

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF CURAÇAO

ISC WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER



International
School of
Curaçao

Dates to Remember:

February 5: Early dismissal, Teener Parade

February 8-12: Carnival Break (school closed)

February 22: ISA testing

February 25: Open House

March 3: Science Fair

March 9-18: IB Mock Exams

March 19: Talent Show

From The Director

Dear ISC,

The Karnaval Committee is putting the final touches on ISC's Teener Parade preparations. Our participating students have been hard at work practicing and are filled with excitement and anticipation for Friday's parade. This will be the first time ISC has entered the parade and the students look forward to setting a precedent for future years. Thank you to all of the sponsors who contributed; without your assistance, the school's participation would not have happened. Also, hats off to the committee for doing all the footwork and time to ensure our students are prepared and ISC is well-represented at the parade. We hope you can make it Friday night and cheer on our students as they pass by!

To show support in school, this Friday, students can dress up in a super hero costume, our school's theme for the parade.

I wish you all a safe Carnival Break. School resumes again on Monday, February 15th. Next week there will not be an ISC Weekly; look for the next issue on the 17th.



Sincerely,

Douglas Vaughan
Director

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Intentions for 2016-2017

Parents, please take a moment to complete this online form to declare your intentions for next school year.

<http://goo.gl/forms/bfJoPg48eC>

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 PTA: Celebrating Karnaval at ISC



The poster features a vibrant, comic-book style design. At the top, a large red and yellow 'ISC' logo is set against a blue background with white polka dots. Below this, a city skyline with various colored buildings is visible. A large yellow starburst in the center-left contains the text 'KARNAVAL 2016'. To its right, a red starburst contains 'FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5TH'. Below the main title, a blue starburst says '10:30AM - 12:00PM JUMP IN'. Another blue starburst at the bottom left states 'THEME: SUPERHEROES'. To the right of these, there are illustrations of a Spider-Man mask, a purple mask with a lightning bolt, and a blue mask. A list of 'MASK CONTEST CATEGORIES' includes 'KINDERGARTEN', 'GRADES 1 - 2', 'GRADES 3 - 4 - 5', and 'MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL'. At the bottom, a red banner reads 'SPONSORED BY PTA' next to a globe logo with 'ISC' on it.

KARNAVAL 2016

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5TH

10:30AM - 12:00PM JUMP IN

THEME: SUPERHEROES

MASK CONTEST CATEGORIES:
KINDERGARTEN
GRADES 1 - 2
GRADES 3 - 4 - 5
MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

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Audition Call

Hogwarts' Forbidden Forest Talent Show

*Tuesday and Wednesday
February 16 & 17, 2016*

Starting: 2:30pm

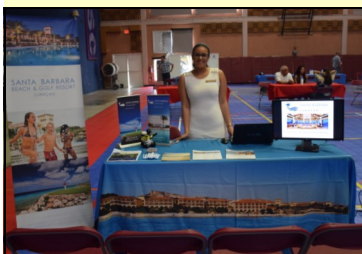
*Please sign up at the main office
The auditions will be held in the MS Math Room.*



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
Kayena Chapter
International School of Curaçao

ISC Hosts Career Fair for High School Students

This past Saturday morning, ISC hosted a career fair open to students from all schools. Students from ISC, KAP, Vespucci, Radulphus, and others were present. In total, approximately 75 students attended the two hour event in which 27 different professionals from the island talked about the work they do. Within the two hours, students chose their career interest and visited the respective professional for a 20 minute presentation in small groups. The process repeated itself until the two hours were up, giving each student the opportunity to visit several different presenters. Thank you to all the presenters who took time off from their weekend to help make the event a success. Additionally, thank you to ISC senior Daniel Lugo-Travieso and Ms. Figueroa for planning and organizing the Fair.



| Name | Career | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Neelam Melwani | Government & Foreign Affairs | Policy Officer-Curacao |
| Brian Rogers | Government & Foreign Affairs | US Consulate |
| Kenneth O'Bryhim | Education & Student Services | ISC |
| Douglas Vaughan | Education & School Administration | ISC |
| Gustavo Sever | Resume & Interviewing Skills | ISC |
| Cedric Nebul | Hospitality & Hotel Management | Hilton |
| Gianni Hermans | Hospitality & Hotel Management | Santa Barbara |
| Anjali Bakmeijer | Hospitality & Hotel Management | Santa Barbara |
| Golid Ayoubi | Business | ISC |
| Cristina Lionarons | Entrepreneurship | |
| Anjenie Lachman | Law | |
| Roel Jungslager | Photography | |
| Yonel Perez | Engineering & Business | Antillean General Motors |
| Katherine Fleet | Environmental Science | |
| Shirley Ferreira | Banking | MCB |
| Lussette Verboom | Art | Galeria Alma Blou |
| Cherise Martis-Clarinda | Aviation | Dutch Caribbean Air Navigation |
| Andrea van Belleghem | Aviation | Dutch Caribbean Air Navigation |
| Angelo Nicolina | Aviation | Dutch Caribbean Air Navigation |
| Michelle Aguilar | Architecture | |
| Manfred De Graaf | Engineering-Chemical | Isla |
| Rudolph Garmes | Engineering-Mechanical | Isla |
| Igmar Rosalia | Engineering-Industrial | Isla |
| Peter Jonkers | Engineering-Environmental | Isla |
| Hetty Ten Jet Foei | Medicine | Isla |
| Lucas Beaujon | Human Resources | Isla |
| Benjamin Goeloe | Human Resources | Isla |

THIMUN 2016: An Event to be Remembered

The THIMUN delegation from ISC has returned! Although the trip has drained us and we are sad that it is over, we are happy to be back to the sunshine and blue skies of Curaçao! Our trip began with a whirlwind visit to experience the history, art, shopping and cuisine of Northern Italy. We took in the sights of Milan and Verona, and surely gained a kilo or two before the conference started.

It was truly a spectacular year for ISC at the THIMUN conference. Robin de Zeeuw received rave reviews for his work as the President of the General Assembly (PGA) from the THIMUN Board of Directors, MUN Directors from around the world and from student delegates. His knowledge of procedural matters and friendly professionalism won over everyone at the conference. Robin presided over the Opening Ceremonies, the plenary sessions of the General Assembly (G.A.) and the Closing Ceremonies. The closing was especially enjoyable to us as it included a rousing performance by a Curaçaoan brass band. Robin was also responsible for supervising six committees in the G.A. and interacting with visiting UN ambassadors and serving as a liaison between committees and THIMUN Board members. Robin has truly been an ambassador for the island and has raised positive awareness of our school on a global level.

ISC had other impressive student officers and leaders as well. Sidarth Samtani earned praise and admiration from his delegates as he and his colleagues presided over the debate in one of the General Assembly committees. Sidarth ran sessions with over 200 delegates with skill and authority and was an excellent chairperson. Sidarth's ability to rise to this leadership level is a fantastic achievement that helps to set ISC apart from many other THIMUN attending schools.

While Aniek van Kersen worked in a special committee to collaboratively develop solutions to the many issues facing those in the Kurdistan region, the rest of the ISC crew represented India in various committees and participated in lobbying and debate on countless issues with the theme of sustainable urbanization.

Although our delegation struggled with the stereotypical Caribbean problem; punctuality, the ISC delegation was a great group of students who were prepared and engaged in the process. Ms. Kate Ribeiro and I were pleased with the group's efforts as a whole.

I have to say that watching Robin during the last afternoon of the conference filled me with pride for his achievements and was a career highlight for me as a teacher and MUN Director. It was at this moment that I was reminded how we at ISC prepare our students for the future. ISC students have the tools to be able to achieve their dreams, and with hard work and perseverance they can *and do* reach the top. Thanks to the whole group for a fun and rewarding educational experience, and to the administrators and parents at ISC who value the Model United Nations experience. Special thanks to Ms. Kate Ribeiro, who helps to make travel with 18 teenagers a breeze!

- Mr. Cwik



Above: ISC'S 2016 THIMUN Delegation pose on the roof of the Duomo in Milan, Italy.



ISC senior, Robin de Zeeuw at the 2016 THIMUN conference. Robin presided as the President of the General Assembly.

Children's Progress Academic Assessment (CPAA)

Last week students from K4 to 3rd grade took the CPAA - Winter season test. The CPAA helps teachers figure out what skills your child understands and what skills they need more help to learn. Results will go home on February 19th.



Children's Progress

From the High School: IB Biology Class



Projects from the Art Department

Middle school art students have been working hard on their Mixed Media projects “Creatures in a box” and “Mask Making”. While in 3rd grade, students made awesome masks out of egg cartons. These were exhibited in the Kindergarten playground on Wednesday for the Elementary and Kindergarten students.

Today 8th graders also had 90minutes to make an art work related to Valentine’s Day with the theme “LOVE”. Results are amazing! Feel free to visit the library and look at some of the Masks, Boxes and "LOVE" themed art on display.

-Ms. Beaujon



From the Athletic Department and Learning Plus

ISC is presently competing in the following sports with the Local School Competition ran by FDDK (Fundashon Desaroyo Deportivo Kòrsou). Visit our School's website to view pictures of the games.



| SPORT | GAMES WON | GAMES LOST | GAMES LEFT |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Varsity Soccer Boys | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Varsity Soccer Girls | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Varsity Basketball Boys | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Junior Varsity Boys Soccer | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Junior Varsity Boys Volleyball | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball | 1 | 0 | 3 |

Learning Plus Activities will begin Monday, February 15th, some activities are already full, so if you have not yet signed up please do so quickly. Activities that do not have the required minimum amount of eight students will be cancelled, all our activities are open to public so you can invite your friends and family to join.

You will receive an Email informing you of the start of each activity.

Elementary News: K-3 Handwriting Without Tears

K-3 students recently started to learn how to write their letters. To make the letters, our students use the lines and curves from *Handwriting Without Tears*. Every week students may bring a toy from home that starts with the letter we are learning about to present to other students. We are having so much fun learning our letters!

- Ms. Chita



"DOUGHNUTS WITH DOUG"

- Every Thursday morning from 8:00-8:30.
- Sign up in the main office or email Ms. Camille (dijkhuizen@isc.cw). Space is limited.
- Sit with the Director and other parents for coffee or tea- and doughnuts.
- Discuss the direction and future of ISC.
- Share your ideas for a stronger ISC.

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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