



Our Core Values

- ∅ Respect for all
- ∅ Hard Work
- ∅ Honesty
- ∅ Responsibility
- ∅ Social Awareness
- ∅ Compassion

Dear Parents

The Plot

We are pleased to announce the first edition of our School Newspaper 'The Plot'. We wish Mr Dewa, Mrs Safi and the team a long and fruitful year ahead. We are also very excited to read and share stories from our school community.

Cambridge Syllabi / Assessments / Tests / Examinations

The International School of South Africa follows the Cambridge Curriculum which falls under the Cambridge Assessment International Education. Cambridge Assessment International Education is an Examination Board under Cambridge Assessment founded in 1858 as a department of the University of Cambridge.

This intended communication provides students and parents with information relating to the aims of the content of our curriculum, our assessment and reporting procedures.

The curriculum prepares students for university study, which is why universities worldwide value and recognise Cambridge International A Level qualifications.

Cambridge International Form 1 to A Level develops students' knowledge, understanding and skills in:

- In-depth subject content
- Independent thinking
- Applying knowledge and understanding to new as well as familiar situations
- Handling and evaluating different types of information sources
- Thinking logically and presenting ordered and coherent arguments
- Making judgements, recommendations and decisions
- Presenting reasoned explanations, understanding implications and communicating them logically and clearly
- Working and communicating in English.

Great emphasis is placed on the acquisition of skills, the application of knowledge and the development of a broad range of subjects.

The following programmes outlined below align with each other leading to the holistic development of all students and rigorous bench marking of assessments.

- Key Stage 3 (Form 1 – Form 3)
- Key Stage 4: IGCSE (International General Certificate in Secondary Education (Form 4 – Form 5))
- Key Stage 5: AS – Level (Advanced Subsidiary Level (Lower 6))
- Key Stage 5: A – Level (Advanced Level (Upper 6))

Reporting

- Full diagnostic reports are issued at the end of each term.
- Each subject that a student studies receives a separate grade from Form 1 to A Level. On school reports students will be graded from A to U (ungraded), with the percentage of each subject being reflected on the report. The Cambridge International A Level certificate is reported on a grade scale from A* (highest) to E (minimum required performance).
- Grades are benchmarked using internationally recognised grades, which have clear guidelines to explain the standards of achievement.

The termly breakdown for assessments / tests / examinations per cohort are outlined below:

Forms 1 – 4

Overall Mark Term one	Overall Mark Term two	Overall Mark Term three
Classwork: 15%	Classwork: 10% July examination: 25% Total: 35%	Classwork 10% November examination: 40% Total: 50%

Form 5

Overall Mark Term one	Overall Mark Term two	Overall Mark End of subject assessments
Classwork: 15%	Classwork: 10% July examination: 25% Total: 35%	November examination: 50% Total: 50%

- * Coursework component taken only in certain subjects.

L6 – U6

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It is important to note that all tests / assignments / examinations written during the term will be calculated towards the term mark. Tests and examinations when missed will only be written by students on receipt of a doctor's note.

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Open Day



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SATURDAY 2 MARCH 2019

09h00 TO 12h30

GRADE 000 - A LEVEL

- Boarding Experience - Sleep over on Friday 1 March 2019
- Meet our students and staff
- Tour our wonderful campus
- See our school in action
- Why the Cambridge Curriculum? - come and find out

PRE-PRIMARY - PRIMARY - SECONDARY



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BE OUR GUEST ON OPEN DAY

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ADMISSIONS FOR 2019 AND 2020 STILL OPEN

See for yourself why the Cambridge Curriculum is the best curriculum in South Africa

Valentine's Day



Arts festival

A poster for the ISSA Arts Festival. The background is a grey-toned illustration of a large building with a dome. Overlaid on this are various artistic elements: a hand holding a paintbrush in the top left, a lightning bolt on the right, a clapperboard in the bottom left, and musical notes in the bottom right. The text is as follows:

THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF SOUTH AFRICA
PRESENTS

ISSA Arts Festival

15&16 March '19

To register for workshops, shows and more information scan the QR code below



Or visit
<https://goo.gl/forms/N8aPbjd6VM7Njfo83>

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TICKET 20.00

Sixth Form Leadership Camp 2019

On Friday the 15th of January, the Sixth Form students travelled to Paramount for the annual camp. The journey took 3 hours with a quick pit-stop along the way. Upon arrival we collected our bags, and settled into our dorms, much like the ones at the International School of South Africa. Our weekend was teeming with challenges, (building a tower with balloons) and obstacle courses that inevitably had one aim, to teach us to apply leadership qualities in every challenge. In addition, we learnt to listen to our teammates and to plan before facing any obstacle. After having crawled through mud on our last day, we had a treasure hunt. In this treasure hunt we were to search and retrieve the apparatus that we would need for the Potjie dinner. This challenge in particular showed us that each team member's strengths and weakness can be utilized to an advantage.



The camp is an unparalleled experience, which has undoubtedly brought our form together and I recommend it for all future sixth formers.

Gamuchirai Tsara

Soccer 2019

Teams

We have 5 soccer teams running in the school. Two girls' teams, a Junior and a Senior team and three boys' teams, a very large U14 team, U16 and U19 teams. The Junior Girls and the U16 Boys Teams train on Tuesday and Thursday. The U14 Boys, U19 Boys and Senior Girls teams train on Wednesday and Friday. All training times are 15:30 to 17:00.

Tours

We are looking forward to some exciting football this year. We have plans to take part in all invitational tournaments we are invited to, the PWC Mahikeng Soccer League and to host our own soccer festival in June next term. In conjunction with the French Club and Basketball, we are in the process of arranging an international tour to France and Spain for our soccer players. We are urging all soccer players in Form 3 and above to seize this lifetime opportunity of touring two great footballing nations in Europe. By the way France is the current world champions. During the tour our teams will be coached by some top soccer coaches and play against some junior club teams and school teams as well.

Visits

A visit to Stade de France is on cards. This is the national stadium of France, located north of Paris in Saint Denis. Both national soccer and rugby teams of France use this 80 000 seater stadium for international competitions. We have asked our touring agency to make our visit coincide with a soccer match at the stadium where possible. Another mouth-watering visit is to the Camp Nou Stadium, home of the Spanish giants Barcelona. With a sitting capacity of 99 354, it is the largest stadium in Europe and third largest in the world in capacity.

We will be at AISJ on 8 and 9 March with the senior teams and the U16 teams for both boys and girls. Two boys' teams will be heading to Brebner High School in Bloemfontein for their annual tournament from 15 to 18 March. Sometime next month the PWC League should kick off as well. So we will be quite busy as of next month till the end of the season in October. In the interim we are organising friendly matches with local schools. The athletics season and the rains have not helped matters in securing teams to play with.

Support

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who gives much needed support to the players and the school. We would like this support to be extended on match day and have many parents among the spectators. A big hug to all the teachers and coaches who take our players through their paces week in week out.

Compiled by Mr. J. Munatsi
Teacher in Charge of Soccer

The winner of the writing competition is Eneshi Kalungwa. Her story features themes which are relevant to teens around the world.

SOMEONE SAVE HER

An original short story by Eneshi Kalifungwa

it's gonna be ok



Dynasty is brought into the doctor's office she sits silently and nervously "Hello Dynasty so why don't we begin with where it all started, why do you think you're here?" "I don't know I don't know why I'm here I don't like it here LET ME OUT! I WANT OUT!" "I'm not going to hurt you I'm here to help you I promise you no one's going to hurt you here". She doesn't reply instead she sits with her knees to her chest rocking back and forth whispering to herself well to the outside world it was just her but, in her mind, there were a million little voices telling her to run to get out and never try to ignore them again..... or else.

Diamond: We can't trust her Miya: yes, we can Diamond: get out of there you idiot you'll listen to me if you know what's good for you Miya: let her make her own- "SHUT UP! Just both of you shut up!". "Dynasty who are you talking to?". "Diamond and Miya, only I can talk to them they can be really annoying sometimes." "I see...how did you meet them exactly?" I met Diamond in the sixth grade she helped me when kids were bullying me, she helped me get even" "And how exactly did she do that?". Diamond: Don't you DARE tell her you don't have to explain yourself.

“Diamond says it’s none of your business I don’t have to explain myself to you, she doesn’t like you she’s never liked you.... Miya likes you though”.

“I like her too, it says here in your file that you stubbed an eighth grader in the stomach with a piece of broken glass.....is THAT how she helped you ‘get even’?

“She-she was just looking out for me she said if I didn’t listen to her, she’d leave me I-I didn’t want to do it, she made me! At least the bullying stopped”.

“I see and Miya how did you meet her?” “She’s my mother she promised me she’d always take her of me and now she always does Ángel Miya Angelo Browne. But I just call her Miya.” “But Dynasty your mother died years ago”. Diamond warned me about people like you.

“You don’t know her like I do you don’t know anything”.

“You’re right what do I know? I’m just another voice in your head, a figment of imagination of the last Human friend you had Dynasty the one Diamond tried to make you get rid of but I’m not that easy to forget”. In that moment she looked around her and realised she wasn’t in an office but in her room still in her white plain room in her uniform, talking to herself once again still refusing to believe she was crazy confused by how all this had happened. A nurse comes to her room “Dynasty the doctor will see you now.”

Upcoming Events

- 2nd March: Open Day
- 9th March: Tuks Basketball Festival
- 15th – 16th March: Arts Festival
- 16th March: Brebner U15 and U17 Tournament (A)
- 22nd – 24th March: International School of South Africa U19 Basketball Festival
- 27th March: 18:00 for 18:30 V-Show (Talent show)
- 29th March: Last day of term. Reports issued. 08:30 Parent Teacher Conference Form 1 – A Level
- 29th March: TedX Mafikeng

Yours faithfully



Ms Y Makhan
Acting CEO/HeadTeacher: Senior School