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It has always seemed strange to me that in our endless discussions about education so little stress is laid on the pleasure of becoming an educated person, the enormous interest it adds to life. To be able to be caught up into the world of thought -- that is to be educated.

EDITH HAMILTON:

ALL SCHOOL

ISH Welcomes New Students

ISH welcomes new students Anshuman GUPTA in Grade 3a (INDIAN), Saloni GUPTA in Grade 8 (INDIAN)

Donate Books and Help Build Libraries for Underprivileged Children

Every child deserves to dream big dreams, books stir the imagination and teach them how.. Please donate generously into their lives. For donations and further information please contact 040 23006777.

Clothing Drive

Clearing out the closets?

TEA Cares is collecting GENTLY used clothing and shoes for children and seniors to benefit charities. Please drop them at ISH or send them with your child(ren).

For questions please contact:
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Concept Baskets

PTA would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Parents who have contributed items/money towards the "Theme Baskets" that were raffled off at the ISH primary production. There were 10 winners: Maya Shenoy, Jim Clark, Brady, Tonya Linnecamp, Paula Scott, Arty, Sahasrick Ragani, Vasu Reddy, Shamsuddin, Numan. Congratulations to all the winners!!!!

We would like to thank the sponsors who were very generous: Boulder Hills Golf & Country Club, Brainplex, Ista Hotel, ICRISAT, Ellaa Suites Hotel, Nirva Spa, Westin Prego Restaurant and Westin Kangan Restaurant.

All this would not have been possible without the great team that made it all happen Great job ladies!!: Ami Shukla, Andrea Tellman, Angela Shenoy, Ashwini Reddy, Hafizah Latif, Indu Gangadhar, Kathy Murthi, Kavita, Sabine Guion, shoba Bhansali, Sylvette Ward, Tonya Linnecamp, Trinajoi Changanpet and Zillah Abbt.

I would like to thank Kathy Murthi for taking care of all the details from start to finish. I would like to thank Indu Gangadhar for the "Theme Basket" idea and putting them all together in the end making them look very pretty. I would like to thank Ms. Nandita for all her help.

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Dates to Remember

31 March	College Counseling Session for Grade 10 Students & Grade 10 Parents (2:00pm-2:40pm)
31 March	IB & IGCSE Information Sessions for Grade 8 Students, Grade 10 Students, Parents of Grade 8 Students & Parents of Grade 10 Students (2:50-4:15)
2-9 April	Holiday
19 April	KG-1 Assembly
17 April	Secondary School Production
21 April	Secondary School Swimming Gala, 8:30am-12:30pm
22 April	Field Trip to Microsoft for Grades 9, 10, & 11.
23 April	Music Assembly (Elementary)
30 April	Elementary School Swimming Gala
1 May	Tint n' Tone
7 May	Reception Assembly
14 May	French Assembly
4 June	Last day of 2nd Semester (1/2 day for students)
16 August	First Day of the new school year for Students

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Elementary School Production

The ISH Elementary school proudly recreated some magic here on stage- 147 children of diverse nationalities and myriad talents stormed the stage and entertained you like never before! Adapting Rudyard Kipling 's masterpiece to our needs has been a challenge and a whirlwind of an experience, with students, faculty, support staff all passionately involved in the production. We toiled, we sweated, we laughed and we cried. But in the end we jumped for joy for what we did truly epitomized team spirit

The play was a spirited rendition of Kipling's classic, reflecting team-work and creativity of a very high order. The students sparkled in their roles and were undeniably the stars of the evening. It was an enriching learning experience for the performers as is borne out by the following comments.

Sarah (Reception): "The stage was shiny and nice."

Sidonie (KG 1): "I liked my tree costume with leaves on it."

Aditya (KG 2): "The play was good. The stage was great."

Aiden (Grade 1): "I like to act crazy. It was fun being a monkey."

Adit (Grade 1): "I felt like I was on TV."

Rhea (Grade 1): "It was fun being silly as a monkey."

Alexia (Grade 2): "I did a good job. I liked it when people cheered for us."

Simon (Grade 2) "I loved the elephant costume. The stage was very green and felt like a jungle."

Anika (Grade 3): "I enjoyed singing songs. Dancing on stage was great."

Shaili (Grade 4): "I had fun. I liked my dress a lot."

Zara (Grade 4): "I enjoyed learning the steps and dancing on stage."

Divya (Grade 5): "As a panther, it felt good to shout, express my anger and take my stress out."

Jennifer (Grade 5): "Acting help me feel confident."

Kovida (Grade 5): "I was the main character for the first time. I got over my stage fear."

Hindi Assembly

The Hindi department and the students learning Hindi as a second language did us proud this morning when they put together an assembly. Songs, poems and dances filled the 45 minute presentation. It was a treat to hear all of them speak sentences in Hindi fluently. Well done students and congratulations Ushaji and Pooja for putting together a wonderful presentation.

Toddler Group

Responding to demand, ISH is restarting the Toddler Group from 12th of April 2010. The ISH Toddler Group would be for children between the ages of 18 months and 2 years. Those interested to enrol their child(ren) in such a program should contact Mrs. Anja Dargatz, the Admissions Officer at 3071-3872 or by e-mail at ish@ishyd.org

Now you have a question, how will you find the answer?

Now you have a question, how will you find the answer? Well, that is easy. Make a plan. For most children it is about the 5 senses. We carry the tools with us all of the time and master them very early. If you want to know if the snow is really cold you touch it with a part of your body and the heat sensor takes over and in a second you have your answer. IT IS COLD! Does it taste? A hand full goes into your mouth, it's cold and IT TASTES LIKE WATER! Hey, it is in small pieces. Another handful is examined by a precise optical instrument, your eye. By observation you see that the snow is DIVIDED INTO VERY SMALL PIECES.

As students grow from year to year, their questions get more specific and they use instruments to gather data. This process follows a pattern which includes adding more details to questions. With the addition of more detail the student must do more planning and make decisions as to what to do and the steps that will be used.

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Dr. Suess Week

The PTA and the teachers of the elementary school together will be celebrating Dr. Suess 106th birthday next week (29th March to 1st April). This week long celebration is an attempt made to encourage reading. This week promises to be fun with lots of activities planned. Please check your mail for more details.

SECONDARY SCHOOL

Important IB & IGCSE Information Sessions for Grade 8 Students & their Parents as well as Grade 10 Students & their Parents on Wednesday, 31 March

On 31 March, from 2:50pm-4:15pm, there will be an important IB & IGCSE Information Session for Grade 8 Students, Grade 10 Students, Parents of Grade 8 Students, & Parents of Grade 10 Students. At this session, subject preference forms for next academic year will be distributed.

The Information Session will be held in the Grade 10 classroom in the Secondary School. At this session, Dr. Newmark will make some general comments about the IB & IGCSE and subject selections. Immediately after his comments, Grade 8 students & their parents will go to the Media Room in the Secondary School Library where Mrs. Biswas will introduce the IGCSE. Grade 10 students & their parents will remain in the Grade 10 Room where Mrs. Nair will introduce the IB. From 3:30-4:15pm, students and parents will have a chance to see the textbooks used in IGCSE and IB courses and to discuss the IGCSE and IB curricula with the IGCSE and IB teachers.

The completed and signed subject preference forms are due to the Secondary Office by noon on Wednesday, 14 April.

College Counseling Session for Grade 10 Students & their Parents on Wednesday, 31 March

Before the IB & IGCSE Information Session, a College Counseling session is being held for all Grade 10 students & their parents. At that session, the College Counselor, Mr. Prasad, will lead a discussion about the college application process and how course selection and

performance in Grades 9-12 can impact college admissions. The College Counseling Session will be held in the Media Room in the Secondary School Library from 2:00-2:40pm on Wednesday, 31 March.

Student-Led Conferences

This week, the Secondary School held student-led conferences with parents and teachers. Student-led conferences are an increasing phenomenon around the world and are based on the belief that students perform better when they take greater ownership of their learning. The student-led conferences in the Secondary School invited students to reflect on what they do well, what they need to improve, and what they can do to help make sure that they improve. Teachers guided students in their preparation for the conferences and helped ensure that the student-led conferences stayed on track.

Middle School Science Fair

The Middle School had its first Science Fair on 22 March. All Middle School students participated in the Science Fair, sharing the results of their research and experiments. Science fair projects included work on blood pressure, on chemistry, on electricity, on memory, on botany, ... With the help of their parents and teachers, students decided the subjects of their research projects and the methodology to carry out their projects. Thanks to Ms. Martha & Ms. Ms. Beena for organizing the Science Fair and to Ms. Madhavi for so ably assisting the students.

High School Dinner & Dance

On 20 March, ISH held a dinner & dance for High School Students at the Novotel. The dinner & dance was held in an enormous hall that had been nice decorated with balloons and a banner specially welcoming the group. Students enjoyed their evening out. The food was excellent and the students danced with abandon. Thanks to Mr. Goodner and the Student Council for organizing the evening. Thanks too to Mr. Ravi, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. & Mrs. Crawley for chaperoning the event.

Trip to Lahari Resort

On 18 March, the Secondary School took an excursion to Lahari Resort. The excursion provides students with an alternative to the usual day at school and the chance enjoy a variety of activities and bond with their classmates. Such trips enhance students' socialization skills and confidence. Thanks to Dr. Newmark for organizing the trip and to Mr. Raju, Mr. Gibbons, Mrs. Gibbons, Mrs. Martin, and Mr. Muehlich for chaperoning the trip.

Striding Flamingos

On the morning of 18 March, the Secondary School had a presentation on the Striding Flamingos. The presentation celebrated the artistic contributions of ISH students to the Striding Flamingos program. Ms. Indu, the creator & organizer of Striding Flamingos, shared the creative and dynamic logos and slogans developed by Secondary Students for Striding Flamingos. She presented awards to students, with the assistance of Mr. Gallinger and Mrs. Gibbons.