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Falcon Flyer
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Congratulations to our 2021-2022 Deerfield Yearbook contest cover winners. We had just over 30 wonderful entries this year for the theme “Together Again.” The competition was close and as a result, we have chosen both a front and a back cover winner. Congratulations to Ariel Chen from Miss Loomis’ class for her artwork that has been chosen as the front cover of the yearbook. Congratulations to Gayatri Sivakoti from Miss VanDeventer’s class for creating the artwork that will be featured on the back cover. Thank you to all of our talented Deerfield artists who submitted entries. You are all amazing!

Congratulations to Shrey Mehta, Neil Dedhia, and Abhijith Sivaprakash for advancing to the Broadcom Masters for the Science Fair!

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **Feb. 16:** Step It Up Donations Due
- **Feb. 18:** No School (Teacher Staff Development)
- **Feb. 21:** No School (Presidents’ Day)
- **Feb. 22:** 2-22-22 Twin Day!
- **Feb. 26:** PTA Move N’ Groove School Hike
- **Mar. 9:** PTA General Meeting /2022-23 Board Elections
- **Mar. 18:** Step it Up Day of Awesomeness/Donation prizes given out

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Irvine Junior Games: Attention 4-6th Grade Parents – signups are now open for Irvine Junior Games. Be sure to sign your student up for this exciting event that is like a professional track meet for all IUSD students. Events include long distance, sprinting and field options. Click [here](#) for more information and pictures. There is a video the students saw this week to give you an idea of what to expect. We hope to have the biggest team yet! Go Falcons! If you have any questions, please contact our teacher representative, Mrs. Uribe at christineuribe@iusd.org.

Bookmark design contest: All Deerfield Elementary School students (Gr 1 - 6) are invited to participate in a bookmark design contest that inspires reading. Your bookmark must be an original; a hand drawn design is perfect. There will be one winner per grade level. Completed

bookmark templates only must be turned in to the library by **Feb. 28, 2022**. For the template and more information, please [click here](#). (add link to flyer)

Book Float Contest: Make a “float” with a shoebox. Show a scene or characters from a book that you have read and enjoyed this year. The contest is optional for grades K-5, but mandatory for all 6th graders. Floats are due in the classrooms on or before **Friday, March 4**. Three entries from each class will be sent to the Media Center Monday, March 7, for display. Book Floats will be on display during the open house on March 10. For more information, please [click here](#) for the flyer. (add link to flyer).

REMINDERS:

Public Information Meeting: A public information meeting will be held at Deerfield in the MPR on **Feb. 24 at 6 p.m.** to discuss the construction of a new parking lot with a solar carport system at Deerfield.

ACE Online Classes: IPSF is excited to offer a wide variety of interactive online classes after school for students in grades 1-12. Registration is now open at www.ipsf.net/afterschool.

Enrichment Day - One Day Event: On Feb. 21, IPSF will host [Enrichment Day](#) which provides students in grades 1-8 with an educational and fun outlet to learn a new skill. Registration is now open. www.ipsf.net/enrichmentday.

ACE In-Person Classes: IPSF is also offering engaging in-person enrichment classes right after school at select school campuses throughout IUSD. Please note, students may only register for in-person ACE classes at their home school. Click below for registration and session dates. <https://ipsf.net/what-we-do/afterschool/#inperson>.

School Choice for 2022-2023: If you live outside our boundaries and need to complete a school choice for the next school year, please click [here](#). You can also find the form on our website here: <https://deerfield.iusd.org/article/school-choice-2022-23-now-open>.

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 [here](#).

PTA Announcements:

- **NEW! February Membership Raffle** - This month we are celebrating 125 years of California PTA. Any NEW member who joins this month AND all existing members will be entered into a raffle for a chance to WIN a \$50 Amazon Gift Card! Winners will be announced at our PTA Meeting on 3/9 at 7PM on [Zoom](#).
- **NEW: Move N’ Groove School Hike** - Join us Feb. 26th for a hike on the Quail Hill Loop from 9-11am. Make sure to wear your spirit wear!

- **Step-It Up Fundraiser Update** - Over 6300 emails sent to date, crushing our goal and over 400 prizes were given out last week. We are so thankful for our amazingly supportive and generous community. Here's what's next:
 - **Feb. 16:** Last day for donations
 - **Feb. 18:** Final revenue dollars shared!!!
 - **Feb. 17 - March 17:** STEP IT UP orders and organize the students' prizes based on donation amounts
 - **Mar. 18:** Day of Awesomeness AND donation prizes will be given out to students
 - Congrats to our bonus drawing winners this week showcased on our [Instagram](#) page!

PTA Reminders:

- **PTA Meeting Mar. 9 NEW Executive Board Slate** - Please attend this meeting and help vote in the 22-23 PTA Board. Check the PTA bulletin board or our school [Instagram](#) account to view the list of candidates. We still have an opening for Membership. If you are interested in this position, please email dfptainfo@gmail.com.
- **Yearbook Photos Needed:** Please continue to submit photos to dfptayearbook@gmail.com for the following events:
 - 1-2-3 Reflections Art, December STEM Nights, 100/101 days of school, 6th grade outdoor education, behind-the-scenes classroom photos, staff photos
 - Upcoming Valentine Day parties and Kindness Week dress-up days in Feb. and field trips!
 - Yearbooks Now on Sale - Only \$25 for a softcover book through March 31, 2022. Price to increase by \$5 in April. Don't forget to create your 2 FREE pages! [Learn More](#)

Make sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) and check out our [PTA Website](#) for more information. We welcome feedback! Please email us at dfptainfo@gmail.com