

Learning to Grow On

June 2010

Weeds in Life

I have just been outside weeding—wow! Have you ever seen such healthy weeds? With the frequent rain, they have taken over our gardens. Don't we wish "the good stuff" would thrive as easily! Because the soil is moist, the weeds come out quickly. As the weather warms up and the ground hardens, they will become more difficult to remove.

And so it is with life. The less desirable traits that quietly sneak into our lives can be quickly removed if we do it before "the ground hardens".

Those qualities worth nourishing require diligence, patience, and plain old hard work. Enjoy your summer and appreciate this season to nurture that which is good.

Susan Kirby

Calendar

July	4	Independence Day
Aug	24	Back-to-School Night 6:30-8:30 pm
	25	School begins



New for Fall

We are welcoming one new teacher and re-assigning a couple of others:

3rd Grade will be taught by Mrs. Suzanne Forstrom. She taught afternoon First Grade this past year and worked closely with Mrs. Hunter. We are excited to have her with us full-time this coming year.

4th Grade will be taught by Mrs. Saria Ott who is new to Ivy Hall. She is already busy working on the curriculum and will have her 4 children attending Ivy Hall. She substituted 2 days in Second Grade and we were very impressed with her teaching. She met with Mrs. Ashmore at the end of May and we anticipate a smooth transition.

6th Grade will have Mrs. Gonzales, our former Spanish teacher, as their full-time teacher. They will receive more Spanish exposure and read some Spanish novels this year. Although not a full Spanish immersion program, our hope is that they will become far more fluent in the language by the end of next year.

Junior High's lead teacher will be Mrs. Simpson. She has been teaching our 6th Grade Math this past year and is excited

to continue to teach those same students full-time. Her ideas for developing responsible, well-educated young adults will enhance our junior high success.

Thank You and Best Wishes

We wish Mrs. Ashmore, Mrs. Jensen and Ms. Mathews all the best in their future pursuits. We appreciate their efforts and dedication while at Ivy Hall.

Exposure Signs

We would benefit from having school signs in conspicuous places throughout our community.

Political-sized signs on fences or prominent places would give welcome exposure to Ivy Hall. If you know of a spot or own a business where a sign would be appropriate, please contact the school office.



Covey Leadership

We began using the Seven Habits in our classrooms this past year. As we strive to develop the leader in each child, we understand that most of what is accomplished is done by followers. Successful followers, however, have sound self-image, know who they are, where they're going and why.

As Teachers, we benefit from instruction re how to best develop those traits in your students.

We believe that by spending the money to train our staff in The Leader in Me, we are investing greatly in the quality, success, and development of both our teachers and our students. We would have several teacher instructors who would train new teachers.

For those who would like to make a monetary donation to the implementation of the program, please note that anything you feel you could give would be greatly appreciated.

Additionally, it has been suggested that we allow people to pledge a specific donation amount to be paid in installments that best suit their personal financial situation. We already have \$4000 in contributions to get us started.

Remember the 3 R's!

Remember that your child should do some of the 3 R's every day. Most public libraries have summer reading programs and local stores carry workbooks. Journal writing is important. The academic loss that occurs in the summer can be lessened.

Learning should be a lifetime discipline we enjoy. Share that with your children – this summer!

Need a Tutor?

If your children need some help to stay on top of academics through the summer, Mrs. Amanda Gonzalez is available. She has taught Spanish this past year and is willing to tutor in, any subject—even Spanish! Call her at 801-362-7095 or email: mandiegonzalez@gmail.com

Summer Office Hours

We are in the office from 8:00-1:00 p.m. during the summer. You may want to call first as we sometimes are out on errands or appointments.

\$200 Referral Fee

You are our best advertising. Have a family enroll and you receive a \$200 tuition credit the month after they have officially enrolled.

Spring Program

Our students presented a wonderful night of dance at the Covey Center. It was a lively, colorful time for all and we trust you enjoyed the evening--leaving with a smile in your heart.

S.A.T. Results

Results of the testing are expected at the end of June. As soon as we receive them, they'll be mailed out to those with clear accounts.



Beat the Bulge

We often hear (and see) how our nation is suffering from obesity. It's now affecting our youth as they play video games or surf the internet instead of engaging in more physical activities. Children should be exercising one hour a day and adults one half hour. All physical activity counts: housework, yard work, group games, and

then just plain exercising.

Uniform Reminders

Please keep guidelines in mind as you do your shopping. Remember the following:

- Navy ties are required for boys October through April and optional for junior high girls and preschool boys
- No cargo or carpenter pants/shorts
- Girls need a rounded, collared white blouse for dress uniform days
- Dress shoes are required with dress uniform
- No open-toed shoes are allowed (our insurance carrier requires closed-toe shoes)

- Socks/stockings are to be a solid white, black, brown, navy, or hunter green
- Belts are to be a solid black, brown, or blue. Boy Scout belts without the achievement loops are ok. No metal or studded belts please
- Shirts may be white, navy, or light blue

Dennis Uniform in Salt Lake City carries all our uniform items. Girls' jumpers and boys' vests can only be purchased at Dennis. Their summer hours are Tuesday 10am-6pm, Wednesday-Friday 12pm-5pm, Saturday 10am-2pm. Closed Saturday, July 24. Open Labor Day 10am-2pm. You can also order by phone (801)287-9200, Fax (801)287-9203 or online www.dennisuniform.com (school code R14). Their address is 3560 S. Main St.

Summer Hours: Aug. 4-Sept. 4: Monday-Tuesday 10am-6pm; Wednesday-Friday 12pm-6pm; Saturday 10am-2pm.

Some other places to look for uniform items are Ivy Hall Academy Used Uniform Sale, Burlington Coat Factory, Target, JC Penney's, Sears, Gap, Gap Outlet in Park City, Old Navy, and Land's End catalog. There are many places online to find specialty size uniforms as well. If you have any other questions, please call the school office at 801-356-1000.

Used Uniform Sale

Used uniforms are available at the school. If you have items to sell, mark them with your name and price and bring them in. If you are looking for items, this is the best shopping place in town!

See our Website: ivyhallacademy.org

Look on our website for more activity photos and updates during the summer. If friends ask about the school, direct them to it.

Thank You So Much

As the staff of Ivy Hall, we thank you for a wonderful year of teaching your children and having supportive parents to reinforce learning. It is a privilege to serve you and make a difference in the lives of your children.

