

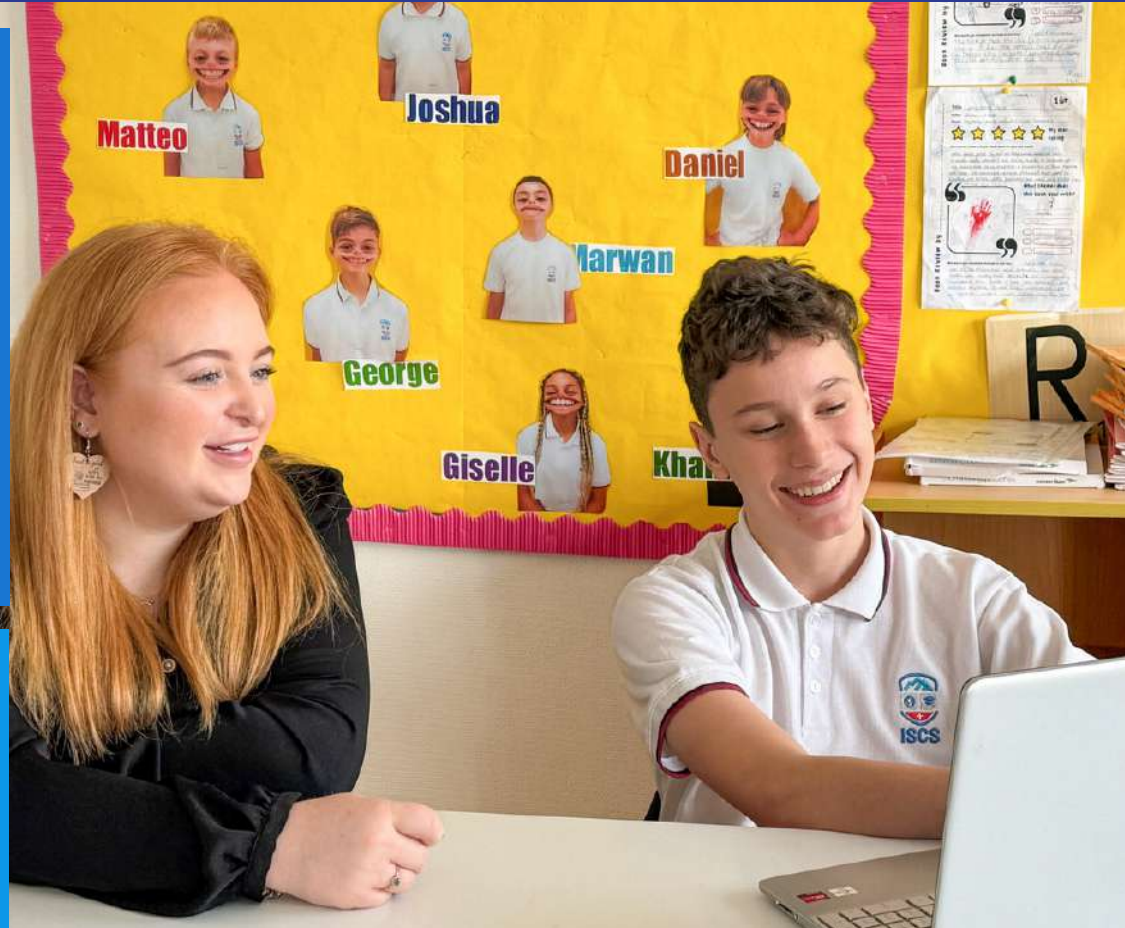


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HOUSE POINTS

 WATER	 AIR	 FIRE	 EARTH
4171	3495	5291	4461



MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF EDUCATION



Dear ISCS Community,

We have started a new half term full of new adventures. As per our school calendar on the website (<https://iscs-zug.ch/2023-24-iscs-calendar/>), we have different ISCS events (talks, assemblies), as well as a new whole-school assessment week in mid March, and second term reports sent home on the 22nd of March. Moreover, Year 11, 12 and 13 families and students had the opportunity to discuss academic progress with teachers last Monday, as the official IGCSE, AS and A level exams are coming.

Last Monday was also an opportunity for teachers to have some CPD sessions. Regular sessions together help to continue improving, as well as having the different insights on different aspects related to the school. And here, I would like to have some words for our amazing teaching team.

Teachers play a crucial role in shaping the future of individuals and societies. Their importance extends far beyond the boundaries of a classroom, as they contribute significantly to personal development, academic success, and the overall well-being of their students.

Teachers are the cornerstones of education and societal progress. Their impact reaches far beyond the confines of a classroom, influencing the lives of individuals and shaping the course of future generations. Recognising and supporting the importance of teachers is essential for building a strong and thriving society.

We are very lucky and fortunate to have the team we currently have. Our teachers make use of any moment together to discuss how to continue supporting students to make progress. It can happen during a planning period, a staff meeting, or even during break or lunch time. Any moment is a good opportunity for them to discuss different situations, and this is evidence of how much they care about our students. For that reason, I would like to congratulate and thank them.

I wish all the community a great week ahead.

Warm regards,

Mr. Soto

- OUR TEACHERS -

In this newsletter we would like to dedicate a page to our outstanding teachers. Our teachers are warm, accessible, enthusiastic and caring. It is these qualities that build a great relationship with the students and also create a feeling of a second home.





- PRIMARY NEWS -



Jobs!

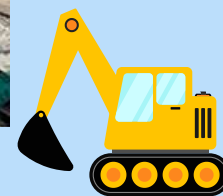
In Early Years, the children have been learning all about different jobs and talking about what they want to be when they grow up. During German lessons they had great fun learning vocabulary for the Fire Station, Police Station and Recycling Centre. Our school ice skating trip on the last day of term was a highlight. Everybody was very keen to ice skate on their own without any help, having never ice skated before!



Busy building!



The classroom Construction Area has been very busy so we decided to go outside and have a look at what the construction workers were doing out there.



Cham Recycling Centre was a very exciting trip where the children learnt which items can be recycled and where to take them.



I want to be an ice hockey player!



ZUKI fun!



Sports fun!



- PRIMARY NEWS -

In recognition of Chinese New Year and the Year of the Dragon, the children were invited to a dragon building competition.

Their creations were amazing and showed great imaginativeness and creativeness.



Did you know?

To say "Happy New Year" in Chinese, you would say "新年快乐" (Xīnnián kuàilè) for the Gregorian New Year. If you're referring to the Lunar New Year, often called Chinese New Year, you would say "春节快乐" (Chūnjié kuàilè).



- MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

India's culture

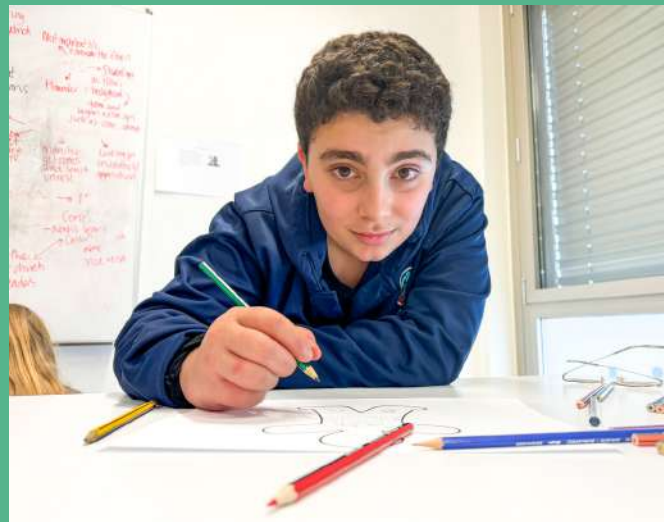
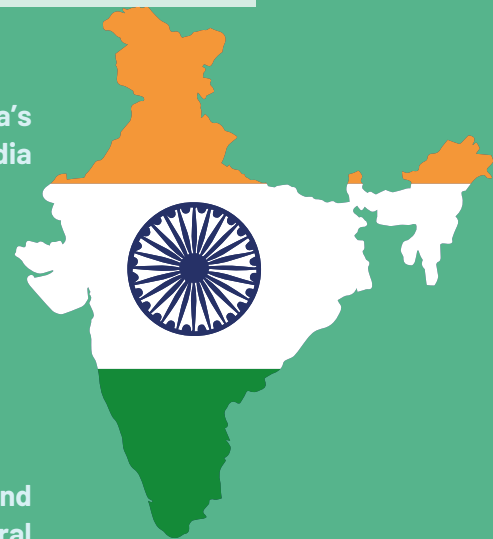
Get ready for an exciting journey as we explore the captivating world of India's culture with your children! From vibrant festivals to mesmerising art forms, India offers a treasure trove of experiences waiting to be discovered.

What to Expect:

Engaging activities and projects that bring India's rich traditions to life.
Opportunities for students to explore diverse art forms and cultural practices.
A chance to develop empathy, curiosity, and respect for cultural diversity.

Your Role:

We invite you to join us in supporting and encouraging your child's curiosity and learning. Whether it's sharing your own experiences or volunteering at cultural events, your involvement enriches the experience for everyone.



Looking Forward:

Together, let's celebrate the beauty and diversity of India's culture and inspire our children to embrace the world with open minds and hearts.

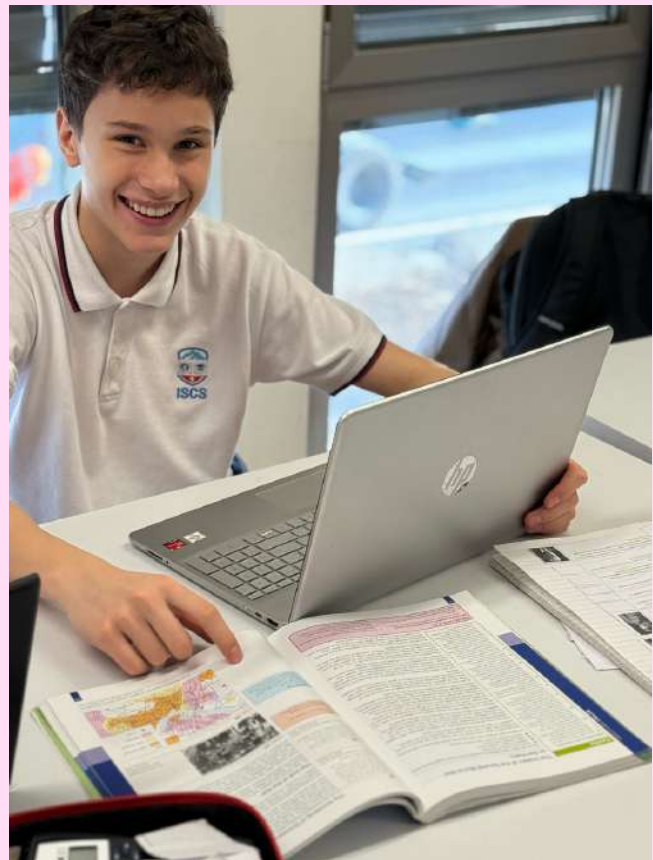


- HIGH SCHOOL NEWS -



By examining diverse viewpoints, our students develop a nuanced understanding of historical events, enhance their analytical skills, and engage in discussions about ethical considerations and global awareness.

Our students are currently immersed in a unique study of World War II, focusing on the German perspective and life on the home front from 1939 to 1945. This approach offers valuable insights into the complexities of the war and fosters empathy, critical thinking, and historical understanding.



We invite you to join us in supporting your child's exploration of this crucial period in history and encourage open discussions at home about the themes and lessons they encounter in their studies.





- HIGH SCHOOL NEWS -



In the Business class, students have taken on the role of the teacher, with each one presenting a specific topic. This teaching method, where students take on the role of the teacher, creates a fun, dynamic and interactive learning environment. Taking charge of a topic means students really get to grips with it, making sure they understand it inside out to share it with their classmates. It's also a brilliant exercise in critical thinking, as students have to sift through information, organise their thoughts coherently, and then present them in an engaging way. This approach not only makes learning more interesting but also helps students sharpen their ability to communicate effectively.





- ISCS TALKS -

We would like to thank Virginia for her fantastic talk last Wednesday, which families who attended found really useful.



Adolescence is a developmental period marked by many changes, often occurring at a rate so rapidly making it difficult for teenagers and their parents to understand what is happening to them. This critical period in a person's life is often the most vulnerable developmental period, which is why mental health practitioners have noticed a consistent upward trend in teen mental health challenges.

Virginia invites you to join her educational workshop where she will dive deep into her life's passion: supporting developing beings and their mental and emotional wellbeing. In this workshop, Virginia draws from her first-hand experience working with youth and families as a Clinician and Mental Health Counselor.

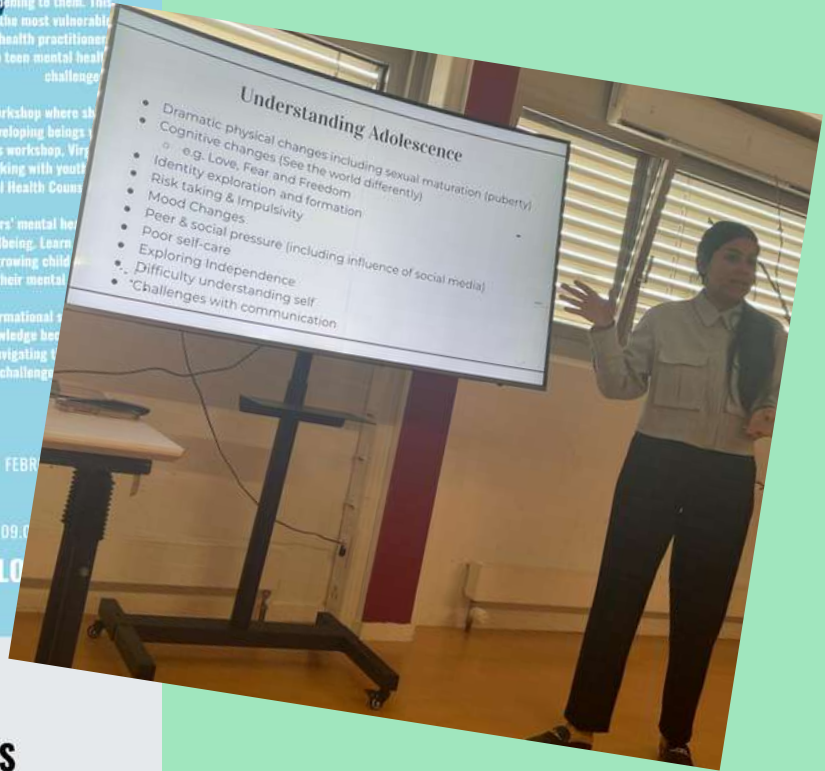
Discover the factors that are affecting teenagers' mental health, as well as tools to support their emotional wellbeing. Learn to apply a developmental lens with your rapidly growing child, and when to intervene in support of their mental health.

Join Virginia as she takes you through her informational and practical approach to adolescent mental health so that this knowledge becomes a catalyst through which you feel empowered in navigating your child's mental health challenges.

WEDNESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY

09:00

LOBBY



- ### Understanding Adolescence
- Dramatic physical changes including sexual maturation (puberty)
 - Cognitive changes (See the world differently)
 - e.g. Love, Fear and Freedom
 - Identity exploration and formation
 - Risk taking & Impulsivity
 - Mood Changes
 - Peer & social pressure (including influence of social media)
 - Poor self-care
 - Exploring independence
 - Difficulty understanding self
 - "Challenges with communication"

VIRGINIA IS A HARVARD-TRAINED MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR WHO SPECIALIZES IN WORKING WITH CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS, AND FAMILIES FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS. IN ADDITION TO HER ROLE AS THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR AT A HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW YORK CITY, SHE ALSO MAINTAINS A PRIVATE PRACTICE IN ZÜRICH, LENDING HER SUPPORTIVE EARS FOR PEOPLE TO FEEL AFFIRMED, UNDERSTOOD AND VALIDATED.

ISCS TALKS NAVIGATING MENTAL HEALTH FOR FAMILIES SWISSER



ISCS Talks:

Navigating Mental Health for Families

Wednesday February 21, 2024

THANK YOU



ISCS PARENTS' ORGANISATION
We Connect - We Care - We Support

Join us!

FOR A

WHOLE COMMUNITY FAMILY DINNER

FRIDAY, MARCH 1
STARTING 6:00 pm
FREIRUUM ZUG

CULINARY DIVERSITY, PLAYGROUND (from 2 years old) &
TRAMPOLINE PARC (from 6 years old) PRESENT ON SITE

PLEASE ANNOUNCE YOUR VENUE

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0544AEAC2AA2FA7-48139105-allsections>

ANY QUESTION, PLEASE CONTACT US

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Check all events in our online calendar
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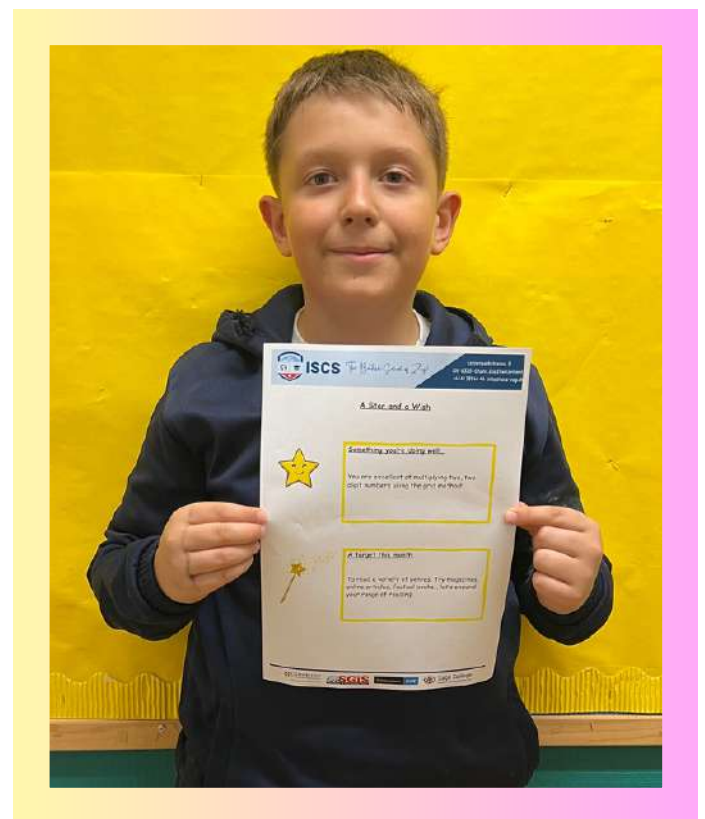
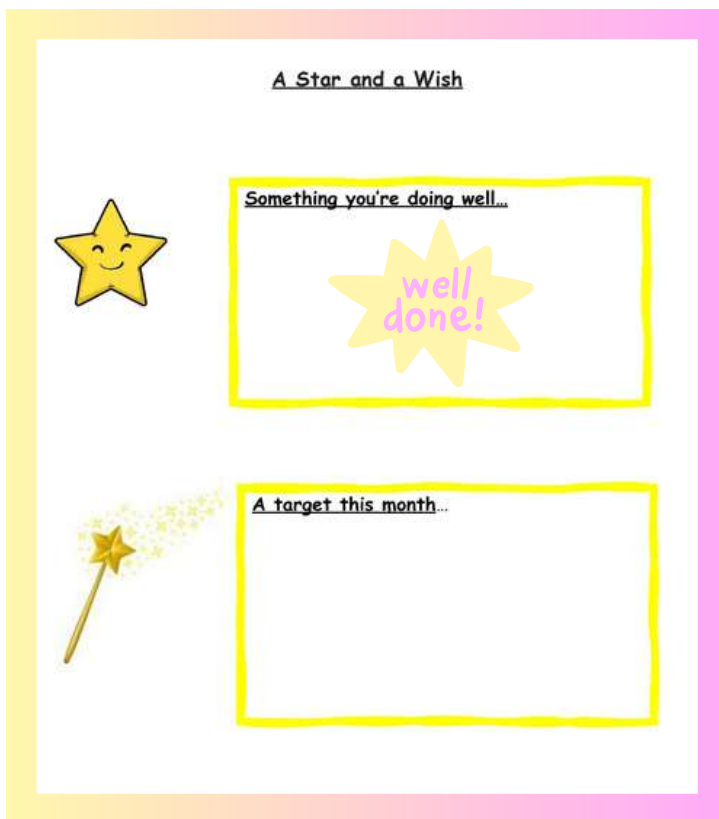
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- Send out of Primary's Monthly Target, A Star and a Wish**

Friday, 1st March

- Carnival around the world-Middle School**
- Whole school community dinner-organised by PO**





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SCHOOL LUNCH-Week of the 26th of February

Monday

Ravioli Spinat
Käsesauce
Erbsen

Tuesday

Tilapia gebraten (ID) ASC
Honig-Balsamico Rahmsauce
Kartoffelwürfel
Karotten Stäbchen

Wednesday

Kalbshackbraten (CH) BTS/RAUS
Kräutersauce braun
Kartoffelgratin mit Käse
Lauchgemüse à la Creme

Thursday

Vegi-Schnitzel Frischkäse (10Stk) 1kg
Tomatensauce
Polenta mit Tessiner Mais
Wirzgemüse

Friday

Panzerotti Caprese

* The menu is complemented with salad (everyday) and dessert (fruit from Monday to Thursday, and cake on Fridays).

