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NEWSLETTER

# ISCS

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## HOUSE POINTS



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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Message from the Director

Dear ISCS Community,

This week, we had the pleasure of celebrating International Day of Languages at ISCS, a particularly meaningful occasion for a school community representing more than 40 different nationalities.

Language is much more than a means of communication. It carries culture, traditions, experiences and different ways of understanding the world. Having so many languages and cultural backgrounds represented within our school gives our students a unique opportunity to learn from one another and to develop the openness and curiosity that are so important in an international education.

Celebrations such as this also reinforce values that are central to our school: respect, acceptance and a global mindset. We want our students not only to appreciate their own language and cultural identity, but also to value and respect those of others.

Our diversity is one of the great strengths of ISCS. It enriches learning inside and outside the classroom and helps us prepare our students to become confident, respectful and internationally minded young people.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this celebration such a positive reflection of our international community.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Mr. Soto.



# PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Year 1

What a wonderful start to the year we have had in Year 1!

The children have settled into their new routines brilliantly and have already shown such enthusiasm, curiosity and kindness towards one another. It has been lovely to see them growing in confidence and becoming more independent each day.

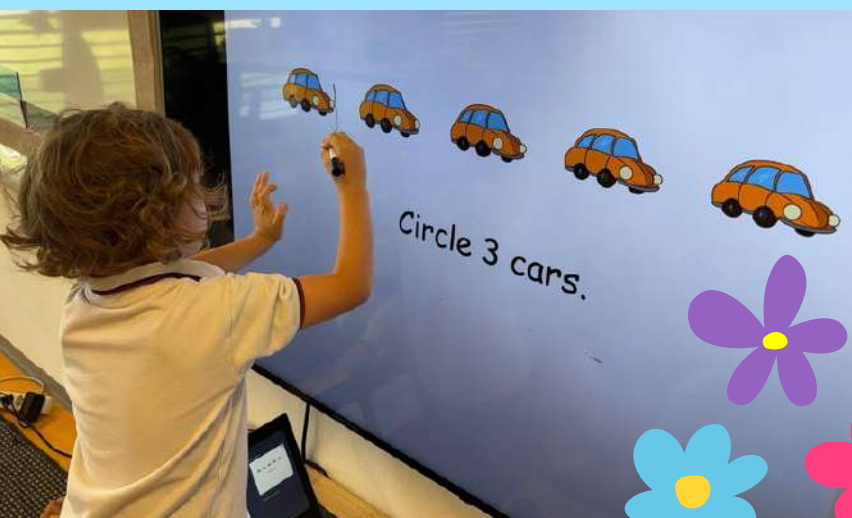
## English

In English, we have been developing our storytelling skills through Talk for Writing, using the traditional tale The Three Billy Goats Gruff as our focus story. The children have loved learning the story through actions, repetition and lots of opportunities to retell it together.

They have been developing their vocabulary and practising speaking in full sentences, using exciting words and phrases to bring the story to life. The children have particularly enjoyed acting out the different characters, especially the fierce troll!

We have also been exploring the structure of a story, identifying the beginning, middle and end, and thinking carefully about characters, settings and events. The children have worked hard to retell the story independently and are beginning to use their sound mats to help them write their own versions of the story.





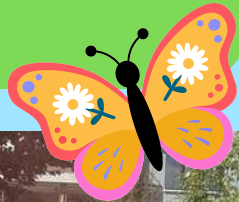
## A Visit to Cham Library

Year 1 also enjoyed a lovely walk to Cham Library. The children were very excited to explore the library and discover all the wonderful books available to them. We talked about how libraries work, how to look after books and why reading is such an important part of our learning.

## Peace Day and Colour Run

We have also enjoyed celebrating Peace Day and taking part in our exciting Colour Run! We talked about the importance of kindness, friendship, helping others and living peacefully together. The children enjoyed thinking about how we can show respect and care for the people around us. Our Peace morning with parents was a lovely opportunity to celebrate together. We also had a fantastic time during our Colour Run, with plenty of running, laughter and, of course, lots of colourful powder!

It has been a wonderful start to Year 1, and we are incredibly proud of how well the children have settled in. We are looking forward to all the exciting learning, experiences and adventures still to come!





## Revision Ready! Top Tips from Our Teachers

Assessment time is approaching, and our teachers have shared their top tips to help students revise smarter, not longer! The key message? Don't just reread – test yourself, practise and apply what you know.

### Economics

Focus on explaining why things happen, not just what happens. Build your answers using:

Change → Why? → Consequence → So what?

Test yourself by recalling definitions, drawing diagrams and explaining cause-and-effect chains without your notes.

### Computer Science

Don't just memorise code – understand the logic! Break problems into small steps before you start programming.

Y7: Make sure your practical project uses the skills learned in class.

Y8: Revise Python syntax, formative examples and theory, including the development cycle.

Y9: Revisit class notes and uploaded slides.

Y10: Focus on theory and exam-style questions.

Y11: Practise past-paper pseudocode, especially inputs, outputs, conditions, loops and arrays.

### Media Studies

When looking at an advert, film or social media post, ask:

Who is it made for, and how does it attract their attention?

Practise explaining the effect of specific choices rather than simply identifying them.

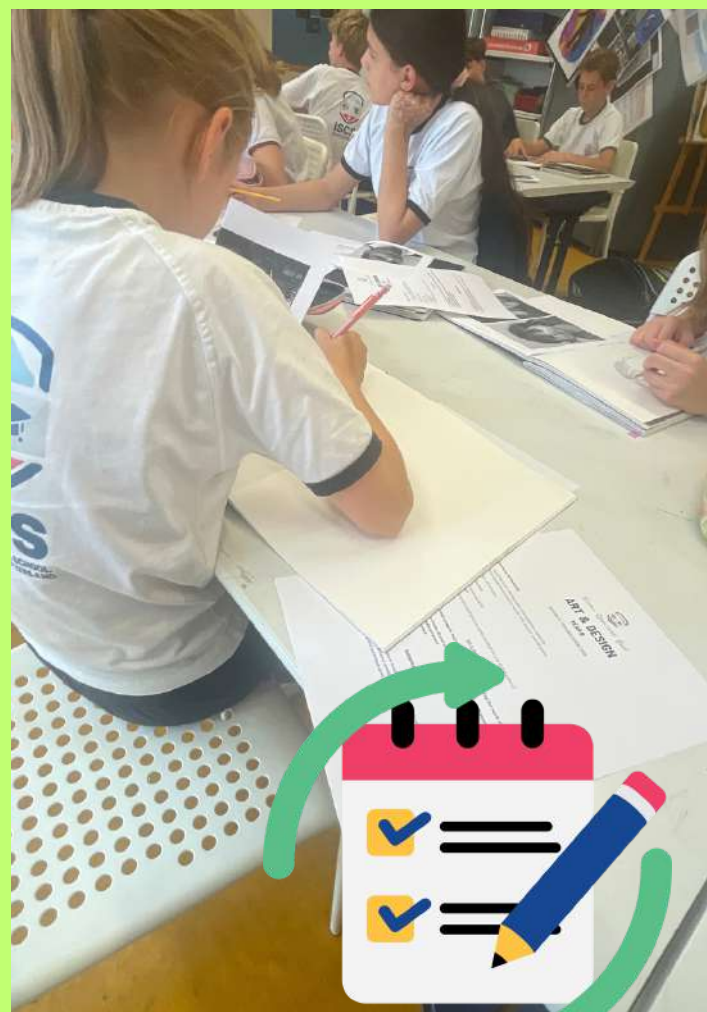
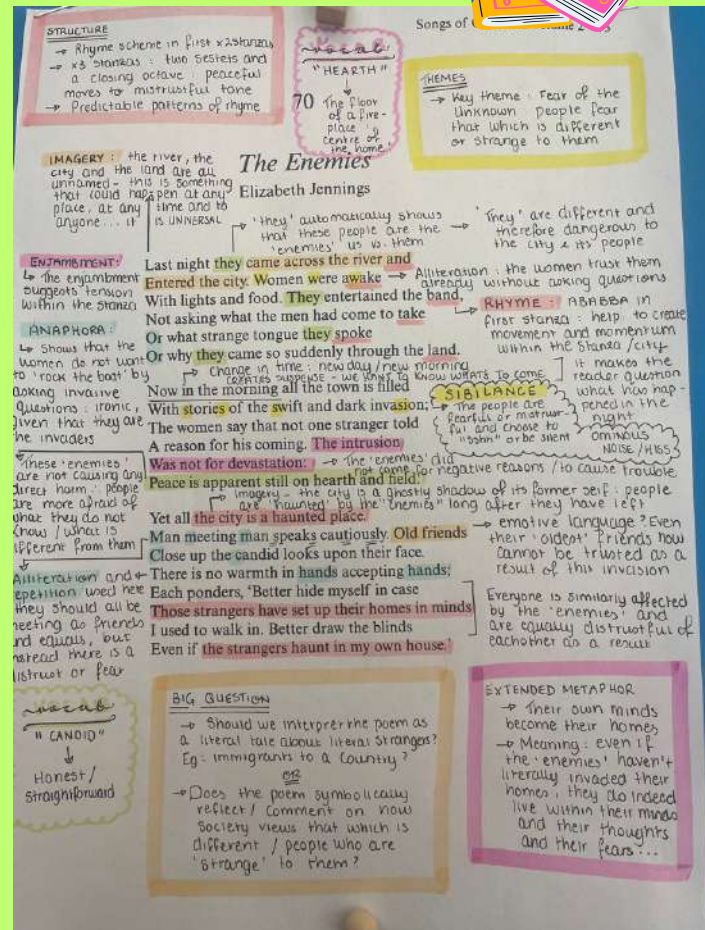
### Art

Plan before you create! Prepare ideas through sketching, decide which materials and techniques you will use, and select useful visual resources before your assessment.

### Mathematics

Use spaced practice for formulas and rules. Practise them for a few minutes over several days, take a short break, then test yourself without looking. Gradually increase the time between tests.

Most importantly, don't just memorise a formula - practise when and how to use it.



# SECONDARY SCHOOL

## RECAP

### Revision Ready! Top Tips from Our Teachers

#### Science

Try dual coding and blurring! Draw diagrams alongside key information, then close your notes and write everything you can remember about a topic.

Check your notes afterwards and add anything you missed in a different colour. Repeat until those gaps disappear!

#### IGCSE PE – Years 10 & 11

Learn key definitions, then practise applying them to specific sporting examples. Linking concepts to your own sporting experiences can make them much easier to remember.

Close your notes, retrieve what you know, check what you missed and try again a few days later.

#### English

Recall key quotations, themes, vocabulary and techniques from memory.

For Literature, practise explaining how and why writers make particular choices. For Language, complete past questions and practise planning or writing responses under timed conditions.

#### German

Little and often is the way to go! Regularly test vocabulary in both directions and use new words in complete sentences.

Practise key verb forms and structures, speak German aloud and challenge yourself to answer familiar questions in different ways rather than memorising whole responses.

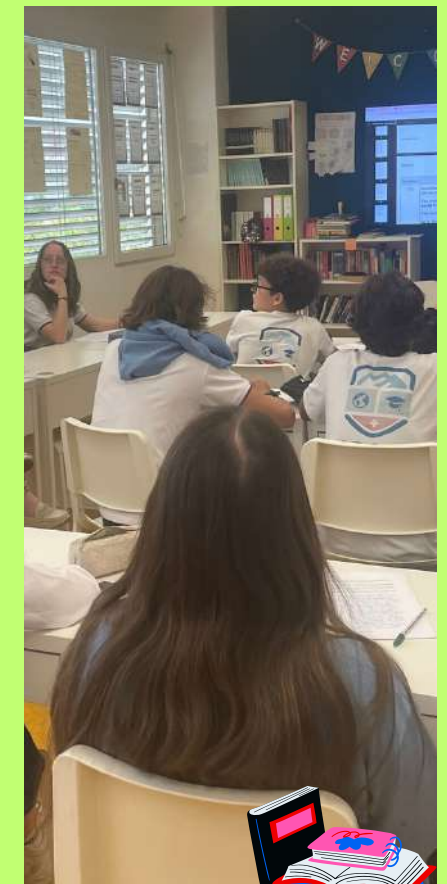
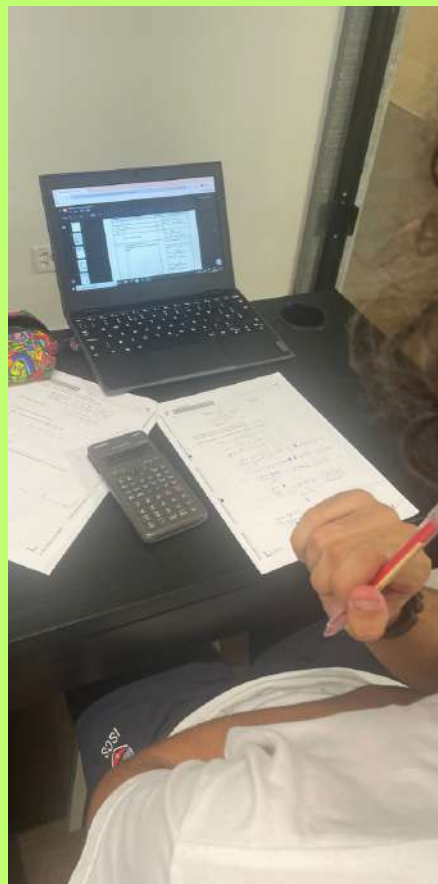
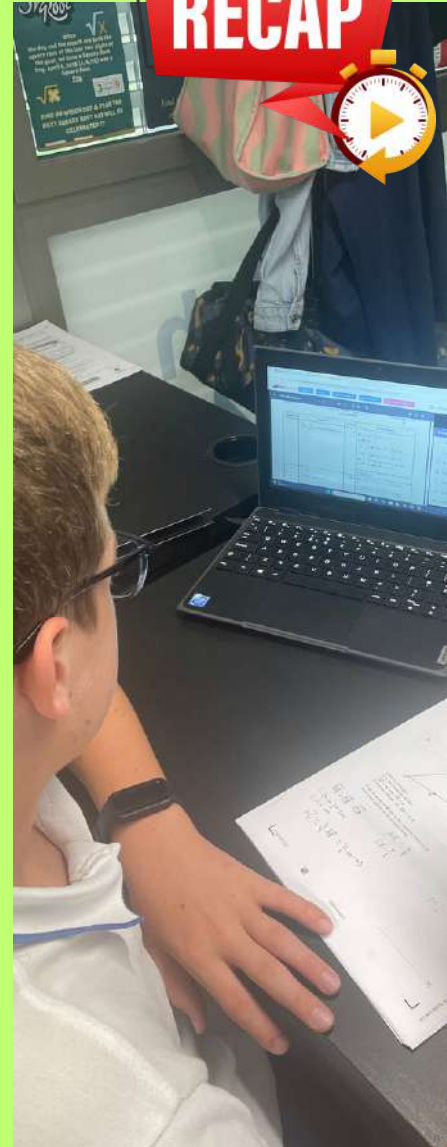
#### History

Don't just reread - retrieve!

Close your notes and write down everything you can remember about one topic. Then reopen your notes, check what you missed, and add it in a different colour. Repeat this a day or two later.

This strengthens your memory and quickly reveals what you still need to revise.

Ready, Set, Revise!



# PEACE ONE DAY



- GLOBAL MINDSET -

# PE THIS TERM



- GLOBAL MINDSET -

# IN OTHER NEWS:

## Congratulations!

well done!

Congratulations to our pupils for outstanding results over the weekend in tennis, ice-hockey and skiing fitness tests. EVZ U18 Elite with our PAR students has had an incredible start to the season. Over in tennis, in a 4 rounds - Hörmann Tennis tournament, our pupils won 1<sup>st</sup> place in boys U12 and boys U14 categories. In Ski-racing teams annual Axpo Sport fitness competition, our student won first place for the second time in a row. We are looking forward to more students taking part in various completions and will keep sharing their successes here!













U18-ELIT

SPIELE

TABELLE

TEAM

2026/2027



U18-ELIT

1:6

BEENDET

SO | 13.09. 16:00





U18-ELIT

3:1

BEENDET

FR | 18.09. 17:00





U18-ELIT

3:1

BEENDET

SO | 20.09. 12:15







**ISCS PARENTS' ORGANISATION**

*We Connect - We Care - We Support*

# CHARITY CLOTHING & PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS

**SEPT  
7th  
2026**

**TO**

**OCT  
2nd  
2026**

**IN SUPPORT OF**



Volunteer-powered non-profit  
supporting local & social  
organizations (shelter, asylum,...)

**DROPOFF** 

**WEEKDAYS 8 AM-4PM**

**ISCS FRONT DESK**

**Any question, please email** [po@iscs-zug.ch](mailto:po@iscs-zug.ch)



**WE ARE COLLECTING**

**BAGS** (Pencil cases/ gym bags  
& school backpacks) | **SHOES** |

**CLOTHES** (Fall & Winter) |

**HYGIENE PRODUCTS** (New  
diapers, sealed pads/tampons) |

**HYGIENE ITEMS** (New soap/  
shampoo/ body & hand cream/  
toothbrush/ toothpaste/ shower  
gel/ deodorant)

**ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE  
CLEAN, COMPLETE &  
GENTLY USED/ NEW**

# LEGO® Robotics Club – Discover, Build & Experiment!

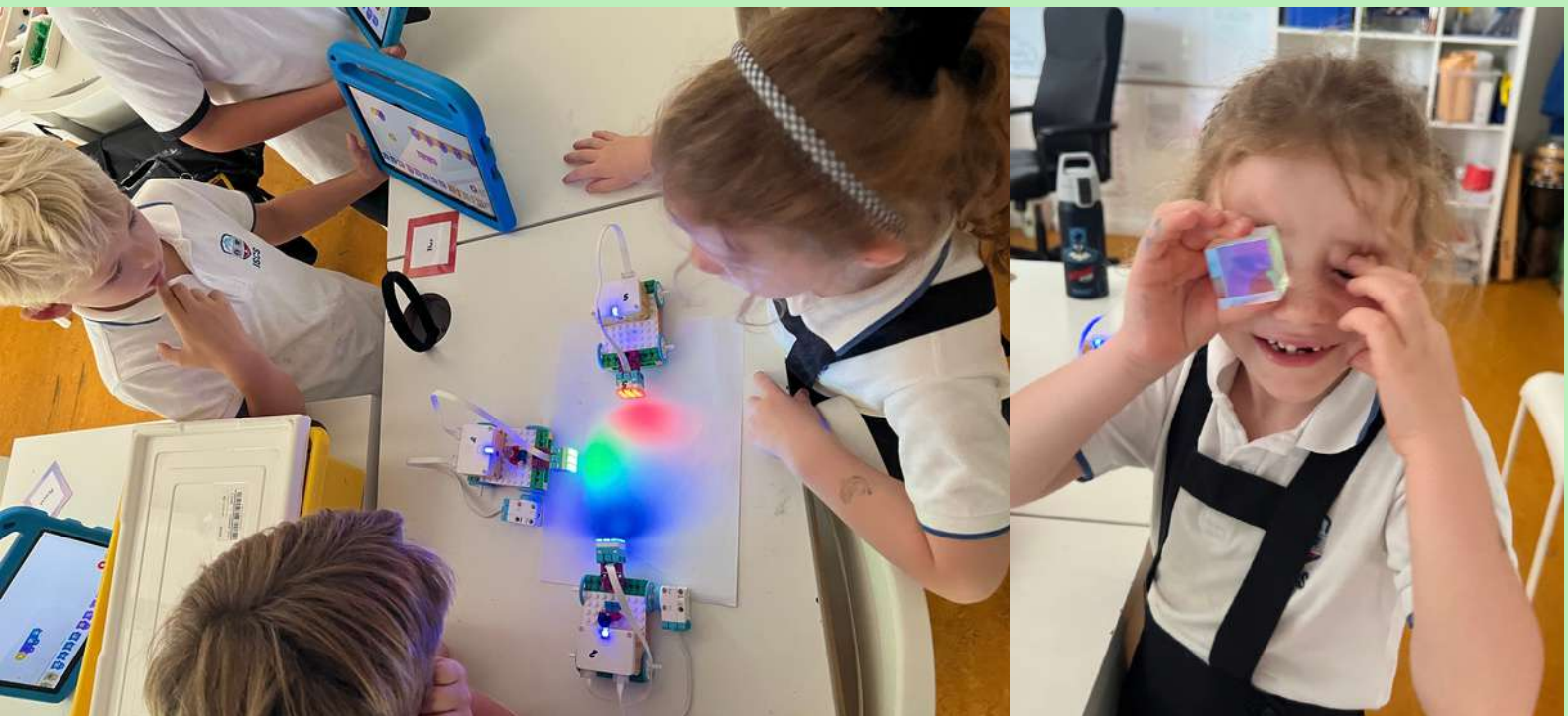
A new LEGO® Robotics Club, run by Masters of Tomorrow, has started at ISCS this school year, giving curious young minds the chance to explore science and technology through hands-on challenges.

Every Monday, children build and program LEGO® Robotics models, carry out exciting science experiments and discover the “why” behind the things they observe. Along the way, they also develop creativity, problem-solving and communication skills. This week our young explorers investigated light and colours. They built and programmed LEGO® Robotics cave cars with their own light sources, experimented with combining colours to make white light and then split white light again to reveal a rainbow.

Curious to join? LEGO® Robotics Club takes place every Monday at ISCS, and registrations are still open.



**New explorers  
are very  
welcome!**



# Morning Coffee

ISCS Parents Community  
Whatsapp group



**JOIN A FRIENDLY &  
LIVING COMMUNITY**

**ATTEND OUR MONTHLY**

*Coffee Talk  
And Connect*

**Tuesday, October 6th 2026  
from 8:15 till 10:00 am**

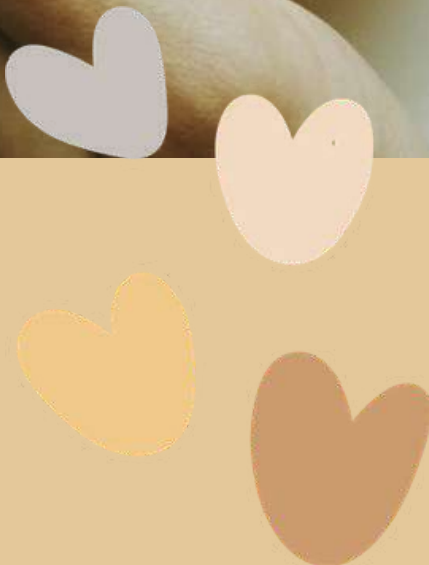
**at Latte Stories**

Lorzenparkstrasse 15a, 6330 Cham

**ISCS PARENTS  
ORGANISATION**

WE CONNECT-WE CARE-WE SUPPORT

Autumn is better  
with a warm mug!  
Leaves are falling,  
coffee is calling!





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

**PRIMARY COMMUNITY**

# Join us!

**FAMILY DINNER**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23rd,**  
**2026**

from 6:30 pm to 11:00 pm

@ FREIRUUM ZUG

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

PLEASE RSVP BEFORE  
OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0544AEAC2AA2FA7-66165447-primary>

ANY QUESTION,  
BEINTOUCH WITH US  
[po@iscs-zug.ch](mailto:po@iscs-zug.ch)





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

# Weekly Agenda

**Week: 28th September**

**Monday 28th of September**

**Start of Intermediate Test Week**

**Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

**World Smile Day - Do an act of kindness. Help one person smile**



28

Gnocchi a la Sebastiano  
with pomodoro or pesto sauce  
salad buffet and fruit

29

Hake a la Napoletana  
Rice and veggies  
Salad buffet and fruit

30

Grilled Chicken thigh  
Italian style  
Potatoe wedges  
Salad buffet and fruit

1

Cheese and vegetable  
Omelette  
Rice in light tomatoe  
sauce  
Salad buffet and fruit

2

Beef hamburger  
French fries  
Salad buffet and fresh  
grapes

5

Fusilli with  
with aubergine and  
tomato sauce  
Salad buffet and fruit

6

Oven baked salmon,  
Lemon yoghurt sauce  
Potatoes and  
vegetables  
Salad buffet and fruit

7

Yellow chicken curry  
Rice and vegetables  
Salad buffet and fruit

8

Grilled Swiss veal  
sausage  
French fries  
Salad buffet and fruit

9

Pizza Margherita  
Salad buffet and cake

Extended Salads buffet with Pasta salad and Coucous salad



NEXT WEEK  
QUINOA  
SALAD

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

