

THE WEEKLY

February 7, 2014

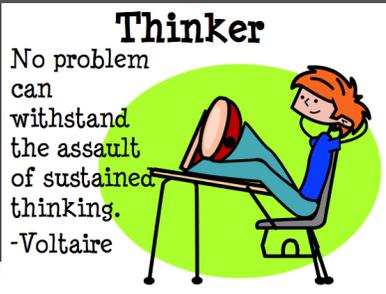


Cayman International School's Newsletter CURRENT

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IB LEARNER PROFILE FOR FEBRUARY 'THINKERS'

This month our IB Learner profile focus is 'thinkers'. IB learners "exercise initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to recognize and approach complex problems, and make reasoned, ethical decisions." Critical and creative thinking are skills we endeavor to teach all students from an early age at CIS. Our students are taught to question and investigate, and to reach independent conclusions. By encouraging our students to think for themselves and continually investigate 'why?' we hope to create a culture in which our students not only take ownership of their learning, but develop a love of learning and critical thinking that will continue to grow throughout their lives. This passion for problem solving and independent thinking will help them to become innovators and leaders, to think of new ways to address fundamental global issues, to come up with new ways to solve problems, and to play a crucial role in an ever more global and challenging society as, "the essence of the independent mind lies not in what it thinks, but in how it thinks" - Christopher Hitchens



Thinker

No problem can withstand the assault of sustained thinking.
-Voltaire

IB LEARNERS STRIVE TO BE...

THINKERS



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Events

- Feb 7 MS Leadership Dance (ARC), 6-8:00pm
- Feb 7-14 Julliard of NYC visits CIS
- Feb 8 Open Library Morning, 9-11:30am
- Feb 11 Secondary Parent Night—IB Info, (MPR), 6:30-7:30pm
- Feb 13 Secondary Girls football, (CIS Field), CIS vs CCC, 3:45-5:00pm
- Feb 14 Civvies Day, Wear **RED** for \$2 donation to Cayman Heart Fund
- Feb 14 Half day for students/Teacher In-Service afternoon
- Feb 18 EC Assembly, ARC, 8:45-9:45am
- Feb 18 ES Family Math Night, 6:00-7:00pm
- Feb 20 Grade 3-5 Swim Gala
- Feb 20 Secondary Assembly, ARC, 8:10-9:00am
- Feb 20 Boys/Coed Basketball, ARC, CIS vs STI
- Feb 21 Kindergarten-Grade 2, Swim Gala
- Feb 21 ES Assembly, (ARC), 8:30-9:30am
- Feb 21 PSA 7-a-side Football
- Feb 24 Boys/Coed Basketball, ARC, CIS vs CCC, 3:45-5:30pm

HALF DAY DISMISSAL TIMES

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| Nursery: | 11:30 (normal dismissal time) |
| PreK3—Grade 1: | 11:40am |
| Grade 2-5: | 11:50am |
| Secondary: | Noon |

**AFTER SCHOOL GANG
(ASG) LOCATION IS IN B2
FOR FEBRUARY**



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CIS COMMUNITY NEWS CON'T

X $X \div + - =$ K-5 Math Night! +

Please come and join us on Tuesday, February 18 from 6:00pm-7:00pm for Family Math Night at CIS. Parents and children are welcome to engage in hands on educational math fun!

Family Math Night requires a registration to ensure there are small groups at each rotation. Please complete the attached registration form if you wish to attend.

Activities and games are from the Everyday Math program used in the elementary school. These games help build computation skills, critical thinking and problem solving.

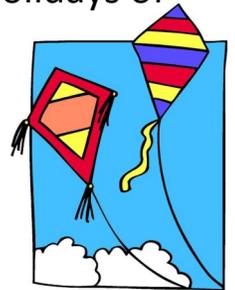
Please RSVP by completing and returning the registration form to the Administration office by Friday, February 14, 2014."

Math

Saturday Open Library

...the crazy National holidays of February?

Saturday, February 8th
9-11:30 AM

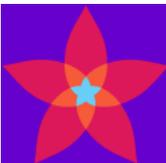


Come make kites and birdfeeders, write letters to your sweetie, try embroidery and learn about your heart! Read, research and play!

*Please make plans to stay with your child for this family event.



What do you "think" about...



Cayman ARTS FESTIVAL

This week our Secondary music students have had several amazing opportunities to observe and work with world class musicians. On Wednesday, 30 students were able to attend a performance by String Fever, a string quartet from England that featured all electronic instruments! On Thursday, 11 saxophone students attended a workshop with Amy Dickson, a Grammy nominated saxophonist from Australia who worked with the students on playing fundamentals and musicianship. Lastly on Friday, a few piano students attended a clinic by pianist Danny Driver, who discussed general performance technique. Special thanks to the Cayman Arts Festival for making these opportunities possible!

For more information about the workshops and festival, go to www.caymanartsfestival.com



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Great spirit and sportsmanship was shown today as the Elementary School held its Winter Olympics Sports Day. The day began with Opening ceremonies following many of the traditions performed in the actual Olympic ceremonies such as the parade of the athletes, lighting of the torch and the raising of the Olympic flag. Many countries were represented by our students and lots of fun was had as Coach Greg adapted many of the winter Olympic sports, using noodles for bobsleds and flutter boards for skis and skates.



EC/ES Counselor's Corner



Ms. Nadine

Hope

Helping students become more hopeful is rewarding for students, teachers, counselors, parents, and other caring adults. Research has consistently shown that hope improves people's attendance, effort, productivity, health, well-being, and longevity. Hope shows itself in students in their ability to conceptualize goals, develop strategies to reach their goals, and initiate and maintain motivation to reach their goals.

Research has demonstrated that hope can be cultivated to strengthen thinking pathways that support goal achievement. Here are some ways we can help students become more hopeful:

- Encourage goals that excite students
- Teach students how to set clear markers (or benchmarks) for goals
- Support students to think in terms of "we" goals in addition to "me" goals
- Help students select several goals
- Remind students they can ask for help when needed
- Engage students in exciting activities that involve teamwork
- Help students monitor their "self-talk"

Parents model hope by the way they communicate, set goals, view challenges, and cope with problems. In the same manner, teachers play an important role in children's perceptions about their competence to achieve goals and to cope with obstacles that can arise. In fact, being a high-hope parent and teacher facilitates children's hopeful thinking. Given that hope is malleable and that the hopeless can learn to be hopeful, our youth need a focused effort from people who care about them and their future.



Elementary Student Leadership Bake Sale

When: February 14

Time: at 1/2 day dismissal



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CIS SERVICE DAY



WHAT STUDENTS SAID ABOUT SERVICE DAY AT CIS

What did you do for service day?
“We made Valentine’s Cards for the elderly because they have no one to play with when they get home.” (Early Childhood student)

“Spreading awareness and volunteering can start as something small and turn into something huge.” (Secondary student)

“I believe that it is important to start community service at a young age because it gets us into the habit, so when we are older we can remember to give back to a community that has given us so much.” (Secondary student)

“Partaking in community service opens your eyes to the damage our indifference has caused, and the hardships some people are forced to endure every day. It shows us that every bit of help we do makes a difference, although it may seem miniscule in the big picture.” (Secondary Student)

What did you learn on service day? “To help others in need.” (Elementary student)

“Community service is important to me because it will help our community learn to work together and always have each other’s’ backs, even in the toughest times.” (Secondary Student)

What did you learn on Service Day? “That some people don’t have the same things we do.” (Elementary student)

“By people helping out others and the well-being of the community in general, it builds the spirit of caring and belonging.”

“It made me feel proud and good to help others.” (Elementary student)

“I helped 2 girls read and read with expression.” (Elementary student)

What I did on service day was very nice to do. I think I could do more of that. I could be a good teacher.” (Elementary Student)

“I learned today that I am a person that can make a big difference in the health of the island and even the earth.” (Secondary Student)

“There are no requirements of myself other than positive drive to help our world and our people.” (Secondary student)

“I feel fantastic because we were helping the environment one step at a time.” (Elementary student)

“Without community service, many people can remain sheltered from the outside world with no knowledge of what is going on in their community. Certain types of community service can open people’s eyes to the issues of a community or society as a whole and encourage them to work toward fixing the problems they see.” (Secondary student)

“When I helped a girl read I felt a warm fuzzy glow and I like making a big difference.” (Elementary student)

CIS OUT AND ABOUT

Congratulations to the participants in the Cross Island Relay

15 CIS staff members participated and a few CIS students were spotted running legs of the relay also. CIS entered two all staff teams that included: Mr. Matt, Mr. Scott, Ms. Robin, Ms. Mary-Ellen, Ms. Karen, Ms. Megan, Ms. Amy, Ms. Philippa, Ms. Jodi, Ms. Ana, Mr. Shaun and Señor Blanco and Ms. Dawn, Ms. Amy and Ms. Suzanne were on 3 other teams. Congratulations everyone—Way to run and have fun!!



Congratulations Mr. John!

Mr. John had the grand opening of his 2nd piece of Public Art this past Thursday. This piece of work was commissioned by the National Trust, with the idea to recreate the original seafront in front of the Fort (now blocked off). The three sections are, ‘The invasion of the Cuban Militia in the 19th century’, ‘An attack by u-157 German U-Boat during World War II, and ‘A Regatta Sailpast by the schooners which were built on Cayman in the thirties. The murals are on display at Fort George—Go check them out!



SECONDARY HEADLINES

Secondary Counselor's Corner



Ms. Katie

Have a great weekend!
Ms. Katie

Happy Friday Everyone,

I wanted to send out some quick updates and reminders for all Secondary Students: It's a busy time of year, but please pay attention to scholarship application deadlines, college application deadlines, and summer program application deadlines. Good luck and let me know if you need any guidance or assistance, I'm happy to help.

TEACHER OFFICE HOURS

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| Ms. Sarah P. (MS English) | 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday |
| Mr. Trevor H. (English 8-9) | 3:30-4:30 pm Wednesday |
| Ms. Marian F. (Spanish 6 & 7, Spanish II) | 3:15-4:15 pm Thursday |
| Mr. John W. (Spanish I & III, IB Spanish) | 3:15-4:15 pm Monday |
| Ms. Amy V. (Art) | 3:30-4:30pm Monday |
| Ms. Dhara L. (Biology, IB Bio, Alg II) | 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday |
| Ms. Megan I. (MS Science) | 7:00-8:00am Wednesday |
| Ms. Karen S. (Science 8, Chemistry, IB Chem, Bio 11) | 3:15-4:15pm Wednesday |
| Mr. Matthew J. (MS Math, Physics) | 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday |
| Ms. Lindsay R. (Alg 9, Geom 10, IB Math SL) | 7:00-8:00am Monday |
| Mr. Paul S. (Geom 9, Math 8, IB Math St) | 3:30-4:30 pm Wednesday |
| Ms. Sarah D. (IB Coordinator, Econ/Pol 10, IB Geog) | 7:00- 8:00 am Monday |
| Ms. Jodi M. (History 7-9, TOK) | 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday |
| Mr. Scott L. (History 6 & 8, Math 6) | 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday |
| Ms. Katie K. (IB English, English 10) | 3:30-4:30 pm Monday |
| Mr. Gene W. (MS & HS Band) | 3:30-4:30 pm Wednesday |
| Ms. Annarie B. (MS Drama) | 7:00-8:00 am Wednesday (in ARC) |
| Mr. Shaun S. (Technology) | 7:00-8:00 am Wednesday |
| Ms. Robyn K. (HS music) | 7:00-8:00 am Wednesday (until Feb 25 th) 3:30-4:30 pm Thursday (after Feb 25 th) |



ATTENTION GRADE 12 PARENTS

The Government Scholarship Application is due next Saturday, February 15th!

HOMEWORK club

Mondays 3:30-4:30 D3
Wednesdays 3:30-4:30 D3
Thursdays 3:30-4:30 D3



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Monday, March 3, 2014 • 6 to 8 p.m.

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Reservations are appreciated. To register, please visit www.ut.edu/caribbean call (813) 253-6211, email admissions@ut.edu, or complete and fax the form below to (813) 258-7398.

Applications will be accepted during our visit.
Bring a completed application for an on-the-spot evaluation.

Valentine's Day Dance!

February 7, 2014

6:00-7:30 pm

Middle School

Cupid's Nerf Arrow
Photo Booth
Cookie Decorating



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GOOD SPORTS



SECONDARY GIRLS FOOTBALL

The CIS Lady Iguana Football team played a great game on February 6th against Wesleyan. CIS dominated the game and won the match after a hard fought, first half goal by Natalie (grade 9) after an excellent combination with Monique (Grade 11) and a final score of 1-0. It was a great team effort and the ladies showed control and accuracy in their possessions and passes. The younger of the two CIS teams had another opportunity to play the Cayman Prep B team on Thursday too. The ladies played with determination and sportsmanship but could not match up against the strong attackers of the Prep team. Come out and support the Lady Iguana Football Team as they take on St. Ignatius on Monday at St. Ignatius HS!



Game Schedule
Monday 13th Feb.
against STI

MS/HS BASKETBALL

Once again the Blue Iguanas gave it their all on the basketball court against Cayman Prep. It was a strong team effort in the absence of some key players. Nico T. led our scoring and Sebastian P. stepped up and sank a jumper in traffic. However, Cayman Prep emerged victorious as the Blue Iguanas were not able to consistently pull down rebounds. The Iguanas will have two weeks to hide out in the gym and beef up their frontcourt presence before the next game, which will be played against St. Ignatius on Thursday, February 20. Come out to the ARC and cheer on our team !!

A special thanks to the Spirit Squad who kept spirits high throughout the game with their peppy performance.

BASKET BALL HOME GAME SCHEDULE—games start at 3:45pm
Thursday, February 20
Monday, February 24



SEEN ON CAMPUS



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Yes, I will attend The University of Tampa Reception on Monday, March 3, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Number of guests who will accompany me _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____ CELL/MOBILE (_____) _____

E-mail _____

High School/College _____ Year of Graduation _____

Field of Interest (undecided is okay) _____

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K-5 Math Night!



CIS Family Math Night February 18

The staff at CIS invites you and your family to join us on February 18th, 2014 from 6:00-7:00p.m for our Family Math Night for students in K-5. This is a great opportunity for hands on fun and educational learning for the whole family.

Each child/adult pairing will receive a schedule that includes the rotations and the three games for your math evening. This schedule will be emailed on the day of the event and will be available upon check-in at the Family Math Night. The event starts promptly at 6:00 p.m. with a short math video that will be presented in the room of your first rotation. The first rotation will begin at 6:05 p.m. Each rotation will last 15 minutes. Your schedule will clearly state which rotation/room you will be attending for each game. At the end of the evening students are encouraged to go to the estimation tables located by the administration building. Additionally, there will be snacks for everyone to enjoy!

Please RSVP by Friday, February 14 by half-day dismissal. Pre-registration is required in order to have enough take-home materials and ensure appropriate group sizes at each rotation.

First Child's Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Adult's Name: _____ Email: _____

Second Child's Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Adult's Name: _____ Email: _____

Third Child's Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Adult's Name: _____ Email: _____

****Please note one adult can have multiple children in elementary, but the rotation schedule will have a mixture of games that may be more appropriate for one child over another.**

(Please contact Rita Imparato, curriculum coordinator at rita.imparato@cayintschool.ky for questions regarding this event).

Everyday
Mathematics

