school year begins, sixth graders for whom the office has no documentation of the Tdap shot will not be assigned to a teacher.

If you have any questions about this immunization requirement, you may contact Deborah Jackson, the school public health nurse, at 703-704-6100, or email her at deborah.jackson@fairfaxcounty.gov. You also can call the school office at 571-642-6300.
**STRINGS CONCERT**

The Strings Concert will be held on Thursday, June 6th at 7:00 pm. The students are excited to bring you an evening of their musical accomplishments. We look forward to seeing you.

The concert on June 6th is the last day for Strings. Students who rented school or county instruments will leave them after the concert that evening. Thanks!

**A MESSAGE FOR BAND STUDENTS**

The band teachers are collecting all school issued instruments the week of June 4th following band class. We are also collecting books and concert music. Your help in getting everything returned is appreciated.

**BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE AT ISLAND CREEK**

Students are now permitted to register a personal computing device at school to use in support of their learning. There is a great deal of information for you to read and understand before making a family decision for a child to bring a personal device to school. For more information please go to [http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/byod.html](http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/byod.html)