



# ISPS WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### September

- 25-27 AASSA Training Institute
- 27 Vision Screening
- 30- 4 (OCT) HS MAP Testing
- 30- 4 (OCT) Health Week

### October

- 3 Blood Bank
- 15 MAP Orientation For Parents
- 16 PSATs
- 16 HS "Scene & Heard"
- 27-28 Divali (National Holiday)  
No school
- 29-3 (Nov) Midterm Break (No School)

### November

- 2 SATs

### MISSION

ISPS is a vibrant learning community dedicated to developing passionate learners who strive for excellence and pursue their unique potential. We encourage resilience, innovation and collaboration, preparing students to act with confidence and integrity as caring global citizens.

### VISION

Inspiring thinkers and doers to shape a better world.

### MOTTO

Difference Makers,  
Future Shapers

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Parents/Guardians

It was my first tropical storm and I am relieved to say that, as a community, we seem to have come through without too much damage.

Last Friday I spent the day with the Board as part of its Annual Retreat. We spent the day with Rick Detwiler, an experienced trainer/facilitator with over 20 years' experience in education and board development.

During the day we looked at best practices for high-performing boards in international schools. The board is also working on their strategic goals for the year. It was really valuable for me to spend the day with the Board and to learn more about their vision and focus.

The day left me feeling very energised and engaged, and I am looking forward to continuing to work closely with them to move ISPS forward.

This newsletter is already long with lots and lots of positive news and initiatives, so this will be a short piece. However, I would like to remind you that our doors are open if you would like to come and discuss any aspect of your child's educational journey, or have a question or concern.

Successful education is a partnership between you, us and your child.

**Helen Brocklesby**  
Director

## Splash of Colour



## HEALTH WEEK

September 30 to October 4

ISPS DADS & ISPS PTO

# ISPS 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary BBQ

FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER

5 pm - 8 pm

Kids Zone!

Surprise Performers!

Mouthwatering Eats!

## Come celebrate with us!

CELEBRATING **25** YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

DIFFERENCE **MAKERS**, **FUTURE SHAPERS**

# ELEMENTARY NOTES



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Dear Parents,

Your children are engaged in their learning and they have settled to their routines in all classes. I have noticed that the students' conversations about learning reflects their ability to take apart their topics and concepts to enhance their understanding. Last week, I had a conversation with grade one students in art class, and they were able to determine the meaning about warm and cool colors and why is it important to know about colors and use them in their own environment. We expect our students to not only learn about topics and concepts, but also to share how they can apply that understanding in their own world.

Measurement of Academic Progress (MAP) tests have been completed and each teacher will now use your child's scores to set goals and targets for instruction. Once the goals have been sent home with your child, please spend some time to review and discuss those goals with him/her.

**Dr. Suzette Julien**  
Elementary School Principal

## House Meetings:

October 4, November 29. May 8, June 5

**PLEASE ENSURE ALL STUDENTS WEAR THEIR HOUSE T-SHIRTS!**

*THANK YOU to our parents and staff, Ms. Hadeed, Ms. Eaton, Ms. Smyth, Ms. Blue, Mr. Lopez and Mr. Ryan, who dedicated their time to decorate Green Court with games for our students, last weekend. Hats off to them, they created interactive games for our students. Both teachers and students can use these games in their teaching and learning and have fun with that experience. We learn best by doing.*





Participants of the local global-strike group, Climate Strike TT.



# Youth Strike 4 Climate

ISPS students have gone on strike to demand action on climate change.

During the week of Sept 20-27, more than 4 million people in hundreds of cities have joined the #fridaysforfuture student-led movement in support of environmental protection. Tristan Morgan, a grade 9 student at ISPS, registered and organized the demonstration for Port of Spain, where approximately 150 people attended. ISPS students from the environmental science class and club, as well as other passionate high schoolers, joined the #climatestrikett at the Queen's Savannah Park on Wednesday, holding posters and chanting together in demand of urgent change to protect our environment.

[#differencemakersfutureshapers](https://twitter.com/differencemakersfutureshapers)





# Living Our Mission

## Dance with a Mission

Last Friday evening two 9th grade ISPS students performed live at a Fundraiser for the Trinidad Cancer Society of Trinidad and Tobago, hosted by Hannah Janoura.

The event was held to specially raise funds for buses to transport cancer patients to clinic treatment.

Guests of the event were delighted to be entertained.

Sophia Knaggs and Emma De Verteuil, both advanced foundation ballet students at The Bentley Potter School of dance, were part of a 5 person dance troupe.

The girls performed a Jazz dance to the song " Sing, Sing, Sing" as the evening was Vegas themed.

We are proud of our ISPS student who continue to pursue their passion to the benefit of the wider community.

In November both girls will be participating in a all world dance competition to be held in Orlando.

ISPS congratulates both girls and wish them continued success!



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Blood Bank

Thursday, October 3, 2019

## Upcoming Screening

On Friday vision screening takes place at school for students who have permission from their parents.

When I get the results they will be sent to you. Only students with referrals will get notification.

If you would like to get the flu shot for your family pay Irene Akien in the business office and she will let me know how many shots I have to order.

The cost is \$135.00 per shot. I will contact you when I get them and you can let me know when you would like to come in and get it.

The blood bank will be on the school compound on Thursday 3rd October 2019. Please let me know if you would like to donate and the time you prefer between 9am and 2:30pm.

Do have a wonderful weekend!



# CAIMANS ATHLETICS



## Athletics Update

We currently have 3 soccer teams in competition:  
U15 Girls, U14 Boys and U12 Boys

The U15 Girls and U12 Boys are playing in the National Primary Schools League, while the U14 Boys were invited to participate in a private league staged by St. Mary's College. The teams are performing well while displaying excellent sportsmanship.

In the U15 Girls league, we have played 2 games thus far and the results are as follows:



- Game 1:** ISPS vs Mucurapo A 3-3 Draw  
Sara, Gabby Farmer & Isabella scored goals for the Caimans.
- Game 2:** ISPS vs Carenage 1-0 Win  
Gabrielle Mackenzie scored the goal for the Caimans.



- Remaining Games to be played:**
- Wednesday Oct 2nd Versus Dunross Prep, 1pm at ISPS
  - Wednesday Oct 9th Versus Mucurapo Girls B, 11:30am at ISPS
  - Wednesday Oct 16th Versus Mucurapo Girls, 12:30pm at Hasely Crawford Stadium



In the U12 Boys league, we have played 3 games and hold a perfect 3-0 record so far. Here are the results:

**Game 1:** ISPS vs Trimont College 2-0 Win

Goal Scorers: Pedro, Hugues

**Game 2:** ISPS vs Carenage 7-1 Win

Goal Scorers: Pedro, Anthony, Hugues, Zackary, Sam

**Game 3:** ISPS vs St. Andrews 2-0 Win

Goal Scorers: Sam, Shane

**Remaining Games to be played:**

Monday Sept 30th Versus Dunross Prep, 10:30am at ISPS

In the U14 League, we only played the opener on Saturday, September 21st against the home team St. Mary's. The weather provided a challenge, but our boys played well displaying great skill, teamwork and discipline. The results from Game 1:

**Game 1:** ISPS vs St. Mary's College 5-1 Win

Goal Scorers: Omari, Ibrahima, Dillion, James, Adrian

**Games are played every Saturday as follows:**

September 28th Versus Fatima, 10:30am at St. Joseph's Convent Ground

October 5th Versus St. Anthony's College, 9am at TBD

October 12th Versus St. Mary's, 10:15am at TBD

October 19th Versus Fatima, 10:30am at TBD

October 26th Versus St. Anthony's College, 10:30am at TBD



**Go Caimans!**

# COMMUNITY SPORTS NIGHT



**7:00-9:45PM**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BASKETBALL**



**6:00-8:00PM**

**THURSDAYS**

VOLLEYBALL FOOTBALL

We are happy to continue our Community Sports Nights and will continue the registration process to have persons interested from the Community (parents, staff, students, alumni) register and sign a Liability Release Form. Given that it is for the ISPS Community there will be no charge for registration. It will be monitored this term to see if any adjustments are required.

Your Team's assistance will be greatly appreciated in advertising and promoting these activities.

Thanks for your consideration.  
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**YOGA** For Parents



Please contact Katherine Dalton-Brown @ 678-1996

Monday: 7:45 - 8:45 a.m.  
Friday: 7:45 - 8:45 a.m.

Location: Dance Room

NAMASTE



**TEAM ISPS NEEDS YOU... SIGN UP NOW!**

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

15K: 5:45am 5K: 6:30am

Starting point: RBC St. Clair (opposite QRC)



4th Annual **RACE FOR THE KIDS** 2019 5K / 15K

**HOW TO REGISTER**

- Go online to [www.rbcraceforthekidstt.com](http://www.rbcraceforthekidstt.com) to pay via credit card
- Purchase an access code from any NLCB outlet and then register online
- Go to RBC Head Office, St. Clair or at the following RBC Branches – Gulf City, Chaguanas, Trincity Mall and Scarborough from 10am to 3pm (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays)



CHECK FRONT OFFICE FOR MORE INFO.

nwea  
**map**® testing

**High School**  
**Sept 30-Oct 4**





# School Bullying & other Aggressive Behaviors

## Prevention/Response/Intervention

An interactive and supportive opportunity to connect voices, insights and solutions...

All ISPS Parents

**Thursday October 10, 2019**

7:40 - 8:45 am



**Dance Room**

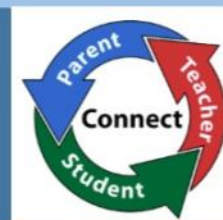
**Facilitators:**

**ISPS Counselors - Ms. Hyndman (ES), Mr. Steinbach (MS), Mr. Moore (HS)**

Talking Points

- About Bullying - Fact or Myth?
- What we see in ES, MS, HS
- ISPS Anti-bullying Policy
- Staff, Parents, Students - What can we do?
- Confidentiality
- Questions/concerns/suggestions

Looking forward to seeing you there...





# ISPS Lunch Menu

September 30-October 11

[CLICK HERE FOR MENU PRICES](#)

Sept-Oct 2019	Monday 30	Tuesday 01	Wednesday 02	Thursday 03	Friday 04
Proteins	Spanish Chicken Thighs OR Stew Fish Cubes	Oven Fried Chicken OR Fish Steaks	Beef Meatballs OR Grilled Fish Marinara Sauce	Curry Chicken OR Curry Fish	BBQ Baked Wings OR BBQ Glazed Fish
Starches	Basmati Rice	Mashed Potato	Herb Spaghetti	Bus Up Shot	Steak Fries
Peas/Veggie	Mediterranean salad	Broccoli Gratin	Fresh Apple	Dasheen Bush Potato and Chana	Fresh Fruit Chow
Vegan	Grilled Tofu Kebab	Lentils loaf	Soya Meatball	Curry Tofu	Soya Jamaican Patties
Soup of the Day					Pumpkin Bisque

October 2019	Monday 07	Tuesday 08	Wednesday 09	Thursday 10	Friday 11
Proteins	Butter Milk Fried Chicken OR Steamed Fish	Brown Sugar Garlic Chicken OR Fried Fish Fillet	Guava BBQ Chicken OR Guava BBQ Fish	Chinese Chicken Tenders OR Asian Fish	Jerk Chicken OR Jerk Fish Skewer
Starches	Mac & Cheese	Roasted Red Skin Potato Hash	Macaroni Pie	Asian Noodles Salad	Red Bean Rice
Peas/Veggie	Coconut Corn on the Cob	Sautéed Vegetables	Steam Vegetables		Fried Plantain
Vegan	Fresh Salad	Pinto Beans	Red Beans	Vegetable Spring Rolls	Honey Garlic Tofu
Soup of the Day				Beef Ramen	

If you have a special diet or have any allergic reactions to certain foods, please advise our caterers at your earliest convenience so that they may prepare a menu that fits your needs.