



DEERFIELD

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Falcon Flyer February 18, 2022

As announced on Thursday, we are thrilled that TOGETHER, we helped raise just over \$35K for Deerfield, beating our \$30K GOAL! This is the most we have raised in Deerfield history! This money will go towards new technology, garden area, equipment and shed, programs, future field trips, innovation lab materials, library books, classroom supplies, indoor upgrades, outdoor playground activities, family fun events and more! Our Day of Awesomeness – a field day inspired by the hit TV shows American Ninja Warrior and Wipeout – is happening on March 18! Each class will have over an hour to play on obstacle courses, dance with DJs, and win more prizes! Prizes for donations raised will also be given out on March 18.

Next week we will celebrate Kindness Week focused on the theme: What if we could make the world a better place with kindness? Students are encouraged to participate in the following spirit days and kindness activities:

Tuesday 2/22- What if we practice kindness? (2-2-22 **Twin Day**)

Say something kind to three special people.

Wednesday 2/23- What if we stand up for one another? (**school spirit shirt & jeans**) Make a new friend - say hi to someone new, invite someone to eat or play with you.

Thursday 2/24- What if we serve others? (**wear camouflage or superhero shirt**)

Do a job to help someone out at school or at home.

Friday 2/25- What if we don't judge others by how they look? (**wear funky glasses or accessories**) Pay a compliment to someone.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **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
- **Mar. 26:** PTA Move N' Groove YOGA Event

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Incoming TK Students: Transitional Kindergarten (TK) is expanding and evolving beginning next school year to include more students. TK will now be known as Pre-Kindergarten (PK). Deerfield is slated to have a PK class next school year. Information is [here](#) on IUSD's website including new birth dates and enrollment eligibility, class information and registration for a virtual information night for interested families on Feb. 24.

Kindergarten Round Up Information Night: Kinder Round Up for 22-23 Kindergarten families will be here at Deerfield at 5:30 p.m. in our MPR on March 3. Please save the date if you'll have a kindergartner with us next school year!

Volunteers Needed for Vision and Hearing Screening: Deerfield is scheduled for the annual vision and hearing screenings on **March 23**. We need two volunteers to help pull students as needed during the morning. If you are able to volunteer, please email Claudia at CladiaMarroquin@iusd.org.

IPSF Summer Fun: This summer, students are only limited by their imagination with over 400 classes available with IPSF! Both online and in-person classes will be offered to provide options for every family. Registration opens on April 13, see website for session dates and [sign up for updates!](#) See the following link: www.ipsf.net/summer

City of Irvine Spring Activities: The City of Irvine's [spring recreation activities newsletter for IUSD](#), is now available online. This latest edition includes information about enrichment activities and camps for school-aged children. To learn more, [click here](#). To sign your student(s) up for programs, visit yourirvine.org. For questions, call 949-724-6600 or email yourirvine@cityofirvine.org.

REMINDERS:

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, hand drawn design. 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 **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).

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. Click [here](#) for more information and pictures. 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.

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.

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:

- **February Membership \$50 GC Raffle** - Interested in winning a **\$50 Amazon Gift Card**? It could be yours if you [JOIN PTA](#) (only \$15) by Feb. 28th! All NEW members who join this month will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win! **Our goal is 17 members so odds are in your favor!** Existing members will have their own \$50 GC raffle too. **Winners will be announced at our PTA Meeting on 3/9 at 7PM. [JOIN TODAY](#).**
- **Move N' Groove School Hike** - Join us Feb. 26th for a hike on the Quail Hill Loop from 9-11am (34 Shady Canyon Dr.). Make sure to wear your spirit wear! Any student who attends will receive a **FREE Deerfield drawstring bag filled with goodies!** Parking is available at the trailhead or across the street at the community center.
- **PTA Meeting Mar. 9th / NEW Executive Board Slate** - Help vote in the [22-23 PTA Board](#), hear updates from Principal Brewer, and learn about upcoming events. We want to hear from you! **Join us Wednesday, Mar. 9th at 7PM on [Zoom](#).**
- **Yearbooks Now on Sale** - Only \$25 for a softcover book through March 31, 2022. Price increase \$5 in April. Don't forget to create your 2 FREE pages! [Learn More](#)

Coming Soon:

- **Coffee Chat** with Principal Brewer

PTA Thank You's

- **STEP IT UP Fundraiser** - We are incredibly grateful for our community's support as well as the team of parents and staff that made it happen. Team members include: **Principal Brewer, Sandy Clark, PTA Board: Karen Agreda (VP Fundraiser /chair), Rashmi Singh, Jenny Minoux, Esther Tiong, Jennie Bolinger, and Jen Foran and our parent volunteer team: Suchita Mor, Anna Fitzpatrick, Alice Li, Connie L,**

Kristy Chyun, Mehnaz Piracha, Katherine Hong, Stella Heumann, Pravallika Macha and Priti Kale.

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