



# NEWS LETTER

December 10th 2021

## WHAT'S INSIDE

*Dear ISCS community,*

### THIS WEEK

This week the ISCS Teaching team has been making their final comments and adding their final grades to the Winter Reports. This will be the first time when parents will access their child's report directly via the Engage platform. Please make sure that you have followed the steps to register to the Engage Parents' Portal as sent out last week.

This week we have had two visitors from our sister school in Jerez; the Head of Key Stage 5 and the Head of Admissions and Human Resources. Both were here to get to know our school, meet students and staff and make links with our ISCS Team. The second is my wife and she was keen to meet with everyone at our school and get a feel of our school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful PO members once again. Both Audrey and Mariska have once again been decorating our school to get us in the spirit of all things Wintery! In addition, I would like to thank Aleksandra for sharing and celebrating our school this term via social media.

Regarding Covid, we ask that all of our families apply caution up to and during the Winter holiday. The numbers and rate of infection is again on the rise and we would like to work together to limit the impact on our school wherever we can. Wherever you are travelling, please abide by the measures in place.

We had a timely reminder this week as Mrs Bradley received news that 3 of her close family members had tested positive for Covid and was asked to quarantine as precaution. Her husband, although double vaccinated, was one of the three.

### NEXT WEEK

Our Primary students and teachers are making the final preparations for the long-awaited 'Eddie the Penguin Saves the World' Performance, which will be filmed and streamed in front of a very small live student audience on Monday 13th December at 2pm! Parents will be able to follow the performance and details to follow from the Primary Team.

Our Secondary students and Mr Jackson are working hard on performances of singing and music in readiness for the online Soirée that will be made available to parents in pre-recorded format on the final afternoon of the term.

Have a safe and great weekend.

JOSE ANTONIO PARRA

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## YEAR 5 AND 6



***Martin and Masato work hard on rounding decimals***

In Maths this week, we have been learning about rounding decimals to the nearest hundredth, tenth and whole number whilst in English we have been finishing our assessments which included a BIG spelling test on Thursday. We have been putting the final touches to our production of 'Eddie The Penguin Saves The World' so that it is ready to share with you on Monday afternoon. This week in Science we explored gravity and the work of Isaac Newton. In German we are completing our final assignment - writing a description of looks and personality of monsters designed by Year ½ the week before.



***Isaac Newton***

## YEAR 3 AND 4

The class has been learning about Christmas around the world. They wrote about their own Christmas traditions and then presented their work to the rest of the class. The children listened really well to each presentation and asked some really good questions. As we come to the end of our multiplication section of maths this term, the class has the ability to multiply 2 digit numbers by 1 and 2 digit numbers. In science, the children have learnt about constellations, drawing and making models of some of the most famous ones as well as using their imaginations to make up one of their own.



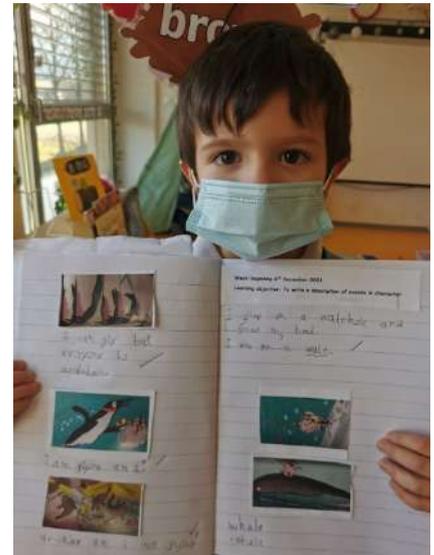
## YEAR 1 AND 2

In English, we enjoyed reading a book called Geronimo which was about a penguin who believed he could fly. The children experimented with writing in first person and in the role of the character Geronimo!

We finished our multiplication topic in maths and concluded the week with an end of term maths assessment, which I presented to the children as an opportunity to show off how clever they are and all they have learnt since starting the year! I am very proud of their efforts.

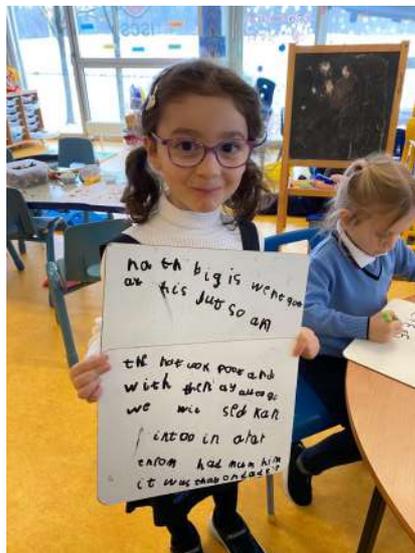
Whilst playing outside on Tuesday, we were pleasantly surprised by non other than Samichlaus walking past! The children spontaneously sang to him in German which he loved.

We conducted our final dress rehearsal of Eddie the Penguin and can't wait to perform this to you as a live stream on Monday at 2pm.



## EYFS

In Early Years this week we have enjoyed learning all about the Antarctic, linking well to our winter show! We read a book called Antarctica and learnt about how penguins feed their chicks! We also compared numbers to 10 using the language of more and fewer then ordered numbers to 10. We made our very own penguins using our super cutting skills. We have been enjoying a little more play this week whilst our teachers assess what we have learnt so far this year and they are very proud!!! We also loved our Rhyme this week called 5 little snowmen! The dress rehearsal for Eddie the Penguin saw us dancing and singing our hearts out!





## SPOTLIGHT ON UNIFORM

As we are reaching the end of the term, it is a good time to reflect on the introduction of our ISCS uniform. The majority of students have worn their uniform with **respect** and **excellence**, from the start of term and have represented our school community.

### WHY DO WE WEAR A UNIFORM?

#### UNIFORM RULES

- The uniform shows that we are all part of the same school community
- The uniform, when worn with pride, shows that our students are being respectful and want to be part of everything our school represents
- The uniform give students a sense of belonging to a particular school
- The uniform creates an identity for the school in our local community

The settling in period of one whole school term to get used to the uniform policy is now over. **From Monday 10th January** the expectation will be that all students from Early Years to KS4 must wear full uniform in the day or full PE uniform for their sports sessions. KS5 students are expected to wear their ISCS burgundy hoodie. This is an ISCS school rule.

Should students arrive at school **without items of uniform** the following measures will be taken. Should a student arrive **without any uniform**, the second will immediately be implemented.

1. **Warning:** Parents will be contacted and it will be logged centrally. Secondary students will also gain a negative point on their conduct card.
2. **Action:** If repeated, Parents will be telephoned and asked to come to school to provide the missing uniform or to take their child home for the remainder of the day. The incident will be logged centrally and Secondary students will gain a second negative point on their conduct card.

#### NEW ORDERS

On Wednesday 1st December, all parents received a school communication about ordering new uniform. We now have a stock of uniform available for purchase. Please refer to the email again if you require uniform items for your child in preparation for the start of the new term.

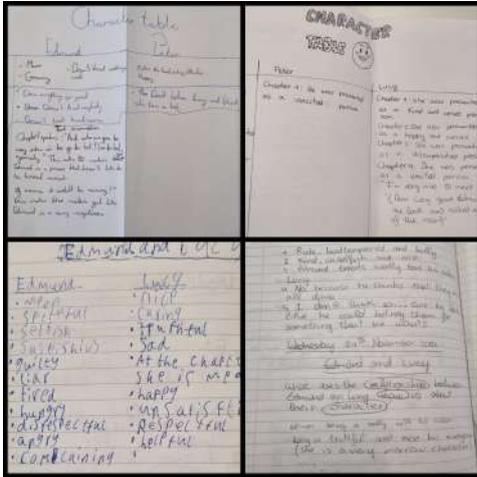
#### Mrs Bradley



# SECONDARY NEWS....

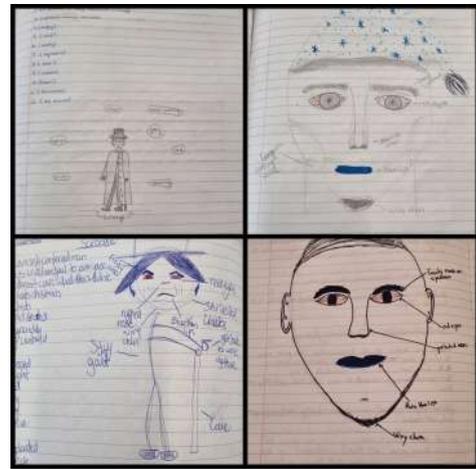
## Year 7 English

Year 7 have been reading *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* in English. They have been focusing on the differences between Edmund and Lucy and considering what makes a reason good or bad.



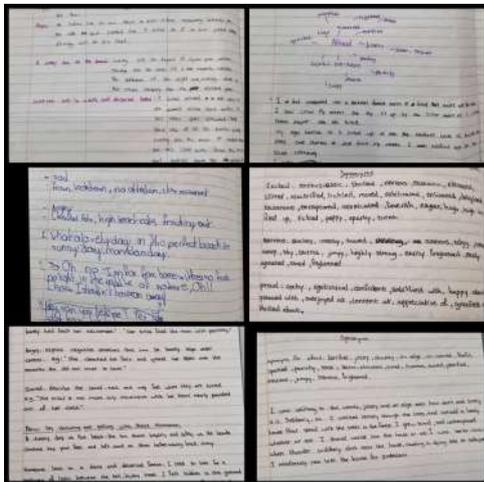
## Year 8 English

Year 8 have been getting into the Christmas spirit for the last few weeks by reading *A Christmas Carol*. They have been focusing on the character of Scrooge and looking at what message Dickens wanted to convey through Scrooge.



## EAL

In EAL students have been focusing on literary devices and how to use "show not tell" in descriptive writing. Students have also been looking at synonyms for words and have practised using these in both their speaking and writing tasks.



# SOIRÉE UPDATE

Students continue to apply their Performing Arts skills in rehearsal for the upcoming remote Soirée, with the added challenge of compiling and producing their work in digital format. We look forward to sharing the results of their hard work, dedication and creativity with you very soon.





# SPORTS

## NEWS



### Badminton Tournament. Doubles. Year 7 and 8

Year 7 and 8 started ISCS annual Badminton Tournament in PE. This time we play doubles where the students show teamwork and individual skills. The tournament will last for another few weeks and the winners will get a Starbucks' voucher to celebrate!

### ISCS House Competition

Yellow House steps closer to finish Year 2021 on top and reached 1708 points. Will they allow any team to catch up with them in Year 2022?



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>ART SOIRÉE ONLINE CELEBRATION OF OUR STUDENTS</b> Mr Jackson will share the video with parents via email on the afternoon of the 17th!	Available to view on Friday 17th December 2021
<b>SECONDARY REPORTS OUT TO PARENTS</b> Parents are to access their child's report via the Engage Platform!	Thursday 16th December 2021
<b>END OF TERM AT 12 NOON (Half day closing!)</b>	Friday 17th December 2021
<b>STAFF &amp; STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL</b>	Monday 10th January 2022
<b>YEAR 12 &amp; 13 PARENT'S EVENING</b> Parents will receive Google Form to sign-up next week!	Thursday 13th January 2022
<b>YEAR 12 MOCK EXAM FORTNIGHT</b>	Monday 24th January - Wednesday 2nd February 2022
<b>YEAR 9 &amp; 11 PARENT'S EVENING</b>	Thursday 27th January 2022

WISHING YOU A FABULOUS WEEKEND!