



at ICST

Your Weekly Newsletter

International
Charter School
of Trenton
609-394-3111



January 27, 2010

DREAM, PLAN and ACHIEVE

GANG AWARENESS PRESENTATION

Presented by
Mercer County Sheriff's Department
NEXT WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3
6:30 P.M.

ADULTS ONLY - NO CHILDREN
Thank you.

This is a most informative program—
knowledge we all need to understand
about gangs.

HOME AND SCHOOL CONNECTION

HAITI - Donations will be given to the Red
Cross. Please be as generous as is
possible. Send donations to the Office.

Loose change—any small amount will help the
Red Cross and its efforts in Haiti.



REPORT CARDS-

In Next Wednesday's Folder,
FEBRUARY 3. Please sign Report
Card Envelope and return to school.



“Education is our
passport to the future,
for tomorrow belongs to
the people who prepare for it today.”

by Malcolm X (1925-65)
American Civil Rights Activist



NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HELLO International Charter School
community. Welcome to the third quarter and the
most wonderful time of year! For five months
students and staff have been working hard—and
interrupted by holidays, professional development
days, and vacations. All good, but now we are
in the heart of learning time. Now is when we can see
students struggle with new and complicated
material, then suddenly understand. **PLEASE
KEEP UP WITH YOUR STUDENT!** When
children know you are paying attention to them,
they pay attention. Everyone in school cares that
all students continue to learn and develop their
thinking skills. Please show these same students
that someone at home cares also.

How to help at home:



READ to your child, let your
child read to you.

ASK your child how they knew the answer to
their homework questions.

TALK about what each of you learned that
day.

I know this takes time, but your children only
have 90 school days left to learn their grade level
skills. They don't have the luxury of waiting.

Ms. Benford

LOOKING AHEAD

- Thursday, Jan. 28, Lottery for New Students being accepted into ICST for 2010-2011 School Year
- Monday, Feb. 1, Pizza/Cookie Dough Delivery
- Tuesday, Feb. 2, Ground Hog Day
- Wednesday, Feb. 3, Report Cards in Folder
- Wednesday, Feb. 3, GANG AWARENESS 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 3, SMILE Program in School
- Friday, Feb. 5, Dress Down Day-Sports Team Shirts
- Web site: internationalcs.org.

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MORE IMPORTANT NEWS!



Dear Parents,

We were required by the State of N. J. to maintain an

Emergency Management Plan

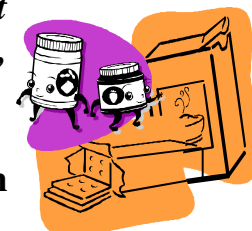


“All schools will have in stock at all times at least one 12 ounce serving of water for all students and staff enrolled in the building.”

We are requesting each family to send in a 12 ounce bottle of water per each child enrolled in ICST.

“All school will have at least one meal, per student and staff enrolled...which does not require cooking or refrigeration.”

We are requesting donations of i.e cereal, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, non-fat dry milk, canned fruit, canned juice or fruit/grain bars, fast lights with batteries.



ICST and the staff will supplement your donations with additional food or water.

If you have any questions, please call school, 394-3111.

Thank you,
Melissa Benford,
Principal

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MORE IMPORTANT NEWS!



April 8, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians,

For your calendar—Wednesday
and Thursday, April 29 and 30

Parent-Teacher Conferences.



Reminder—At least one parent must attend a Conference
in order to receive Report Card(s). The only way to know
how your child is doing is by contact with the teachers!

“TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY”

**THURSDAY, APRIL 23
EXCUSED ABSENCE ONLY WITH A NOTE
FROM EMPLOYER, IF POSSIBLE.**

Any questions, please call the office, 394-3111.

Thank you!

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**One of Your Sources for
Emergency Closings for ISCT!**

VERY IMPORTANT NEWS!



CHILD ASSAULT PROGRAM

PARENT/GUARDIAN MEETING

CHILD ASSAULT PREVENTION

TOMORROW THURSDAY

OCTOBER 23, 2008

Meeting 6:00 p.m.

CAP Project aims to prevent child assault by teaching children to recognize and deal with potentially dangerous situations.

**There are three parts:
PARENT PROGRAM
INDIVIDUAL CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS**

Please try to attend this meeting. It will help all of us handle our children's potential problems.

Ms. Melissa Benford, Principal

_____ I will attend the meeting October 23 at 6 p.m.

Parent/Guardian Name _____





Student Name _____

SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Outdoor Safety

Now that Spring has finally “sprung”, we need to make sure our children are careful when outside.

Whether you are in your own backyard, at a public park, or taking a walk in your neighborhood, the children’s safety is still your responsibility. Be alert to potential hazards, and act preventatively:

- Check area for and remove any broken glass, nails, cans, bottles or sharp sticks. Be careful—carry a heavy-duty plastic bag in your pocket when at the park or on a walk with the children to dispose of items and use the bag to protect your hand in picking up items! If you discover used syringes, explain to your child the danger of picking these up and, if possible, contact the local health authorities.
- Check the area for poisonous plants. 
- Make sure your swing set is properly  anchored.
- Never leave your child unattended in a wading pool, not even for a moment, this also applies to swimming pools. Wading pools should be emptied every day. Full sized pools must be properly fenced in. 
- Children should wear bicycle helmets at all times.
- Tell your child/children never, never to chase a ball out in the street. Also, never allow your children to play in or near parked cars.
- Teach your child/children never to approach strange animals.
- Ensure that your children know the proper safety for playgrounds:
 - Never stand or kneel on swings
 - Do not walk too close to swings when they are in use
 - Only get off the teeter totter when the other person is ready for you to do so
 - Go up and come down slides properly and safely—make sure the child before you is well away from the slide before you take your turn.

Important Information!!

CITY SWINE FLU SHOTS

Pregnant Women

- Must show prescription from doctor
- Vaccine distribution
When: Tomorrow—Thursday, November 12, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Where: City Health Division, 218 North Broad St.
- Officials recommend vaccines for children ages 6 months to 35 months.

Vaccinations for School Children

You must be present with your child, show proof of city residency by providing either a driver's license, rent/mortgage receipt or utility bill to verify address and bring child's immunization record.

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| • Monday, | November 16 | Joyce Kilmer School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • Tuesday, | November 17 | Trenton Central High School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • Wednesday, | November 18 | Mott Elementary School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • Thursday, | November 19 | Columbus Elementary School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |

**** Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly, cough or sneeze directly into the sleeve at the crook of your elbow and stay home if you have flu symptoms.**

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informacion Importante!

VACUNAS de INFLUENZA de la CIUDAD

Mujeres embarazadas

- Deben mostrar una receta del medico.
- Distribucion de la vacuna
 Cuando: Jueves, 12 noviembre, 9:00 a.m. alas 3:00 p.m.
 Donde: Ciudad Health Division, 218 North Broad St.
- Oficiales recomiendan vacunas para los ninos de edad 6 mesas a los 35 meses.

Vacunacas para ninos escolares

Tienes que venir con su nino, mostrar prueba de su residencia en la ciudad con una licencia vehialar, recibo de larenta/hipoteca o cuenta del electricidad para verificar su direccion y venir con al registro de vacunas de su hijo/a.

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| • lunes | 16 noviembre | Joyce Kilmer School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • martes | 17 noviembre | Trenton Central High School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • miercoles | 18 noviembre | Mott Elementary School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |
| • jueves | 19 noviembre | Columbus Elementary School | 3:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. |

**** Lavar las manos frecuentemente y con mucho cuidado, tocer o estornudar dentro del brazo cercadel tobillo, quedar en la casa si tiene sintomas del flu.**

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PENNIES FOR LEUKEMIA

Dear Parents and Students,

Our *Pasta for Pennies Campaign* is coming to an end. We are well on our way to being successful with this campaign.

Please donate your pennies, dimes, nickels, quarters (spare change) or any amount possible to this worthy cause. *(Parents may also send checks made payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.)*

This campaign will end this Friday, March 27 of the month!

The top fundraising classroom will receive a pasta party from the Olive Garden!

Thank you.



WEDNESDAY'S NEWS LETTER

DEAR TEACHERS,

GUESS WHAT? BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND !!!

OR IS IT UNPOPULAR DEMAND?????????

**EACH WEDNESDAY A LETTER FROM YOU ABOUT WHAT IS
AND WILL BE HAPPENING IN YOUR CLASSROOM!**

I am really not an ogre!

Thanks

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WEDNESDAY'S NEWS LETTER



January 12, 2009

REMINDER!

DEAR EVA,

**COULD I HAVE SOMETHING FOR THE January 20
NEWSLETTER??**

FRIDAY, JAN 15 OR TUESDAY, JAN. 19!

—PLEASE E-MAIL OR WHATEVER!!!!!!

MOST APPRECIATED!!!!!!!!!!

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!

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<u>Grade</u>	<u>Due in Office Friday</u>	for	<u>Newsletter</u>
K	9/18		9/23
1	9/25		9/30
2	10/2		10/7
3	10/9		10/14
4	10/16		10/21
K	10/16	<i>(I will be out of country-need early)</i>	10/28 <i>Thanks</i>
1	11/2		11/4
2	11/6		11/11
3	11/13		11/18
4	11/20		11/25
K	11/30		12/2
1	12/4		12/9
2	12/11		12/16
3	12/18		12/23
BREAK			
4	1/4		1/6
K	1/8		1/13
1	1/15		1/20
2	1/22		1/27
3	1/29		2/3

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<u>Grade</u>	<u>Due in Office Friday</u>	for	<u>Newsletter</u>
4	2/5		2/10
K	2/12		2/17
1	2/19		2/24
2	2/26		3/3
3	3/5		3/10
4	3/12		3/17
K	3/19		3/24
1	3/26		3/31
SPRING BREAK			
2	4/12 <i>Monday</i>		4/14
3	4/16		4/21
4	4/23		4/28
K	4/30		5/5
1	5/7		5/12
2	5/14		5/19
3	5/21		5/26
4	5/28		6/2

I like to receive poems or essays from students, but please only those will fit

in the spot on the Newsletter. Nothing that runs for weeks etc. I don't think

anyone follows those stories. Also, like really different and exciting things you are doing!

Thanks,

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