

31 May

1. **Library** - please make sure that all outstanding library books have now been returned. If you are continuing at ISA next year, you and your children are now welcome to check out library books for the holiday - any books checked out today onwards will be due back in August. More information [here](#)
2. **Fine Arts Day.** [This letter](#) went out to Middle and High School families yesterday.

30 May

1. **Online Safety Newsletter.** Latest editions now available for [secondary](#) and [elementary](#) students.

27 May

1. **Middle School Volleyball.** Next wednesday is the last day.
2. **Head of School Virtual Coffee.** Cancelled today.
3. **ISA 50th Anniversary Garden:** We need your help! A group of ISA staff and students are currently creating a garden design for a 50th Anniversary Garden. We would love to involve parents with horticultural/landscaping or CAD expertise to help us with the design. If you would be interested in joining us please email smcwhirr@isa.aberdeen.sch.uk.

26 May

1. **Library Books.** Please ensure your family return all library items by TOMORROW. Families who are continuing at ISA next year can then check out new library books for the summer holiday - anything checked out from 30th May onwards will be due back at the start of the new year in August. More information [here](#)

25 May

1. **September Field Trip.** [This letter](#) went to Grade 11 families yesterday.
2. **Circuit class.** Thursdays 07:00-07:50 (Large gym). For staff and Grades 11 and 12

24 May

1. **University Research Workshop.** [This letter](#) went out to Grade 10 parents yesterday.
2. **Author Visit.** Kasia Matajasek is visiting Preschool today - more information [here](#)
3. **Retirement.** Elaine Knowles is retiring at the end of this school year, after 26 years at ISA. We are planning a few different tributes for her, and would like to invite you to be involved if your child was her student. Please complete this [form](#) by Friday 27th May. If you would like to contribute to a retirement gift for her, please use this paypal [link](#)
4. **Food Drive.** May 23 to 27. To help ensure that those without a home or those with a reduced income can eat, please send the following foods to school with your kids: Canned food, bread and other baked goods, biscuits, Snack foods (crisps, dried fruits, nuts, Juice, Precooked packaged pasta (avoid dry pasta). Thank you for all your help!
5. **Elementary Spring Concert.** Information [here](#). [Live Stream Link](#)

23 May

1. **Next Year Intentions.** To help with our planning for next academic year, and if you haven't already, please complete the 'Intention Form 2022-2023'. If you are definitely withdrawing at the end of this academic year please ensure that you have completed the withdrawal form by logging into the [Powerschool parent portal](#) and have followed the [leaving procedure](#).
2. **Mile Run (Grades 6 to 10).** Tomorrow 8.30 - 9.30am. Lower Pitch. Students should come to school in trainers. Parents welcome to cheer them on.
3. **PTO PRIORITIES!** Thank you to everyone who came forward to join the PTO! We couldn't achieve all that we do without your commitment. The PTO are now seeking applicants for **President** and or **VP, Fundraising Coordinator** and **Booster Coordinator** as a priority! If you are thinking about getting more involved pop over to the [PTO Hub here](#) for further information or [email the PTO directly](#). Alternatively complete our [PTO Board application here](#). Research suggests that volunteers aren't just helping the communities they serve, they actually experience a **BOOST IN THEIR OWN MENTAL HEALTH!**

20 May

1. **Spring family survey:** Thank you for taking our Spring family survey [here](#). We appreciate your feedback!
2. **Grade 8 trip.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) went out to families.
3. **Grade 7 trip.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) went out to families.
4. **Grade 12 Prom Night.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) went out to families
5. **Additional French/Spanish door signs.** These have been created by the G10 students. They were made to amplify the visibility of languages throughout ISA. We have also added digital versions of the menu and after school activities in French and Spanish.

19 May

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18 May

1. **Middle School and High School Climbing Club.** Cancelled for Friday 20 May (1500-1600)
2. **Middle School Courses.** Grade 5, 6, and 7 Parents remember to sign your child up using the directions [here](#).
3. **Circuit class.** Thursdays 07:00-07:50 (Large gym). For staff and Grades 11 and 12

17 May

1. **PSAT 11- Students in Grades 9 and 10** (going into Grades 10 and 11) should speak to Ms. Barker if they are interested in registering for the PSAT 11 test October 12th here at ISA. The deadline to register with Ms. Barker is TOMORROW, [May 18th](#). The PSAT/NMSQT is a practice test for the SAT (a pre-admissions test for US colleges). More information on these tests can be found on [College Board](#).

2. **High School End of Year.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) with this [exam timetable](#) for Grade 9 and 11 to all High School yesterday.
3. **Duke of Edinburgh awards.** [This letter](#) went out to Grade 8 families yesterday.

16 May

1. **PTO MONTHLY BOARD MEETING TODAY!** Everyone is welcome to join our virtual monthly PTO meeting at 9.30 today (or once the ES assembly is done!). Find out more about who the PTO are and what we do. We look forward to welcoming you. Use this [link](#) to join or find helpful information for parents and everything PTO related on the [PTO Hub here!](#)
2. **Library Books.** Please ensure your family return all library items by 27th May. Families who are continuing at ISA next year can then check out new library books for the summer holiday - anything checked out from 30th May onwards will be due back at the start of the new year in August. More information [here](#)
3. **Elementary Art and Science Fair.** This morning from 8.30am. [This letter](#) went out last Friday.
4. **MMR forms.** Complete and return by today

13 May

1. **PTO.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) went out from the PTO president.
2. **Menu.** For w/b 16 May is [here](#).
3. **Virtual Coffee with the Head of School.** 10am. Link [here](#). Feel free to join us for an open chat - feel free to ask questions about why and how we do things.
4. **Upcoming concerts.** Please see information about the [Elementary Spring Concert](#) and the [Jazz in the Street](#).

12 May

1. **Skating after school.** Now concluded.
2. **Softball.** Open to all middle school students (boys and girls). Every Thursday from 3 - 4.30pm. No more practices on Mondays.
3. **Mile Run (Grades 6 to 10).** 24 May 8.30 - 9.30pm. Lower Pitch. Students should come to school in trainers. Parents welcome to cheer them on.

11 May

1. **PTO Monthly Meeting.** Everyone is welcome to join our virtual monthly PTO meeting at 9.30 on Monday 16th. Find out a little more about who the PTO are and what we do. We look forward to welcoming you. Use this [link](#) to join or find helpful information for parents and everything PTO related on the [PTO Hub here!](#)
2. **Circuit class.** Thursdays 07:00-07:50 (Large gym). For staff and Grades 11 and 12

10 May

1. **Grade 5, 6, and 7 Parents:** Remember to sign your child up for their 22-23 *Middle School Courses*, directions [here](#). Please complete by May 13th.
2. **Transition Meeting** for Grade 5 parents whose children are going into Grade 6. Today 1.40pm. Link [here](#)

9 May

1. **PowerSchool App.** You can now complete forms on your mobile device - details [here](#)

2. **PSAT 11-** Students in Grades 9 and 10 (going into Grades 10 and 11) should speak to Ms. Barker if they are interested in registering for the PSAT 11 test October 12th here at ISA. The deadline to register with Ms. Barker is May 18th. The PSAT/NMSQT is a practice test for the SAT (a pre-admissions test for US colleges). More information on these tests can be found on [College Board](#).
3. **Books in different languages** - donations request. If you have any children's books in languages other than English (in good condition) that you no longer want, please consider donating them to our library. Contact library@isa.aberdeen.sch.uk for more information

6 May

1. **Menu.** For w/b 3 May is [here](#).
2. **Course Registration.** Yesterday, [this letter](#) went out to families of Grades 5, 6 and 7.
3. **Virtual Coffee with the Head of School.** 10am. Link [here](#). Feel free to join us for an open chat - feel free to ask questions about why and how we do things.

5 May

1. **Yearbook.** Get your copy at the [Yearbook Machine](#), cost £35.00 GBP. Last day for ordering online will be **Friday 13th May 2022**, with delivery to ISA expected on 6th June 2022.
2. **Library Volunteers.** Are you interested in helping in the library once a week next year? We're looking for 2-4 additional volunteers, who can commit to helping throughout the school year. Please contact library@isa.aberdeen.sch.uk for more information.
3. **Lymes Disease.** Information can be found here: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/>
4. **PTO BUDDY PROGRAMME** If you are returning to ISA next school year, please consider volunteering to be a Buddy to a new family! Take a look [here](#) for [further information](#). Oh and although it is by no means a prerequisite, if you happen to speak another language or languages other than English we could really use your help! Please complete Buddy Volunteer form [here](#) or [contact Laurie Huff](#) our volunteer Buddy Coordinator for further information. Thank you so much!

4 May

1. **ISA Families Celebrate Ramadan at ISA.** Listen to students' views on [Ramadan](#). 7 things you need to know about Ramadan [here](#). What festivals does your family celebrate? Contact the PTO if you would like space in school for a display.
2. **Immunisations.** Consents forms for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) are being sent to Grade 7 to 9 students who require a second immunisation. Please complete and return to school by 13 May. For queries contact gram.immsservices@nhs.scot
3. **Ambassador Programme.** Applications for 2022-23 are now open for Grade 8 to 10 students. Here is the [role description](#) and the [application form](#). The deadline is 3pm Monday, 16 May. Contact Ms Barker for more info.

2 May

1. **No students today.** Teacher in-service.

2. **Digital safety.** The latest newsletters for [Elementary](#) and [Secondary](#) families are now available.
3. **Intentions for 2022-23.** Please help our planning by filling in the form for leaving or staying intentions. To access the 'Forms' please log into PowerSchool and use the 'Forms' option on the left.

29 April

1. **Menu.** For w/b 3 May is [here](#).
2. **No school for students on Monday 2 May.**
3. **Virtual Coffee with the Head of School.** 10am. Link [here](#). Feel free to join us for an open chat - feel free to ask questions about why and how we do things.

28 April

1. **Rights Respecting School.** Please help us complete the Silver Award by completing the parent questionnaire by following this [link](#)

26 April

1. **Geologists wanted!** Grade 4 need a geologist to help with a 1h handling session in w/b 16 May and a 2h trip to Dunnottar beach w/b 30 May. If you can help contact Lulu Davies ldavies@isa.aberdeen.sch.uk

25 April

1. **PTO SPRING GM TODAY!** Everyone is welcome to join our virtual General Meeting at 9.30 when we will vote to elect the PTO board for the 2022-2023 school year and find out a little more about who the PTO are and what we do. Refresh your cuppa and then join our monthly PTO Board meeting at 10.30 when our enrichment requests will be presented. We look forward to welcoming you. Use this [link](#) to join
2. **Kilt Walk.** We are still looking for volunteers to join us on the Kilt Walk 2022. The event route has now been confirmed. If you think you could walk 15 miles for charity on the 29th of May, join us [here](#). Alternatively [sponsor us!](#)

22 April

4. **Menu.** For w/b 25 April is [here](#).
5. **ES Activities.** Any changes to activities should be made directly by emailing Diane McBain (dmcbain@isa.aberdeen.sch.uk)
6. **Library.** Parents are welcome after school, 3-4pm (except Tuesdays). Elementary and middle school students need to be accompanied by an adult. For more info see the [Library page](#)
7. **Virtual Coffee with the Head of School.** 10am. Link [here](#). Feel free to join us for an open chat - feel free to ask questions about why and how we do things.

21 April

1. **Graduation.** Yesterday, Grade 12 parents were sent [this letter](#) about the graduation ceremony and [this letter](#) about the graduation dinner.

20 April

1. **Course Request Forms for Grades 8 to 11** are available on your child's PowerSchool accounts under the 'Forms' option. You will also be able to view the form from your PowerSchool account, but cannot edit it. The due date for submission is TODAY. Contact [Heather Barker](#)

18 April

1. **Elementary After School Activities** Please check PowerSchool to verify your child's place in the activities that you requested via the PowerSchool form. Some clubs are oversubscribed. In such cases, some children have been placed on a waitlist.
2. **No dogs on campus** Please take note that dogs (even those on leads) are **not** allowed on campus (before, during and after school hours).

1 April

1. **Network Downtime:** Due to network upgrades there will be limited access to IT services in school on Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 April; this will include PowerSchool. Google services will still be available externally. Gayle
2. **Virtual Coffee with the Head of School.** 10am. Link [here](#). Feel free to join us for an open chat - feel free to ask questions about why and how we do things.
3. **PTO PRIORITIES!** The PTO are now seeking applicants for **Vice President, Fundraising Coordinator** and **Cultural Liaison Associate** as a priority! Thank you to those who have already applied for our other vacant roles. If you are thinking about getting more involved pop over to the [PTO Hub here](#) for further information or [email the PTO directly](#). Alternatively complete our [PTO Board application here](#). Research suggests that volunteers aren't just helping the communities they serve, they actually experience a BOOST IN THEIR OWN MENTAL HEALTH!

31 March

1. **Ramadan** is coming soon! If you or your children would like to borrow a book about Ramadan and/or Eid al-Fitr, check out our [library collection](#) . [Email us](#) for more information.
2. **Library Site** - The [library site](#) is now up and running for students. We also now have [library information for parents](#) on the Community Hub, under Learning.
3. **Lateral Flow Test.** Grades 6 to 12 please take it and report it before school this morning.

Novius energy - a portal to monitor usage

AES solar - getting quotes. Doing a feasibility study. 0% interest loans are available.

Filling in cavities with foam -

A valve that switches - can turn off the heating without the water

Heat tech and combustion services

Heat source pump - geothermal.

Galetech specialise in historic granite buildings.

Filming all the windows - just the panes.

Tim Groves at Bursarnet.

Share bus routes

Stonehaven train - pick up from the station.

Mornings only?

Child protection committee meets in June.

Ukrainian pupil support.

Where we have space for one year then pays. Only current Gordon's families. Admissions around social and emotional wellbeing and level of language. PTO paying for the extras. Redrafted the enrollment agreement so it is fixed term. Translations to Ukrainian.

Friday 3 March - results day

2023 - 24 term dates.

ACAS harassment training