

What's happening at ISM this week?



Dear Parents/Guardians/ Staff,

Please remember that next week are the Parent/Teacher Conferences.

The Schedule for next week is:

Monday-Tuesday: Regular School Schedule

Wednesday: 1/2 Day for Students, Dismissal at 12:30 - Conferences 1:00-8:00PM

Thursday: No School for Students, Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00-4:00PM

Friday: No School

Have a Great Weekend!

**Ken Riggs** [email](#)

#### **This Month at ISM**

Oct. 14-20: Book Fair - ISM Library

Oct. 19 : ½ Day - Conferences - Dismissal at 12:30PM

Non-Uniform Day -Wear **Orange**

Oct. 20 : No School: Conferences

Oct. 21 : No School

Oct. 26 : Parent Connection Monthly Meeting - 8:30-10:00 AM

Oct. 27 : National Honor Society Induction Ceremony - 7:00PM PAC

Oct. 31 : Non-Uniform Day

Lower School Class Halloween Celebrations

Nov. 4 : Term 1 Extended Day Classes End

## Scholastic Book Fair!

Our Bookaneer Book Fair Stars October 14th and runs through October 20th. This Pirate themed book event promotes reading and literacy with proceeds directly benefiting the ISM Library.

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## Announcements from the AQC's

### ECE/Lower School

Colder weather is here so please make sure your child has a jacket, hat, and gloves to wear for outdoor play time. Our students are outside before school, after school, during physical education class, and at recess so outwear is essential.

The best way to be certain that they are prepared, no matter what the weather, is to load up their locker with an extra set of essentials.

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### Middle School

We are excited to announce that ISM will be holding the 2016 ISM Science Fair on Monday, December 5 and all students in Middle School are invited to participate. Hands-on scientific investigation will be the focus at our fair. Our students are encouraged to view the 2016 Science Fair [Introduction letter](#) for initial details. We ask participants to complete the 2016 Science Fair Project Registration & Proposal Form on page two of the introduction letter and turn the form into either Mr. Willkomm (grades 6-7) or Mrs. Bianucci (grade 8) by Monday, October 17 to show interest in participating. Additionally, we encourage students to scan the [Selection Guide](#) for ideas to form their question for their experiments.

Students will receive the 2016 Science Fair Log Book upon turning in the registration form. We look forward to this year's Science Fair!

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### Upper School

For the 2016-2017 School Year ISM will be following these new guidelines for students receiving extra time on non-AP exams:

1. Students who entered the ELL program at ISM within the last two academic years.
2. Students studying on F-1 Visas that are in ELL and in non-AP courses.
3. Students studying on their parents' work Visa that are in ELL and in non-AP courses.
4. Students who have turned in a request for extended time from a medical professional.

Students who meet requirements will receive 50% extended time on all non-AP exams.

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**AQC Preschool-Grade 2 Mary Sears** [email](#)

**AQC Grade 3-7 Greg Willkomm** [email](#)

**AQC Grade 8-12 Sarah Bianucci** [email](#)

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## College Counseling

**College Counselor Kayte Haagenon** [email](#)

All 9th - 11th grade students will take the PSAT next Wednesday morning, October 19th.

An information session for students and parents to interpret PSAT scores will be held once scores become available in December.

**Advising Highlights:**

Juniors attended the National College Fair at the Minneapolis Convention Center last Tuesday. It was awesome to see how great they all looked and how excited they were about the college reps they were able to meet and the different options they had learned about at the fair. They did such a great job with presenting themselves and I was truly impressed with the entire class!

ISM has hosted several college representative visits in the last few weeks and has more to come! A complete list of upcoming visits can be found on Naviance.

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## Student Life Organization®

### Student Life Coordinator **Stephan Michaud** [email](#)

**From Our SLO® Head Prefect - *Isabella Schmidt***

**Quote of the Week**

"If we learn our limitations too soon, we never learn our power."

*Thomas Harris*

**Upcoming SLO® Events and Important Dates**

**Oct 17-Nov 1:** We Scare Hunger (this has been extended)

**Oct 19:** Unity Day

**Oct 27-28:** Lower School Retreat

**From the SLO® Social Responsibility Department - *Claire Zhang – Deputy Head***

**We Scare Hunger**

Once again this year, we are going to launch our annual food drive: We Scare Hunger. It will start on Oct.17 and end on Nov 1. We are continuing to work in collaboration with WE (formerly called Free the Children) and supporting two Twin Cities organizations: ICA and PROP food shelves. Our goal for this year is collecting 2, 500 pounds of food. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting these organizations.

**Me to We Store**

We are in the process of ordering more items for the Me to We store including the pre-orders we received during International Day. We will make sure to advertise when the store is open again.

**From the SLO® Discipline Department - *Dylan He – Deputy Head***

**Unity Day**

Unity day is coming up October 19<sup>th</sup>. It is a day where we unite against bullying. Don't forget to wear your orange for a non-uniform day.

**From the SLO® Lower School Department - *Bao Dang – Deputy Head***

**Lower School Retreat**

The lower school retreat is quickly approaching. This year we will be going back to Camp Friendship! We look forward to all the experiences we will share together!

**From the SLO® Activities Department - *Laurèl Bertomeu – Deputy Head***

**MS Dance – Oct 14**

Today will be this year's first Middle School dance. This neon themed dance will be starting at 6:00pm and will go until 8:00pm in the library commons. We hope to see you there!

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## Performing Arts

Head of Performing Arts Collen Everitt [email](#)

### ARF!

Our Lower School Students put on a spectacular show Thursday night! Thanks for coming to the show and for supporting our young performers.

### Attention HS Show Choir!

Choreography Boot Camp will be October 29 ONLY 10am-4pm. Bring a cold lunch and refillable water bottle.

### "The Servant of Two Masters"

**Performance dates have been changed.** Mark your calendars for December 9th at 7:00 PM, December 10th and 11th at 2:00PM.

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## Other News....

### Weekend Activity

Join Enliven Yoga to celebrate the launch of the new website (<https://enlivenyoga.wordpress.com>) on Saturday, October 15 from 2:00-4:00 in the ISM Cafeteria. **From 2:30-3:00 there will be a FREE session of "Yoga You Can Do at Your Desk."** For this session you can wear everyday clothes and you don't need a yoga mat. There will be refreshments, giveaways and prizes! To register, go to [www.Facebook.com/EnlivenYogaMN](http://www.Facebook.com/EnlivenYogaMN). "Like" the Facebook page to be entered into a drawing for a variety of prizes. Questions? Email Andrea at [enlivenyoga.mn@gmail.com](mailto:enlivenyoga.mn@gmail.com).

