



"Food Coaching" - A parent workshop, led by Mr. Gabriel Evans, IGBIS Head of Design.

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## Upcoming Events

### Tuesday, March 08

- U11 Football @ IGBIS starting at 4:00pm
- U13 Boys Basketball @ IGBIS starting at 4:00pm
- U15 Girls/Boys Basketball @ IGBIS starting at 4:00pm
- U18 Boys Basketball @ IGBIS starting at 4:00pm
- U18 Frisbee @ IGBIS starting at 4:00pm
- **Swimming Friendly with Fairview International School @ FIS Subang Jaya** leaving school at 3:10pm

### Saturday, March 12

- **IGBIS U15/U18 Invitational Basketball tournament @ IGBIS** starting at 9:00am

### Monday, March 14

- **U9/U11 Swim Meet with HELP and NEXUS @ HELP** leaving school at 3:10pm

### Tuesday, March 15

- U11 Football
- **U15/U18 Boys Basketball v Fairview \ International School @ FIS Subang Jaya** leaving school at 3:10pm

### Saturday, March 19

- **Primary Athletics** at 09:00am (IGBIS)

## Message from Head of School

**Mrs. Anne Fowles**  
*Head of School*



Dear IGBIS Parents and Community Members,

### IGBIS Open Day

IGBIS will be holding its next Open Day on Saturday March 12. These days have been very successful in the past for introducing our school and staff to new families. If you have friends or colleagues that are interested in a premium international school that has a child centred focus through the IB programmes, please ask them to register at: <http://igbis.edu.my/admissions/open-day/>

### Solar Eclipse

A solar eclipse is taking place on next week on Wednesday March 9th. Although it is predicted to be a partial solar eclipse rather than a total solar eclipse, it is still likely to be quite noticeable as it will take place between 7:30 am and 9:30 am when you are bringing your children to school and the sun may be partially obscured. The eclipse will be at its maximum at 8:23 am. Please take note so that you are not surprised on Wednesday!

## News from Elementary School

**Mrs. Claire McLeod**  
*Elementary School Principal*



### Book Swap

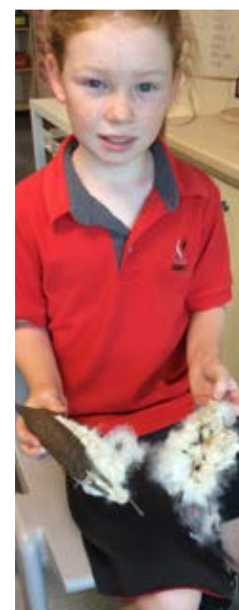
During our ES Dress Up Day the Elementary School Council promoted book swapping so that students could obtain good quality books for simply donating a similar book. We now have many books on display outside the Grade 4 classrooms waiting for someone to collect a new book after they have donated a similar book. This means a chapter book should be swapped with a chapter book so we continue to have a diverse range of books to swap. Please encourage your children to consider donating unwanted books so they can collect new ones!

### Parents Involvement

When walking by the Grade 1 classrooms on any day you can usually find a few parents in the room interacting with a number of students. Some may be with their own child; however, most parents have a number of other students who are interested in what is happening. Reading to a group, watching and questioning students as they use their knowledge of pulleys to show how a cable car or ski lift works and at times playing games to share their understanding of concepts.

### Grade 2 Inquirers

Curiosity and finding out more is another way to describe inquiry. In the PYP we consistently talk about inquiry and how it drives our Units of Inquiry. Of course inquiry is not restricted to the units, in fact it is the modelling and guidance to try to go further is what we hope our students will take naturally to all aspects of their life. Our Grade 2 students are an example of this. Over the last few months the students have trialled different ways to grow crystals in liquids, using sugar and different types of salt. The excitement and commitment to observe and note changes has meant that they want to share what they know to anyone who walks by the classroom. Their engagement and enthusiasm is contagious.



## News from Secondary School

**Mr. Lennox Meldrum**  
*Secondary School Principal*



The weather in Malaysia and this region continues to be very hot and dry. This has had a number of flow-on effects, including---

<< *We interrupt this newsletter article for some breaking news!* >>

**IGBIS HAS WON ITS FIRST KLISS TROPHY!!** On Thursday afternoon, our U13 girls basketball team finished the season with strong performances on their home court. After a very tense count and re-count of the statistics across the season, it was announced that they were the champions! We are all extremely proud of their achievements, and the members of the team will always be able to look back in years to come and say that they were part of securing the very first trophy for the IGBIS Phoenix. We look forward to our display of medals, trophies, cups, plates, and other sporting awards to continue to grow.

<< *We return now to our regular newsletter article* >>

---should continue to drink water, keep hydrated, and avoid exerting themselves during the hottest times of the day. Please take care of yourself and keep an eye out for signs of possible heat exhaustion in any member of your family.

Have a great weekend.





## Service as Action in the MYP

**Phil Clark**

*Middle Years Programme Coordinator*



The student is at the center of all IB programmes and is expressed through the attributes of the IB Learner Profile. Surrounding the learner is the inner ring of the Middle Years Programme with key features that help students develop understanding - Approaches to Teaching, Approaches to Learning, Concepts and Global Contexts. The second ring from the center identifies important outcomes of the MYP - Community Project, Personal Project and Service as Action. The third ring identifies the broad, balanced subject groups of the MYP curriculum framework.

Action and service are key components of all IB programmes. The IB prescribes seven learning outcomes for Service as Action in the MYP.



With appropriate guidance and support, MYP students should, through their engagement with service as action:

- become more aware of their own strengths and areas for growth;
- undertake challenges that develop new skills;
- discuss, evaluate and plan student-initiated activities;
- persevere in action;
- work collaboratively with others;  
Develop international-mindedness through global engagement, multilingualism and intercultural understanding;
- Consider the ethical implications of their actions.

These learning outcomes identify the substance of students' self-reflection on service as action. All of these learning outcomes are closely associated with IB learner profile attributes and ATL skills. Through their participation in service, students can become more confident, self-regulated learners.

Our goal is for all students to actively engage in meaningful and ongoing service in each year of the MYP. At IGBIS, Service as Action is being embedded within and beyond the curriculum in three broad categories:

- **Curriculum-Related Service as Action** - Every grade-level will include at least one unit in any subject area that has a service-learning component which provides authentic opportunities for students to engage in Service as Action;
- **School-Organised Service as Action** - School will organise a variety of service opportunities beyond the regular classroom schedule. These may include service activities during camp and field trips; ongoing grade-level service activities (eg partnership with local NGOs, migrant schools, etc); schoolwide service events in response to a specific need (eg disaster relief, etc);
- **Student-Selected Service as Action** - School will encourage students to participate in ongoing Service as Action in an area of personal interest. Students may select in-school activities (eg Student Council, Global Issues Network, Student Ambassadors, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Editorial Board etc) or may select activities outside of school (eg with family, friends, faith-based organisations, community groups, NGOs etc).

Active involvement in meaningful, ongoing service is a key component of IB programmes and helps us to achieve our IGBIS vision: *To provide an outstanding, world-class international education which draws on the best of Asian, Western and other cultural traditions, and contributes to a flourishing Malaysia and a sustainable, peaceful global society.*

### **Works Cited:**

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## College Counselling

**Pauline Davidson**  
College Counsellor



The past month has been very busy with several university and college events in and around Kuala Lumpur. Many of our students have met with representatives from the UK, Australia, Canada and the USA, and are continuing to explore the global opportunities available to them as international students. We have also welcomed many of these university visitors onto the IGBIS campus this past month and they have been very positive about our students.



Visits from Columbia College Chicago, Arizona State University, University of Tulsa, and a USA fair, which welcomed 12 US universities including Adelphi University, University of South Florida, University of Illinois and New York Institute of Technology. These events all help students explore their options and connect with admissions officers. From the UK, the University of Arts London visited to conduct an Art Portfolio review, and a Law professor from Exeter University worked with students applying to the UK to study Law, Politics and International Relations. Parents and students should continue to check the calendar on the Counselling website for upcoming visits, <https://sites.google.com/a/igbis.edu.my/counsellingigbis/home/g11-presentation-university-process> and take note of the updates and reminders that come via Family Connection on Naviance.

Coming up soon we have IE University Spain, Loughborough University UK, Jacobs University Germany, and the University of New South Wales, Australia. Stay connected!







## Grade 4 Music

**Rachel Fleury**

This semester 4H and 4T have been learning to play the Ukulele. They have already learned 4 chords and can play a number of songs. They are also inquiring into the instruments of the orchestra, sorting them into their 4 families and learning to recognise each of their unique sounds.



## Sports Report

**Jasmine Brawn**  
*Athletics & Activities Director*

Our U9 Football Team had a great showing at their KLISS Plate finals on Wednesday with their first win of the season and some great showings from many of our athletes. U13 Girls Basketball Cup Finals is hosted at IGBIS Thursday night. The boys travel to BSKL for the Plate.

This Saturday the IGBIS Athletics Team goes to KLISS Secondary Athletics at Nexus International School. It is our first official athletics competition. We wish all our competitors the best of luck this weekend.



Next Saturday is the IGBIS U15/U18 Basketball Invitational at IGBIS. It is our second annual tournament and the competition is bigger and better this year. IGBIS has five teams entered. We look forward to a great weekend of basketball.

- Saturday, March 5th - KLISS Secondary Athletics @ Nexus
- Tuesday, March 8th - Secondary Swim Meet @ IGBIS vs ELC, FISKL & HELP
- Tuesday, March 8th - U11 Football @ IGBIS vs FISKL
- Tuesday, March 8th - U15 Girls Basketball @ IGBIS vs FISKL
- Tuesday, March 8th - U15 Boys Basketball @ IGBIS vs FISKL
- Tuesday, March 8th - U18 Boys Basketball @ IGBIS vs FISKL
- Tuesday, March 8th - Mixed Frisbee @ IGBIS vs FISKL
- Wednesday, March 9th - U9 Football @ KTJ
- Wednesday, March 9th - U11 Football @ KTJ
- Saturday, March 12th - U15/18 Invitational Basketball Tournament @ IGBIS



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## IGBIS Scholarship Award

IGB International School (IGBIS) is offering a limited number of scholarships for outstanding students to complete the highly prestigious IB Diploma Programme during August 2016 to May 2018.

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### The IB Diploma Programme.

The IB Diploma Programme is an academically challenging and balanced programme of education that prepares students, aged 16 to 19, for success at university and life beyond. The programme has gained recognition and respect from over 2,000 of the world's leading universities.

### Application Requirements

- Strong academic ability and scholastic potential
- Excellent academic proficiency in English
- Strength in one or more areas of the arts,

technology, humanities, mathematics, science, languages or sports

- Readiness to undertake service learning contributing to the school and local community

### How to Apply

Scholarship applications should be completed following the application process on the website ([www.igbis.edu.my](http://www.igbis.edu.my)) and submitted with the required supporting documents to IGB International School.



### Closing Date

Application closes on 25th March 2016. Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be notified.

*For further information, please consult the school's website or contact the Admissions Director at +60 3 6145 4688 or email at [scholarship@igbis.edu.my](mailto:scholarship@igbis.edu.my)*

Meet us at the

**IGB  
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**12 March 2016**

**10am-1pm**

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