



# CHARGER CONNECTION

## Isle of Wight Academy

"A Family Inspiring Excellence"

October 2021

### OCTOBER NEWS

Dear Charger Family,

Welcome to fall in full force! As the days get cooler and shorter, as Halloween brings out the ghouls and thoughts turn to Thanksgiving and Christmas let me be the first to say may your days be full of pumpkin spice and fire pits.

This is really a wonderful time of year for many reasons. The first marking period is in the books. We have had a great start to the school year. Our fall athletic teams are winding down successful seasons. The IWA Cross Country team will send several runners to the State Championships held in Richmond on November 11th. Volleyball is likely to make the VISAA State Tournament for the FIRST TIME EVER in the history of our school. Football is wrapping up a successful season. Please congratulate all of the athletes and coaches for the hard work and time they have put in this year. Also congratulate yourselves on the late night travel to support our athletes, the practice pickups, and the enthusiasm you show while cheering on our teams.

Homecoming and the Harvest Festival were great successes thanks to the many volunteers who helped put on both events. Having them in the same weekend is something we will try not to do again. It was a fun-filled, but long weekend. Congratulations to Susan Saunders for being chosen as the Alumni of the Year for her efforts for and commitment to IWA and to Lily Jones on being crowned Homecoming Queen. I cannot thank you enough for the support you give our school. Isle of Wight Academy depends on the support of our parents in order to provide what we do. I thank you all again.

Looking forward to November, it will be an equally busy month. Winter sports will begin shortly after fall sports end. Students will be well into the 2nd nine weeks grading period and Thanksgiving break and thoughts of dancing sugar plums will begin to take over the minds of students, teachers, and parents. Our JSCO will host a guest speaker for a Veteran's Day program, and IWA will host the Association of Virginia Academies Arts Festival. Please do not forget to set your clock back on November 6th / 7th as Daylight Savings Times ends.

While most of the year has gone well so far, IWA has lost several members of our family. Please remember the families of Ms. Judy Colwell and Mr. George Parker. I also ask that you keep the Johnson, Peffley, and Stuck families in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to battle various illnesses.

In conclusion, please continue to inform Evie Upton or myself of any illnesses. Flu season is beginning on top of our COVID concerns. Stay safe, vaccinate if you choose, and hug your loved ones.

With fondest thoughts,

*Mark A. Munford*

Headmaster

#### Important Dates:

Nov. 1 Athletic Assoc. Meeting 7 pm  
Nov. 6 College Boards  
Nov. 15 Book Fair Begins  
Nov. 16 Progress Reports  
Nov. 18 Book Fair Ends  
Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Holiday Begins  
Nov. 29 Return from Thanksgiving  
Nov. 30 Giving Tuesday

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# HOMECOMING 2021

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Homecoming 2021 is in the books and we have lots of great pictures to share! Friday was a day full with float building competitions, CAPTAY society alumni coming back for coffee with Mr. Munford, powderpuff football, a fun pep rally and Friday night football with Homecoming halftime fun! Congratulations to Susan Owen Saunders, IWA Class of '81, for being named Alumni of the Year, Andrea Savage the 2021 Homecoming Attendant, and Lily Jones, the 2021 Homecoming Queen. Many thanks to IWA parent Ray Miltier for volunteering his time and talents to capture some great images from all the fun on Friday night.



*Grand Marshal of the halftime parade- past Chairman of the IWA Board of Directors Mr. Marion Neighbours.*

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# HARVEST FESTIVAL

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A big thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Harvest Festival one of the most successful in years! IT was a BEAUTIFUL day and many families and friends joined in the fun. The IWA PTO announced this week that they surpassed their goal of \$19,000 in profits. Because they were able to reach this goal, they will be funding all teacher requests as well as planning a staff holiday luncheon for December.



**Harvest Festival Royal Court** - Blake (Duke), Lucy (Duchess), Mason (Harvest Festival King), Brynleigh (Harvest Festival Queen), Reagan (Princess), Grayson (Prince).



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# ATHLETICS

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## HOME Games During the Month of November 2021

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

Basketball Home Opener MSB 4:30 / VG 5:30 / VB 7:00 vs Amelia Academy

Fall 2021 Sports Images from IWA



Winter Sports Schedules can be downloaded from the Athletic Page on the school website [www.iwacademy.com](http://www.iwacademy.com)

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# AROUND CAMPUS

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The IWA faculty held a baby shower for Mrs. Blythe and Mrs. McCormick. We can't wait to meet the newest additions to their families and our Charger family!



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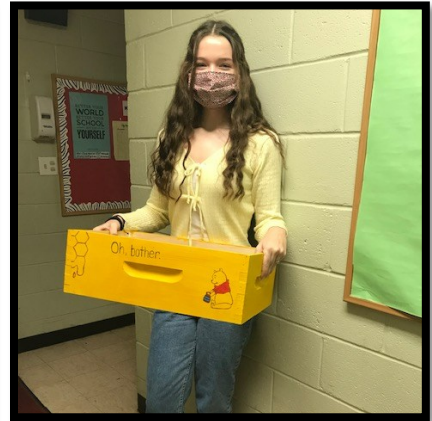




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Congratulations to all of our IWA artists who competed in the Virginia State Beekeepers Association Painted Beehive Box Competition! Caroline Eure's box took 1st place and IWA 2021 grad Jenna Spain took 2nd place. All of our artists did a great job and the boxes that they painted were auctioned off at the state meeting this past weekend. The money raised from this auction funds honeybee research which is essential to our pollinator ecosystem.



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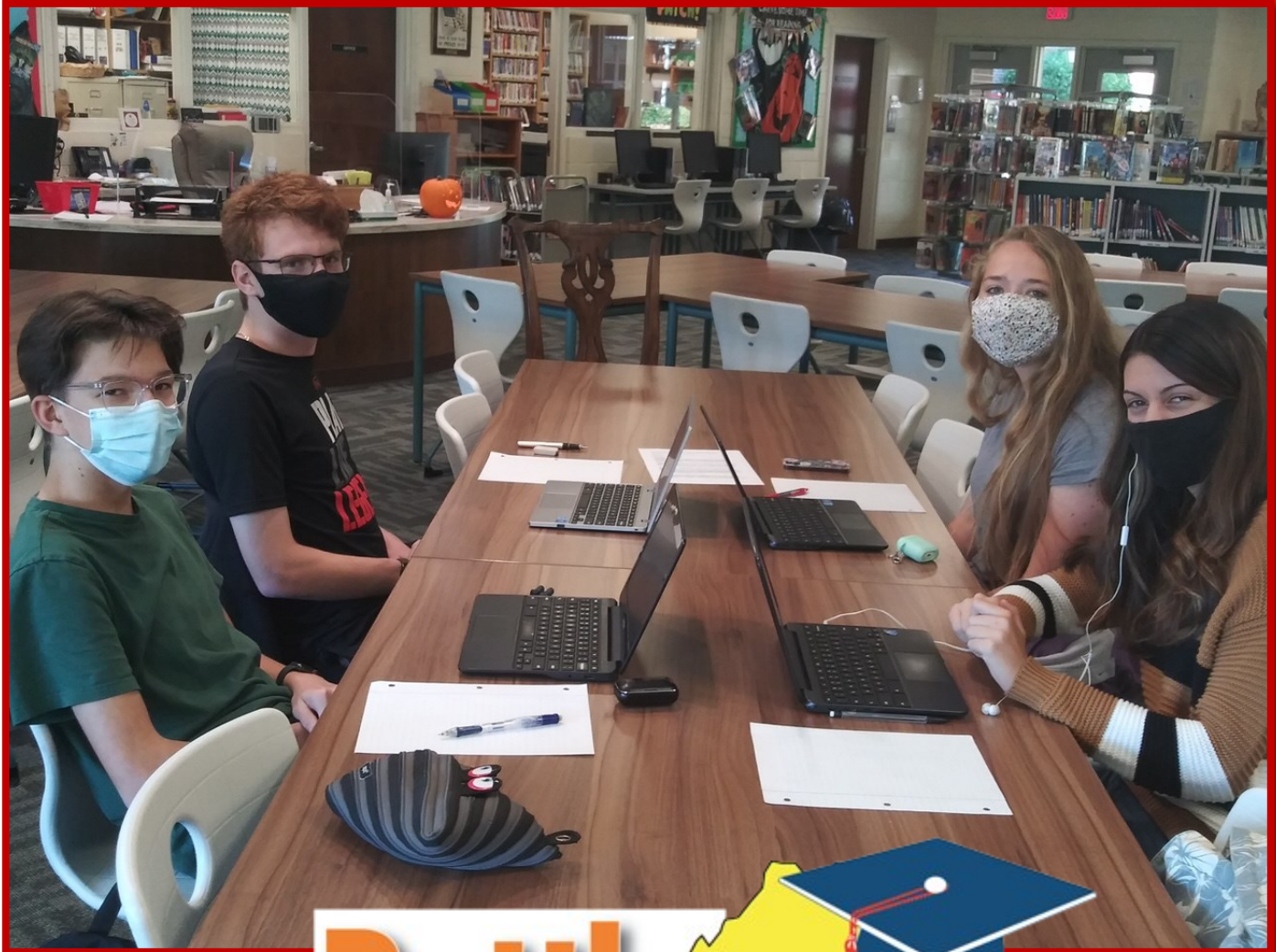




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Our IWA Battle of the Brains team taped their first meet against Fuqua School.  
Tune in to WTKR 3 on November 6th at 10:00 a.m. to see the exciting finish!



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Members of the Colonel William Allen chapter of the DAR brought “Time Travelers” James and Dolly Madison to speak with out 4th-7th graders. They shared information about the U.S. Constitution with our students.



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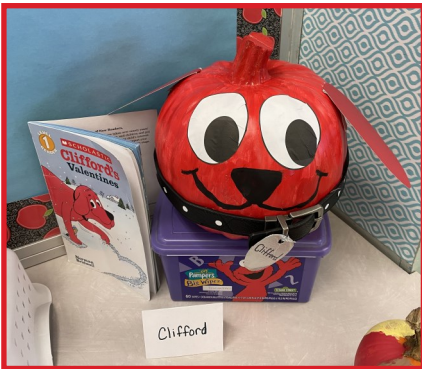
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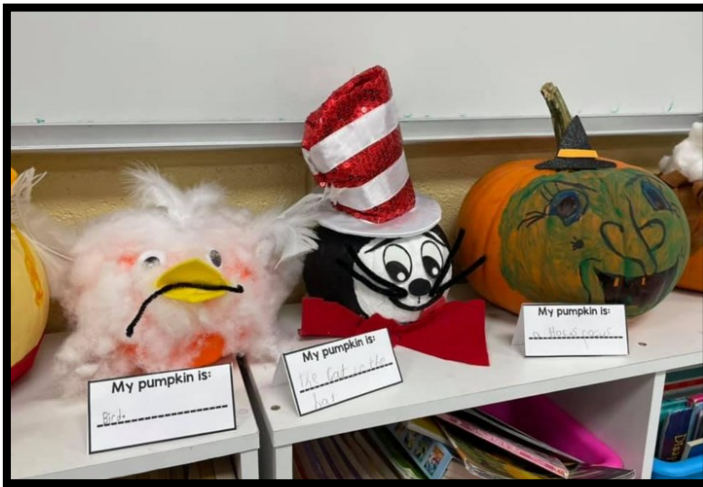
A big thank you to MPO Sukowaski with the Suffolk Police K9 for talking to our K-3<sup>rd</sup> graders. “Students learned how K9s are used to help officers detect substances, track persons and objects of interest, and even locate missing people. The children watched some special videos about obedience training, agility training, and scent detection, and even got an up-close look at one of our K9 patrol vehicles! MPO Sukowaski is also a member of our SPD Underwater Search & Recovery Unit, so the students got to learn a little about what it’s like to be a Diver for Suffolk Police Department.”



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*Amazing* is the only word to describe the Pumpkin Book Characters that our K-5 students made! We love the creativity shown by everyone!



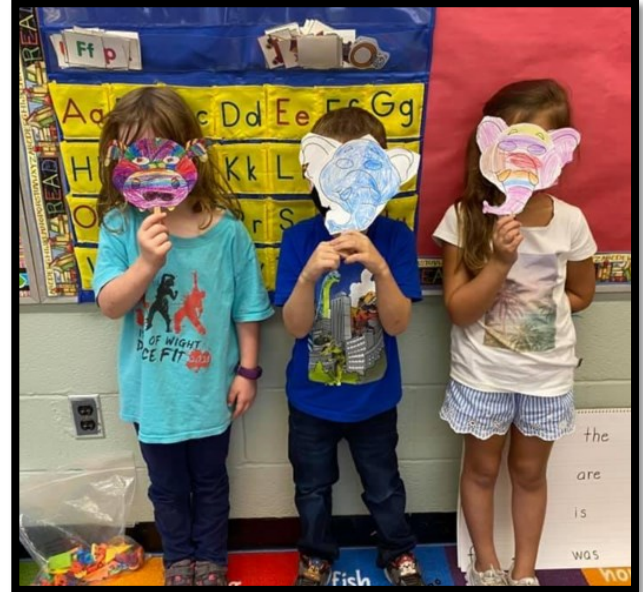




# IN THE CLASSROOM

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In World Studies class with Mrs. Blythe, our Kindergarten students made masks of animals that they would see if they were on an African safari.





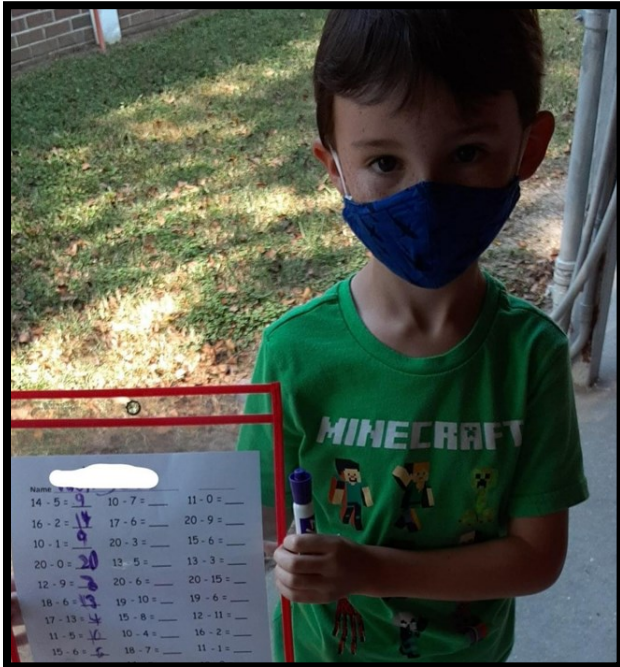


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First grade showed us you can even do hands on subtraction using your feet (to hop)! Mrs. Barlow and Ms. Olson's classes have worked on many way to practice subtraction. The classes went to stations where they had a giant number line to hop on, could build and break away with blocks, and could roll and subtract with dice.







# IN THE CLASSROOM

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Ms. Olson's class has been working on fact vs. opinion in reading. They have been writing their opinions and thought it would be fun to have a taste test. The class tasted chocolate chip cookies and sugar cookies and then wrote their opinions of which cookie was the best. Sugar cookie was the class favorite!

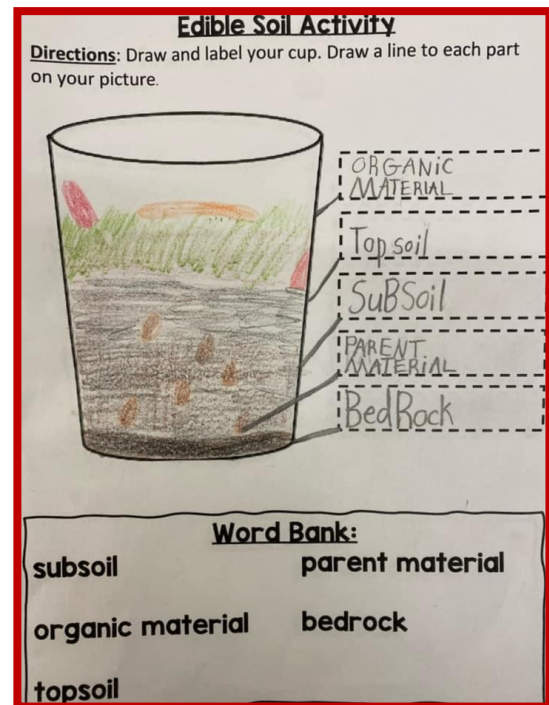


First grade had so much fun with this STEM activity trying to build the tallest pumpkin house out of toothpicks and candy pumpkins. We think their houses are very impressive!



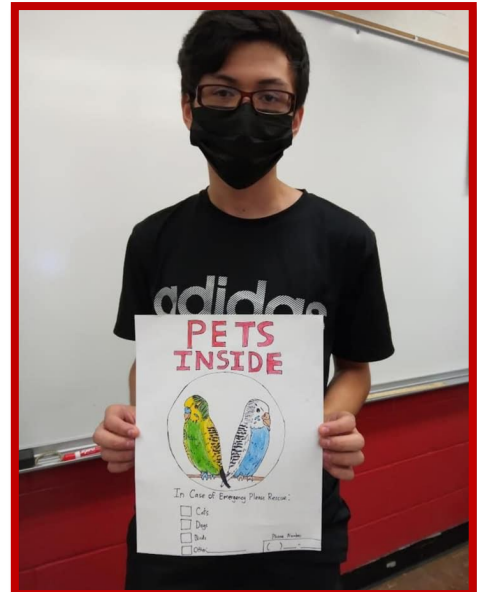
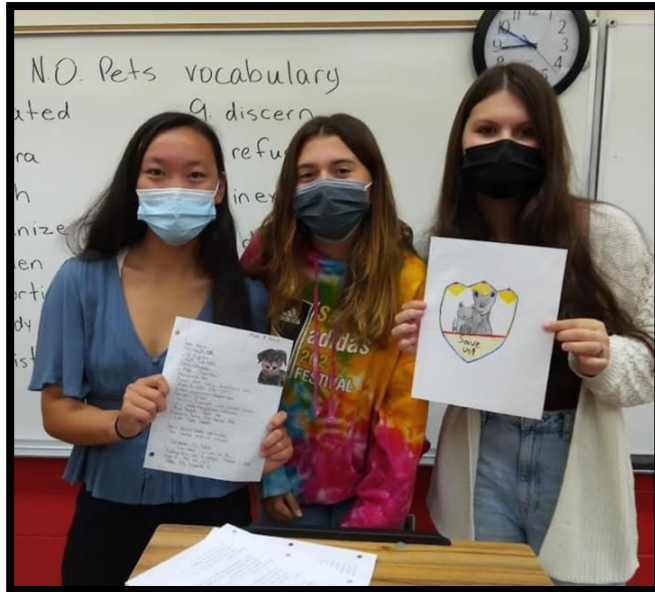


Second grade has been studying Earth's natural resources. When it was time to learn about soil, they made their very own edible soil. They discussed (and ate) a variety of layers including bedrock, parent material, subsoil, topsoil and organic material.





Mrs. Napier's Ninth Grade English classes are reading about the pets evacuated after Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans. The created pet evacuation plans and procedures.



Mrs. Barnes-Smith's Earth Science class has been learning about minerals and rocks. They finished the unit with a rock cycle review lab which highlighted the three main types of rocks and how they are formed. Students used Starburst candy to replicate parts of the cycle. First, they cut the Starburst into small pieces to symbolize the formation of sediment through weathering and erosion. Next, they used their hands to replicate the process of lithification which results in the formation of sedimentary rocks. They then continued to use their hands and books to apply heat and pressure to their "sedimentary rock" to change it into a metamorphic rock. Lastly, they used a hot plate to melt their "metamorphic rocks" into magma that they then watched cool into an igneous rock.





# DEVELOPMENT

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# IWA

Together  
we give.

Nov 30, 2021

## OUR IWA COMMUNITY IS STRONG

Let's help it grow even stronger.

Join us in giving back for  
GivingTuesday on November 30.

Give back to IWA, volunteer, or  
do an act of kindness. Every act  
of generosity counts and each  
means more when we give  
together.



2019-2020 NHS Food Baskets



2019-2020 5th Grade Class Toy Drive



#GivingTuesday  
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The *For The Kids* Dinner & Auction is coming back but with a twist! Mark your calendars now for Saturday, **March 12, 2022!** Make plans to get your tickets for this great fundraiser for IWA when they go on sale in January!



Interested in being an auction sponsor with all the perks that go with it? Contact Mary-Margaret Wells at IWA for more information.



Items are now being accepted for the live and silent auctions. To donate an item contact Mary-Margaret Wells at [marymargaretwells@iwacademy.com](mailto:marymargaretwells@iwacademy.com) or 357-3866 .

## Important Information From The School Nurse Mrs. Upton

### 3 W's

- ⇒ **WEAR** A Mask Over Your NOSE and MOUTH (Please wash your cloth mask daily or wear a disposable mask. Disposable masks are best replaced daily when damaged or soiled.)
- ⇒ **WAIT** Avoid Close Contact
- ⇒ **WASH** Your Hands And Use Hand Sanitizer

**Please stay home if you are not feeling well to prevent the spread of illnesses**



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