

ISLQ Primary News

Dear Parents,

This will be the 28th and last newsletter for this year. I hope you have found them useful for keeping you up to date with information about activities in the Primary School. This, my first year at the school, has been a busy but immensely enjoyable time. I have been very pleased with the achievements of the students during the year and would like to thank them for all the hard work they have put in. The student led conferences showed how much learning has happened over the year. Much of this is down to the hard work and planning that the teachers have put in. On top of everything you see happening in the classroom, a lot of development work has happened behind the scenes. I wish them all a restful and happy summer break. As we look forward to next year I am immensely proud of the achievements of everyone in the Primary School and feel confident in the continued development of ISLQ in the year ahead.

Dates for the Calendar

17th June	Yr 6 leavers assembly
17th June	Reports sent home
22nd June	Last taekwondo session
22nd June	Last day for students
16th Sept	Orientation (see below)
19th Sept	First day of school

Thank you to the students and teachers in year 3 who put on a very successful celebration of learning yesterday – it was great to see all the students hard work on display. Tomorrow will be our last assembly of the Year when we would like to wish a fond farewell to our Year 6 students who will be moving to the Secondary School next year. Parents are welcome to join us for this from 12.20 onwards in the main foyer area. Reports will also be issued tomorrow.

We have been busy planning the staffing for next year and are happy to announce that the majority of our teachers will be returning after the summer to continue the work from this year. In EC1 our teachers will remain the same. In EC2 Ms. Tracey is leaving to return to Australia to enjoy her new house and Ms. Pauline and Ms. Karen will be joined by a new teacher, Mrs. Sarah Wood. Mrs. Beatson will move to Year 2 and Mrs. Page and Miss Karen will be joined by Ms. Nicole Brand who is joining us from Jordan. Mrs. Thompson is moving to a librarian position and Ms. Beatson will be joining Miss Jill in Year 2. The Year 3 team remains the same. Mrs. Topps returns to Year 4 with Mr. Farooq who is joining us from the UK. There will be an additional class in year 4 and Mr. Stratford will be taking this class. Mrs. McDonald will take a new position of PYP Coordinator Mr. Osatchoff returns in Year 5. There will be additional new teachers in Years 2 and 5. Our Year 6 team remains the same. Ms. Laubscher will be leaving us this year and we wish her all the best and thank her for all her hard work in developing the Primary school over the last two years. Mrs. Pierce has done an excellent job in the library this year but sadly she will be leaving us at the end of this year. Mrs. Keij will also be taking time away from the school to have her baby and we wish her all the best with the birth of the new addition to her family. She has done a tremendous job this year and I hope she will come and see us next year. Our PE and EAL team will remain the same as will our Learning Support. Mr. Spragg will be working full time as the Deputy Head next year giving further support for our students. From the TA's Ms. Irene, Mrs. Earl, Miss. Neelika, Mrs. Stals and Mrs. Fitzgibbon will be leaving ISLQ and I would like to thank them for all their perseverance and hard work for the time they have spent with us. For those families who are leaving us this summer we wish you all the best and hope you look fondly back at your time at ISLQ. Mrs. Kroezen will be handing over her Dutch teaching duties and Mrs. Da Vido will be leaving to have her baby. I would like to wish all our departing staff the best of luck and thank them for the time given to our school.

Finally, on behalf of the Primary School I would like to wish Mrs. Wood all the best in her future endeavors and would like to thank her for her dedication, inspiration and hard work this year.

I will be overseas for much of the summer but should still be able to access my emails. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any urgent matters or questions. There will be staff at school during the whole summer so you can also contact there if needed. The first day back at school will be the 19th September, class lists should be available from the 14th September onwards. On Thursday 16th September from students will be able to come to school with their parents to meet the new class teachers and orientate to your new classes. New students can come between 9.00 - 10.30 and returning students 10.30 - 12.00. Students should not be sent to school alone on this day. Note that the above arrangements are for Primary only.

I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing many of you in the new academic year.

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Teaching Assistant Vacancies

ISLQ has vacancies for teaching assistants to begin at the start of the next academic year. If you are interested in working either part time or full time as a TA, please provide an up to date CV. We will interview in the next two weeks. Previous applicants are welcome to reapply.

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