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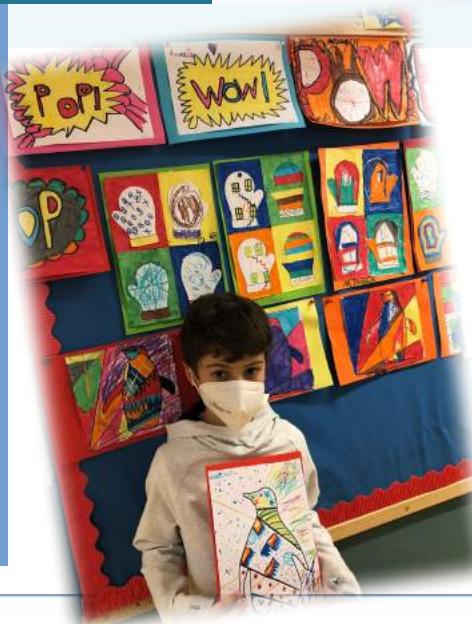
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"However difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at" – Stephen Hawkins



Dear ISCS Community,

We're fast approaching the end of the mock exams. Students have taken a variety of tests, including practical A Level Physics and Biology exams and speaking and listening tests in IGCSE languages, as well as traditional written papers. Students have had the opportunity to experience the exams in a 'real life' situation, and we're very happy with the ways in which exam setup, logistics, invigilation and study support have worked.

Student conduct has been brilliant with regards to exam regulations; students have maintained professional standards throughout the session. Study periods have been focused and it has given staff and students the chance to work closely together to review learning.

Thanks to the staff for all their support during the process, from setting the papers to invigilating exams and supporting study sessions. And a message to the most important people in all of this: our students. A huge well done for making it through what has been for many a very intensive exam period.

Students will receive their results on a 'Cambridge-style' exam results transcript before they leave for February Break.

Best wishes for the beginnings of bright futures,

Christine Helyer
Secondary School Leader

Primary...

Pre-K

We continued our adventures through space, listening to Whatever Next and discussing Baby Bear's Adventures to the Moon before sequencing the story. In Maths, we counted backwards through space songs and learned how to represent numbers in a range of ways. Science has seen us creating 'craters on the moon,' making predictions and observations on the impact of dropping marbles from different heights into flour! Another great week of exploration as the class goes "to infinity...and beyond!"

Ms McVeigh



Grade 2/3

From science experiments on how to keep ice from melting, to learning about different kinds of penguins, producing a masterpiece based on the pop artist Romero Britto, work on tallying and pictograms, learning about making our writing more interesting through noun phrases, exciting verbs and phonetic work - Grade 2 and 3 have certainly been busy! Phew! We also celebrated Marco's 8th birthday and enjoyed yet more snow!

Mrs Knight



Grade K/1...

This week we began using Pie Corbet's theory of Talk For Writing to learn the plot of Stickman. Using drawn symbols and actions, we are now able to tell the whole tale without looking at the book! This will support us to structure our own rhyming stories, based on the original version.

Stickman also paid us a visit in art, where we created our own stick family. We wrapped wool around sticks to create clothes - excellent for developing our fine motor skills!

The 10 times table was our Maths challenge this week- we used songs to learn how to count in 10's and then completed word and number sentence activities based on our new knowledge.

Miss MacMillan



Pirates in this week's Performing Arts!

Grade 4/5

Grade 4 and 5 read the legendary story of 'King Arthur' and set to work analysing the story and then writing their own version. In Maths, we have gone beyond the decimal point and looked at numbers to two or even three decimal places. In Science we asked the question, "How do seeds get dispersed?" Did you know there are at least five different ways? These include gravity, wind, ballistics, water, and seed dispersal by animals.

Mr Hawthorne



STOCK Photo

SECONDARY...

Greetings from the examiner - IGCSE German

It's not only students who are worried before an exam - the teacher goes into the exam room wondering, too. Are they prepared? Why were they so nervous last time we practised this in class?

The mock IGCSE German as a Foreign Language exams lie behind us, and as the German examiner at ISCS, I am nothing but impressed. Our students worked extraordinarily hard.

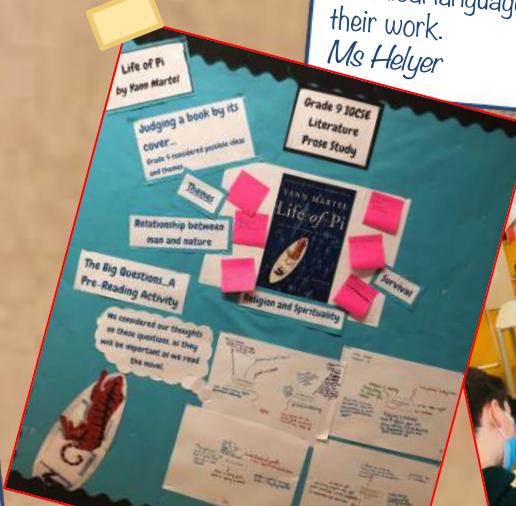
I feel very confident that the focus and attention ISCS puts into German language acquisition more than pays off. Even before releasing those all-important results, it is evident that our ISCS German students are confident linguists, for whom German is nothing to be afraid of but a language they enjoy. They have set a high benchmark for the classes to come and make us very proud.
Mr Boelle



'ISCS' by Milan Longo

Grade 9 tackle some philosophical questions in Life of Pi...

One of their IGCSE exam texts for next year, the novel explores some interesting ideas on freedom, survival, and man's relationship with nature. Here, Grade 9 make some 'character maps' as they explore some of the main ideas posed by the protagonist. We've also started exploring the main themes of the novel, and are getting to grips with some more advanced technical language which they'll be applying in their work.
Ms Helyer



Doodle-tastic Artwork in Grade 6!

Grade 6 have been creating pieces based on the theme 'ISCS', taking inspiration from artist Jon Burgerman. His distinctive style has been recreated in Milan's fantastic work, which represents life at our school. Here's a word from Jon Burgerman himself:

"I am an artist who makes drawings, murals, paintings, books, videos, animations, characters and doodles. Improvisation and play are key ingredients to my practice."

www.jonburgerman.com
Mrs Bradley



Jon Burgerman's work



Chess Tournament

The ISCS House competition plays an important role within our school. It helps to develop house spirit, provides opportunities for leadership for our senior students, and presents all students with an opportunity to contribute to the success of their house. Next week, the students will be awarded many Team points as we will finish our Chess Tournament. 6 days to go!

Mr Perliyev

And Finally...

House Points

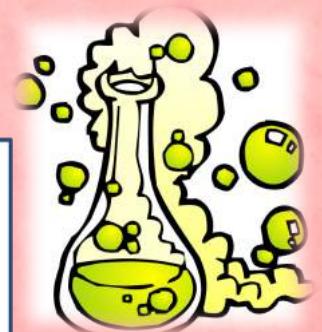
Yellow House are still in the lead... come on, everyone! Get some points and challenge the competition!

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After School Clubs... 'Scientists in the Making'

This week, our youngest scientists got to grips with some professional lab equipment – the same stuff our A-Level Biology students use! Ms Predouli was extremely impressed with your work!



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