



# HOME OF THE OTTERS



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Ippolito Students and Families,

The month of December always brings fond experiences for students that they will remember for many years. This time is about creating memories and celebrating what is important to you and your family values. **We are committed to making this time of year special for our otters.** We have plans for for students to enjoy closing out 2020 with many seasonal activities. Make sure to read through our school's calendar on the last page of the newsletter.

We've had limited opportunities to fundraise during this unique time. Funds collected go to items such as extra classroom supplies, student/staff incentives, and campus updates. One way we plan on raising funds this year is on Picture Day scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>. We receive a percentage of the cost on each picture package. Please consider purchasing a picture package as it will help us raise funds. Students who are in eLearning will have the opportunity to come on campus to take their school picture. More details regarding making these arrangements will be provided by our Assistant Principal in the upcoming week.

Sincerely,  
*Dr. McManamey*  
Principal

**Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

### Frosty Day

Get FROSTY and wear your Snowman, Yeti or Snowflake attire! Don't forget the gloves and scarves!



**Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

### Elf Day

Wear your ELF attire and snap an Elfie Selfie! Post on Photo Circle to share some joy!



**Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

### Whoville and Grinch Day

Hide your treats because the Grinch will be causing havoc around campus!  
\*\*Picture Day\*\*



**Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**

### Reindeer Day

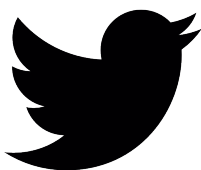
Be part of Santa's Sleigh and wear Reindeer gear today!



**Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

### Polar Express Day

Pajama Day! Wear your PJs and get ready for some sweet treats!



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**@IppolitoHCPS**



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**Ippolito Elementary School**



*School Office*  
**813-672-5180**  
*Fax*  
**813-631-5184**

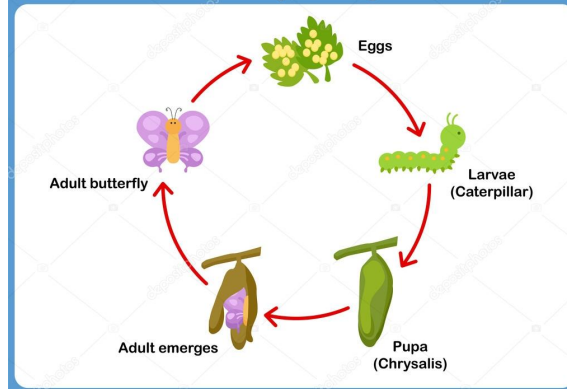
# IPPOLITO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Ippolito's Monarch Aquarium

Caterpillars were added to the Aquarium last month.



### Butterfly life cycle



Meet Ippolito's newest resident!



We have our very own Monarch aquarium located near the courtyard. Students are having a great time learning up close about the metamorphosis of butterflies. Mrs. Graves, our 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher, recently placed four caterpillars with milkweed. All four caterpillars formed into Chrysalises. Two adult butterflies emerged and flew away to enjoy a great life on Ippolito's property.



## Kiwaniis

Terrific Kids is a student-recognition program sponsored by the Riverview Chapter of the Kiwanis club. It promotes character development, self-esteem and perseverance. The character trait for November was **RESPECTFUL**. Congratulations to the following students for being nominated as a "Terrific Kid"!

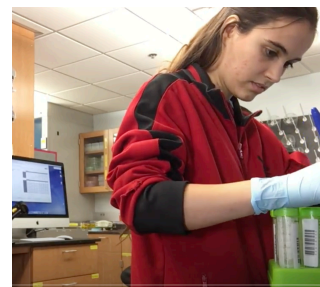
Elijah Goodlow-PreK  
Yaliannie Dieth Negron-PreK  
Damian Byrd-KG  
Peter Roblero Ortiz-KG  
Tory Moore—KG  
Andrea Roblero Ortiz-1<sup>st</sup>  
Samuel Jolice-1<sup>st</sup>  
Maya Abdrabbou-2<sup>nd</sup>  
Omari Joseph-2<sup>nd</sup>

Kianeshka Rivera-Rodriguez-3<sup>rd</sup>  
Mariella Martinez-3<sup>rd</sup>  
Camila Alfaro-3<sup>rd</sup>  
Jade Otero-Salgado-3<sup>rd</sup>  
Carter Shaw-4<sup>th</sup>  
Ruthy Heath-4<sup>th</sup>  
Amir Ihmud-4<sup>th</sup>  
Destiny Blackmon-5<sup>th</sup>

## Great American Teach-In

The Great American Teach-in looked a lot different this year due to campus visitor restrictions during the pandemic.

Although students did not have the face-to-face presentations that they're accustomed to, they still interacted with some amazing careers!



Mrs. Fletcher's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class saw a real scientist working in a lab using saliva to test Covid-19.

The Florida Aquarium provided presentations for many of our students.





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## Season of Giving

The current economic times may create a challenge for families to provide gifts to their children. Ippolito staff, business partners, and stakeholders want to ensure that every single Ippolito student will have a gift(s) to open. Our school is in the process of creating a wish list with students that we can arrange a gift(s) donation. If you want your child to be added to our wish list, please email Mrs. Ballard ([joanne.ballard@sdhc.k12.fl.us](mailto:joanne.ballard@sdhc.k12.fl.us)). Mrs. Ballard will respond informing you that the request was received.

### Information Required

- Child's Name (Confidential to shoppers)
- Teacher (Confidential to shoppers)
- Shirt Size
- Pant Size
- Shoe Size
- Hobbies/Interests (items under \$25)

\*We can only provide this opportunity for students enrolled at Ippolito.

\*If you want to contribute to this cause by shopping, providing funds, or gift wrapping, please email Mrs. Ballard.



A SMILE EVERY MILE!



### MOBILE DENTAL COACH IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD FOR YOUR FAMILY!

Transportation services to the dental bus are available

To sign up **CLICK HERE**  
you can also call or email  
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[cmiller@suncoast-chc.org](mailto:cmiller@suncoast-chc.org)

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## LEARN GROW THRIVE

### YMCA BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

More than child care, our program nurtures the potential in every child. At the Y, kids are cultivating the values, skills and relationships that lead to positive behavior, better health and educational achievement.

- **Certified & trained staff**
- **Study Hall for homework**
- **Project-based learning curriculum with a focus on S.T.E.A.M.**
- **Evidence-based physical fitness**
- **Positive social & emotional curriculum**
- **Indoor & outdoor games**
- **Arts & crafts**
- **A healthy snack**
- **Before care at select sites**








**IMPORTANT:**  
**Register TODAY**  
to be ready for the  
first day of school!

FOR MORE INFO, CHECK OUT OUR  
NEW PARENT HANDBOOK ON OUR  
WEBSITE OR CALL 813.224.9622

**REGISTER TODAY:**  
[tampaymca.org/programs/children-teens/after-school-enrichment](http://tampaymca.org/programs/children-teens/after-school-enrichment)

# December 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Frosty Day 	15 Elf Day 	16 Picture Day Grinch & Whoville Day 	17 Reindeer Day 	18 Pajama Day 	19
20	21 Winter Break	22 Winter Break	23 Winter Break	24 Winter Break	25 Winter Break	26
27	28 Winter Break	29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break	31 Winter Break	1	Students Return January 4 <sup>th</sup>