

### **Curriculum Enrichment**

- The ISD PTA is proud to support the IB Cultural Partnerships which included financial support and volunteer opportunities for:
  - K- Stamford Nature Center
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Greenwich Audubon
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Stamford Nature Center
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Connecticut Ballet
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Guggenheim Museum
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Philadelphia Day Trip
- Financial support for the Fifth Grade Exhibition production
- Weeklong creative writing residence with Mr. Donato “Mr. D” D’Albis
- Science month in January included ‘Earth Dome’ by Mobile Ed, weekly interactive science experiments for students from Connecticut Science Center, and family Science Night hosted by Mad Science.
- Author visits – Tommy Greenwald (November) and Grace Lin (February)
- Ted Scheu (poetry) presentation for grades K-2 (March)
- Mobile Ed STEAM presentation for grades K-2 (May)

### **Community and Celebration**

- ISD PTA continued to fully sponsor family events this year, with no cost to the families attending, with the purpose of bringing the community together.
  - Welcome Back Ice Cream Social (September)
  - Monster Mash (October)
  - New Parent Coffee (September)
  - Early Release Playground Afternoon (September)
  - Movie Night (January)
  - Skate Night (March)
  - Talent Show (May)
- Parent Socials including Back to School Night (October) and Cocktail Party at Innis Arden Golf Club (March)
- The Afters Committee organized three sessions (Fall, Winter and Spring) of after school programs for ISD students to explore their various interests. Offerings included sports, arts, creative performance and STEM classes.

### **Supplementation:**

- Provided Afters Scholarships to students for each session of Afters classes.
- Classical Café – monthly lunchtime performances for all grades
- Math Night – PTA sponsored evening event organized in cooperation with ISD teachers (October)
- High Tech/High Touch interactive presentations for each grade level.
- Additional grade level science and social studies field trip financial support. (Grade 4 – Soundwaters, Kindergarten – Beardsley Zoo and more)
- Green Schools after school Nature Walks (October, December and April)
- Two Teacher Grant applications fulfilled
- Amazon Gift Cards presented to all certified staff on the first day of school to assist with classroom purchases

**Facilities & Purchases:**

- Purchased iPad charging stations for all classrooms
- Purchased two way radios for Afters Programs
- Purchased Wireless printer for student use in Learning Commons
- Purchased computer software for ISD News Channel

**Fundraising**

- Over 80% of ISD families are members of the PTA.
- Inaugural ISD Around The World 5K and Kids Obstacle Course took place in September
- November Book Fair
- Artsonia, Amazon, Box Tops, Photo Day, Spirit Wear
- Parent Auction at IAGC cocktail party
- Community Tag Sale in April
- Beach Party Fundraiser at Tod's Point Clambake Area

**Communication and Outreach**

- Weekly electronic Dragon Tales issues inform parents of ISD and district events
- ISD PTA directory distributed to all families who joined the PTA
- Welcome Back to School Coffee for all parents on the first day of school
- Buddy Families - Families new to ISD are paired with seasoned ISD families to welcome and assist them with questions related to the school. Two buddy family gatherings were held in September.
- Wellness Week – a week of health and wellness activities including Fruit and Veggie Challenge
- Donation to Greenwich Alliance Tuning In To Music Program in recognition of ISD Music Teachers
- Co-hosted parent presentation on Internet Safety with guest speaker Ms. Kate Greer, National Internet Safety Expert, at Old Greenwich School and Eastern Middle School
- Battery Drive, Marker Drive and Lunch Time Recycling Presentations from Green Schools Committee
- Coat Drive to benefit Neighbor to Neighbor

**Celebrations**

- Hosted Teacher Appreciation Week in May which included multiple lunches, breakfasts, fruit baskets and gift cards for the staff
- Holiday Teacher Breakfast in December
- Amazon Gift cards presented to all staff members in December
- Holiday cookie packaging party which brought parents together for a fun morning to create sweet treats for teachers during parent-teacher conferences
- Financial support for scholarship awards to GHS students and the Distinguished Teacher Awards.
- Purchased Birthday T-shirts for each student on their birthday
- Dr. Seuss Read Aloud Day held in March.