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From our High School Principal, Mr Resh Ariel



The school was visited this week by Ann Gibson, the Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) Regional Manager for Europe. Ann's visit was prompted by our consistently impressive examination results. Our students achieved excellent results again last summer and she wanted to congratulate them personally. Also, in Mathematics and in ICT, two of our students scored the highest results in Germany and Ann wanted to present them with awards.

Of course examinations are just a small part of the collaboration between the FIS and CIE and our discussions focused on how our association can continue to support learning at our school. Ann praised our committed and spirited students, our high academic standards, and our team of able and knowledgeable professionals. Her visit highlights the continuing growth of our High School and recognises our standing in the wider international school community.

HS Student Council News



In the last couple of weeks we have been holding student council elections. We are happy to present the new High School Student Council below.

Back Row, from left to right:
Maria Bayer (Gr11 Rep) Hanna Bayer (Gr12 Rep), Janina Sidhu (Secretary), Louisa Smith (Co President), Luciano Hammond (Co President) Theresa Eckert (Gr11 Rep) Natalia Griem (Gr11 Rep) Jana Smith (Gr10 Rep) Johannes Kramer (Treasurer) Caspian

Lewke (Gr11 Rep)

Front Row, from left to right: Amedine Duret (Gr12 Rep) Alexandra Harrison (Gr9 Rep), Beatrice Lanfredi (Gr10 Rep). Not shown: Alex Bombelli (Gr9 Rep)

Donation from Ina –Holding Schaeffler KG in Herzogenaurach

We are happy to announce that another local company operating at an international level has joined our group of sponsors. We received a donation from Ina Schaeffler in Herzogenaurach. Jutta Rost, the Chief HR Officer and two colleagues came to the FIS and awarded a cheque of Euros 5000. We would like to say thank you!

Change in Lunch Program due to Construction

The FIS building project is running on schedule. Due to a growth of enrolment we also need to expand our cafeteria in order to win additional seating capacity. In this context, construction will start on February 7, 2012 and a provisionary wall will be built up. February 7 is a half day for FIS students as in the afternoon professional development workshops will take place for all staff. Kindergarten will eat their snack in the Kindergarten area. On February 8 building up the provisionary wall is scheduled to be finished. However, in order to be on the safe side we will still not offer hot lunch. Instead, all students and staff signed up for hot lunch will receive a cold lunch package with sandwiches, fruits and cereal bars. On February 9 operation in the cafeteria will continue as usual.

Please see attached February lunch menu.

Sports @ FIS

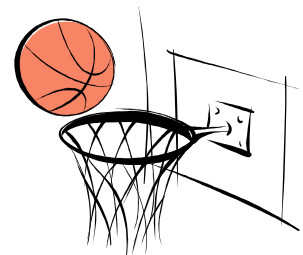
The Franconian International School's Basketball Friendly and Tournament Schedule

February 4th

U14 Boys' and Girls' Friendly Basketball Tournament
Hosted here at the FIS

February 11th

Varsity Boys' and Girls' Friendly Basketball Tournament
At The International School of Frankfurt Rhein-Main



March 1st – 3rd

Varsity Boys' and Girls' GISST Basketball Tournaments
Varsity Boys' Tournament to be held at the Berlin Brandenburg International School
Varsity Girls' Tournament to be held at the Bavarian International School

March 17th

U14 Girls' and Boys' Friendly Basketball Tournament
At the Bavarian International School

March 22nd – 24th

U14 Girls' and Boys' GISST Basketball Tournaments
U14 Girls' Tournament to be held at the International School of Hannover
U14 Boys' Tournament to be held here at the FIS

Music & Drama @ FIS

Theatre Production - *What Moves Me*

Auditions for the Opening of the FIS Theatre Production "*What moves me*" will be held next Monday, 30th January from 15:50 to 17:15 in the Drama Room.



What Moves Me – Performance Ensemble (rehearsal dates correction)

There was a small error in the list of workshop dates for the **What Moves Me – Performance Ensemble**. There will be a rehearsal on **Monday 14 May** from 15.45-19.00 and **Tuesday 15 May** from 15.45-19.00. These dates were incorrectly listed as Friday and Saturday.

Grade 3 & 4 Singing Group

Rehearsals for the **Grade 3 & 4 Singing Group** will begin on Friday 3rd February from 12:50-13:15 in Room 159. Please meet Ms Panagakis in the cafeteria.

Parents of students wishing to participate in the Grade 3 & 4 Singing Group need to complete the permission form and return it to Ms Panagakis by Wednesday 1st February.

Welcome and Goodbye @ FIS

A warm welcome to Eric Newton and his brother Ronnie who joined K3 and 1A this week! But we have to say goodbye the coming Monday to Yao Lu from Grade 7H. We wish the children and their families all the best!

Message from the School Nurse regarding conjunctivitis – „pink eye“

There have been a few cases of conjunctivitis throughout the school. So I'd like to give you some information about this common eye infection.

Conjunctivitis is an inflammation of the membrane that lines the eyelid. Causes can differ. Most common are viral ("pink eye") or bacterial infections, which are contagious especially amongst young children. Other causes can be allergies, chemicals or foreign bodies that get into the eye.

Typical symptoms are crusts on the eyelid (especially over night), swelling, redness and itching of the eye. If you observe any of these please don't send your child to school and get a doctor's opinion. Treatment might be indicated but depends on the cause of the infection.

You can help preventing eye infections with frequent hand washing; regular pillowcase changes, keeping hands away from the eyes/face and not sharing eye cosmetics or towels are also useful. Good hand hygiene is especially important when handling contact lenses!

Please contact me if you have any questions and enjoy the weekend!

Hannah Bauer

Irish Dancing - After School ActivityInterested in trying a new dance?

I would like to offer an early after-school activity of grades **4 to 12** on a Monday from 3.50 – 4.50 pm. I January, but would like students to sign up first. If me tammie.gilbert@the-fis.de or come to room **125 on Monday**. Girls and boys are welcome. I will be working in conjunction with Rebecca Popp from Celtic Rainbow in Nuremberg. For more information on her classes please visit www.rinceceltus-nuremberg.com

Irish Dancing to students in would like to start on the 30th of you are interested, please email

7th February – Half Day – Dismissal at 11:50

We would like to remind all parents that on February 7 the teachers have their Personal Development Day. It is a half day and children will be dismissed at 11:50. Please inform us about pick-up changes in writing to bus@the-fis.de if necessary.



Next Week @ FIS

Monday	30 st Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 15:50 16:50 French School CE & CM ➤ 15:45 – 16:45 ASA Irish Dancing ➤ 15:45 – 17:15 “What Moves Me” Auditions ➤ FIS Sports Training: 16:00 – 17:30 Basketball Varsity Boys and Girls
Tuesday	31 st Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ FIS Sports Training: 16:00 – 17:30 Basketball U14 Boys and Girls
Wednesday	1 st Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 15:35 – 16:35 French School Maternelle ➤ 15:45 – 17:15 ASA Music for “What Moves Me” ➤ 15:50 – 16:50 French School CM ➤ 16:00 – 17:00 FIS Singers Room 1.59 ➤ FIS Sports Training: 16:00 – 17:30 Basketball Varsity Boys and Girls
Thursday	2 nd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 15:45 – 17:15 ASA Music for “What Moves Me” ➤ FIS Sports Training: 16:00 – 17:30 Basketball U14 Boys and Girls ➤
Friday	3 rd Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 9:00 Kiga/ES Assembly ➤ 12:50 – 13:15 Grade 3 & 4 Singing Group ➤ 17:30 – 20:00 Grade 3 & 4 Snowball Disco ➤ Report card distribution ➤ ASA program 2nd semester in newsletter

Coming up:	4 February -	Basketball U14 tournament at the FIS
	7 February -	Half Day – Professional Development Day
	10 February -	G2 Bake Sale
	10 & 11 February -	“What Moves Me” Performance Ensemble workshop
	11 February -	Basketball Varsity Boys & Girls – Frankfurt tournament
	17 February -	Kiga/ES Assembly & Fasching celebrations
	20 February -	No Classes – Rosen Montag
	21 February -	No Classes – Faschingsdienstag / Shrove Tuesday
	24 & 25 February	Music for “What Moves Me” workshop
	27 February	Start of ASA 2 nd semester program

FIS School Newsletter The FIS newsletter is published on a weekly basis and is emailed home each **Friday**. Contributions to the newsletter should be emailed to the school at info@the-fis.de by **Wednesday**. The newsletter contains items of information relating to school operations, PTO News, for-sale items placed by members of our community, and much more. The editor reserves the right to... edit... This newsletter and other important school information can also be found on the school's web page. Newsletters are usually placed on the web site www.the-fis.de a day or two after publication and will remain there until the end of the school year.