

## INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CURAÇAO

# ISC WEEKLY

## NEWSLETTER



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**Dates to Remember:**

December 7-16: High School Midterm Exams

December 16: Last day of 2nd academic quarter

Early Dismissal

December 19-January 6: Holiday Break– NO SCHOOL

January 9: 3rd Quarter Begins

January 16-18: CIS 5-Year Review Visit

**From The Director**

Dear ISC,

Thank you all for a great first semester. I wish you all a well-deserved holiday break and a restful three weeks away from school with friends and family. Safe travels to those who are vacationing off-island.

Please remember that the campus will be completely closed during the break. The next newsletter will be January 11th.

See you all back at school in 2017; the first day of school is Monday, January 9th!

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.***

## From the Tech corner



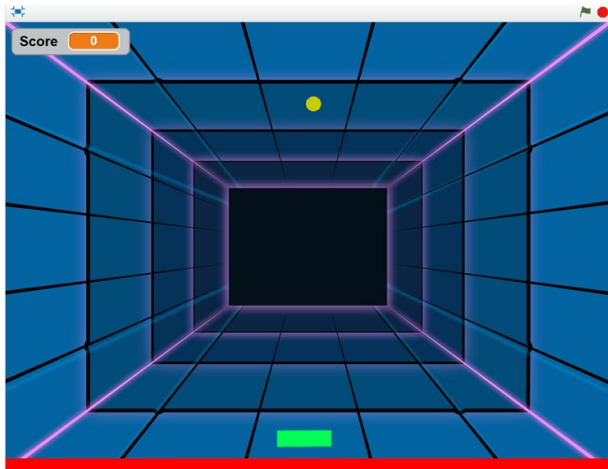
As I look back on the first semester, I am very proud of our high school students' accomplishments in IT classes.

I would like to share with you two projects that in my opinion show our students collaboration, communication, problem solving and critical thinking skills. Skills that are absolutely necessary in today's world.

### Coding

Few weeks ago programming was introduced to our 10th grade class. Some students were able to re-create a simple but really fun game called PONG using [SCRATCH](http://www.isc.cw/coding/) as programming language (coding with blocks).

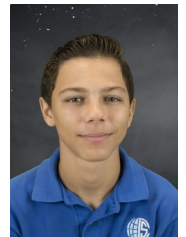
Please take few minutes of your time and try our game:



<http://www.isc.cw/coding/>

Instructions:

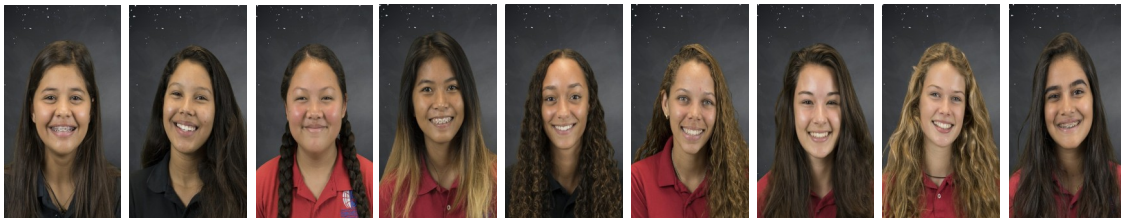
- \* Click on the green flag to start playing.
- \* Place the mouse cursor close to the green paddle.
- \* Move the mouse to control the paddle.
- \* Do not let the ball touch the red line.
- \* Click on the red shape to stop the game.
- \* Have fun!!!



Developed by: Davis van Grieken

### AR Flashcards for kindergarten students

Our 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls created virtual flashcards using Augmented Reality technology. With this great idea, lower elementary students will be able to understand real world concepts in a virtual layer of information (video, animations, audio). Try our Animal Alphabet flashcards developed by: Nathalia, Caitlin, Sue Lin, Ploy, Kyara, Aryandra, Tessa, Anne and Tanishq.



### Animal Alphabet AR Flash Cards

Aurama app

Click here -> [iTunes](#) OR [GooglePlay](#)







## Elementary News: 3rd Grade Goes to Tafelberg

3rd grade went to the rock quarry yesterday at Tafelberg Mining as a culmination to their unit on Rocks and Minerals! It was a beautiful day to explore the natural world Curaçao offers. During their exploration, students collected rocks, learned how the mountain is mined...and how for 125 years Curacao has been using the rock from the mountain to build all over the island! It was a wonderful experience!





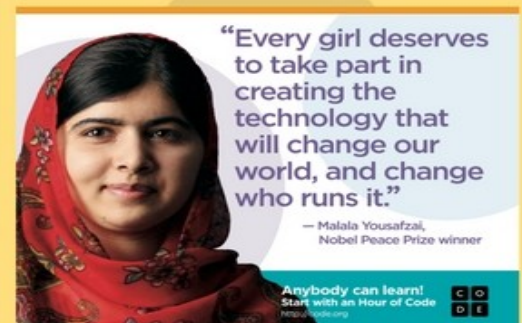
## Elementary News: Coding Fundamentals

Elementary students were coding during computer class this past week. Grades 1 and 2 used coding fundamentals to navigate an elf through the forest to find dropped presents, while 3rd grade programmed using Lightbot. They learned how to give the computer a set of instructions to follow while helping each other understand the basics of coding: plan, run, code, debug. Let's see what this new week of coding brings. #iscelementary

Plan -> Code ->  
Run -> Debug



#iscelementary





## Music Department Performs Over the Weekend

This past Saturday the ISC choir and strings traveled to SEHOS, Building Depot, and Sambil Mall to spread the some holiday cheer! The mini music tour consisted of three 30 minute concerts. Patients and staff at the hospital enjoyed the uplifting music which sounded so sweet in the Cathedral-like acoustic hall. Shoppers both at Building Depot and Sambil put a pause on their busy Christmas shopping when they heard the harmonies of the choir and dynamics of the strings. It was a great experience for the students, and they represented ISC well. Many thanks to all who stopped by to cheer on the musicians!

Happy Holidays from the ISC Music Department.





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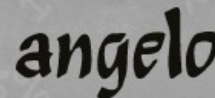
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## ISC Partners

*Discounts from Local Businesses  
for ISC Employees*



The International School of Curaçao (ISC) is a preK-12, accredited, private, nonprofit, coeducational day school recognized by the local government of Curaçao that provides instruction in English. ISC was founded in 1968 and offers a rigorous academic program in order to prepare students who plan to pursue higher learning at colleges and universities around the world.

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