

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CURAÇAO

ISC WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER



International
School of
Curaçao

Dates to Remember:

September 5-16: MPG
Testing (Grades K5-2)

September 12-30: MAP
Testing (Grades 3-8)

September 24: Curaçao
Clean-Up

September 26: Progress
Reports

September 30: 12:00
Dismissal due to local
elections

October 7: 12:00
Dismissal

October 10-14: Regatta
Break, School Closed

From The Director

Dear ISC,

The school photo schedule for next week is as follows:

Tuesday, September 20th: 1st Grade

Wednesday, September 21st: 2nd Grade, 4th Grade

Thursday, September 22nd: 6A, 7th, & 8B

Friday, September 23rd: 6B & 8A

Details for all high school students will be in next week's newsletter.

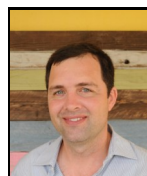
As you are all aware, there will be a general strike tomorrow on the island. Just as many of you are concerned about the safety of your children, we certainly are too. However, at the time of this being written, there has been no indication of a specific threat to ISC. Nor has there been a message from the Ministry of Education stating local schools will be closed because of safety concerns. Until we receive a notice stating otherwise, school will be in session as normal.

We will continue to monitor the situation. If anything changes and we receive notice that we should close tomorrow for safety concerns, teachers will activate the emergency phone tree. Please keep the phone tree with you at all times to ensure that the message is sent efficiently throughout our community. Additionally, I'll send an email to all parents via the Portal and we will make the announcement on our web page.

If you do not receive the message, it means that we will be in school for a regularly scheduled day. Should something happen during the day tomorrow that warrants an early dismissal, all families will be contacted immediately via the phone tree and we will close the school. As necessary, a follow-up message will also be sent regarding classes on Friday.

Sincerely,

Douglas Vaughan
Director



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

THE MORE THAT YOU

read

THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL

know

THE MORE THAT YOU

learn

THE MORE PLACES YOU'LL

go

DR. SEUSS

Smart Kids 101

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

Community Service Announcement: Walk for the Cure– Volunteers Needed

High school students looking for CAS hours, please contact Ms. Sini for details!



Saturday, October 1st, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.



Start & Finish
CIBC FirstCaribbean
De Ruyterkade 61

Price:
ANG 10,00 (12 years and under)
ANG 17,50 (13 years and older)

T-shirt pick-up at CIBC FirstCaribbean:

- Monday, September 26th, 2016, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 27th, 2016, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 28th, 2016, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Fun for everyone!

- Health corner with free blood pressure & glucose measurements
- Goody Bags
- Kids Area with Bouncers
- DJ Entertainment

For more information, call: 433-8000 or visit
<http://cibcfibwalkforthecure.causevox.com/>

Proceeds to benefit:



STICHTING PRINSES
WILHELMINA FONDS
VOOR DE KANKERBESTRIJDING

PTA News: First PTA General Meeting Summary

Last week PTA had their first General Meeting in the school's library. We welcomed parents with popcorn and lemonade and presented our goals and thoughts for this school year. To reach our goals we have formed specific committees:

Community Outreach & Awareness

Work with student/teacher/parent groups to broaden our children's understanding of community needs locally. We will coordinate community service activities for in and outside of school on a monthly basis.



School Spirit – Shark Club/Pep Squad

To support ISC students and staff with our “Shark” spirit at all school-wide projects and events.

Student/Staff & Parent Enrichment

To provide extracurricular activities/events, host appreciation and social functions for students, their families and the staff throughout the year.

FUNdraising

Develop and implement fundraising events that benefit and support all areas and needs within ISC and local Curaçao charities.

You are welcome to sign-up for any or all committees you would like to help us/the school with. It may be an hours' worth of decorating during one of the schools festivities, cheering our sports team during a game or spreading some love during one of our 'ISC Give Back Days'. All help is appreciated!

Next week, September 22, we will be at the Elementary Side from 7.30 – 8.00 with sign-up sheets for PTA committees. So drop by and join us in making this a FUN and MEANINGFUL year for both our kids and our community!

Keep up with what's going on with ISC PTA and LIKE us on Facebook. To visit our Facebook page, [click here](#) to stay up with news, join the conversation, and learn more about community events!

WE ARE ISC!

ISC & the annual Curaçao Clean up event on September 24, 2016

The ISC Community is proud to support the island-wide Curaçao Clean-up Day for the third consecutive year. This year marks our 22nd year of beach cleaning dedicated to the *Caracasbaai beach area*. The grade 12 students continue to do us proud by helping us organize this event.

We invite parents and students from grade 3 onwards, to sign up in their respective homerooms by Friday, September 16, 2016. Permission slips will soon follow and these must be handed in on time for a student to be permitted to participate on Saturday, September 24, 2016. Cleaning will start at 8:00 a.m. and the estimated finish time is 10:30.

Hope to see you there!

Ms Sini Murali

IB & CAS Coordinator



Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds Bake Sale: Friday, September 23

Dear All,

It is that time of the year again when ISC joins forces with **Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds**, an organization in Curaçao that promotes cancer awareness, research, and patient care. We organize an Annual Food Sale in support of this cause. We kindly ask everyone to help make a difference. All funds collected are donated to

Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds, these donations are given to their representatives during our United Nations Celebration (UN Day) taking place on **Friday, October 21st, 2016**.

We truly appreciate your help in supplying food for the sale. We welcome sweet and savory items such as: individual juice boxes, cookies, pastechis, samosas, pies, cakes, chips, croquettes, arepas, etc. Nothing is too little to help support this really good cause. This year food sale will take place in Ms Jen's classroom, MS Math.

Our Annual Food Sale will take place on **Friday, September 23rd, 2016**. Last year we collected ANG 2.048. Let's work together to surpass our collection of last year.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance,

Miss Nina

kommerohn@isc.cw

K4 Teacher



High School News: CAS Students Collecting for Wilhelmina Fonds

The CAS Coordinator has three motivated dynamic young IB diploma grade 11 students who have taken up allotments and tracking of all the collection cans for the PWF collections this month as their CAS project.

Handing them over to students who signed up for particular supermarkets and documenting their return is also part of their joint responsibilities. This is what was happening on the first Friday before collections began the following Saturday and Sunday and will continue throughout the month of September.



Above: Grade 11 IB Diploma candidate students preparing collection boxes for Prinses Wilhelmina Fonds. From left to right: Fleur Bos, Nakhari Alberto, Shakira Costa.

ISC Bookclub

Extracurricular opportunity for high school students to read & discuss novels for CAS hours.

First meeting:
Friday 11:45 @ Obryhim's classroom

For further details, contact
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GIN: 2016-2017 Members

GIN Mission: To empower young people to collaborate locally, regionally, and globally in order to create project based sustainable solutions for global issues. ISC currently has 35 GIN members (Middle & High school). GIN students have been engaged in several humanitarian and environmental projects both locally and globally and look forward to continuing their work this school year.

-Mrs. Chugani
GIN Adviser



"The future belongs to the youth. Why not empower students to help us find solutions to these global issues?"



Meet ISC's NJHS Members

The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) is an organization that has been established to recognize outstanding high school and middle level students. More than just an honor roll, NJHS serve to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character, and Citizenship. Membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.

For more information, please visit our website: <http://www.isc.cw/enrichment-programs/nhs-and-njhs/>

Members will be organizing different activities throughout the year. The first activity will be on Friday, September 16th. Please check flyer below. Let's support them!



 **NJHS is selling delicious LEMONADE!** 



And tasty treats!



NJHS

Above: NJHS members, standing from left to right: Tanishq Virwani, Ben Smith, Matilda van Grieken, Shreyaa Samtani, Catherine Ribeiro, Shukeea Alberto, Enrique Vos. First row: Alyza Capriles, Alyssa Mendes, Mariam Hamadeh.

**National
Junior
Honor
Society**



Individuality

Collaboration

Involvement

Respect

Responsibility

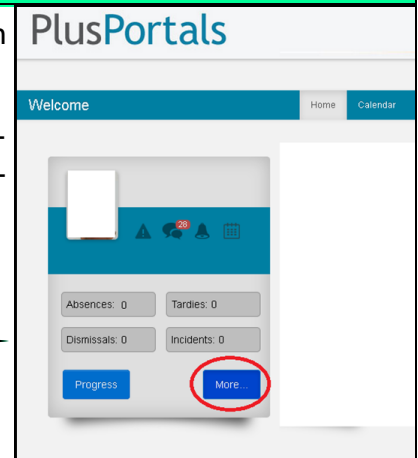
I AM ISC

Tech Corner: Update your Demographics today!

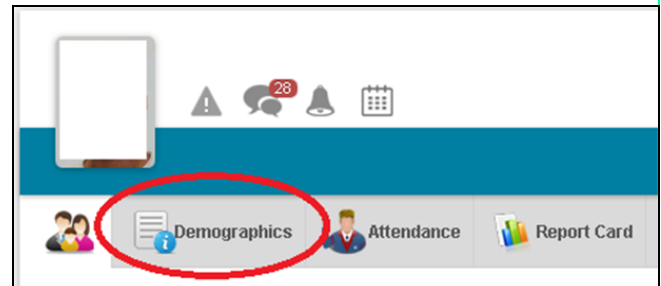
Now you can update your child's demographic and contact information through the Portal.

Please take few minutes of you time to check and update your child's address, phone numbers, email, emergency contact information and other important fields.

1. Login into the Portal using your credentials.
2. On the main screen click on MORE...



3. Click on DEMOGRAPHICS - EDIT



4. Now you can add/edit data.

 A screenshot of the 'Student Demographics' form in the PlusPortals application. The 'Edit' button in the top right corner of the form is circled in red. The form contains various fields for student information, many of which are filled with 'XXXXXX' as placeholders.

Student Demographics	
Parent/Guardian	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
Street	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
City	Willemstad
Phone	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
Homeroom	10A
Gender	M
Birth Date	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
EMERGENCY PHONE	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
MOBILE PHONE	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
WORK PHONE	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
ALLERGIES	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
PARENT EMAIL	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
NATIONALITY	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
ENTRY DATE 1	08-14-2003
PARENT 2	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
COMPANY	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX

5. Remember to SAVE.



Note: If you have more than one child, the system will transfer the changes to the others automatically.

Data will be uploaded to our main system on Friday October 7th at 3:30 pm. Once the process is finished, you will not be able to edit the fields through the site.

For more information please contact Angelica Galicia at galiciaa@isc.cw

From the School Nurse- General Health Questions: What is Impetigo?

Impetigo is a contagious skin infection that can originate from a small wound (cuts and scrapes) or insect bites that become infected. It can spread to anyone who comes into direct contact with infected skin or other items, such as clothing, towels, and bed linens that have been touched by an infected individual. Impetigo may affect skin anywhere on the body but commonly occurs around the nose and mouth, hands, and forearms. Although easily treatable, impetigo is highly contagious. Diligent hand washing is recommended. If you suspect impetigo, your child needs to be seen by your healthcare provider. If your child is diagnosed with impetigo, he/she should not return to school until sores have dried out or medical clearance is given. If your child has the symptoms below, please call your child's healthcare provider for guidance.

Common Signs and Symptoms:

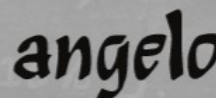
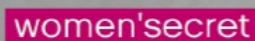
Itchy rash.
Red sores that blister, then ooze.
The sores may grow in size and spread.
When blisters break, they form a flat, honey colored crust.

Treatment and Prevention:

Doctor may prescribe antibiotic cream and/or pills.
Gently wash the sores with antibacterial soap, pat sores dry.
Keep the areas clean and covered to minimize the chance of spreading the infection.
Do not share towels, clothing, linens, etc while skin infection present.
Keep fingernails short and clean.
Discourage scratching since the infection can spread to other parts of the body.

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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