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Falcon Flyer
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Happy Friday Deerfield families! This was a great week on campus. We reopened our school library this week for the first time in over a year. Classroom cohorts checked out books and heard stories read by Mrs. Dhume. In the words of one of our first grade friends, “First the playground and now the library, this is so exciting!”

Date to Remember:

April 14: Sami's Circuit Virtual Family Night

Announcements:

- **Sami's Circuit Virtual Family Night:** Mark your calendar for our next family night on Wednesday, April 14 from 6-7:00 p.m. Deerfield had the top attendance in the event last month. If you didn't get a chance to log in, please join us this time. It is a fun opportunity to get your family up and moving together while having a lot of fun. :) Simply log on to <https://www.samiscircuit.com/familynightcalendar> at the time of the event.
- **Chromebook Requests:** If your student needs to replace or request a chromebook, please email IUSD's help desk at helpdesk@iusd.org. Please include the student's name and ID number. If it's a replacement, please include what is wrong with the current chromebook. Once the request has been completed, you will be notified when the chromebook is available for pick-up.

Reminders:

- **PATS:** Show your teachers and school staff how much you and your child appreciate all they do by honoring them with a [Parents Appreciating Teachers and Staff \(PATS\)](#) donation. Each honoree will receive your family's personal certificate of gratitude along with recognition of a PATS donation being made in their honor. Deadline is **April 11**.
- **IPSF Summer Programs:** IPSF will be offering both in-person and online classes beginning in June for grades K-12. Registration will open on **April 12**. Learn more: <https://ipsf.net/what-we-do/summer/>. *Scholarships are available for all IPSF programs to families demonstrating financial need. For more information and to apply, please visit ipsf.net/acescholarship.*
- **Earth Day:** In celebration of Earth Day 2021, IUSD is having its annual Student Poster Contest on the theme: Restore Our Earth. Entries are due by **April 23**. Email at jenniferrazo@iusd.org with any questions. Here are the details:
 - Evaluated based on originality, message impact, and visual appeal
 - Poster Size: up to 12"x18"
 - Include your name, school, grade, teacher's name
 - Winner entries in 4 categories: K-2, 3-5, 6-8 & 9-12
- **Attention 6th Grade families:** Venado will be hosting a live "Family Night" Zoom event for parents and students. Please save the date for this important event scheduled for **April 29 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Venado teachers and staff will review important information about programs, academic and elective course selections, dates for registration, class and bell schedules. This event replaces Venado's in-person parent night for incoming 7th graders and the in-person 6th grade student visit.

- **STEAM Fest:** We're packaging the hands-on excitement of [OC STEAM Fest...In a Box!](#) These will be available for online purchase soon with contactless pick up on **May 22**. Each box will contain five interactive activities – one representing each discipline of STEAM. OC STEAM Fest...In a Box is a safe and positive community-building project to rally together in support of our students.
- **Spring and Summer Recreation Activities Newsletter for IUSD:** The City of Irvine's [recreation activities newsletter for IUSD](#), is now available online. To learn more, including how programs have been modified for COVID health and safety guidelines, [click here](#). To sign your student(s) up for programs, visit [yourirvine.org](#). For questions, call 949-724-6600 or email yourirvine@cityofirvine.org.

PTA Announcements:

- **Yearbook** - 12 Days Until the April 20th Deadline! Now is the time to purchase your \$25 yearbook and take advantage of our new feature - 2 FREE personalized pages that will only appear in your yearbook. Plus, a special timeline will be included in the yearbook, capturing our Deerfield journey throughout this year. *Don't miss this forever keepsake and opportunity to document your family's experience!*
[Learn More and Purchase HERE](#)
- Staff Appreciation Week Coming Soon May 3-7th! Stay tuned for fun ways to honor and celebrate our wonderful staff.
- Volunteer to Decorate for Staff Appreciation Week. If you enjoy making posters/signs, or can help with decorating the Staff Lounge on Monday, May 3, we need you! Email us at dfptainfo@gmail.com by next Wednesday, 4/14.
- For the latest school and PTA updates, follow us on [Instagram](#) and our [PTA Website](#).