

FALCON FLYER EDITION 2

Immaculate Conception Journalism Club

Falcon Flyer Newspaper

Staff Spotlight on Mrs. Moore

By: Jess Sorsby (Assisted: Athena Lowder)

North Little Rock- Mrs. Moore is one of Immaculate Conception's first-grade teachers. She started teaching at I.C. in 2008 and has continued to teach these amazing students for seventeen years. Her father was a teacher and librarian; this encouraged her to become a teacher. Mrs. Moore loves getting to go to mass with her students and seeing the smiles on her students' faces. Everyone loves the Catholic Schools Week tradition, but for Mrs. Moore, it's her favorite tradition we have at I.C. Mrs. Moore wasn't always a first-grade teacher; before she taught first grade, she taught Preschool 4 and kindergarten. The last question asked Mrs. Moore what other grades she had done before first grade. Mrs. Moore loves the Stations of the Cross and getting to be in a wonderful ceremony with her class. We are honored to have Mrs. Moore here at I.C., and we hope she continues to love being here as much as the Falcon Family loves her being here.



Above: Mrs. Moore in the first grade classroom.
(Photo credit: Riley Hughes and Kate Walker)

I.C.'s Getting Their Boogie On!

I.C. Talent Show 2025

By: Ivy Cates and Quinn McCullough

North Little Rock- On January 29, 2025, Immaculate Conception held their talent show. The setup was done by Mrs. Kallie McCullough, Mrs. Jessica Morris, Mrs. Katy Robertson, and Mrs. Christie Rader. Many students performed in the show. Some sang, danced, played instruments, and even completed obstacle courses! The students really enjoyed watching their friends perform. Some of their favorite songs were played, and they got to dance and sing along! Special thanks to the performers, including the I.C. Seraphim and Jubilee Choirs, and the Eighth Grade class of 2025. They all did a wonderful job with their performances. Mrs. McCullough did a wonderful job of helping everything run extremely smoothly. Thank you to the parents who took the time to attend this memorable event. Overall, it was an exhilarating experience for the school, faculty, and families.

Service Projects!

By: Evelyn Bennett and Blair Bramlett

North Little Rock-

Evelyn Bennett and Blair Bramlett: What was your experience like with the service projects?

Michelle Koch: They were a big success...Preschool, kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade helped fill buckets for Jericho's Way, 3rd and 4th grade collected items for an I.C. church ministry called Martha's Kitchen, and 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade collected items for the Van, which helps to support homeless people in Central Arkansas.

EB & BB: Can you explain what the service projects are and are about?

MK: Jericho's Way is an organization that...helps to provide items like toilet paper, paper towels, and cleaning supplies for the homeless population after they are able to be put into apartments or housing. Those things can be very expensive so it helps to start them with those. The Van collects items like thick winter socks and hand warmers, as well as personal size toiletries, that can be provided to the homeless here in Central Arkansas.

Martha's Kitchen is a ministry here at the church that provides a meal once a month to different community centers and homeless shelters that they prepare at I.C. and then take to a center, usually Jericho's Way.

EB & BB: Why are they important?

MK: Service projects are important, because they help encourage our students and families to give back to the community and participate to support those in need.

EB & BB: How much money and products were collected from these projects?

MK: We helped to stock 2 self serve pantries... Preschool supported two of those stand alone pantries, then we filled an entire SUV to have items to prepare that large meal to be dropped off up at the drop off location, and we filled the whole cabinet [at the location].

EB & BB: Who are some people who helped with the projects?

MK: All the students helped collect items, the teachers helped remind students to collect items in their classrooms, and the student government picked up the items in the hallway, then Mrs. Koch dropped them off to local organizations.

We had monetary donations sent in... [totaling] around 300 dollars to The Van and Martha's Kitchen and Jericho's Way.

EB & BB: Jericho's Way (K-2nd project) gave cupcakes to K-2nd grade February 27, 2025.

MK: A Jericho's Way's representative wanted to come in and thank the students for all their donations and support, so they asked to come in to thank the kids personally and give them a little treat.

All of these organizations are extremely appreciative of the support. Martha's Kitchen and Jericho's Way rely on schools like ours to continue to serve the homeless population in Central Arkansas.

SPORTS:

8th Grade Boys Basketball

By: Rhett Rogers

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SCHOOL- The 8th-grade boys basketball team was a heartbreaker this year, but not without its good moments. The season started out great, with the team going 7-0 with nobody coming close to them, besides a 4-point nailbiter against Holy Souls 2, but nobody could stand in the way of a powerful offense headed by Charlie Glover, Rhett Rogers, and Grey May. All of the success changed when the team took a wrong turn after losing a heavily favored home game against Anthony School, losing 45-38 to a well-balanced offense headed by their coach. After the loss, the following game took place at Abundant Life. I.C. started off in a bad way, going down 25-6 in the first quarter. After a hard-fought second quarter and half, the Falcons were defeated 42-32.

After losing two straight, the Falcons were seeded 2 in the playoffs. The first game was against Christ the King. The game was, quite frankly, not close, with the Christ the King Bears losing 43-12 to the Falcons. The end of the Falcons' season, though, followed shortly after, facing Anthony School. The Falcons started off hot, and much better than the game before, being tied 15-15 at halftime. The momentum, though, could not stay, as Anthony School put the nail in a barely dead Falcon's coffin, winning 50-42 against the Falcons. The team put up a fight as much as any team would, as the beloved coach Greg May would say, "It was a barroom brawl, and we fought as hard as we could." That game was the end of the 8th-grade Falcons, for next year, they will all be Rockets.

Firecracker Basketball

By: Miller Wilson

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The Firecracker basketball team finished its season about 2 months ago. They finished with a 7-12 record. The I.C. boys that made the team were James Thompson, Jack Walters, and Miller Wilson. Sadly, they were not able to play in the tournament.

7th Grade Boys Basketball

By: George Condrey

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The 7th-grade boys' basketball team was a wonderful team. The team consists of George Condrey, Whitten Jones, Cooper Lynch, Ellis Runnells, River Cooper, Max Childers, Cruz Rodriguez, Bryson Hughes, Grayson Stane, Michael Green, Aiden Smith, Finn Anderson, and Reece Comstock. The team also had amazing coaches who have brought them here and have been coaching this team since the 5th grade. They are Coach Heather and Coach Chris. Practices only take place at the I.C. gym, usually from 7-8:30. The team finished with a record of 5-4. I.C. lost in the first

round of the playoffs to Christ the King 2. They had a great season and were glad to play. Cruz Rodriguez was interviewed, and here is what he has to say. "Basketball is fun, and the team is very fun to be around." "We all work as one, and that's what I love about this team." "The team has improved a lot and could improve plenty more." Overall, the 7th-grade basketball team is a team that will be remembered for a long time. Basketball is an amazing sport to represent I.C., and the school is glad to have everyone in it.

PREK News

By: Jess Sorsby (assisted: Athena Lowder)

North Little Rock-

Jess Sorsby: What did you do on Teddy Bear Day?

Lawrence Ingle: *sighs* I brought blue, but he's so big he didn't fit in my backpack. And my dad got a new truck.

JS: Okie dokie. Are you excited for kindergarten?

LI: I don't know how I feel about it.

JS: You don't know how you feel about it?

LI: I'm a little excited.

JS: What art have you done?

LI: Hmm...I liked when we did rocket and uhhhh ice cream, and the letter worksheet, and write letter and that's all I know.

JS: Okie dokie, are you excited for spring break?

LI: Yeah I get to go to the lake annddd the pool in summer and beach in spring break. We gonna play and swim, and if I find a great white shark I'm going to take a picture of it.

JS: What do you want to do for spring break?

LI: I really want to the beach.

Jess Sorsby: Okie Frankie, what did you do on Teddy Bear Day?

Frankie Greubel: I's brought a basketball bear.

JS: Ok. Are you excited for kindergarten?

FG: Yes.

JS: What art projects have you done?

FG: Um, um, I can't remember.

JS: That's ok.

JS: Are you excited for spring break?

FG: Yes.

JS: And then last thing.

JS: What do you want to do for spring break?

FG: Ummm...play with my sister Lauren.

Jess Sorsby: Reid, what did you do on Teddy Bear Day?

Reid Stevens: I brought a bear with a bunny ears; it was an Easter.

JS: Reid, what did the leprechaun do?

RS: To our classroom?



JS: Yup!

RS: He flipped over one of the table, and left magical glitter and footprints on the board, and he put stinky feet on the board because it felt wet.

JS: Ok. Are you excited for kindergarten?

RS: Yes, Mrs. Lazenby came in our classroom for first recess.

JS: Ok, um, what art projects have you done?

RS: I forgot.

JS: That's ok.

RS: I forgot all of them.

JS: Ok, last question. Are you excited for spring break?

RS: Yeah, this is our last week before.

JS: Perfect, you can go back to class!

Does I.C. Like the Beach or Snow Better?

By: Riley Hughes and Kate Walker

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74.8% of the people at I.C. prefer the beach.

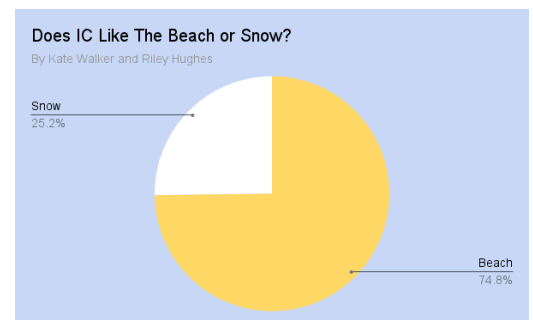
25.2% of people at I.C. prefer the snow.

(Classes polled: Prek-3 through 8th grade)

FALCON FUNNY QUESTION-

If you throw a **Blue** stone into the **Red** Sea, what does it become?

Answer: Wet



Results collected and graph made by Kate Walker and Riley Hughes

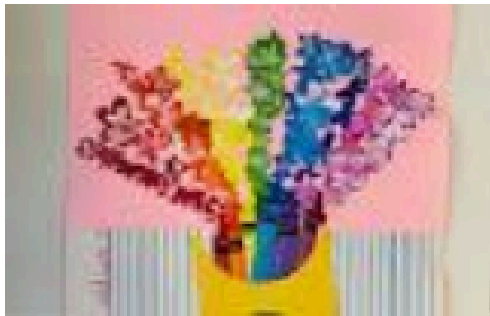
Art Gallery!



Left: Dog by Caroline Tillman, KA



Above: Bird Collage by Eliza Allison, 6A



Above: Crayon Box by Addie Thompson, 3A

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