



NEWS LETTER

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"Although no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending." – Carl Bard

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Dear ISCS Community,

As we near the end of the school year, it's a great time to reflect on all that we have achieved, both in terms of academics but also our wider initiatives.

In this edition you will find more information about how our NGO is moving forward to set up a big project. We envision this to be something that will allow our students to travel to less privileged communities to help provide educational or other resources. We're looking forward to exploring lots of possibilities in this field.

Well done to everyone for finishing the Summer exams! Now all our students can look ahead to some activities in and around school next week. Primary kicked off the activities today with a hike around Zugerberg. We look forward to seeing their photos and reading their stories in next week's Newsletter.

Enjoy the sunshine,

José Antonio Parra

Primary

Making the most of our last full week!

Early Years...

Another fantastic week of learning in Early Years – all achieved through games and fun. We even wrote some of our own poems. The children were super excited to use their creativity and share their ideas. You're never too young to be a budding writer! We also loved exploring capacity in Maths!

Mrs McVeigh



In Global Perspectives, we've been talking about the Olympics. Do you know how the Olympics actually started? Ask us! We know all about this, and how today's games are different. The children then designed their own shirt to wear either as a spectator or an athlete at this year's events. There has been lots of great discussion on many aspects of the Olympics and whether we think they should happen or not in the face of a pandemic.

Mrs Knight



Years 1&2...

Our final full week together was packed with learning and exciting summer activities! We revised addition in Maths and used this knowledge to complete some seaside word problems. Our descriptive writing focused on the 5 senses and what we could see, taste, feel, hear and smell by the lake. We've started looking ahead to the next school year - the two transition mornings we had were great! We loved being welcomed to our new classes, or welcoming new friends to ours!

Miss Macmillan



Years 5&6...

Over the last few weeks we've welcomed two new students to our group, Matteo and Daniel. They have very quickly become involved in the class and are already proving to be great additions to our amazing team! This week we began a special project, *Our Theme Parks*, which will allow us to revisit skills in Maths, English and Science as we design and plan our very own theme park in Cham - imagine that! Our last full week brought just the right mix of serious work and fun activities, including making slime with the Year 12 students (they had so much fun last week, they just couldn't resist)!

Mr Hawthorne



Years 3&4

This week we welcomed the children that will be joining the classroom for the new school year and had fun getting to know one another a bit better. Meanwhile, those going up to Mr Hawthorne's room had a chance to see what it was like there, too.



Secondary

Exams = DONE, departures and arrivals...

We're finished!

Now our Lower Secondary and Year 10 students can also wave goodbye to a busy exam period. Thanks to all our students and invigilators for helping the exam session run smoothly. We are sure they've done brilliantly. It's all an experience and great practice for the future!



Secondary Reports are released next week.

Digital creativity in Lower Secondary...

Lower Secondary ICT students have been exploring a variety of skills, materials and processes as part of their final project. Among the amazing work produced, Zahraa explored mark-making, photography and digital art and design conventions in order to produce a 'lookbook' for Year 9 (see our front cover)! In Year 8, Almaha delved into a variety of digital processes combined with mark-making and Braille writing, in order to produce a beautiful book of poetry...



Digital art and Braille: Almaha's book of poetry

In "Arrivals" ...

Welcome, Andrea, to our Secondary School! Andrea comes from Italy and has joined our Year 7 class. We wish him all the best as he settles in and gets to know us. Special thanks to our Italian-speaking students, especially Carlo, who have helped him lots over the last few days.



A message from Ms Helyer...

As you may have seen in a communication sent out earlier this week, I will be leaving ISCS at the end of this term. I wanted to reflect with you on some of the things that have made my time at ISCS so special.

I've watched the school change and grow over the last few years, since I first joined it in 2016. Starting again and embarking on a new curriculum in 2019 was an extremely exciting and rewarding time. The school has come so far since we implemented the Cambridge system two years ago, and I couldn't be prouder of our Secondary students who have been the first to take their IGCSEs, AS and A levels. Our Lower Secondary students have quickly adapted to the new system too, taking it all in their stride.

ISCS will always be special to me; it definitely has exciting prospects ahead as it continues to embrace new initiatives and expand. To all students: you're a brilliant, fun, charismatic, special bunch of people with a range of talents. Go far and pursue your dreams! To all families: thanks for all your wonderful support. To my fantastic colleagues: Go, Team! We've accomplished a lot and it's been brilliant working with you. I know the future's bright!

I'll miss the ISCS "family" and wish all of you the very best for the wonderful journey and success that lies ahead.

Ms Helyer



And Finally...

Crimes to solve,
break time treats
and House Points to
be won!

There's no escape...or is there?

Ms Predouli's Forensic Lab team, Marina and Jasmine, have now designed their very own Escape Room. Secondary students will be invited to take part next week, class by class, to solve the clues and piece together the case. "Who dunnit?" We'll find out soon!



House Points Update

With one week to go, Yellow House dominates with 2528 points. They stepped closer to being able to "three"-peat their title (get it?!) - however, the final points will be announced next week! Stay tuned!

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Success is sweet: NGO Kiosk a triumph!



Our NGO Kiosk has really taken off! The queue gets longer each week and we've started creating a bigger range of snacks and refreshments. It's become a huge part of our fundraising initiative and we are looking forward to making a difference by raising a substantial sum to support a project outside of our local area. We'll be collaborating with Sage College Jerez with the aim to link the two schools, students and staff in this exciting endeavour.

Here's what a couple of our student NGO volunteers had to say about the Kiosk:

"I like that we work hard and we are always sold out. Using this money [to help others] makes me proud." - Martin, Year 5

"I like that the Kiosk includes all ages and accepts everyone's ideas. I'm very proud of how far the kiosk has come and how many projects it will support in the future." - Anna, Year 10

"I love entering the cafeteria, going behind the table, serving people and being filled with smiles and joy. Seeing people happy is everything for me." -Giorgia, Year 8



Don't forget...

22nd June - Secondary Sports Afternoon (Years 10-12)

23rd June - Secondary Sports Afternoon (Years 7-9) and reports released

24th June - Last Day for students - school finishes at 12:00!

