



From the Principal

John Stanford International School

Feb. 24, 2010

Dear JSIS Families,

International Dinner & The International Arts Celebration

These are two of our major upcoming family events that you won't want to miss. This year, at the International Dinner on Friday, March 12th, in addition to partaking in the always-delicious potluck, you will be treated to performances by the BOC, 1st, 3rd and 5th grade classes along with our ribbon dancers and after-school Taiko drumming group. We will also be singing 3 songs from around the world including Arirang, a famous Korean folksong.

At the International Arts Celebration on Thursday, May 6th, you will be treated to performances by our Kindergarteners, 2nd and 4th graders along with students from Hamilton Int'l Middle School. At this event, students showcase all that they have learned throughout the year from our international artists-in-residence. Each year, our international arts focus changes; this year, the focus was Asia.

Please mark your calendars for these two great events!

Sincerely,

Mr. Aramaki ~ Señor Aramaki ~ あらまきせんせい

Announcements and Reminders:

- **Support our IAs! Annual Fund Starts Feb. 22nd** – Our “Break-to-Break” Annual Fund Drive to raise funds for our language immersion instructional assistants starts this week! All JSIS families will receive a brochure by US mail. If there is someone you think might contribute who is not a parent, please send his/her name and address to the annual fund coordinator, Regina Lyons (regina@counterpointresolutions.com).
- Literacy Night Thursday, 2/25 6:00 – 8:00 pm in the cafeteria. Bring your whole family to a fun family literacy event. Children will spend the evening completing many literacy activities in English, Spanish and Japanese. Support the JSIS library by buying books at the Literacy Night book fair or purchase an Eye Can art kit. 30% of the evenings profit will be given to the JSIS library so Ms. Kathleen can purchase more books for our international library collection.

Calendar of Events:	
February 22	Annual Fund Drive begins
February 25	Literacy Night & Book Fair 6:00-8:00 (cafeteria)
March 3	9:30 AM School Visits for Prospective Families (also March 10, 17, 24) 2 Hour Early Dismissal (1:30) for Professional Development
March 12	International Dinner