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HOUSE POINTS



Dear ISCS Community,

MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF EDUCATION



At ISCS – The British School of Zug, we place a great emphasis on sports as an essential part of education and personal development. Sports not only promote physical health but also help our students to build discipline, teamwork, resilience, and confidence. These qualities are invaluable not only during school years but throughout life, as they encourage individuals to set goals, persevere, and celebrate both personal and collective achievements.

Last Saturday, some of our students represented ISCS with pride and determination at the Swiss Group of International Schools Cross-Country event in Zürich. Their commitment, energy, and spirit were truly inspiring, and their outstanding results are a reflection of their hard work and dedication.

I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to all our participating students for their achievements, and to thank Prof for his excellent guidance and encouragement, which played such a vital role in this success.

We are proud of you all. Your efforts highlight the importance of sports in our community and remind us of the strength that comes from striving together towards excellence.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Mr. Soto

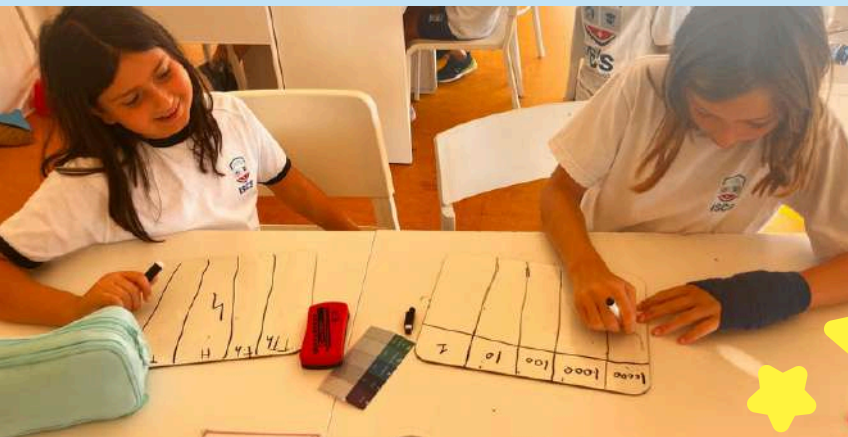
What a fantastic few weeks it has been in Year 5. The children have been working incredibly hard, showing great resilience and creativity.



English lessons have been full of wonder as we began exploring portal stories. After the magical visit from the fairies, the class now know that portal stories usually begin in an ordinary, rather dull place, before an everyday object transports the character to a magical world. We have enjoyed extracts from The Chronicles of Narnia, Harry Potter and our class text The Land of Roar. The children have even learnt a text off by heart, complete with actions, and are now ready to create their very own out-of-this-world fantasy stories.



In Maths, the children have been learning about place value, including decimals up to two places. They have tackled some very tricky word problems with determination and I am very proud of the way they have risen to the challenge.

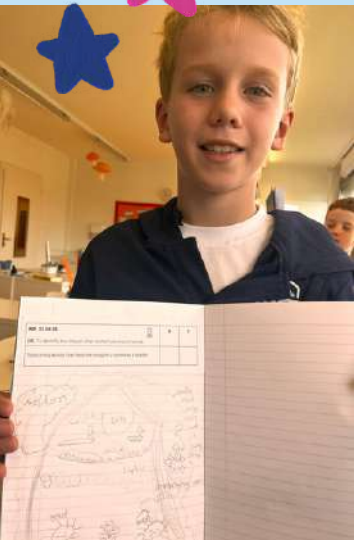


The children have been learning about life cycles in science. This has included observing changes over time by hatching triop eggs and growing their own runner beans. They have compared the life cycles of different living things and used data to make predictions about lifespans and how they relate to size. Their thoughtful observations have been a real highlight.



We have been focusing on close observational drawing in art by studying the work of Carmen Hui. We have taken inspiration from her detailed style and the children have shown great skill in drawing what they can actually see, rather than what they think an object should look like, and the results have been wonderful.

As a class, we have been talking about what it means to be a good learner. We have learnt that good learners often “go into the pit” when they face something challenging. If learning is always too easy, it does not help us grow. Instead, by finding strategies to manage tricky feelings and by pushing through difficulties, the children are becoming more resilient and most importantly, they are discovering that they really can do hard things when they give it their best effort.



Outside of Year 5, Coding Club has been pushing the boundaries of what technology can do. They even “teleported ducks” using micro:bits. Although it seemed like magic, it was really the clever use of the radio function to send data from one device to another when the accelerometer detected a shake. They also created noise-meters and thermometers, combining science, coding and creativity!

It has been a joy to see Year 5 and Coding Club showing such enthusiasm and imagination in all their learning. I am very much looking forward to seeing what they achieve next!

Ms. Lea

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Computer Science: Shaping Tomorrow

Computer Science is more than just coding—it's about understanding the world around us and preparing for the future. Technology is everywhere, from the devices we use daily to the systems that connect our communities. By studying this subject, students learn to think critically, solve problems creatively, and adapt to new challenges. As the future brings advances in areas like artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and sustainability, our students will be ready not only to keep up but to lead. Computer Science empowers them to shape the world, not just live in it.



FUTURE READY

HIGH SCHOOL



IGCSE & A Level Computer Science: Understanding the World Around Us

Computer Science at both IGCSE and A Level is more than just a subject—it's a gateway to understanding the modern world. From algorithms and programming to data and networks, students gain the skills to make sense of the technologies that shape our daily lives.

These courses encourage problem-solving, logical thinking, and creativity, preparing students for future studies and careers in a wide range of fields. More importantly, they help learners see how technology influences society, communication, and the way our world operates.

In a future where advances in artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and global connectivity are inevitable, IGCSE and A Level Computer Science equip our students not just to keep pace, but to be leaders and innovators in a digital age.



IGCSE & A Level Economics: Understanding the demand and supply in the market

Economics is often described as the study of choices — how individuals, businesses, and governments decide what to produce, how to produce it, and for whom. At ISCS, our IGCSE and A Level students are not just learning abstract theories; they are developing the skills to interpret the world they live in.

From understanding why prices rise and fall, to exploring the impact of globalisation, trade, and government policies, Economics gives our students a lens through which to make sense of daily headlines and world events. The classroom becomes a space where theory meets reality — whether it's simulating markets with fake currency and goods, analysing case studies of multinational companies, or debating how governments should respond to economic shocks.

Beyond exams, the subject builds essential life skills: critical thinking, logical analysis, problem-solving, and the ability to construct and defend arguments. These skills prepare students not only for university and a wide range of careers, but also to be informed global citizens who understand the choices shaping societies and economies today.

At ISCS, our Economics students are encouraged to question, to connect, and to think about the bigger picture. As the world faces challenges like sustainability, inequality, and technological change, we believe they will be ready not just to understand these issues, but to help shape the solutions.

READY TO LEARN



Cross country competition



Congratulations to our runners for an outstanding performance at this year's Zurich cross-country race, where they achieved multiple 1st and 2nd places! With 12 international schools taking part and hundreds of participants competing from every corner of Switzerland, the level was incredibly high, yet ISCS shone brightly. Our team brought home the , collected so many medals, and filled the top-10 rankings with strong finishes across the board. This year's results show the dedication, talent, and spirit of our runners, who represented our school with pride and determination. A huge thank you goes to our Head Coach Prof P for guiding the team and making this success possible!

CONGRATULATIONS



An update from the PO - The Charity Drive

The charity drive has already been in full swing for three weeks, so now seems like a good time for a little update! So far, two deliveries have been made to the SDA (Soziale Dienst Asyl) of Canton Zug. Around four boxes of toys, twelve boxes and six bags of clothes (for babies, children, teens, women, and men), two bags of shoes, and school supplies have already been dropped off. More boxes are also ready to go to Caritas, as they do not meet the specific needs of the SDA. The coordinators we met could not be more grateful for the generous donations in support of refugees and asylum seekers, and we are happy to join them in sending a warm thank you to everyone who contributed!

In this time of global uncertainty, the aim of the charity drive has not only been to collect donations but also to raise awareness about the situation of refugees and asylum seekers. While the school intended to celebrate Peace Day last Friday, the PO had the opportunity to meet the primary pupils during their weekly assembly. We explained what it might mean to be a refugee or an asylum seeker, how difficult it must have been to leave one's home country, embark on what is often a perilous journey, and finally arrive in a new country that feels so foreign, where nothing awaited them except peace and safety. We also emphasised how easy it can be for each of us to show kindness, compassion, and empathy through a small donation that helps others feel more welcome, supported, and seen.

We like to say: "A small gesture, meaningful results!" If you would still like to take part in this initiative, please bring in your contribution by October 3rd. We are especially in need of warm clothes and shoes for women and men, toys, skateboards or scooters for tweens and teens, and children's books in German. However, any donation is more than welcome and will help put a smile on someone's face.



Announcements & others!

**TRENDING
TOPIC**



RESPONSIBILITY

The topic of this month's whole school assembly was "Responsibility" and this is what students will be discussing further with their teachers this coming month.

Mr Conser asked pupils what does "responsibility" means to them and what makes a "responsible person".

Mr Evison reminded students that we all made mistakes, but what's important is to be really honest with ourselves and think what we could have done differently.

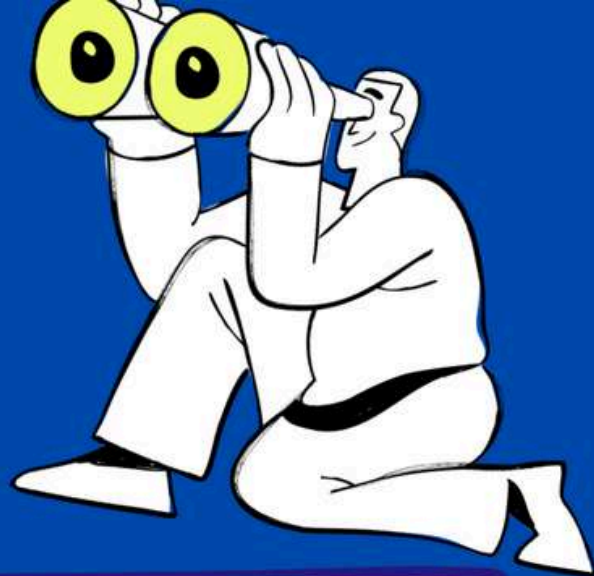
We encourage families to discuss these topics with their children at home!



Are you following ISCS on Social Media?

We run accounts across various platforms to connect with our families & our community. We tell the story of our pupils, staff, parents & partners. On LinkedIn, you will find articles written by our Head of Education, Mr Soto. Search for "ISCS Zug" to find us!

**we are
looking foy
you!!**



student work experience program & careers

We are happy to announce a new programme where to collaborate with institutions and companies to offer our students, especially in the last two years of school, a variety of work experience opportunities.

for students:

Apply for Racing Unleashed opportunities across various departments such as Business Management, Marketing, Human Resources, Logistics, Engineering, and Esports

We have also launched internal student work experience opportunities at ISCS:

- ISCS Early Years Assistant
- ISCS Administration Assistant
- ISCS Catering Assistant

for parents:

We are looking for additional opportunities - can help make this happen for our students?

- Student Work Experience Opportunities
- Guest speakers from the business & professional community
- Subject matter experts and industry experts to share their experience
- Internship opportunities

get in touch:

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ISCS PARENTS' ORGANISATION

CHARITY CLOTHING & TOY DRIVE

**SEPT
8th
2025**

TO

**OCT
3rd
2025**

IN SUPPORT OF



SOZIALE DIENST ASYL
Kanton Zug

CARITAS Schweiz
Suisse
Svizzera
Svizra

DROPOFF



WEEKDAYS 8 AM-4PM
ISCS FRONT DESK

Any question, please email po@iscs-zug.ch



WE ARE COLLECTING
BAGS (Pencil cases/ gym bags
& school backpacks) | **SCHOOL**
FURNITURE (Pencils, glue
sticks, scissors, watercolors,
rulers, geometry triangles,
sharpener, erasers, fountain
pens) | **TOYS** | **CLOTHES** |
SHOES | **ACCESSORIES**
FOR WOMEN, MEN & CHILDREN
ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE
CLEAN, COMPLETE &
GENTLY USED/ NEW



ISCS PARENTS' ORGANISATION

We Connect - We Care - We Support

PRIMARY COMMUNITY

Join us!

FOR A

FAMILY DINNER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 2025

from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm

@ FREIRUUM ZUG

**DELICIOUS FOOD FROM DIVERSE CUISINES,
GREAT COMPANY & FUN GUARANTEED**
(PLAYGROUND, TRAMPOLINE, CLIMBING)

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE
OCTOBER 2nd, 2025

ANY QUESTION,
BE IN TOUCH
po@iscs-zug.ch

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0544AEAC2AA2FA7-58564316-primary>



Morning Coffee



ISCS Parents Community
WhatsApp group



JOIN OUR MONTHLY

Coffee Talk And Connect

Tuesday, October 7th 2025

from 8:15 till 10:00 am

at Latte Stories

Lorzenparkstrasse 15a, 6330 Cham

**ISCS PARENTS
ORGANISATION**

WE CONNECT - WE CARE - WE SUPPORT

Happiness
is coffee
on a
Fall day!

i
love
coffee





Check all events in our online calendar
<https://iscs-zug.ch/en/2023-24-iscs-calendar/>

Weekly Agenda

Week: 29th September

■ Intermediate Test Week

Monday 29th September

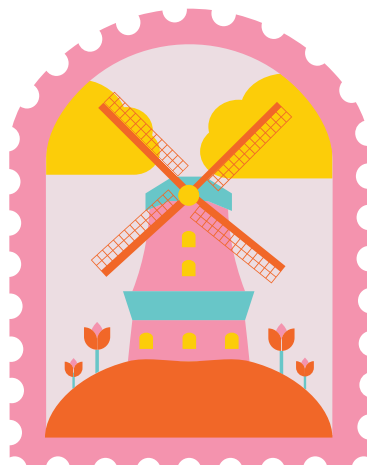
■ Info meeting - Trip to China and Trip to the Netherlands

Wednesday 1st October

■ Info meeting - Trip to Rome

Friday 3d October

■ Family Dinner





- SCHOOL LUNCH -

Week of the 29th September



Monday

Basilica tricolor
tortellini
Cinque Pi sauce
Creamy tomato
soup

Tuesday

Red Fish
Rice and Veggies
Tomato sauce

Wednesday

Meatballs
Rösti
Gravy
Pickled carrots

Thursday

Salmon filet
Rice and veggies
Lemon sauce

Friday

Chicken
hamburger
Pommes frites
Yogurt

The menu is complemented everyday with salad buffet and fruit, cake on Fridays

