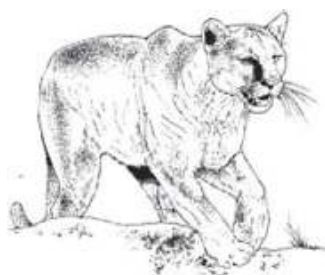


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## Help Wanted:

We are looking for someone to translate the newsletters into spanish. Please email [news@imsboosters.org](mailto:news@imsboosters.org) if you can help.

*Mountain Lion Tracks is produced by the IMS Jr. Boosters Club.*

For submissions or comments about the newsletter email [news@imsboosters.org](mailto:news@imsboosters.org)

The 2010-2011 IMS Student/Staff Directory is ready. If you did not already receive it please contact Dianne Severance at [sevgroup@nvcbell.net](mailto:sevgroup@nvcbell.net)

## OFFICE UPDATE

from Sharon Kennedy, Assistant Principal/Site Administrator



Well, another school year has passed – and what a year it has been! International Baccalaureate is no longer being pursued at Incline Middle School, but a pursuit of excellence remains our goal. Teachers who had the opportunity to receive professional development in IB have found that much of what they learned is applicable in their classrooms on a regular basis. Teachers are

working to provide students with a broader perspective while continuing to ask them to deepen their depth of knowledge in any given subject.

We began implementation of Positive Behavior Supports this year. You may be familiar with our ROARS acronym. The letters stand for the words Responsible, Open-Minded, Active Learner, Respect, and Safe. We hope to continue to work towards instilling the importance of these attributes in all students at IMS through positive reinforcement throughout the building.

I thank you all for your support, suggestions, and help this past year. Please know that my door is always open and I am willing to sit and listen whenever possible. To those students and families who are moving on to the high school, I wish you good luck. To those who will be returning to IMS in August, I look forward to another wonderful year. Have a wonderful summer.

## FROM THE COUNSELOR

Mary Blount

As we quickly approach the end of the school year we are in the planning stages for next year. Most students are placed in classes for next year. Hopefully your child brought home their scheduling sheets and you were able to discuss their course selections for next year. Most students will be enrolled in English, Math, Science and Social Studies. 6th and 7th graders all take PE. The elective choices as of this date are Band, Strings, Art, Technology, Yearbook and Video Production. The 8th graders can take Spanish 1-2 for high school credit. There are advanced math classes at each level including Algebra which is taken for high school credit by 8th graders. We also have support classes for students who are below grade level in math or reading. Students will be placed in a support class in place of PE or their elective. The placement in a support class is based on teacher recommendations, grades and test scores. If you have any questions about your child's schedule for next year, please call me. Have a good summer!

## CALENDAR

### JUNE

6/2

JROTC Ropes Course at IMS (PE Classes)

6/3

All Library Books Returned

6/6

IMS Students Return Enrollment Packets

6/8

ALGEBRA CBE

6/15

Last Day of School Early Release (11:37am)

End of the Grading Period

8th Grade Promotion 2:00pm

## YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks are for sale for \$28. Write a check out to IMS take it to the office or students can bring it to the library.

## REGISTRATION PACKETS DUE JUNE

Registration packets are due on June 6th in the office. Students need to have their packets in before they will receive their schedule/locker later this summer.

## SCHOOL ZONE

Now that the Easter Bunny has been out and the bears are waking up. A friendly reminder that Incline Middle School's speed limit is 15 mph between the hours of 7:30-8:00 and 2:15 to 2:45. The school zone is in effect for the safety of all our children and parents during these congested times.

Thank you! Officer Hobbs-  
WCSDPD

## ■ IMS AND "WE THE PEOPLE"

Incline Middle School students will experience the nationally sponsored We the People program first hand, as they present prepared testimonies and are then cross-examined by Incline High School "We The People" alumni, who will serve as judges for the hearings. All students will participate in the mock congressional hearings for their final project in Ms. Muccio's 8th grade social studies classes.

For the past five weeks, Milton Hyams' AP Government students from IHS have been tutoring the middle school students in order to help them better prepare for the final hearings, which will be held during classroom sessions at Incline Middle School, June 1-2-3. The "We the People" curriculum enhances students' understanding of the institutions of American constitutional democracy and helps them to identify the contemporary relevance of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Critical thinking exercises, problem-solving activities, and cooperative learning techniques help develop the participatory skills necessary for students to become active, responsible citizens.

This culminating activity is a simulated congressional hearing in which students testify before a panel of judges. Students demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of constitutional principles and have opportunities to evaluate, take, and defend positions on relevant historical and contemporary issues.

## ■ IS YOUR CHILD READY FOR 7TH GRADE?

**Tdap Vaccine is required before school starts**

**Visit a FREE Tdap summer clinic**

### SPARKS HOMETOWNE FARMER'S MARKET

Saint Mary's/Northern Nevada

Immunization Coalition Booth

Free Tdap for incoming 7th grade students

DATES: June 9th AND June 16th TIME: 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

### SAINT MARY'S IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

1625 E. Prater Way, Suite 102, Sparks, NV 89434

Free Tdap for incoming 7th grade students

DATE: July 13th TIME: 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Walk-In

### SAINT MARY'S GALENA

18653 Wedge Parkway, Reno, NV 89511

Free Tdap for incoming 7th grade students

DATE: July 20th TIME: 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Walk-In

Please bring your child's shot record or notice from school. Your child may need additional vaccines. If you do not have a health care provider, please make an appointment with a clinic listed below. If you do not have health insurance; if your insurance does not cover vaccines; your child is Medicaid eligible or you are Native American, ask if you qualify for low-cost services.

- Orvis School of Nursing Clinic - 401 W. 2nd Street, Reno, NV 327-5000 By Appointment Only - Appropriate Fees Will Apply
- Saint Mary's Immunization Clinic - 1625 E. Prater Way, Suite 102, Sparks, NV 770-7100 By Appointment Only - Appropriate Fees Will Apply
- Washoe County Health District - 1001 E. 9th Street, Reno, NV 328-2402 By Appointment Only - Appropriate Fees Will Apply

## ■ EMPTY BOWLS EVENT AT IMS

The Incline Middle School, Incline High School, and Lake Tahoe School art departments sponsored an Empty Bowls event on Thursday, April 21, from 5:30-7:30 PM at IMS in the Forum. The ceramic bowls created by art students at Incline Middle School, Incline High School, and Lake Tahoe School were unique works of art, making it a very colorful event. The soup and chili prepared by parents, students, and staff was delicious. The IHS strings quintet conducted by Terry Pittman provided lovely dinner music. National Honor Society students served soup with a smile, and JROTC students were cleaning machines after the event. Empty Bowls at IMS would not have been possible without the creative inspiration of art

## ■ USEFUL LINKS

Incline Middle School Jr. Boosters Club  
[imsboosters.org](http://imsboosters.org)

Incline Schools Website  
[inlineschools.org](http://inlineschools.org)

Infinite Campus  
[washoe.k12.nv.us/parents/infinite-campus](http://washoe.k12.nv.us/parents/infinite-campus)

Incline High School  
[inclinehs.org](http://inclinehs.org)

Incline After School Organization  
[inclineafterschool.org](http://inclineafterschool.org)

Incline Schools Academic Excellence Foundation (ISAEF)  
[inclinevillageschools.com](http://inclinevillageschools.com)

Washoe County School District  
[washoe.k12.nv.us](http://washoe.k12.nv.us)

Washoe County Library System  
[washoecountylibrary.us](http://washoecountylibrary.us)

North Lake Tahoe Bonanza  
[tahoebonanza.com](http://tahoebonanza.com)

The Village Guide  
[villageguide.org](http://villageguide.org)

Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID)  
[ivgid.org](http://ivgid.org)

Incline Village Parks and Recreation  
[inclinerecreation.com](http://inclinerecreation.com)

Arts For the Schools  
[artsfortheschools.org](http://artsfortheschools.org)

I-CAN Run/Walk & Roll  
[i-canrun.org](http://i-canrun.org)

eLearning Cafe  
[elearningcafes.org](http://elearningcafes.org)

## ■ IMS MUSIC UPDATE

May 13, 2011, 5:30 AM: the Incline Middle School Advanced Strings class left Incline for a 5 hour drive to Stanford University. At Stanford Mr. Mueller and the strings students were ushered into the Stanford

teachers Ann Clark, Mary Gilbert, and Allison Lee. It was truly a community event and fun-raiser.

Empty Bowls is an international project to fight hunger. The basic idea for Empty Bowls is simple: participants, our local art students, created ceramic bowls and served a simple meal of soup and bread. Guests chose a bowl to use and to keep as a reminder that there are always empty bowls in the world. In exchange for the meal and the bowl, guests gave a suggested minimum donation of ten dollars. Over \$1200 was collected at the event and donated to Project Mana and the Deacons's Food Closet.



## ■ REC CENTER YOUTH SPORTS

### Indoor/Outdoor Middle School Volleyball Skills

Ages: 10-13 years

This camp is designed to teach middle school aged players the overall basics of volleyball, (passing, serving, attacking, blocking and defense) and how those skills relate to team volleyball. The camp will feature Pacific Coast volleyball coach Tony Fathergill and Incline Middle School coach Tony Graeber.

Day: Monday-Wednesday

Date: June 20- June 22

Time: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fee: \$168, w/IVGID Pass \$140

Location: Incline Recreation Center, Incline Park

### Base/ketball - Summer Youth Dual Sport Clinic

Ages: 7 - 14 years

music building for a 90 min. clinic/rehearsal with Professor Giancarlo Aquilanti, composer and Director of the Stanford Wind Ensemble. Prof. Aquilanti rehearsed the students and helped them prepare for the Music in the Parks festival that they were to compete in the next day. Prof. Aquilanti said that he was impressed with how well the students absorbed his instruction. "It is a pleasure to work with well prepared students."

At the festival the strings students competed with MS/Jr High orchestras from all over California. Our IMS students placed 1st in the Class A Jr High division and were awarded Best Overall MS/Jr High String Orchestra.

On May 20, 2011 the IMS Advanced Band traveled to Nightingale Hall on the UNR campus to perform in the UNR Northern Nevada Band Festival. Their performances were well received by the 3 adjudicators and the students learned a lot in their clinic.

## ■ MIKE SIMON'S TEAM CHALLENGE SOCCER CAMP 2011

This week long summer camp is directed by former professional soccer player and coach Mike Simon, and a hand selected group of talented and enthusiastic instructors. The camp is for players of all skill levels and abilities.

When:

Monday, Aug. 1 - Friday, Aug. 5, 2011

The dual sport (baseball/basketball) clinic is designed to teach all the skills needed to become a complete baseball and basketball player. The basketball section will help players develop outstanding dribbling, passing, shooting and defensive skills with an emphasis on sportsmanship. Youth may register to participate in one or both of these sports clinics.

Days: Monday - Thursday

Dates: July 18 - 21

Times:

Basketball Ages 11-14 \* 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Ages 7-10 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Baseball Ages 7-10 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Fee: BOTH Clinics: \$224, w/IVGID Pass \$179, Basketball only \$106.25, w/IVGID Pass \$85, Baseball only \$156.25, w/IVGID Pass \$125

Location: Baseball at Incline Park Basketball at Recreation Center Gymnasium

\*For information on Basketball for 11-14 years, please contact the Sports Office at (775) 832- 1322.

### Game, Set, Golf! (Dual Sports Camp)

Ages: 8 - 13 years

A tennis/golf dual-sport camp for boys and girls. The participants will learn IVGID the fundamentals of golf and tennis. The camp is organized to include fun drills, games, and activities geared toward positive exposure to these two sports. Fun and teamwork is emphasized.

Days: Monday - Thursday

Times: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Dates: July 25 - 28

Fee: \$281.25, w/IVGID Pass \$225

Location: Incline Tennis Center & The Mountain Golf Course

[www.inclinerecreation.com](http://www.inclinerecreation.com)

## SPORTS CENTER

### Track & Field

The Incline Middle School Track team finished off a successful season last week with the Championship tournament at Carson High School. This event was the culmination of weeks of practice and preparation by the all-grade co-ed team. Incline athletes often start out the season at a disadvantage, being snowbound all winter with no place to run, especially this year, as our jumping pits, etc. did not even melt out until half way through the season. However this was somewhat made up for by the fact that we live at a higher elevation than much of the competition.

I really enjoyed coaching this season. It was great to get to know the students on a different level from the normal academic grind, and watch them have success in a new field. I also really appreciated the older, more experienced kids stepping up to help coach the younger athletes. We also had great help for our throwing events from Steve Dolan who jumped in to help coach shot put and discus. The results for both these events really displayed the practice and effort Steve instilled in the athletes.

At the finals, first place finishes were achieved by Owen Graffis in the 1600 meter, , the 7th grade Girls and Boys 4 X 100 meter relay, Brianna Barazza in Discus, Valeri Nix in 80 Meter Hurdles and 200 Meter Hurdles (both school records), and Tommy Dolan in the Shot put and Discus (both school and league records)!

This season proved that we could see results when we put in a little dedication and focus. For example our relay teams had under-performed most of the season. Then in the last week, we really spent some time honing our relay technique, which paid off with the 1st place finishes at the championships. It just goes to show that in track, it isn't necessarily the strongest, tallest or fastest that always win. It's the athletes who have the best technique, practice and focus who enjoy the most success.

- Coach Rupp

Pee Wee:

Ages 4-5 10:30am-Noon \$110

Half Day:

Ages 5-16 9:30am-Noon \$190

All Day;

Ages 6-17 9:30am-4:30pm \$250

Includes afternoon swim and indoor soccer

Where: Village Green Fields and Incline Recreation Center Gymnasium

Register Now!! Signups are ongoing until Aug. 1

For more information phone 775-544-9801 e-mail us at [mikesimonsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:mikesimonsoccer@gmail.com)

## TAHOE FIRECRACKER TRAIL TREK

To Benefit Incline High School Cross Country

- **Monday, July 4, 2011**

- 5K Run/Walk & Kid's Race

- Incline Middle School

931 Southwood Blvd.,

Incline Village, NV

- Visit

[www.tahoefirecrackertrailtrek.com](http://www.tahoefirecrackertrailtrek.com)

for registration and info.

- **Middle School Graduates can earn IHS volunteer hours if they contact Coach Bill Devine to help at the race.**

## I-CAN RUN/WALK & ROLL

The 28th Annual I-CAN Run-Walk & Roll for youth activities is presented in collaboration with Incline After-School Organization and The Incline High School Athletic Program.

- **Saturday, September 3rd, 2011**

- Incline High School

499 Village Blvd.,

Incline Village, NV

- 10K Run, 5K Run/Walk & Roll, 1K Kid Run

- Visit [www.i-canrun.org](http://www.i-canrun.org) for registration and info.

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