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Good luck with your exams!

We are keeping our fingers crossed for all students taking exams! We are especially proud of our Year 13, who will be leaving us this summer and continue their education journey all over the world. Our students have been accepted or sent offers to study:

Architecture Biochemical Engineering International Relations Business & Marketing Sports Management Music Production

Law Business

Medicine Geology



All previous issues of the Monthly Highlights can be found on our website











Monthly highlights EXAMSEND-OFF

Dear Year 11 & Year 13: we wish you the best of luck as you gear up for your exams. We know how hard you've been studying and we are confident that you'll do great!

Most importantly, don't forget that you've made some amazing friends throughout your school years. They're your squad, your peeps, your people! They're always there to support you and have your back, so don't be shy to lean on them during the study break and the exam period.

And last but not least, the entire ISCS school community is cheering you on! We know you've got this and we believe in you. So go out there and give it your all. All you need is a little bit of luck, and we are sending all our positive vibes your way. Your future is looking bright and we can't wait to see you shine.

Love, your ISCS family.





Thank you to our Parents Association for organising a wonderful picnic, complete with games, delicious food from all around the world and the photo display that took many students down a memory lane.











This month saw a first in a series of events called "Fun Thursday". After school, primary students were invited to play various board games and enjoy some snacks. As ISCS students come from different countries and cultures, board games provide a level playing field where they can interact with each other and communicate using a common language. Through playing games, children can learn to take turns, negotiate, and practice sportsmanship.

Did you know? Board games are an excellent resource for learning a language! In an international school, children come from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and board games can be a great tool to help them learn and practice English in a fun and inclusive way. By playing board games together, children can communicate with each other in English, develop their vocabulary, and practice sentence construction and grammar. Board games can also help children build confidence in using English, as they provide a non-threatening environment where they can practice speaking without the fear of making mistakes. As children become more comfortable with the language, they are more likely to engage in conversation and use English in other contexts.

Thank you to the parents who organised this event! We are so lucky to have you in our ISCS family.







Meet our parents



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It was Tamara Paedrick who introduced Fun Thursdays to ISCS this month, so we took this opportunity to ask her some questions for the new section "Meet our parents"

Tell is more about yourself:

Well hello there! My name is Tamara, I am married to Jesper and we have three boys, all in ISCS. Storm in Y11, Mats in Y5 and Luc in EY.We moved to Switzerland in August 2020. Just over a year ago I set up Swisster Events, a business networking platform that creates connections within the international community. Swisster's Network has grown to almost 200 businesses in just one year.Swisster started with a social aim to create community. But now is mainly focusing on helping local businesses, educating them, and creating a network. But I am not just about business, I like to bring people together. I am using my organizing skills and network to help create a community within the families of ISCS. I am mainly focusing on setting up events outside of the regular school hours. Like the Flea Market, Mothersday Brunch and so many more to come. If anyone wants to volunteer or has an idea for an event, please let me know. Building community is something we do together!

What do you like to do in your free time?

We love to explore new things, go on holidays or meet up with friends!

What are your favourite places in Switzerland?

That is a difficult one! Switzerland is soooo beautiful. But we do have a weak spot for the Italian part.

Why have you chosen ISCS for your children?

We immediately loved the atmosphere when stepping into the school. That combined with the Cambridge curriculum and small class sizes made ISCS a winner for us.



Monthly highlights PRIMARY SCIENCE



Growing caterpillars into butterflies is an excellent way to introduce our primary school children to the wonders of science. It allows our students to observe the life cycle of an insect, from a tiny caterpillar to a beautiful butterfly. They can witness the growth, molting, chrysalis formation, and emergence of a butterfly in real-time, which can inspire curiosity and wonder about the natural world.

This project will provide Ms MacMillan's students opportunities for scientific inquiry, where children can ask questions, form hypotheses, design experiments, and collect data. They will learn about the scientific method and develop a better understanding of the natural world.

Raising caterpillars is a hands-on approach to learning, where children actively participate in the process of caring for the insects. By providing food and maintaining a clean environment, our students will also learn about responsibility and the importance of caring for living things. They can learn through trial and error, observation, and problem-solving, which develops their critical thinking skills (which is a huge part of the Cambridge curriculum).



Did you know? Studies have shown that girls who participate in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) programs and activities during their primary school years are more likely to continue studying STEM subjects in high school and college!







Tell us something about yourself:

Many of you know me as Mr V, Prof P or Coach V. I love to travel and visit historical sites and have visited quite a lot of interesting places and have a long list of other countries I would like to go.

Why have you joined ISCS?

I am extremely proud to be part of the ISCS school community where we are still a growing small school, however a big and united family. It's the family feel that attracted me to this school- lovely students and lovely staff make all the difference. I knew I would be able to deliver a PE Programm that appeals to both girls and boys. My goal is that every student looks forward to PE, rather than finding excuses how to miss it. At ISCS we have the freedom to try introduce our students to a huge variety of sports, so the students are never board. Beach volleyball or cross country running are students favourites.

What do you like most about ISCS?

ISCS became a home for my niece and nephew who came as refugees from Ukraine. They are very happy to be a part of our school!

Why have you become a teacher?

I have become a teacher because I have a deep passion for sports and physical education. I believe that sports can teach valuable life skills, such as teamwork, discipline, and perseverance. I was also drawn to the international community of students - I wanted to work with students from diverse cultural backgrounds, learn about their perspectives. I have a deep love of teaching itself. I find it incredibly rewarding to help students learn and grow, and to see the progress they make over time. Teaching offers endless opportunities for creativity, innovation, and personal growth, so for an active person like myself, this was a natural choice.

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Monthly highlights TEACHER SPOTLIGHT Mr Francisco Santos



Why have you chosen ISCS?

Following 8 years of teaching at different secondary school settings in London, I became interested in working at an international school. The ISCS opportunity came along and the family, diverse and inclusive feel sold it to me.

What do you like the most about ISCS?

There is real care for the personal development of students as well as outstanding teaching and learning. Everyone at ISCS gives their best and there is a sense of growth at all areas of the school.

Why did you become a teacher?

I was accepted in an UK government teaching training programme for people with industry experience and I haven't looked back since. I feel privileged to be involved in learning and working alongside so many different age groups who all have different ways of interacting with the world around us.

What do you like doing outside of school?

l obviously enjoy visual culture, visiting exhibitions and museums. I also like reading, walking in urban environments and going for hikes.

What was your favourite subject at school

I don't remember any specific one yet I have always been interested in history and creative practices.

Do you support any sports team, if yes, which one?

My home team is Sevilla FC. Their illustrious recent European history speaks for itself. I am a proud sevillista!





Monthly highlights Our value in spotlight: RESPECT

Our star value of the month is Respect! We believe that respect is at the heart of everything we do, and it helps us create a family-like environment that encourages collaboration, communication, and teamwork. At our school, we value treating others with kindness, empathy, and consideration, no matter who they are, where they come from, or what they have achieved.

Respect is about much more than just acknowledging others' achievements, although we love to do that too! It's also about recognizing the unique contributions and differences of each person and creating an inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and supported. When we practice respect for our teachers, classmates, cultures, interests, and teamwork, we create a positive learning environment that fosters growth and success for all.

We love to celebrate each other's passions and accomplishments, and we believe in supporting one another's aspirations, even if they differ from our own. This is what makes our school feel like a unique family, where everyone is encouraged to pursue their dreams and goals with the help of a supportive community.









Meet our students

This week we spoke to the boys in Year 10:

Whats your favourite subject?

Ivan: Art or science - its very interesting to me, and the teacher is the BEST!

Dylan: Computer Science – it's fun, we do so many different things! Others find Phyton difficult, but not me!

Peter: Let me think - probably biology! I want to be a doctor when I grow up.

Ivan: My favourite is Maths. It's the only thing that makes sense - unlike languages! Languages are so random, look at the Der Die Das!

Daniel: if French or Science. I love languages, I always look forward to the class and I also want to learn Italian.

Roy - German! It's quite fun!

Teo - German as well! I can speak German very well!





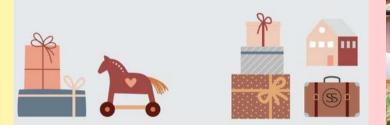
What do you do in your free time? Ivan: I play ping pong! Professionaly! Ivan 2: Cycling Dylan: Gaming: Flight symulator and many other games! Peter: I love playing video games and I play basketball Daniel: I like cooking - I want to be a chef. I love sports, especially football and volleyball. Teo: Playing basketball Roy: Football! Big time! I play for SC Cham!





CLOTHING * TOYS * & MORE COFFEE & CAKE

MAY 7TH 10.0H - 14.00H ISCS - LORZENPARKSTRASSE 8, CHAM





Mother's Day BRUNCH

Sunday 14 May From 11.00h to 14.00h ISCS - Ground floor

Baker-Girl

Adults - Fr 29 kids - Fr 15

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