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Day 1. Mon, Feb 26 - Mar 2

CIS/NEASC Accreditation visit

Day 2. Tue, Feb 27

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm U13 Boys Basketball vs ISKL @ IGBIS

Day 3. Wed, Feb 28

8:20 am - 10:00 am

Career Exploration Day

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

University Roadshow @ L7 Multi-purpose Room

Day 4. Thu, Mar 1

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

U13 Basketball Friendly vs ELC @ IGBIS

Day 5. Fri, Mar 2

8:00 am - 8:40 am

ES Assembly: Shareathon @ L3 ES Music

Room

8:00 am - 8:40 am

Kopi with the Secondary Principal @ PVO

Room

8:40 am - 9:20 am

Kopi with the Elementary Principal @ PVO

Message from Head of School

Dear IGBIS Parents and Community Members,

We hope that you all enjoyed a restful Chinese New Year holiday.

School seems quiet this week with the Grade 4 and 5 students out on camp, but behind the scenes there is a hive of activity as we prepare for our accreditation visit. The Council of International Schools (CIS) and New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) visiting teams along with the IB observer are all experienced educators who are travelling to us from Germany, USA, Hong Kong, Saudi Arabia, Japan, Australia, United Arab Emirates, Oman and Switzerland. The team is coming to verify the school's self-study and triangulate the evidence with their own interviews and observations in relation to international accreditation standards. This is a very robust process which will provide the school with excellent feedback on areas of strength and areas to grow.

International Day is just over two weeks away. Please mark March 10th on your calendar. It is one of the highlights of the school year!

Have a wonderful weekend ahead.

Anne Fowles **Head of School**



News from Secondary School

This upcoming week will be very busy in secondary as we welcome a variety of outside visitors to school. The CIS and NEASC visitors arrive this weekend for our week-long accreditation visit - hopefully all of our hard work over the past few years will pay off in a successful visit! Secondary students were briefed on the visit and can expect to see the visitors as they attend lessons and ask students questions about their education at IGBIS. In addition, members of the Secondary Student Council will also have a formal meeting with the CIS/NEASC visiting team.

We are also pleased to welcome 14 career professionals who will be visiting IGBIS as we host our second annual Career Day. This day is an opportunity for secondary students to hear about a variety of different careers from professionals in the field, and is one of the ways that we work with our students as they plan for life after IGBIS. Last year's event was well received by students and a fun way for them to learn more about careers that they may have wondered about. We are thankful to these professionals for the giving of their time.

Finally, next week I will be hosting the regular monthly Kopitiam please come along for a coffee and a chat!

Best regards,



















News from Elementary School

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Chinese New Year holiday.

This week saw our Grade 4 and Grade 5 students head off to camp to take part in some outdoor adventure-type activities. On

Wednesday Grade 4 travelled to Skytrex in Shah Alam to engage in an adventure course and team building games. In the evenings they were based at IGBIS engaging in a variety of fun activities like 'minute it to win it' type games, as well as sleeping overnight at school.











The Grade 5 students travelled to Gopeng to Nomad Adventures 'Earth Camp'. They engaged in low ropes courses, a river water and a walk through nature. More details and pictures will follow other in other editions of the newsletter.

Next week we will have visitors representing the Council of International Schools (CIS), New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and the International Baccalaureate Organisation (IBO) as observers. They are coming to assess where we are as a school as we hope to become an accredited school with the CIS and NEASC. They will be dropping into classes to speak with students and teachers, as well as having meetings with various stakeholders of the school.

From next week until the end of March (Thursday 29th: Day 4) we will have Days 1 - 5 from Monday to Friday.

Dates for your diaries:

- Monday 26th Feb 2nd March: CIS/NEASC accreditation visit
- Friday 2nd March: Kopitiam in the PVO room after assembly (8.40am).

Simon Millward
Elementary School Principal

Principled Learning and Academic Integrity

Phil Clark

Middle Years Programme Coordinator

The IB Learner Profile attribute **principled** states "We act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness and justice, and with respect for the dignity and rights of people everywhere. We take responsibility for our actions and their consequences." One important aspect of being principled is demonstrating **academic integrity** (sometimes called **academic honesty**).

Developing and using skills of **academic integrity** is extremely important for students as they move through elementary school, secondary school and on to college, university and the world of work.

Whether it is work that students complete in class, research that we conduct individually or in a group, homework, assessment tasks or the Community Project and Personal Project, students should focus on what we will and will not do to ensure academic integrity.

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We will ensure that the work we produce is our own, fully and correctly acknowledging any work or ideas of others. We will use the MLA style of formatting for citations.	We will not plagiarise. Plagiarism is defined by the IB as "the representation, intentionally or unwittingly, of the ideas, words or work of another person without proper, clear and explicit acknowledgment. The use of translated materials, unless indicated and acknowledged, is also considered plagiarism." (MYP From Principles into Practice, 94)
We will work together with others to complete tasks that have been designed for collaborative work, and will work alone when appropriate for the task.	We will not engage in unauthorised collaboration when we are supposed to work alone.
We will create new products for each task without resubmitting previously completed work.	We will not duplicate work. Duplication of work is defined by the IB as "the presentation of the same work for different assessment components." (MYP From Principles into Practice, 94)
We will behave in ways that allow others to have the same opportunities and to access the same resources as we do.	We will not remove or deny access to any shared physical or digital resources.
We will use only authorised materials when in assessment situations.	We will not cheat.
We will use authentic data and information in an accurate form.	We will not forge or falsify data to suit our own needs.
We will respect the intellectual property rights and privacy of others and will contribute to the greater body of knowledge.	We will not breach copyright or privacy.
We will behave in ways that promote integrity and principled conduct.	We will not engage in collusion. Collusion is defined by the IB as "supporting academic misconduct by another student, for example allowing one's work to be copied or submitted for assessment by another." (MYP From Principles into Practice, 94)

At IGBIS the MYP students from grades 6-10 are responsible for:

- Ensuring that their work meets the grade-level expectations for principled learning and academic integrity.
- Making clear which words, ideas, images and other works are not their own.
- 3. Making clear where any borrowed work starts and finishes (using quotation marks or indentation).
- Using royalty-free media images, video and music (eg Creative Commons).
- Acknowledging all sources of information correctly using MLA style formatting (including words, images, maps, charts, tables, data sets, music, song lyrics, video clips, interviews, computer source codes etc - any material that is not their own).
- Acknowledging sources of information in the body of the text and also in the list of works cited.
- Reviewing their work prior to submission to check that all sources of information are acknowledged.

At IGBIS the MYP students in Grade 10 are responsible for:

- Meeting Personal Project interim and final deadlines so teachers can check that work meets expected IB standards of academic integrity.
- 2. Where required, submitting Personal Project work through school approved plagiarism checking software.

- Signing MYP cover-sheets confirming that the work being submitted is their own.
- If requested, providing evidence that the work being submitted is their own.

At IGBIS the parent(s) of MYP students in grades 6-10 are responsible for:

- Encouraging their child(ren) to share project timelines and to plan each assignment.
- Supporting their child(ren) to schedule and manage multiple tasks for different classes.
- Allowing their child(ren) to do their own work, but supporting them to research and plan their work.
- Maintaining good communication with the school to understand what is expected of students.
- Encouraging their child(ren) to ask a teacher for advice if they are having difficulty with their work.

As parents, you can support your child to academic success by familiarising yourselves with these school expectations and actively encouraging your child to demonstrate **academic integrity** in all their work.



New Grade 12 Hoodies

Mary Boyd Diploma Programme Coordinator

Congratulations and thank you to Grade 12 students Adarsh Manoj and Jaehyeok (Steve) Kim for designing and creating IGBIS' first Senior hoodies, worn here by 15 of our Grade 12 students. Many of these students came to IGBIS as Grade 9 students in 2014 when the school first opened.

Good luck to all of our Grade 12 students, for whom mock examinations start next Wednesday afternoon, with Monday and Tuesday being normal school days for them.





PVO News

Julie Arcidiacono Community & Events Coordinator

International Day is 2 weeks away. It will be held on Saturday, 10 March from 9:00am until 12:00pm. The Parade of Nations will open the event in the Level 7 Sports Hall, followed by performances, activities and food tastings from select country booths.

Below are the country booths in which staff and parents have signed up to participate. If your booth has a performance to share or if there are specific requests (such as additional tables or chairs), please contact julie.arcidiacono@igbis.edu.my. Booth set-up can occur on Friday, 9 March from 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

- 1. Bangladesh
- 2. Indonesia
- 3. Global Citizens
- 4. Canada
- Australia
- 6. Singapore
- 7. USA
- UK
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- 9. Italy10. New Zealand
- 11. Japan
- 12. Maldives
- 13. Poland
- 14. India

- 15. China
- 16. Latin America
- 17. Korea
- 18. Malaysia





Scholarship Awards 2018-2020

IB Middle Years Programme *Grade 9/10 (new students)

IB Diploma Programme



