

VINCENT M. IGO SCHOOL NEWS AND NOTES



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Winter 2019

Principal's Message

It has been a rewarding school year thus far, filled with many special memories and lessons. Our students continue to shine across the school day as they learn to celebrate their own uniqueness while also being part of a larger community. We strive to provide our students and staff with opportunities to celebrate and embrace the diversity found within our school. Such efforts include our Dances Around the World whole-school assembly, Try It Tuesday cultural food tastings during certain lunches, and the message for every child of "I am Igo." "I am Igo" is an approach designed to celebrate the vast strengths of our school's population and to remind our community that Igo School students come in all different shapes, sizes, and colors. Throughout the course of the school year, we find ways to shine the spotlight on our students and their families' traditions, cultures, and backgrounds.

We look forward to a fun and exciting journey over the coming months. Best wishes for a wonderful and happy holiday season with your families!



Did You Know?

At Igo School, we strive to provide students with opportunities to grow and connect with others through unique learning experiences beyond the traditional four walls of a classroom. For example, third- and fourth-grade students are invited to join our school's Leadership Academy where students learn about and practice applying Stephen Covey's seven habits of highly effective people. These students also organize and lead community service projects and even volunteer to work with K-2 students during their recess periods.

In addition, our school has developed its own school-based version of the Big Brother and Big Sister programs called Big Fox. Older students who participate in Big Fox serve as role models for younger students as they spend structured time with younger students forming positive relationships through learning-based activities. These efforts have provided our school with many incredible and heart-warming moments as well as impressive growth for participants. It is truly amazing what children can accomplish if only given the opportunity!

Kindergarten Holiday Concert
Thursday, December 19th
10:00 am

All are welcome to attend!



**BIT Kindergarten Registration for the
2020-2021 School Year**

Dates: Tuesday, January 7th
Wednesday, January 8th
Thursday, January 9th

Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm with extended hours
on Thursday, January 9th until 6:00 pm

Where: Igo School
70 Carpenter Street

****Students must be five years old, on or before
August 31, 2020.**

Please bring a certified copy of your child's birth certificate and the required proof of residency documentation listed on page 5 of the registration packet.

Registration forms are available on the school website www.foxborough.k12.ma.us - click on **Foxborough Public Schools Registration Form**
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If you have any questions about registration, please call the main office 508-543-1680.

Important Events this Winter:

December

12/5 & 12/6 - Holiday Shoppe
12/18 - Gr. 4 visits the Serenading Seniors -10:00 am
12/19 - Kindergarten Holiday Concert - 10:00 am
12/19 - FHS ASL class visits Gr. 2 - 9:00 am
12/20 -Winter recess begins

January

1/2 - School Reconvenes
1/6 - Dear Edwina Play rehearsals begin
1/7 & 1/8 - Kindergarten Registration (9:30 - 2:30 pm)
1/9 - Kindergarten Registration (9:30 am - 6 pm)
1/9 - Grade 3 Science Program
1/9 - School Council, 5 pm
1/20 - MLK Day - No School
1/23- Term I Ends for Kindergarten & Specialists
1/24 - Professional Development Day - No School
1-31 - Kindergarten and Specialist Report Cards Distributed

February

2/11 - Kindergarten Title I/Reading Support Night - 6:30 pm
2/13 - School Council 5:00 pm
2/17 - 2/21 -February School Vacation Week
2/24 - School Resumes

A Note from the Nurse



When calling your child out sick, please let us know what they have going on (e.g. strep throat, pink eye, fever, cold, stomachache, vomiting, etc.). I track illnesses so that I can see if certain classrooms need special cleaning and/or reminders for how to prevent the spread of illness. If your child is put on antibiotics, please alert me. Additionally, they need to be home for a full 24 hours following the administration of the **FIRST** dose. We have lots of illnesses going around the school right now. Please keep me informed of your child's health issues, and please keep them home if they are not well. Also, please let me know if your child has a confirmed case of the flu (per MD).

If your child has surgery or if they have stitches, a cast, a sling or a splint of any kind, a note from the doctor excusing them from Wellness is required. If the doctor feels that your child should not be restricted due to their injury, then a note to that effect is also required. Notes can be sent in with your child or faxed directly to me at (508)543-1695.

Guidance News

Hello from the Guidance Counselor,

Thank you to all the families and to the Igo staff who sent in donations for our Holiday Food Drive. With your help, we were able to help stock the shelves of the Foxborough Food Pantry with much needed holiday food items.

During the month of November, Igo students in grades K – 4 participated in guidance lessons on the topic of diversity. During lessons, students participated in class readings and guided discussions that were designed to increase their understanding and appreciation of one another. This two-part lesson was a great opportunity for Igo students to embrace and affirm their own individual uniqueness as well as our many differences and similarities. Students are currently participating in lessons about kindness and the positive impact of spreading kindness to others. Students and staff are looking forward to our 4th annual Great Kindness Challenge, which will be happening the last week in January. Details with more information will be coming home soon.

Thank you,
Kristen Siddle



I AM IGO

I am Igo.
What does that mean?
I am Igo means I can be seen.

Front, back, all around.
From the top of my head to my feet on the ground.

The clothes I wear and how I dress,
May be different from yours, but do not distress.

Always remember that I am Igo - from the tall to the low.
I am Igo means I am every color of the rainbow.

I am Igo - unique and special in my own kind of way.
I am Igo and I am here with you every day.

I am Igo - communicating in many ways.
I am Igo, come celebrate with me today.

I am Igo is our common theme.
Let's make I am Igo our reality and our dream.

I am Igo and guess who else is, too?
That's right. I am Igo is you!

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