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<b>Week of February 12 – February 18</b>						
<b>Sunday 2/12</b>	<b>Monday 2/13</b>	<b>Tuesday 2/14</b>	<b>Wednesday 2/15</b>	<b>Thursday 2/16</b>	<b>Friday 2/17</b>	<b>Saturday 2/18</b>
	1:00-2:00 PTA FLEX French	3:30-4:30 PTA FLEX French	3:30-4:30 PTA Flex Spanish	3:30-4:30 PTA Flex Spanish  3:30-4:30 Leadership Academy, Library	8:20-8:50 Friday Friends	

**STUDENT ARRIVAL / SCHOOL OPENING**

The building opens for all students at 8:20 am. Classes begin promptly at 8:40 am. Students are expected to be in the classroom when the bell rings at 8:40 am. Attendance records are marked “tardy” when a student is late for and not in their classroom by 8:40 am. Please do not send your child to school before 8:20. Teachers and staff have meetings before school and after dismissal, therefore, there is no supervision of students before 8:20 am or after school dismisses at 3:20 pm.

**SILVER DINER – “Eat Well, Do Well”**



Did you know you can support our school by eating out? You can obtain an “*Eat Well, Do Well*” card at the Silver Diner. Then register your card online at <http://www.silverdiner.com/eat-well-do-well> and link the card to Island Creek Elementary School. Every time that you eat at Silver Diner show your card to the server and our school earns a percentage of your total bill. How great is that?

**WHAT ARE THOSE FUNNY LOOKING SQUARES ON THE NEWSLETTER?**

On this week’s newsletter you will find several QR Codes. QR (short for “Quick Response”) Codes are two dimensional barcodes. QR codes can be encoded with either a web address or a unique code. These codes can be scanned with any device that has a QR Code reader installed (i.e. Android phones, or iPads with a camera.) If you don’t have a reader installed on your phone you can install one easily by going to the android market and downloading one.



Scan the codes you find to see where they lead you. Be looking for more of these codes in the future!

**RISING 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE ORIENTATION POWERPOINT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE**

The rising 7th grade parent orientation PowerPoint is now on the website at <http://www.fcps.edu/HayfieldSS/> for parents who could not attend the meeting. The Course Description Guide and the Course Selection Sheets are also online under Student Services. Click on Middle School Student Services.

## YOUR VIEWS AND OPINIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO ISLAND CREEK!

This spring a random sample of Island Creek parents will receive a Parent Opinion Survey. This survey is part of the Performance Assessment and Evaluation Process and offers parents an opportunity to provide anonymous input about various topics related to our school. These topics include safety, parent involvement, curriculum, communications, and expectations for student achievement and behavior.

The survey will arrive in the mail in early March 2012 and will be returned directly to the Fairfax County Public Schools' Office of Student Testing for processing. If you receive a copy of the Parent Opinion Survey, please take a few minutes to complete and return the survey. Your opinions matter to Island Creek.

## DISCOVER ENGINEERING FAMILY DAY

*National Building Museum February 18, 2012 ~ 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM*

The annual Discover Engineering Family Day is a festival that features many hands-on activities provided by local engineers and national organizations. Children of all ages will enjoy the excitement of engineering by using gumdrops, toothpicks, and slime! Come see characters and actors from popular engineering and science TV shows! Exhibitors include: The National Science Foundation, Family Magazine, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, and The Children's Science Center, AIAA, and American Helicopter Society, just to name a few!

Please check out the website for more information. <http://eweekdcfamilyday.org/index.html>

## IT'S NOT TOO LATE – GET YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY



Get your yearbook now (BEFORE PRICES GO UP)! It's easy to order online at [www.ybpay.com](http://www.ybpay.com). Simply click on the "locate school" link and find Island Creek to begin the order. You can also order by phone using your credit card by calling 1-800-875-7088.

<p><b>order NOW!</b> at <a href="http://ybpay.lifetouch.com">ybpay.lifetouch.com</a></p> <p></p>	<p><b>It's Easy to order!</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 Order online at <a href="http://ybpay.lifetouch.com">ybpay.lifetouch.com</a>! Simply click on the "locate school" link and find your school to begin the ordering process.</li><li>2 Call 1-800-875-7088 to order by phone using your credit or debit card</li></ol>
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**Order YOUR Yearbook NOW!**

## RECYCLING



Did you know that every second of every day nine ink cartridges are thrown away? Help us turn this waste into CASH! Island Creek ES has joined the **eScrip Recycling Program**.

You can drop off your used laser/toner and inkjet cartridges, used cell phones, digital cameras, iPods, GPS devices and laptops while raising funds for our school. A collection box has been placed in the Island Creek office and is accessible from 7:30am-4:30pm.

Not only is this an easy way to raise funds, it also teaches our students valuable lessons about the variety of materials that can be recycled and it helps them develop lifelong patterns.

This program will not be successful without the support of the community and people like you. Thank you for your help in recycling.

## WEB STAR AWARD



The Island Creek Elementary website was awarded the quarterly Web Star Award. Check it out for items of interest and the most updated information. <http://www.fcps.edu/islandcreekes/>