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*In business as in life
seeing further ahead makes all the difference.....*

Thomas Butler Bowdon

Over the next few weeks I will be visiting classrooms in the Early Years, Primary and Secondary sections to see how teachers and students are progressing.

This week for example, I spent Tuesday morning with Early Years and it is always interesting to talk to teachers and students about what they are doing. I spent time with Ms Nellie and Ms Eimear while observing and talking about the start of the term. What I enjoyed, was understanding the very unique methodology of Te Whaariki and the way Early Years approaches student learning. Play is a special part of this learning process and teachers have to work spontaneously to ensure they apply numeracy and literacy skills. It is very different to the standardised classroom routines of rote learning. I thoroughly enjoyed my morning and it showed very clearly how important this program is to our school.

Time spent in the classroom is essential; not just for myself but also for the students. I enjoyed learning literacy with Ms Donna's Year 4s and fractions with Ms Michelle's Year 5s.

Secondary classes offer a different level of learning, and understanding safety procedures in the Year 7 Science class with Mr Brian was a fundamental starting point given the practical nature of experiments. Then learning in Ms Barbara's Year 10 Business Studies class about how individuals learn and the different methods we use to associate and remember concepts and ideas.

Each family has their own set of values and within this setting, we seek to expand and provide a stimulating environment where our teachers are paramount in facilitating different learning opportunities.

Thank you to those staff whose classrooms I have been welcomed into.

Finally, yesterday we welcomed to the world, Elise, the beautiful newborn daughter of our secondary teacher Mr Brian and his wife Lina. Congratulations on the start of your family Lina and Brian and we look forward to seeing the three of you very soon.

Inga Tamou
Principal

2015 SCHOOL TERM DATES

As below these are our term dates for next term.

2015

Term 3: Jul 28 - Sep 23

A full 2015 Academic calendar

is on our website so visit

www.nzis.school.nz

to stay up-to-date.

UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 11th Aug

EY & Primary School Photos

Thursday 13th Aug

Secondary School Photos
Primary Catch up Photos

Friday 14th Aug

NZIS Indonesian Day Celebrations
(assembly and activities)

Monday 17th Aug

Public Holiday
(long weekend)

Friday 4 Sept

NZIS Sports Day at AIS
(athletics only)

Wednesday 23rd Sept

International Day Celebrations
Last Day of term 3

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Pot Luck Dinner

A big thanks to all those parents and staff who made it to our 'Pot Luck' dinner on Wednesday evening. This event came about in response to feedback from our Parent Support Group, following our first barbeque in January. It provided a relaxed setting for new parents to meet some of our community members, as well as an opportunity for more informal discussions amongst staff and parents away from the classroom.



School Photos

This Tuesday August 11th the NZIS primary and Early Years students will all have their class and individual photos taken. Please ensure your orders and money are submitted by this Monday. We have a new photographer taking the photos this year and there is a simple package available to everyone. Ensure your child arrives before 8am on Tuesday so they do not miss their class group photo (primary students should all be in their formal batik uniform.)

ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to our Year 2 students from Whanake and Uenuku for leading our assembly this morning and sharing and celebrating their learning with us. Zach and Finn, along with their Zoe the Literary Fairy, did an amazing job of leading their classes and the rest of the audience today. It was a pleasure to enjoy their promotion of powerful poetic prose and to be reminded that we are never fully dressed without a smile.



FOUND!!!

A small USB was left in Yr 4 classroom after assembly today. Please see Office staff if it is yours.

GOOD LUCK

Good Luck to Faye Lyn from Yr 5 who will be competing in the Skate Asia 2015 Competition in Qingdao, China, next week. Faye will be competing in four events which are Technical, Artistic, Open Freestyle Bronze and Solo Compulsories. Regardless of results, this is a wonderful opportunity for Faye and we wish her all the best!

Uniforms

With school photos being taken next week, it provides a good excuse to remind students and parents about the NZIS Dress Code. When students are wearing their formal batik uniform they are expected to be wearing all black, all brown or all white shoes with white socks. Sandals in the same colors may also be worn without socks. (Next year the options will be all black shoes or all black sandals only.) Hair at or below the shoulders should be neatly tied back with only school-colored hair accessories. Unfortunately these do not include fluorescent pink/orange/green! While we are aware that it can be difficult to source all-black shoes here in Jakarta in some sizes, with a little planning and endeavor many students seem to have obtained them here or overseas. Sports shoes may be worn with the sports uniform, changed into at play times, or worn all the time IF they are ALL BLACK. Formal uniforms should be worn by all students in the school every Friday. We are working towards having some pre-made uniforms available at school in the next couple of weeks.

SCHOOL HOURS

Just a quick note to parents to remind you that all primary students from New Entrant to Year 6 are expected to be at school BEFORE the 8am bell. Supervision is provided from 7:30am each morning. We ask that parents make every effort to have their children at school before 8:00am so they do not disturb the teacher and class by coming in late and they do not miss out on important learning. We understand that there are times when a child might be late but this should not be a regular occurrence. We expect all our Early Years students to be here by 8:30am.



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Often parents in Jakarta are looking for activities for their young children to be involved in that are healthy and held outside! Please look at the poster attached to this newsletter which advertises Auskick for school age primary students every Saturday afternoon from 3-5pm. These clinics are available for girls and boys and held at AIS Pejaten Campus, Pejaten Barat 69. The first of seven sessions begins tomorrow and equipment and water is provided. The sessions are designed to develop a range of skills in a friendly competitive atmosphere. Feel free to pop along tomorrow and check it out, or register your child.



We invite any of our available parents to attend our August PSG meeting this Thursday August 13th at 8am in the meeting room, which is off the Early Years lobby. It will provide an opportunity for CPR parents to update their kits with new names and addresses, while allowing any new parents to come along and listen or ask questions.

PRIMARY POST!



Rangatira

Rangatira are very excited to be back at school & have already shown Mr Jeremy how keen they are to lead by example & make further progress in their learning.

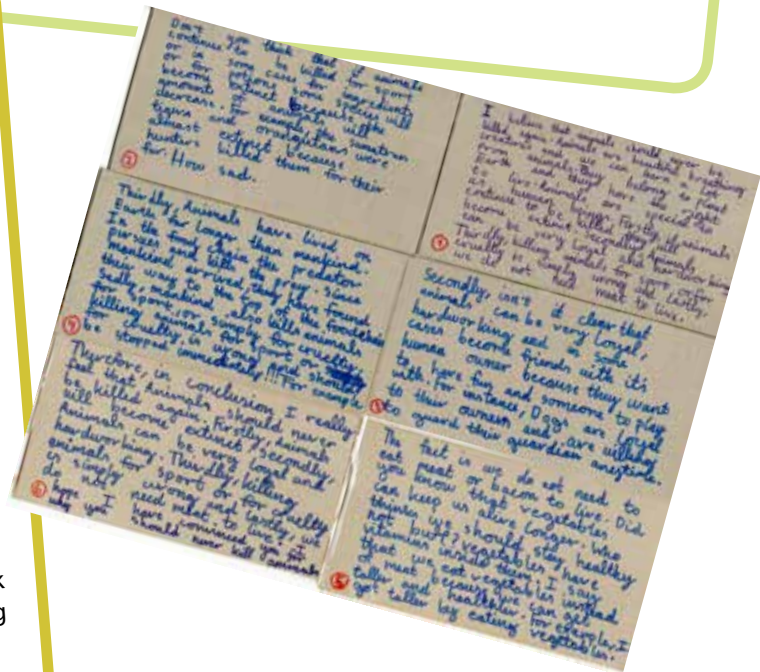
We recently showed some wonderful sculptures to the school, which were created out of clay. Last term we thought deeply about our 'big idea' of 'belonging' and how we could represent this concept in a three-dimensional way. After drafting & designing a variety of ideas, we chose a final concept & worked hard to transform it from pencil sketches on paper to a 3D object. Once they were dry, we under-coated them with acrylic paint & then they were sprayed with silver metallic paint. What do you think?

In Maths, we planned statistical inquiries related to the idea of 'belonging' & then collected, collated, & presented our data in a variety of graphic ways. We worked hard to think about our findings & came up with a number of statements with solid statistical evidence. Have a look at an example. Please feel free to visit our class & have a look at our findings.

In English we worked very hard on persuasive speeches & took the process right through to writing them out on cue cards. Here is an example from Jake, who left NZIS at the end of term two. We miss him very much!

In Inquiry / Topic we have begun to think about the wonderful concept of Nurturing & are in the process of researching & planning for the next few weeks. Check in with us in a month or so & see what we have been up to!

We are also work hard for the upcoming Sports Day in week 6 & spending PE lessons developing our throwing & sprinting skills. We are also well into our cross-country training. See you on the day!



The New Zealand
Independent School
Nurturing Creative Minds

Indonesian Day Celebrations

Friday, August 14th

**Assembly at 8am followed
by Indonesian Games**



**Students to wear
red & white**



**Students to bring in
Indonesian food samples
for a shared morning tea**



NZIS Indonesian Independence Day Celebrations.

Next week we will celebrate Indonesian Independence Day at NZIS. We will hold a special assembly at the usual time and location next Friday, and afterwards the children will enjoy a range of games and activities which parents are welcome to observe.

Enjoy your weekend ahead!

Denise Roache
Head of Primary



University and College advice

Many of you are already looking to the future and taking steps to ensure your child secures a further education placement. Through conversations with students I am aware that many of you have enlisted the help of an agent. We are pleased that so many of you are being so proactive, but we also feel we need to issue a note of warning that in many cases the advice that is being given out is inaccurate, false or tailored so they receive the largest commission possible.

I am always happy to discuss the possible pathways with both Parents and students; the school has an extensive library of prospectuses for a variety of countries, course and interests.

If you would like to discuss your child's plans please do not hesitate to contact me via reception, Class Dojo or email.

Tips and Advice

- o Many agents will tell you a foundation year is essential if your child wishes to study abroad. In the majority of cases this is not true. Foundation years are aimed at people who have been out of education for a long time or those who didn't perform as expected in their examinations or for people who are not totally sure which course they want to follow. Foundation years are massive money makers for Universities and Colleges so do not be pressured into signing up for an expensive and usually unnecessary course.
- o The Cambridge AS and A level programme is an internationally recognised programme. There are only a handful of courses or situations that will require additional examinations or tests to be sat. All students wanting to study in the UK, USA, New Zealand or Australia are required to prove their English language competency. This is a government requirement rather than a college one. The most widely accepted English language test is the IELTS. Do not be talked in to taking generic tests, they will be rejected when you apply for a student visa.
- o Do your own course research (or come in to see me!) Agents are often asked to upsell some of the less popular courses in order to make up numbers. Never be talked into taking a course that is not right for you!

Miss Stacey

TIMETABLE FOR TERM 3 AND 4

TERM THREE

Week 3 August 10 – 14th

- Wednesday 12th – School photos – individual /House / Form class / Prefects / Year 12 -13s / Staff / Sports
- Friday August 14th – Indonesian National Day – celebrations start at lunchtime 12.00 – 3.00pm (Senior students organizing)

Week 4

- Monday August 17th – national holiday – No school

Week 5

- Wednesday August 26th – Options evening for Year 9 – 12 6.30 – 7.30pm
- Thursday Science Presentation Year 7 – 8 - 9

Week 6 August 31 – September 4

- Tuesday September 1st – September 3rd Year 10 Bahasa trip to Jogjakarta
- Tuesday September 1st – MOCK exams start – until Sept 11th
- Friday September 4th – Sports Day at AIS – starts at 12.30 – 3.00pm

Week 7

- Friday September 11 MOCK exams
- NZIS Magazine articles – need to be handed in for all house / activities / camp / sports / ASA / form classes

Week 8 September 14 – 18

- Monday September 14th All staff ARTWORK to be handed in for the Art Exhibition in Secondary
- Wednesday September 16th all reports/ marks to SJ/ IT for compiling and proofreading

Week 9 September 21 – 23

- Monday 21 Reports printed
- Tuesday 22 Secondary Junior Speech Competition
- Reports and Predicted Grades handed out to Year 11 – 12 – 13s at 3.00pm
- Wednesday 23 International Day all day – 4 countries to be chosen
- Last day of school – end of Term 3
- Friday – Year 11 – 12 – 13 camp to Vietnam leaves

TERM FOUR

Week 1 October 5 – 9

- Cambridge International examinations begin

Week 2

- Wednesday October 14 Islamic New Year – public holiday

Week 7 November 16 – 20

- Last week of CIE – finish exams – one week off school for Yr 11 -12 – 13s
- Internal Exams for Year 7 – 8 – 9 – 10 (whole week)
- Names in for Prize giving – vouchers – cups engraved

Week 8 November 23 – 27

- Only Year 7 – 10s at school
- House Activities
- Team building
- Preparations for the end of the year
- Report Writing

Week 9 November 30 – December 4

- Year 11 – 13 back at school to prepare for end of year celebrations
- Here for morning 8.00am – 12.00
- Continue report writing
- Prize giving preparation

Week 10 December 7 – 9

- Tuesday December 8
- Last day for Secondary – reports handed out after the prize givings in form classes
- Year 7 – 8 – 9 Prize giving 10.00 – 11.30am
- Year 10 – 13 Prize Giving 6.00 – 8.00pm
- Graduation Dinner after Prize giving
- Wednesday – Primary Prize giving
- Thursday – teacher only day – end of the year



SECONDARY STANDARDS!



The biggest news in secondary this week has been the new addition to our NZIS family, Mr Brian and Lina's little baby girl Elise. We know that Mr Brian will be trying to start with thinking skills and ensuring that his little girl has the best possible start. We wish Lina and Mr Brian all our very best for a wonderful life together.

Thanks to those parents who came to the Pot Luck dinner on Wednesday night and even though the gathering was small I hope you enjoyed your night. It was an informal opportunity for both teachers and parents to say hello and socialize without their children, which is important.

Next week will be the start of some very intense activities and the mix of both academic and social commitments will challenge everyone.

Thursday will be our photo session and the chance for us to get pictures for the school magazine. We will be having House photos, which all families can receive and then we have extra pictures of our form classes, sports teams and student leaders. The forms will be going out to parents today both in hard copy and also through our email system. Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform please.

We would like to welcome three new students

Rivaldo is Year 13 and comes after spending 4 years in New Zealand and is looking to go to university in Jakarta next year.

Frederika is British/ Indonesian Australian and has been in Indonesia for the last 3 years. Sae is born in Japan and has been living between Malaysia and Japan until he arrival in Jakarta two weeks ago. All three have settled in well and are making the most of their opportunities.





Natalia and Ruben Brenn are leaving the school because of travel issues. Both have told of how the travel each morning and evening is really affecting them. Natalia for example has had to try and complete her artwork, which was ultimately impossible to do, in the car. It is a real shame for the both of them as they are both fantastic and will be a huge loss to our school. They have loved their time here at school and both are disappointed but philosophical about what lies ahead for them. Manawanui had

a collective farewell lunch for them and the school sang "Jakarta e", as is our custom, at assembly this morning. We wish both of them every success.

Next Friday for Indonesian National Day, all students will be part of the flag raising ceremony, which will be a first for the secondary campus.

We plan to start the day with all students dressed in red and white singing 'Indonesia Raya'. The National day ceremony is being organized by Ms Bianca and our senior students and our activities will then halt for our morning academic classes. At lunchtime we will be inviting five of the local warungs inside the school to serve only our students. This has not been easy as for many of the local vendors, lunchtime is when they can make the most profit so the school has worked out some form of compensation. Many of the staff and senior students use them everyday for lunch and breakfast however students do not have to purchase from them if they feel they are possibly too dangerous to eat from. There will also be some local Indonesian dishes for local and expat staff. After lunch our Indonesian activities will continue and we will have house competitions around five local games. The day will culminate in a students vs staff tug – o war battle. The teams are not organized around numbers of participants but rather it is based on size and weight. All staff have given their collective weight and students are to measure up so that the battle is fair. It should be a great day and parents are invited to view the flag raising and the afternoon fun as well.

Mock schedules have been given out today to all senior students with the Year 6s and Year 9s being given the opportunity to prepare in this exam session. Also, as they will have exams through Cambridge in October.

Students have been constantly reminded about their responsibility to goal set, prepare and be organized as this term will continue to get busier and build momentum.

Their end of the exam schedule will be finalized next week in preparation for term 4.

Can I ask that all parents please be aware of the dates for term four and in particular the change to the end of year and the exam leave for the senior students when their exams finish. More importantly however is the Prize Giving dates and the set up for this year with the intention of keeping all secondary prize-givings on the same day.

Enjoy your weekend and finally welcome to the world, Elise DiPierdomenico

Inga Tamou
Head Secondary