

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CURAÇAO

ISC WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER



**International
School of
Curaçao**

Dates to Remember:

November 17: Paint and Sip Fundraiser
November 18, 19, 20: Curaçao Youth Theater Performance
November 21: Online Progress Reports
November 23: Elementary School Concert
Early Dismissal
November 24-25: Thanksgiving Holiday- NO SCHOOL
December 2: Sinterklaas

From The Director

Good afternoon ISC,

We have two great events this week with tickets still available at the main office. In support of ISC's Teener Parade and athletics, a fundraiser will be held this Thursday at Hofi Cas Cora. "Paint and Sip" is for our parents who may enjoy a relaxing evening of guided painting, wine, snacks, and good company. Seating is limited to 50 people and there are just a handful of tickets remaining. There will also be a significant art piece up for auction. Please contact Ms. Beaujon (beaujonn@isc.cw) or Ms. Evertsz (evertsz@isc.cw) for more details.

The performance of Grease will open up Friday night at Teatro Luna Blau. Two additional shows will follow on Saturday and a Sunday matinee will close it out. Show times can be seen on page two. Tickets are available for all four shows, but very few remain for Friday and Saturday evening. If you don't have your ticket in hand, they will be available in the main office until Friday. They will also be sold at Luna Blau's ticket booth prior to all shows unless they are sold out in advance.

Next week is a short one, but lots of things are happening. K3 to 3rd grade will be performing their Holiday Concert Wednesday morning and later that same morning, with support from our PTA, we will have our Thanksgiving lunch. Dismissal that day will be at 12:00 as we head into the extended weekend for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Sincerely,

Douglas Vaughan
Director

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Our Vision: An international education today for the global citizens of tomorrow.

Our Mission: ISC educates students from diverse cultures to have the skills to think creatively, communicate effectively, reason critically, and act compassionately.

Curaçao Youth Theater: Director's Message

I would like to invite everyone from the ISC community to the Curaçao Youth Theater's production of *GREASE* this weekend at Luna Blou. Tickets are available in the main office for 25 guilders.

Six years ago I began working with a small after school group of actors from the elementary, middle and high school at ISC. That year we performed our first show: *Annie*. The show was a success and something that, as a creator and director, I was very proud of. The musicals continued in this way for the next two years— 1 hour shows of prerecorded music open to ISC kids only.

In 2014, following our CIS accreditation, one of the steps we decided to take in an effort to integrate more with our community of Curaçao (an outcome explicitly stated by the accrediting team), was to open auditions to all students on the island. This was a way we could integrate better in the community as well as grow the talent pool and types of shows for the theater group. And that year we staged *Les Miserables*, a 2 ½ hour show with 34 cast members and a live orchestra of 12! This was not a show we would have been able to produce with ISC students alone. We simply didn't have the numbers of interested students necessary. That year, students from 8 schools participated and the reviews from the greater community were impressive. Not only that, but the opportunity our students had to learn from peers who were exceptionally talented, and who they might not otherwise have had the opportunity was priceless. As a parent, teacher and theater director, I cannot express enough how valuable it is for our students to collaborate with students from other schools. The perspective and new friendships it creates is invaluable.

This year's production of *Grease* is no less fabulous, and I hope you take the time to support not only our ISC actors, but the students from various schools on the island as well as the arts in general. Take time to talk to the kids after the show about their experience with the Curaçao Youth Theater, and find ways which you can become involved. I have always appreciated the support the administration and faculty at ISC have given, and I am grateful that the PTA supports the Curaçao Youth Theater as well. I hope the entire ISC community comes out and supports the talented Curaçao youth this weekend.

Theatrically Yours,

Kate Ribeiro



A vibrant poster for the musical *GREASE*. At the top, three young performers (two women and one man) are posed in 1950s-style clothing. The title "GREASE" is written in large, stylized white letters with a black outline, featuring a comb as the letter 'G'. Below the title, three red boxes provide showtimes: November 18 (Premiere, 8:00 PM), November 19 (2:00 PM and 8:00 PM), and November 20 (2:00 PM). The venue is listed as "TEATRO LUNA BLOU". Ticket information states "ISC MAIN OFFICE - TEATRO LUNA BLOU - ALL CAST MEMBERS". Logos for Curaçao Youth Theater and Teatro Luna Blou are at the bottom, along with a QR code and social media links.

NOVEMBER 18 **PREMIERE**
SHOW TIME: 8:00 PM

NOVEMBER 19 SHOW TIMES:
2:00 PM
8:00 PM

NOVEMBER 20 SHOW TIME:
2:00 PM

- VENUE -
TEATRO LUNA BLOU

- TICKET SALE -
ISC MAIN OFFICE - TEATRO LUNA BLOU - ALL CAST MEMBERS

 CURAÇAO YOUTH THEATER  teatro LUNA BLOU

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 SCAN FOR MORE INFO

Community Service Announcement: International Bazaar

Sunday
20th
November
10am - 4pm

International Bazaar

at Fort Amsterdam

Fun for the whole family! Free Entrance

19 Countries Represented

Cultural shows • Kid's activities • International food

All proceeds go to local children's projects!

ISC GIN & Band Students to Participate in International Bazaar

On Sunday Nov 20th, ISC GIN students will be volunteering at the International Bazaar organized by the **'Uniting for Children'** organization of the Consular Corps of Curacao to help raise funds for different local children organizations. Additionally, ISC's band students will be performing for the public at 10:20 prior to the opening ceremony to officially kick off the event.

Alumni News: Isabel Hageman, ISC Class of 2013

After Isabel graduated from ISC with an IB diploma in May 2013, she continued her studies at the University College Roosevelt in Middelburg, the Netherlands. UCR is a small, Liberal Arts and Sciences honor's College of Utrecht University. Here she followed the Pre-Medical program to follow her journey to becoming a doctor. During her time at UCR, Isabel was general board member of the Party Committee and treasurer of the Red Cross Student Desk. She also founded the scientific journal *Science of the Human Body*, a journal that publishes research papers by bio/pre-medical students of the various university colleges in the Netherlands. The second issue will be published in December. During the summer of 2015, Isabel conducted clinical research at the Erasmus University Medical Center in Rotterdam on medically unexplained physical symptoms in the Emergency Department. She spent two months in the ED where she interviewed patients and doctors, and also got to see very interesting cases! This experience sparked her interest in research and for her bachelor's thesis Isabel conducted a literature study on immunotherapy as a treatment for cancer. In June 2016, Isabel graduated magna cum laude from UCR with a Bachelor of Science. She was accepted to several medical masters programs after a series of entrance exams and interviews, and decided to move to Utrecht to study the Selective Utrecht Medical Master (SUMMA). This masters program will educate and prepare her to become a medical doctor as well as a clinical researcher in four years, a 'physician-scientist'; a perfect fit for her interests. She hopes to become a good and successful, but more importantly, a kind and helpful doctor that her patients trust their stories and lives with. For now Isabel is thinking about becoming a surgeon, but she realizes she still has many years (and experience!) to gain before she knows for sure. Everything might still change. This road to becoming a doctor was not what she had planned when she was about to graduate from ISC, but she would not change a thing about it if given the chance to do so. It was not the easiest road to take, on the contrary, but it was definitely worth it and much more fun and enlightening! She thinks it made her a better person and will make her a better doctor.





WRITER OF THE MONTH COMPETITION

This year again the ISC Library is celebrating the talents of young writers in our community with a contest designed for students of Grade 3 to 5. First, second, and third place winners from each age group will receive a prize. The winning entries will be published in our ISC collection.

ENTRY RULES; All students of Grade 3 to 5.

1. Entries may be on any subject in any genre—including fiction, nonfiction, biography, autobiography, mystery, humor, science fiction or fantasy.
2. Each entry must be an original work with some drawings.
3. Must be more than 5 pages.
4. All entries must be sent to dornaikat@isc.cw or on a USB memory stick (original drawing should be scanned and attached to the story).
5. All entries must be received no later than January 31st, 2017.

Students that do not hand in a story will not receive a library grade for this assignment.

We're sorry, entries cannot be returned.



Animal Awareness Club: Smoothie Sale Success!

During the Animal Awareness Club meetings, the student members have been learning about the welfare of the animals of the island. They also learned that we have a huge overpopulation of unwanted cats and dogs in Curacao, and therefore it is crucial to spay and neuter those animals. Because there is a lack of funds to cover all those expenses, the Animal Awareness Club decided to organize a fundraiser. Yesterday, the Animal Awareness Club sold banana smoothies and watermelon juice, and it was a huge success! Lots of students and parents came to buy their drinks and more than nafl. 600,- was collected! With that money, we can prevent a lot of suffering on the streets.

A special thanks goes out to the members of the Animal Awareness Club and Ms. Roxy for helping with the advertisement and sale, the PTA for their support, the administration for allowing us to organize this event, the parents of the Animal Awareness Club members for donating bananas, the teachers for lending us jugs and blenders, the maintenance team for helping us set up, and of course everyone who bought a smoothie or juice.



**We are caring. We are thoughtful.
We are helpful. We are the Animal
Awareness Club. We are ISC!**



NJHS Holiday Drive Ready to Begin



Dear ISC parents,

Once again it is that time of year when we begin to think of all the things for which we are thankful. As Thanksgiving approaches we know that the holiday season cannot be far off. And the holiday season means the annual Holiday Food Drive is getting underway.

As you may know, NJHS stands for National Junior Honor Society. The Kayena Chapter at the International School of Curaçao was founded in 1988. The purpose of this chapter is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to set an example for leadership, and to encourage the development of character in students of the International School of Curaçao.

Our goal this year is for everyone to donate as much as possible so that each classroom's box can be entirely donated to a family. We will still be collecting the same items we have in the past: canned and non-perishable foods, basic household supplies, and toiletries. Below, please find examples of items that can be donated. Please make sure that the food you donate has not expired!

The deadline for receiving donations in the classrooms is: Tuesday, December 13th 2016

As members of the ISC community we are fortunate to have an abundance of good in our lives. We have good food to eat and good clothes to wear. Let's take this time to share that abundance with those less fortunate.

NJHS would like to thank you for all your support and we wish you a very Happy Holiday Season!

Non-Perishable Foods/ Alimentos no perecederos:

Canned Fruits- **Frutas enlatados**, Canned Vegetables- **Vegetales enlatados**, Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, Spam etc.)- **Carnes enlatados**, Canned Soups- **Sopas enlatados**, Fruit juices (in non-breakable containers)- **Jugos de frutas (en recipientes irrompibles)**, Rice- **Arroz**, Pasta- **Pasta**, Coffee- **Café**, Cereals- **Cereales**, Dry or canned beans- **Frijoles secos o enlatados**, Powdered/evaporated milk- **Leche en polvo / evaporada**, Boxes of crackers- **Cajas de galletas**, Boxes of cookies- **Cajas de galletas (dulce)**, Cooking oil (canola, olive, vegetable etc.)- **Aceite de cocina**

Cleaning Supplies/ Artículos de limpieza:

Laundry detergent- **Detergente para ropa**, Cleaning supplies- **Artículos de limpieza**, Paper towel- **Toalla de papel**, Dish soap- **Jabón para lavar platos**

Toiletries and Personal Items/Artículos de tocador y artículos personales:

Deodorant- **Desodorante**, Body soap- **Jabón de cuerpo**, Shampoo- **Champú**, Conditioner- **Acondicionador**, Toilet paper- **Papel higiénico**, Toothpaste- **Pasta de dientes**, Toothbrushes- **Cepillos de dientes**

We are unable to accept: expired foods, glass jars and baked or used products.

Interactive Learning: 6th Graders Present Planetary Science Projects to 4th Grade

Last Friday, Ms. Chugani's 6th Grade Science class wrapped up their unit on Planetary Science with a presentation of their projects to the 4th graders. The different groups were each responsible for presenting their research on one of the following: the start of the universe and solar system, inner planets, outer planets, and comets, asteroids and meteors. Each group also created an interactive game making the learning experience one that was educational, exciting, and fun! On behalf of the 4th grade class, we'd like to thank the 6th graders and Ms. Chugani for their efforts in sharing their knowledge; we had a great time!

For a video with pictures of the interactive learning experience, please click on the link:

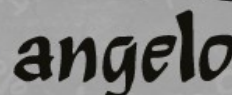
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"Alone, we are smart. Together, we are brilliant!" – Steven Anderson



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