



# NEWS LETTER

Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

## WHAT'S INSIDE

*"Christmas is a time in which, of all times in the year, the memory of every remediable sorrow, wrong, and trouble in the world around us, should be active with us, not less than our own experiences, for all good."* – Charles Dickens

LETTER  
FROM MR  
PARRA

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Dear ISCS Community,

We have arrived at the end of the first term.

We thank all the families for their commitment and support during these months. Also I want to extend my appreciation to our students and staff members for their contribution and hard work.

It has been a challenging term which we passed on a high note. The cantonal authorities have praised us for the management of the Covid protocol at the school. We have been able to complete the term without interruption of a single class. We feel that the school is improving continuously.

I want to recognise the excellent job done by our NGO team who did a presentation to our school leaders about a proposal to launch a kiosk in the canteen area. I was really amazed by the content and the form of the presentation. Their execution of the trial kiosk was fantastic and it is wonderful to see such a strong team spirit.

Next term, our IGCSE, AS and A-level students will sit mock exams. We wish all the students strength during the holidays in their preparation for these.

To add more good news, we have nine new students joining the school in January.

In Central Europe, we are seeing the beginning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Covid-19 wave and many families have decided not to travel back to their home countries. Whatever your plans, we wish you all a safe holiday and a Merry Christmas. I look forward to seeing you again in 2021!

*Jose Antonio Parra*

# Primary...

## PRE-K

This week we've enjoyed a more relaxed week of stories, arts and crafts. We perfected our drawing techniques using online art lessons! We loved drawing Santa, Rudolph and the Elves. We also checked in on our science experiment; the snowflakes have not quite crystallised so we may revisit this experiment in January. Well done Pre K for all your efforts - you have all come so far this term and I wish you all a lovely and well deserved holiday.

*Ms McVeigh*



## GRADE K/1

Wow, what a wonderful term it has been! I am so proud of how hard the children have worked upon their own individual goals, be they academic, communication and English based, or regarding their emotional development. This week we enjoyed revising our learning since August with a holiday theme. In maths, we recapped place value to 100 and in English we revised the sounds and spellings we have learnt. Of course, we also enjoyed some fun, festive activities, including making an incredibly long paper chain!

I wish you all a safe and relaxing break.

*Miss MacMillan*

## GRADE 2/3

Three weeks have almost flown by...the class and I have gotten to know one another and we have settled into a routine. In Maths and English we have been consolidating our knowledge. We have tried out some experiments in Science, played many rounds of Hangman and Headbands and found time to make some crafts to bring home for the holidays. I wish you all the very best for your break, wherever you might be, and look forward to a great start to 2021.

*Mrs Knight*

## GRADE 4/5

As we reach the end of the longest term, we've been tying up loose ends in assessments, reports and topics. The children have worked incredibly hard this term and it has been a pleasure to work closely with them on their learning journey. To balance out all the hard work that the children have been doing we have found opportunities to enjoy some craft and seasonal activities this week. Have a wonderful, safe and restful holiday!

*Mr Hawthorne*





# Secondary...

## Our NGO serve out some break time treats!

Our NGO students ran their first Kiosk on Thursday during the morning break. There were plenty of mid morning muffins, tasty treats and yummy hot chocolate to warm us up! All money goes to the NGO to be passed on to charitable causes.



## Grade 6-8 Performing Arts

The "Pictures at an Exhibition" Project came to life during lunchtime on Wednesday and Thursday, when our Lower Secondary students opened their performance exhibition to students and staff. They worked incredibly hard to compose music to accompany different pieces of artwork, featuring some IGCSE portfolio pieces. The Theatre was set up as an interactive exhibition, inviting the audience on a journey through different subjects, media and sound. We are incredibly proud to have such talent in our school and it just goes to show how creative you can be, mixing music with art and digital media. A special thanks to our brilliant students and Mr Jackson for organising a wonderful exhibition. We'll leave you with some photos from the event!



A special message of good luck and best wishes to all of our students studying for their mock exams in January. You can do it!  
On behalf of all your subject teachers, Dr Caracheo and Ms Helyer

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# And finally...

## 'Jumper for Joy' Day

Thank you so much to everyone who wore a winter jumper last week and donated a couple of francs to the Save The Children fundraiser. We raised a fantastic 152.60 CHF! Save The Children operates worldwide and provides funding for education and economic support to impoverished children, as well as providing emergency aid in the event of conflict and war or natural disasters. All the money we raised will help make a difference to children across the world who are less fortunate than us.

Mrs Bradley



## House Points...

	965	732	
	684	1189	

Congratulations to the Yellow House for winning the Year 2020 with 1189 points. The Blue House is second with 965 points, while the Green House is third with 732. The Red House closes the standings with 684 points. Let the competition continue in January 2021!

*Happy Holidays!  
Best wishes from  
the ISCS Team*

