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Announcements

-Are you interested in joining Newsletter Team, Book Club, Puzzle & Games Club, Pre-Med Club, Media Club, Music Club, Chess Club, and more? Contact your Success Coach to join!

-National Honor Society is collaborating with Puerto Rico Education Foundation for their annual Winter Service Project! For more information on how to donate, Click [HERE](#)



-High School Book Club is reading *The Henna Wars* by Adiba Jaigirdar and will discuss final thoughts on March 15th, 2023. Stay tuned for more information!

-The Newsletter Team has organized a Spring Coloring Contest! For more information on how to participate check below!

-Did you know IVLA has a Music Club? To learn more about joining, Click [HERE](#)

-Middle School Book Club is currently reading *The Kite Fighters* by Linda Sue Park, to learn more, click [HERE](#)

-Check out the Student Government Project Pancake infographic! Click [HERE](#)

-Congratulations to middle school student, Sofia L., who submitted the winning drawing for the Spring Coloring Page Contest!

-Did you know IVLA has a Media Club? To learn more about joining, Click [HERE](#)

March Schedule

Click the events below to join!



Events shown in time zone: Pacific Time

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Back Off, Fiona!

By: National Honor Society

IVLA's NHS is collaborating with the *Puerto Rico Education Foundation* to help students exclusively in Puerto Rico! Donate and spread the word to give students on the island the educational resources they need!

For more information on the Winter Service Project, click [HERE](#)



Spring Coloring Contest

By: Megan Schoenherr

Congratulations to middle school student, Sofia L., who submitted the winning drawing for the Spring Coloring Page Contest! Now, elementary school students have the opportunity to color this drawing for a coloring contest. Find the coloring page [here](#). All submissions are due March 17th. Submissions will be judged, and the top coloring page will be included in a future issue of the newsletter.

[Click here to submit your coloring page!](#)

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Prom Playlist

Click below to add some of your favorite songs to this year's prom playlist!

[Click Here!](#)



Talking With Teachers

By: Quade Goss

What is your name?

Mrs. Schoenherr.

What do you teach?

I am a Success Coach and work with the Newsletter Team at IVLA. I also teach business and communication studies at a university.

Where are you from?

I am from Illinois--the southern part. Think small towns and farmland, not the skyscrapers of Chicago.

What is your favorite memory from high school?

My favorite memory from high school is "Cruising the Strip." Yeah, I know! Super cool, right? Really all that it entailed was driving the same little strip of streets in our small town over and over again to see who else was out on a Friday or Saturday night when there wasn't a game. It was pretty fun, though, because we all got together and hung out in town when we all ended up at the same place. Lots of fun memories from those nights!

What is your favorite book or movie?

"Aunt Mathilda and the Lost Cheese." It is a children's book that was published in 1946. I would sit on my grandma's lap and demand in my little four-year-old voice to "Read it again!" It was a book she bought for my dad when he was a little boy. Inside the front cover, in her handwriting, is his name and the date she bought it: 8/14/47. I love the memories of reading that book. I still have it and just got it out yesterday when I thought about the answer to this question! Thanks for that memory visit!

What is your least favorite food?

Fish, which is odd because I used to eat a ton of it as a kid, and we spend a lot of time near the ocean with lots of seafood places. I just don't like fish anymore!

Do you have a special talent?

Well, I did just survive the Pilates workout my daughter talked me into doing!

What do you like about being a teacher?

I enjoy working with students and watching them grow. I love to see that "aha" moment on their faces when something clicks! I also enjoy learning from them!



St. Patrick's Day Origin

By: Mia Isabella San Inocencio & Aria Alicea

Happy St. Patrick's Day! As we celebrate and honor the holiday, let's learn a little more about its origin! St. Patrick was known to be a patron saint of Ireland. He was originally born in Roman Britain around the 4th century. A few years into his adolescence, he was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave. St. Patrick escaped slavery, but around 432 CE, he decided to go back to Ireland and convert to Christianity. He made an impact by opening monasteries, churches, and many schools. Many legends grew up around him, and Ireland soon came to celebrate his day with many religious services and feasts. It was actually immigrants, particularly in the U.S., who transformed St. Patrick's Day into a secular holiday of celebration and things Irish. Today, green is the color that is commonly connected to St. Patrick's Day, though it originally used to be traditionally associated with blue.



Poll Results!

By: Bella Stoffel

The poll results from February's poll are in!

- An overwhelming 84.4% of IVLA students who took the poll have a morning routine.
- 28.1% of students begin their morning at 10:30 am, while the second largest group (21.9%) of students begin their morning at 8:30 am.
- 78.1% of students would instead get an early start and finish in the morning/early day, while 21.9% prefer to sleep in late and get everything done in the afternoon/evening.
- The first place school work companion was a cup of water, coming in at 62.5%! Pets took a close second at 53.1%, and blankets were third at 46.9%.
- Some of the students' at IVLA's favorite ways to spend their free time include reading, animating, spending time with friends, swimming, drawing, listening to music, playing video games, gymnastics, crocheting, running, after school sports, spending time with pets, and learning new things!
- See all the charts for this month's poll results [Here!](#)

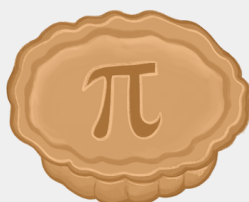
Poll For Next Month

By: Bella Stoffel

We all have awkward moments in life so share with us one of your favorite funny stories!



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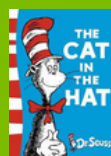
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Women's History Month

By Ella Stewart and Megan Schoenherr

Rosa Parks, Amelia Earhart, Sacagawea, and Kalpana Chawla are just a few of many women that paved the way for activists, brilliant minds, and so much more. Women's History Month is celebrated to honor the achievements of influential women in American history. This holiday was issued by President Jimmy Carter. The holiday was proclaimed "National Women's History Week" until Congress nominated March as "Women's History Month" in 1987. Without the brilliant minds of women inventors, we wouldn't have: dishwashers, fire escapes, life rafts, windshield wipers, medical syringes, the computer algorithm, and the car heater. The next time you use the dishwasher, turn up the heat in your car, or even bite into a chocolate chip cookie, think of the amazing women that made what you are doing possible.



Dr. Seuss Day

By Peyton Basnight



You may have heard of the story of *The Cat in the Hat* or Thing 1 and Thing 2. But do you know the face behind those stories? Theodor Seuss Geisel, or Dr. Seuss, is the author behind some of the most amazing children's tales. Dr. Seuss was born on March 2, 1904, which is why we celebrate Dr. Seuss Day every year on March 2. Dr. Seuss Day is not only a day to honor his life but a day to motivate youth to read. So, on March 2, consider Dr. Seuss and celebrate his legacy by picking up a book and enjoying the story.

National Love Your Pet Day Collage!



Thank you for those who submitted a photo!

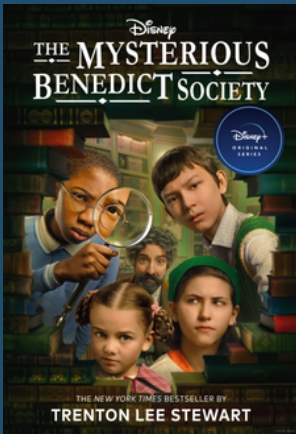


Middle School Book Club Pick:



The Mysterious Benedict Society
by: Trenton Lee Stewart

Join the Book Club on March 22
at 9am Pacific!



Check out
Middle School's
Book Club
website [here!](#)



Cookies & Cream Cheesecake cookies

BY: MIA ISABELLA SAN INOCENCIO & ARIA ALICEA

Ingredients

- Cream cheese, softened 4 oz
- salted butter, room temperature, 8 tsp
- sugar 3/4 cup
- flour 1 cup
- cookies, crushed 10

Method

1. In a mixing bowl blend, cream cheese, butter, and sugar until fully combined.
2. Add flour to the cream cheese mixture and continue to blend until fully combined.
3. Add crushed cookies to the mixture and gently fold. Ensure the cheesecake batter is fully mixed.
4. Cover with a plastic wrap and chill in the refrigerator for 30 minutes, or until batter is firm to touch.
5. Preheat the oven to 350F (180C)
6. Roll batter into small balls and place on a parchment-lined baking sheet.
7. Using your finger or a warm spoon press down on the dough balls to help form a cookie shape.
8. Bake for 12-15 minutes or until cookies turn golden-brown on the bottom.
9. let rest for at least 5 minutes
10. Enjoy!



Thanks for reading this month's newsletter!

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Middle School STEM Fair

Do you have a love for science, technology, engineering, and/or math? We are excited to offer you an opportunity to use your creativity and individual skills to participate in the Middle School STEM Fair!

Timeline:

Deadline to Sign Up - Monday, March 6, 2023

- Make sure to contact Mrs. Rhude or your Success Coach to sign up!

Projects Due - Monday, March 20, 2023

- All projects are due in Seesaw or by email to Mrs. Rhude.

Winners Announced - Monday, March 27, 2023

Questions? Feel free to reach out to Mrs. Rhude at trhude@internationalvla.com.

