



ISPS Weekly Newsletter

Volume 17, Issue 18: Friday 1st April, 2011

Mission

ISPS develops independent learners who strive for academic excellence, pursue their unique potential and meet challenges with confidence and integrity as they prepare for global citizenship.

Vision

A collaborative community creating a vibrant environment that enriches character, while inspiring a passion for learning and personal excellence.

From the Director

Dear Parents

Thanks to all of the students and parents who took part in our Annual Walkathon last Saturday. All funds raised will be donated to the Christ Child Convalescent Home and Cyril Ross Nursery. We will let you know how much was raised soon. Thanks also to the PTO for their generous provision of food and water.

Congratulations to our seventh grade students for their outstanding presentation of *Sense of Time* on Tuesday. As noted by Ms Solozano, "The presentation was the perfect example of what can be achieved through an integrated curriculum and collaboration. Language Social Studies, Science, Music, Dance, Art, Spanish and Technology were all showcased."

Today marks the end of the third quarter in middle school and high school. Third quarter progress reports will be sent home on April 7th for middle school and April 8th for high school. I encourage you to actively review the

progress reports with your children and set goals for the remainder of the school year.

We will hold our **annual Open House on April 9th** from 9:30-11:30. The Open House is for prospective new families who want to know more about ISPS and possibly enroll students for the 2011-12 academic year. We encourage you to let your neighbors and other interested persons know about this opportunity to learn more about ISPS.

Middle school students will have a musical production, www.That's Entertainment.com, on **Thursday, April 14th at 6:00 PM and Friday, April 15th at 1:00**. We hope you will be able to come out and support our budding performers.

ISPS will be on holiday April 16 - May 1st to celebrate Easter. School will resume on May 2nd.

Have a good weekend.

Eric Larson

Dates for your Diary:

Apr. 7	MS Q3 Report Cards
8	HS Q3 Report Cards
9	Open House
18	Easter Break
22	Good Friday (National Holiday)
24	Easter Sunday (National Holiday)
25	Easter Monday (National Holiday)

What's Inside

Walk-a-thon Results	2-3
Athletics News	4
Easter Activities Camp Form	5
MS Card Making Exploratory & Order Form	6
Women In Arts Competition Winners	7-8
Cafeteria Menu	9

Open House

April 9th

from 9:30

to 11:30 a.m.

ATTENTION GRADUATES AND PARENTS: If you would like to order graduation photos, please get the orders into the school by Friday, April 8, 2011. If you do not wish to order photos at this time, please return the proofs to the school as they remain the property of the photographer.

Any questions or concerns, please email dcowley@isps.edu.tt or call the school x234



All our early birds probably wondered why we were not in the usual area for set up as was announced in our newsletters. It was quite tricky at first as to where we should set up since we were told that the Carnival booths would be removed. Nevertheless, we found a spot and our staff quickly set up tables and chairs, and registration went into full swing at 6:20 a.m. At 6:30 a.m. a few families were ready to take off and the event was declared opened. As usual the dogs were among the many joggers and walkers. Our athletes have continued to come out with their teams, and we really appreciated seeing them. Students, parents and faculty had ample time to complete their lap/s around the savannah. This year we had several individuals who completed two and three laps. The student turnout could have been better, and we must find ways to get more students involved.



The walkathon ended at approximately 9:00 a.m., and we were grateful that we were blessed with a sunny Saturday morning for our walk. Thank you to the PTO who organized the food and water for all the participants. We hope that you enjoyed the bananas, doubles, potatoes pies, and bake and salt fish.

The snow cone vendor was elated to see us, and the students enjoyed their cool sweet sip of syrup and crushed ice after their jog/walk!

Thank you to Mr. Larson for his continued support, and Ms. Pilar who organized all the forms and communication. Moreover, we are grateful for our faculty, parents and students who participated in this worthy cause. Additionally, we want to thank our security for keeping a close watch on us and maintenance department for organizing the registration area.

All funds collected will be sent to Christ Child Convalescent Home (HS Community Service) and Cyril Ross Children's Home(MS and ES Community Service). ISPS and those beneficiaries thank you for your time and support. Now that the walk is over, we would appreciate if all students submit their forms and monies by Monday, April 4th.

We look forward to seeing the ISPS community next year!

Student participation:

- Elementary School 84 students
- Middle School 44 students
- High School 45students
- Total students: 173

Remember to return your pledge sheet and money to homeroom teachers .

THANK YOU!

Some outstanding student achievements included

7 MILE CLUB (3 LAPS)

ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE	HIGH
Andres Perez (Gr.4)	Carl Miller (Gr. 6)	
Matthew Johnson (Gr. 4)	Jacob Harford (Gr. 6)	
Juan Vivas (Gr. 3)	Sebastian Perez (Gr. 6)	
Christopher Privitera	Massimiliano Di Cola (Gr. 7)	
Samuel Joseph (Gr.4)	Shane Scott (Gr. 7)	
Lucas Lombard (Gr. 5)	Samantha West (Gr. 8)	

5 MILE CLUB (2 LAPS)

ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE	HIGH
Dalton Francois (PK)	Liam Bryden (Gr 6)	Wilfred Peake (Gr.9)
Kael Jacob (Gr.1)	Juliana Johnson (Gr. 6)	Geong You (Gr.10)
Fergus Elliott (Gr.1)	Devin Norman (Gr. 6)	Kelsey Skinner (Gr.11)
Sofia Vivas (Gr. 1)	Annalies Chan (Gr.6)	Camille Delouche (Gr. 12)
Dominique Lombard (Gr. 2)	Eliana Velarde (Gr. 6)	Salome Boccara (Gr.12)
Corinne Francois (Gr. 2)	Alexander Loveland (Gr. 6)	
Quinn Loveland (Gr. 2)	Jean-Charles Patterson (Gr. 6)	
Brennan Cowley Adam (Gr.2)	Nicholas O'Callaghan (Gr. 7)	
Adrian Castillo (Gr. 2)	Ephraim Archer (Gr. 7)	
Alejandro Velarde Kun-car (Gr. 3)	Sofia Jungenberg (Gr. 7)	
Asahi Suzuki (Gr. 3)	Rawan Galal (Gr.7)	
Rosalyn Elliott (Gr.3)	Alexander Jackson (Gr.7)	
Radwa Yazid (Gr.3)	Tomas Privitera (Gr. 7)	
Zachary Cummings (Gr.2)	Ellen Warner (Gr. 7)	
Lena Wigger (Gr. 4)	Olivier Delouche (Gr. 7)	
Grace Davies (Gr.4)	Rebecca Philip (Gr. 7)	
Ella Taylor-Cross (Gr.4)	Julian Niccolai (Gr. 8)	
Anya Singh (Gr.4)	Emily Nagy (Gr. 8)	
Vitalia Sooknarine (Gr.5)	Celine Sooknarine (Gr.8)	
Maria Medina (Gr. 5)	Quincy Hosten (Gr. 8)	
Kayla Jacob (Gr. 5)	Patrick Wigger (Gr. 8)	
Jose Murillo (Gr. 5)		
Niko Baston (Gr. 5)		
Jesse Drame (Gr. 5)		
Ashley Mahabir (Gr.5)		

PARENTS AND FACULTY RESULTS

Parents 5 MILE CLUB (2 LAPS)	Faculty 5 MILE CLUB (2 LAPS)	Faculty 7 MILE CLUB (3 LAPS)
Michael Bryden	Claudelle Lewis	Ginger Taft
Godofredo Perez	Allison Johnson	Charles Rota
Ian Baston	Vanessa Chaperlin	
Rebekah Drame	Inge Schluer	
Abraham Drame	Jessica Hawkins	
Darcee Adam		
Neil Ramtahalsingh		
Debra de Montrichard		
Mohamed Yazid		
Abeer Ali		
Analia Orellana		
Art Lombard		
Parents 7 MILE CLUB (3 LAPS)		
Isabelle Delouche		
Parents 10 MILE CLUB (4 LAPS)		
Philippe Delouche		



Faculty & Staff: 45 participated

Parents: 88 participated

Nurse's Notes...



Hello Everyone,

It was great having a break during the week. We are still having students with stomach pains and diarrhea or vomiting.

This is a reminder to continue checking the labels of snacks packs to monitor the levels of salt and sugar consumed by your children.

Have a good weekend.

Vanda Gomes R.N. R.M.
School Nurse



“At the Beach” Staff Treat Day - Friday, April 15th

Sponsored by Elementary, Middle and High School Parents. This is a great opportunity to express our appreciation to all the persons involved in our children’s day to day activities. The PTO ask for your support on this date, bring a healthy savory or sweet dish.

For more information please contact: Debra de Montrichard or Analia Orellana through the school phone



CAIMAN ATHLETICS NEWS

GYMNASTICS

A first for the ISPS gymnastics program!

This past weekend (March 26th) three gymnasts from ISPS' 1 hour a week, after school gymnastics program participated in the 15th Annual Tots & Tumblers Gymnastics Club Invitational Competition held at the Woodbrook Youth Facility. This was the first time the ISPS Gymnastics Club has taken part in a competition.

Aryah Waller Grade 2, **Charlotte Mears** Grade 3, and **Maria Jesus Gonzalez** Grade 4 participated in the Pre-Competition level. The three girls competed creditably and look very good against gymnasts who train several hours a week.

Results:

Pre-Comp Age 7 Division

Aryah Waller placed 1st on Uneven Bars, 4th on Floor and 6th Overall out of 11 Competitors

Pre-Comp Age 8+ Division

Charlotte Mears place 5th on Bars, 5th on Floor and 8th Overall out of 10 Competitors

Maria- Jesus Gonzalez placed 2nd on Bars, 4th on Floor and 4th Overall out of 10 Competitors



I would like to say Congratulations to all three girls who did ISPS proud in their first ever competition. Special recognition goes to Aryah and Maria for their outstanding performance on the uneven bars which earned them gold and silver medals respectively. Their next competition is the St. Andrews Invitational on May 13th and 14th and finally the National Invitational 2011 on June 11th and 12th. Reminders will be sent for parents and friends to come out and support our young Caiman Gymnasts.

SOCCER

In preparation for boys CAISSA in May ,we will be hosting a pre-season tournament.

This is an U-18 tournament.

The Venue-: The International School of Port of Spain (Spanish Court Field)

Date: Saturday 2nd April 20011

Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm

4-6 teams

Go Teams!!!

CAISSA DATES

CAISSA Boys Soccer and Girls Basketball is in Ecuador from May 20th to 24th.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Registration Forms for Session 3 (May 2 to June 16) are available at the front desk and on line. Please read carefully the "Important General Information" (see below).

Please use this link to access the After School Activities registration form on our website - <http://www.isps.edu.tt/SchoolLife.aspx>

You can also email your form or details listed on the form to me aali@isps.edu.tt and make payment at the front desk at a later date. This would ensure that your child has a place in the class of their choice.

**IMPORTANT GENERAL INFORMATION on ASA

- Registration Period is Monday 4th - Friday 29th April 2011. Classes with limited space are on a first come, first served basis.
- May 2nd —*Session 3 Starts*
- June 16th — *Session 3 Ends*
- "NC" indicates an activity that is *free of charge*.
- Return registration forms and payment to the Front Desk.
- Please make payments using checks or Linx only. Make checks payable to "ISPS".
- Complete one form per child.
- Refunds will not be made after the second week of activities.
- Each activity must have a minimum number of partici-



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

****IMPORTANT GENERAL INFORMATION on ASA**

- Every effort will be made to contact parents as early as possible if an activity must be cancelled on a particular day. Please ensure that contact numbers given are accurate.

- Parents are asked to pick up students after classes. *Parents should not attend classes as there is the tendency to distract the students (especially in Gymnastics and Karate classes).*

Basketball



Dodge Ball

March 2011

Dear Parent,

I am having an activities sport camp at **The International School Gymnasium** during the Easter Vacation.

Monday April 18 to Thursday April 21st

Times: 9:00am to 1:00 pm

Place: ISPS Gym

Ages: 6 - 12

Cost: \$480 per child

Please fill out the bottom portion of this form and return it to me or the front desk with your payment no later than **Monday April 11th 2011**. The minimum number that I would require for this program to occur is ten (10) students.

If you have any questions or concerns please call me at 633 4777 Ext. 135 or 724 3511 (cell) after 3:00pm

Sincerely,

Ricardo Lue Shue
Physical Education Teacher

Easter Activities Sport Camp

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Contact Information:

Parent's Name: _____

Telephone #: _____

Allergies: _____

Payment enclosed: **Cash** , **Cheque** (payable to Ricardo Lue Shue).

Community Notice Board

Card Making Exploratory

Who we are: We are a community service project exploratory. We create cards by hand to sell individually or as sets. We have a stock of cards and gift tags on display, ready for sale in room 253. We also make cards to your specifications.

All proceeds will be given to Charity in the form of cash or needed supplies.



Order Form

Name: _____

Type of card: _____ Number of cards: _____ \$8TT each, \$75TT for a set of ten cards

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Birthday | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter | <input type="checkbox"/> Father's Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thank You | <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Tag for _____ (occasion) \$3TT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Baby | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personalized with a monogram | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blank inside | |

Colour of card background:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue | <input type="checkbox"/> White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green | <input type="checkbox"/> Pink |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yellow | <input type="checkbox"/> Assorted |

Special notes or details or orders for more than one type of card:

Total Price of Order _____

\$ Received by _____

If you would like to see samples or need help filling out this form - ask any member of the exploratory, visit room 253 or see Ms. King.

If you would like to support our goals, but don't need any cards, we would appreciate donations of buttons, scraps of ribbon, wrapping paper, etc.

Congrats ISPS Artists!

ISPS Boasts Seven Winners in the National Women in the Arts Competition

The Artists of ISPS achieved great success in the 2011 National Women in the Arts Competition. This competition held in conjunction with The National Museum and Art Gallery, the Ministry of the Arts and Multiculturalism and the Ministry of Education is open to all male and female fifth and sixth form students in Trinidad and Tobago. **ISPS received more awards and prizes than any other school which participated!** Our art students not only have intrinsic talent but have dedicated much of their time and ambition to creating their art. It must also be noted that Sarah Achim, in addition to placing in two categories, received one of the overall top three awards: Excellence in Drawing; the Dr. Pat Bishop Challenge Trophy.



The art work of all of the students who participated in this contest is on display at the National Museum and Gallery through Sunday April 3rd.

Gallery hours are Tuesday -Saturday 10:00am-6:00pm and Sunday 2:00pm-6:00pm.

Sarah Achim: Distinguished Award for Excellent Drawing: Dr. Pat Bishop Challenge Trophy
2nd Place Portrait Category

3rd Place in Landscape/Seascape Category

Chelsea Forgenie: Guardian General Challenge Trophy: 1st Place Still Life Category

Chantal Quamina: Fraulein Rudder Challenge Trophy: 1st Place Portrait Category

Ella Bayne: 3rd Place Abstract Category

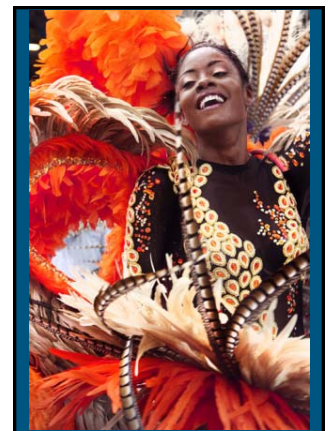
Teresa Sabga: Special Prize for Photography: Portrait Category

Shara Morris: Honorable Mention Experimental Category

Dayna Bayne: Honorable Mention Landscape/Seascape Category



~ Dayna Bayne



~ Teresa Sabga



~Chelsea Forgenie



~Chantal Quamina



~Sarah Achim



~Shara Morris



~Ella Bayne



Dear Parents,

You must be proud of your child presenting his/her portfolio at your meeting last week. All parents had the opportunity to meet both the classroom and specialist teachers. If you feel there is a need for further discussion about your child's progress, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to make your thinking visible by writing your comments on the white post-it sheets— *What interested me... What surprised me....*

A gentle reminder to send your term two survey forms to the class teacher by Monday, April 4th.

Thank you to all the families and friends who made an effort to attend the walkathon last Saturday. Congratulations to all our students who were able to complete one, two and three laps around the savannah.

We would appreciate if you can submit your child's pledge sheet and funds collected, so that we can hand over the funds to the organization before the Easter Break.

Last Friday at our town meeting Asahi Suzuki and Genya Sato spoke to our students about what happened in Japan. They talked about the tsunami and their families who live in Japan. Our students have been asking many questions about earthquakes and tsunamis. We are sad to announce that Asahi and Genya will be leaving our community this month to return to Japan. We wish both families well, and we hope that their experience in Trinidad and Tobago will be a memorable one.

Have a great weekend!

Regards,

Suzette Julien
Elementary Principal

MAY CALENDAR

15th April—School closes (Easter Break)

2nd May—School reopens

6th May—Grade 5 Exhibition

16-20th May—MAP Testing

PYP Corner....

Did you know that the first grades are working on cycles? Ask about the butterflies that are in their classrooms.

Did grade five students tell you that they have been learning about UNICEF and the role that the organization has in Trinidad and Tobago?

Ask grade three students about what they know about water and its importance.

These are just a few units of inquiry that our students are working on for this term. Classroom teachers will be sending more information to keep you abreast of the inquiry units.

Principled and Integrity

What does it mean to have integrity and be principled? Ask your child what he/she understands about the words for the month of May.

Student-Led Conferences



Job well done...

Dates for your Diary:		18	Start of Easter Break	25	Easter Monday (National Holiday)
Apr.	7	MS Q3 Report Cards	22	Good Friday (National Holiday)	
	8	HS Q3 Report Cards	24	Easter Sunday (National Holiday)	May 2
	9	Open House			SCHOOL RESUMES
				2	ASA Session 3 Begins

Cafeteria Menu: April 4-8, 2011

Everyday there will be a set menu at a **fixed cost (Table d'hôte)** and some days may have an **À la carte menu** where **items are priced individually**

MONDAY 4 TH	DEEP FRIED FISH, OLD FASHIONED FRIED CHICKEN, CREAMED POTATOES, PEAS AND CARROTS, TOSSED SALAD, FRESH FRUIT JUICE
TUESDAY 5 TH	GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST WITH FRESH TOMATOES AND BASIL SAUCE, SWEET AND SOUR FISH, LINGUINI, STIR FRY VEGETABLES, GREEN SALAD, FRESH FRUIT JUICE
WEDNESDAY 6 TH	HONEY GARLIC CHICKEN, FISH NUGGETS, BAKED POTATOES, TOPPINGS, COLE SLAW, FRESH FRUIT JUICE
THURSDAY 7 TH	BEEF STROGANOFF, GRILLED FISH, CHICKEN CACCIATORE, MACARONI PIE, VEGETABLE RICE, PICKLED SALAD, FRESH FRUIT JUICE
FRIDAY 8 TH	BURGERS, HOT DOGS, BUFFALO WINGS, ZINGERS, FRENCH FRIES, SALAD BAR, FRESH FRUIT JUICE. (A LA CARTE) PASTA DELIGHT, FRESH BREAD ROLLS, CAESAR SALAD. (TABLE 'D' HOTE)

Prices for Lunch: VAT INCLUSIVE (Table d'hôte)- Fixed Menu

Small: \$23.00 Large: \$28.75

Prices for (A la Carte Menu) : VAT INCLUSIVE

Beef Sub: \$16.10(sm)/\$19.55(m)	Chicken Sub: \$14.95(sm)/\$17.25(m)	Meatball Sub: \$16.10(sm)/\$19.55(m)
Bake & Shark: \$20.00	French Fries: \$9.20	Regular Juices: Small \$4.60 Large: \$9.20

Note: Vegetarian meals are available upon request. Students & Staff who suffer from allergies or have dietary requirements, please let the café know in advance so that they can try to facilitate you.

Other Available Items: Sandwiches, Fresh Fruit Juices, Milk Drinks, Pre-packed Juices, Cut Fruits, Freshly Baked Pastries & Snack Items

Freshly baked bread will be on sale in the café every Friday afternoon