## Thankful for our Island Family!

We have so much to be thankful for this year. In this month's newsletter we want to highlight some of the great things our IMS families have helped us to achieve in this school year as well as welcome you to keep helping us CELEBRATE what makes our school community unique.

### **Fundraising Updates**

Thanks to your wonderful participation this fall, FSA raised over \$300 during our first Take Out Night of the year and around \$3500 during our Alternative Fundraising campaign. If you have any matching donations for that, please let us know so we can be on the lookout. Our goal is to hit over \$10,000 this year to fully fund teacher grants, equipment for the multipurpose building, and additional projects for both the Children's and Charter Schools.

### Tinted Turtle Trot

The winner of this year's T3 Logo Design contest was Alana H.! Her finalized design will be displayed on our website, FB, t-shirts, posters and more. There were so many great submissions this year that we will be using many of them on the T3 FB page to advertise the race. Thank you to all who participated!

Now, it's time to get registered! Registration is now open and more details about the race, sponsorship, and registration can be found below. In 2022, IMS Families helped us set a record number of runners at 279 participants! We hope to hit 300 this year.

#### **November Events**

It's time for more family fun together with our two November events. First, we have our Cocoa Glow with a real glow in the dark 18-hole miniature golf course set up at our school! Then, we have the ever-popular Scholastic Book Fair with a new twist: Special Guest Luncheons.

Read on for more about upcoming events in November and BEYOND or check out our Facebook page. Our FB is public, so you don't have to have an account to view our posts or events.

**THANK YOU for supporting our school community!** 

Your Island Montessori FSA

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### November 2022



Mark Your Calendar

November 10 – Cocoa Glow

November 14-18 – Book Fair and Special Luncheons

December 4 – Holiday Bazaar at Courtyard Marriott 10a-3p

December 7 – Teacher Appreciation

Luncheon

January 11 – Take Out Night with
Papa Murphy's

February 18 – Second Chance Prom

March 4 – PJ Party and Talent Show

April 2 – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Tinted Turtle Trot

Contact Island Montessori FSA

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## **COCOA GLOW**

Join us for a night of family fun featuring:

18 HOLES of GLOW IN THE DARK MINI GOLF
A&M'S RED FOOD TRUCK

COOCA & OTHER TREATS SOLD BY MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Sign up to play today!

First come, first to start. Golfing begins at 5pm and will be closed at 9pm. Stay for as long or as little time as you like. Number of golfers on the course is limited only by the number of clubs and balls available. You can golf in groups of as many as you like.

# Scholastic Book Fair

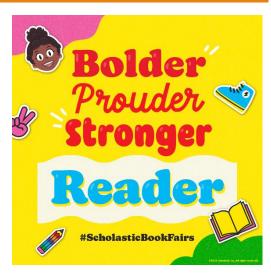
The book fair has returned to the school this year with so many great titles to shop! This year we CELEBRATE how the gift of books creates bolder, prouder, and stronger readers.

You can preview the selections here. Or shop online from Nov 14-27<sup>th</sup>. For all online book purchases over \$25 your items will ship directly to your door in time for holiday gift giving to those of many ages. Additionally, Scholastic will donate 25% back to our school in book dollars for our teachers to continue to stock the classroom shelves throughout the year.

### We need volunteers to help work the book fair!

Please click the link above to sign-up early and help us cover all shifts. Cashiers will need to have training on Monday to work their shifts on Tuesday-Friday.

Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>: Preview Day Only Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>: 10a-3p Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>: 10a-3p Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>: 10a-3p Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>: 10a-530p



## **Special Guest Luncheon**

This year students are encouraged to CELEBRATE the gift of reading with a special guest. Guests can register to come and eat lunch with their student outside and shop the book fair during recess. Limited spaces for these Special Guest Luncheons are available each day and you MUST pre-register via this Sign-Up Genius Link to attend.

#### **E-WALLET**

Adding money to a Scholastic e-wallet for your teacher allows the teacher to purchase books at the bookfair for their classroom. We also send out Wish Lists from the teachers if you'd like to purchase the books in person. You can also add money to an e-wallet for your child instead of sending money in for them to shop with. This is a great option for younger kids and a way for relatives to give shopping money if they're not close. Check out more info here.



Registration is now open for the 8th Annual Tinted Turtle Trot!

Register early for the best prices & guarantee a shirt. In 2022 we hit our highest participation EVER by over 100 runners more than any previous year. Sign Up now with IMSFAMILY as your discount code to get \$5 off of the 1 mile or 5K events. (Only for students and their family members please.)

#### www.tintedturtletrot.com

We still need volunteers to Join the Turtle Trot Sponsorship Committee to help recruit donations for the race.

If you are interested in helping or know of a business who might want to sponsor our event, please email us at <a href="mailto:imsturtletrot@gmail.com">imsturtletrot@gmail.com</a>

The basic benefits of the Sponsorship Levels are below, but we have an information packet that contains more details for potential sponsors.





Love is Brewing at the Second Chance Prom!

# SAVE THE DATE

FSA is hosting their first ever Second Chance Prom for

**ADULTS ONLY!** 

Ditch the traditional Valentine's Day celebrations and avoid overbooked venues by CELEBRATING with us!

Dress up and dance the night away while supporting two great causes!

100% of our proceeds of this event will go to Island Montessori School

and our February Service Learning partner Skywatch Bird Rescue.

#### Tickets include:

- Admission to the Second Chance Prom from 7-10pm at Ironclad Brewery on Saturday, February 18, 2023
- Open beer and wine bar (cash bar for all other alcohol)
- Food, music, and more!

Early bird pricing through December 31, 2022: \$75 per person

All tickets are non-refundable, but are transferrable.





## **Giving Tuesday**

November 28th is Giving Tuesday in 2023. Island Montessori FSA is a non-profit organization that qualifies for donations. Please suggest our organization to your family, friends, co-workers, and others in your community to help us reach our fundraising goals this year. Donations can be made via our PayPal link.

We would also encourage you to recognize the other organizations IMS partners with via Service Learning throughout the year:

Welcome Home Angel

**First Fruit Ministries** 

Skywatch Bird Rescue

Cape Fear River Watch



# **Holiday Shopping**

As the holiday shopping season approaches, consider switching to smile.amazon.com or the Amazon Smile app. Either will allow you to choose Island Montessori Charter School as your beneficiary and a portion of some of your purches will go back to the school.

