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Falcon Flyer April 15, 2022

Wow - it is hard to believe that there are only seven weeks left in the school year! The end of the year brings many fun events and lots to do. Be sure to join us for the upcoming Move 'N Groove event with our very own Coach Frontado. It promises to be a fun and motivating workout for all.

Our yearbook team has been hard at work putting together an amazing yearbook for us. The absolute deadline for ordering and completing custom pages is Saturday, April 30. If you are planning to order a yearbook, please do not miss this deadline.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- Apr. 22: Intent to Return due date
- Apr. 22: Earth Day Lunchtime Celebration
- Apr. 23: Move N' Groove with PE Coach Frontado
- Apr. 30: Yearbook Orders AND Custom Pages Due
- May 2-6: Staff Appreciation Week
- May 6: Movie Night / Food Trucks Encanto will be playing!
- May 13-20: Scholastic Book Fair

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Irvine Junior Games: Practice for Irvine Junior Games begins after school on Monday, April 25th. It will be from 2:30-3:30. Students will initially meet in Mrs. Uribe's room (11), and end on the field. Students should be dressed for physical activity with good athletic shoes. Please arrange pick-up or remind your athlete to walk directly home at 3:30.

IPSF Summer: Registration for IPSF Summer classes opened on Wednesday, April 13. This year, IPSF is offering both in-person and online classes for incoming K-12 students. For a full list of available classes and descriptions, please visit www.ipsf.net/summer for more details. For more information, please email programs@ipsf.net.

Parents Appreciating Teachers and Staff (PATS): You may have recently seen Irvine Public Schools Foundation's announcement of their 2022 Innovative Grants Program awards. Deerfield

has been fortunate to receive IPSF grants in the past, and we look forward to applying again in the future. The Innovative Grants Program is made possible by IPSF thanks to the support of parents like you. Donations to the **Parents Appreciating Teachers and Staff (PATS)** campaign directly support teacher grants. PATS is an easy way to show our teachers, nurses, and staff how much we appreciate all that they do! For a small donation, IPSF provides the teachers and staff of your choice a certificate of appreciation, which includes a personal message from your family. To support the PATS campaign and make a donation in honor of a teacher or staff member, please visit: https://ipsf.net/pats.

IUSD Inclusion Matters Event: IUSD Special Education is hosting Inclusion Matters, an abilities awareness event featuring keynote speaker Sean McElwee. The event takes place on Wed., April 27 from 6-8 p.m. at Beacon Park Elementary School. To register, <u>click here</u>. Or, for more information, click here! or email <u>specialed@iusd.org</u>.

Rockin Rockets: Explore the world of rocketry and aerodynamics through hands-on activities for free. University High School Steam for All is sponsoring the event on April 28 from 5-7 p.m. at Sierra Boca Park in Irvine. Materials will be provided at the event. Please see the **flier** for more information.

Parent Presentation: IUSD is hosting a Virtual Mental Health Presentation on April 27 from 6-7 p.m. on *How to Navigate COVID-19 Social Anxiety*. During COVID-19, children and adolescents experienced a surprising shift in their social relationships. For some youth, adjustment to extended periods of isolation led to self-doubt and a decreased sense of belonging. This presentation will discuss the signs and symptoms of social isolation in children and adolescents. The impact of social isolation on interpersonal relationships and school avoidance will also be explored. To register, click here <u>IUSD Mental Health Speaker Series April 2022</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Guerrero, Supervisor of Mental Health Services at (949) 936-7502 or christineguerrero@iusd.org.

REMINDERS:

Text Messages: If you would like to receive Deerfield School and district messages via SMS Text, text "Y," from your mobile device to 67587. You should then receive an opt-in confirmation message from the service. If you want to receive texts on multiple devices, each device number must complete the Opt-In process. You will receive a text message saying something similar to this: You are registered 4 SchoolMessenger notifications. Reply STOP to cancel, HELP for help. Msg&data rates may apply. If you do not receive a text, you should contact your wireless device provider to have SMS messaging/premium content enabled.

2022-2023 School Year: There is one additional week to complete your intent to return for next school year. We are in the beginning stages of planning for the next school year. Please remember to keep us up to date on any address, phone number or email changes throughout the year. If you are planning on moving before next school year, please contact Christine in the front office.

Health and Safety: Deerfield, along with all of the IUSD, will follow the guidelines for schools provided by local and federal health agencies. For up-to-date district information, visit https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide.

Menus are always available on the IUSD website <u>here.</u>

PTA Announcements:

- NEW! Innovative Seating Options This week, PTA delivered unique seating options for our classrooms. Each teacher and supporting staff received either a wobble stool or yoga ball chair to support our diverse learnings. Thank you PTA members! Your support makes all this possible. See pictures on <u>Instagram</u>.
- NEW! Earth Day Celebration at Deerfield Friday, Apr. 22 Become Green Heros by taking one or more earth-friendly actions next Friday! Stop by the Earth Day booth during lunch recess to enter into our raffle if you completed any of the activities. Ten winners will be chosen at the end of the day to receive an Earth-related book or game. The winning class with the most participation will receive a special activity session with Delphine Delesalle, parent volunteer and Zero Waste Education Consultant. Click here-Attach flyer

PTA Reminders:

- Move N' Groove Saturday, Apr. 23 at 10:30 AM Come join us for a fun, kid-friendly HIIT workout with our very own PE Coach Frontado! Make sure to stick around afterward for music, healthy snacks, drinks, and conversation.
- Yearbook Orders and Custom Pages Due Apr. 30 Only 2 weeks left to purchase
 your yearbook (\$30) and create your 2 FREE custom pages. Once purchased, upload
 your photos from any device to Treering and have your kid(s) create their own custom
 pages. It's easy! Yearbooks will be delivered during the last week of school! Learn More
- Staff Appreciation Week May 2-6 More information coming next week on how you can participate and make our staff feel super special.
- Movie Night May 6 from 6 PM 9:30 PM Join us for a night of food, ice cream, and Encanto! The Fix on Wheels burger truck, Mexican, and ice cream will be available for purchase as well as FREE popcorn, Lollipops for \$1, and previous year's spirit wear (6-8 PM). The movie starts around 8 PM. Check this out on Instagram.
- Scholastic Book Fair May 13-20 All proceeds will go directly to new books and
 resources for our Library! We have a lot of volunteer opportunities before, during, and
 after school. Look for the sign-up next week.

PTA Shout Outs:

 Thank you Jennie Bolinger for the innovative seating option idea and for making it all happen! • Thank you to Rashmi Singh for keeping us healthy and organizing our March / April Move N' Groove Events

Make sure to follow us on <u>Instagram</u> and check out our <u>PTA Website</u> for more information. We welcome feedback! Please email us at **dfptainfo@gmail.com**