

International School of Bremen



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Upcoming Events

- ❖ **April 30 – May 23**
Grade 10 IGCSE Examinations
- ❖ **May 5 – 23**
Grade 12 IB Examinations
- ❖ **May 22**
Gr. 1 – 5 Music Performance for Parents, Malcolm-Davis-Hall, 8.15am
- ❖ **May 29 + 30**
Ascension Day + Holiday
School Closed
- ❖ **June 9**
Whit Monday – School Closed
- ❖ **June 14**
Graduation, Bremen Rathaus, 1.00pm + Dinner at Park Hotel, 6.30pm
- ❖ **June 17 – 24**
Grade 11 IB Art Trip to Spain
- ❖ **June 19**
Grade 3 “Oliver”, Malcolm Davis Hall, 8.10am
- ❖ **June 21**
Summer Barbecue
- ❖ **June 27**
Last Day of School – Reports distributed



University Guidance

If any Secondary students (16 – 20 years old) are interested in doing an internship during the summer holidays within the context of the European Media and Communication Doctoral Summer School at the ZeMKI Centre for Media, Communication and Information Research of the University Bremen, please read the attached information sheet (in English or alternatively in German).



Grade 11 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Trial Expedition, 30 April – 2 May 2014

Just a few days after the Bronze Trial Expedition (see our report in last week's Bulletin), three groups of Grade 11 students, currently practicing for their Silver DofE Final Expedition later in June, made their way to the Harz Mountains where they spent three days hiking and camping in the area between Clausthal-Zellerfeld and Osterode. In

comparison with the rolling hills of the Lüneburger Heide where the Bronze Trial took place a week earlier, and the wonderful weather the Grade 9 students experienced there, this was definitely a more vigorous and



Day 1: The DofE Silver students arrive at Osterode station

challenging expedition, not only considering the sometimes quite severe rise and fall in the landscape and a total of 3 hikes, but also as regards the weather conditions that varied between sunshine on Day 1, rain on Day 2 and fog and a bitterly cold start to Day 3. Carrying backpacks with all their essential items such as spare clothing, food, sleeping bag/roll, tent and cooking stoves/utensils and walking distances of up to 20km per day, all students completed their planned routes, despite encountering a variety of mishaps and difficulties on the way and, of course, oh! those aching limbs!

All now seem well prepared to participate in the Silver Final Expedition, a date for which is currently being co-ordinated.



For more impressions from the expedition, see our display in the ISB Ground Floor Foyer, coming soon!

Day 1: Pitching tent at the Lerbach campsite – Arthur, Mirko, Shishir and Jelto



Day 2: Breakfast at the Eulenburg campsite near to the Sösetalsperre – Suks and Arthur



Day 1: The campsite in Lerbach: Josua, Miguel and Luisa prepare their evening meal



IMYC Rocket Launching Project

Leadership in Design and Innovation

This Grade 8 IMYC Exit Point, a collaborative project between the University of Bremen, the DLR School Lab, the Hochschule Bremen, the Institute for Aerospace-Technology and the International School of Bremen was a great success.



The project began some 3 weeks ago and ended on **Tuesday, 29 April** with an IMYC Exit Point when the rockets were launched from the University fields behind our School. The event was recorded and will be presented to fellow students in May

during School Assembly after which it can be viewed and downloaded from the ISB website (log-in required).





Sports

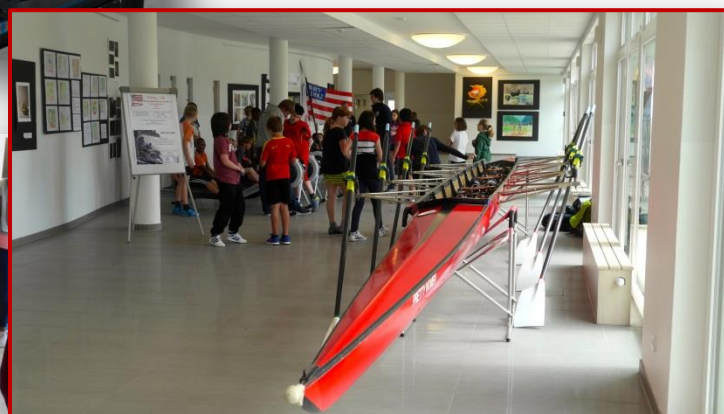
Indoor Rowing Competition, 5 and 6 May 2014

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, students from Grades 5, 6, and 7 participated in a nationwide, indoor rowing event "The Fastest Class of Germany". In cooperation with the Bremer Ruderverein von 1882 e.V., we had two fantastic days of rowing at our school. Each student had to row 250m on the rowing machine, and the fastest eight times of each class were added together to a total and with this time they will compete against other schools in Germany. It was great to see their commitment and the amount of energy the students put into this activity, and considering they were using these machines for the first time, they all did very well.

Grade 8 students used the rowing machines for their IMYC Entry Point. The theme was "Challenge" and in small groups they tried to cover as much distance as possible in 30 min. The best team rowed a distance of more than 6,800m!

Grade 9 students were faced with a special challenge. They competed against a teacher team over a distance of 500m. With exceptional effort from all participants, the eight fastest students beat the teachers by 19 seconds.

If you are interested in joining a Rowing Club After-School Activity, please contact Mr. Laass on mlaass@isbremen.de.





Music Department

As part of a new and exciting project for teaching music, the School is considering setting up a Keyboard Lab. If you are able to donate a keyboard, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs Vassilyeva (avassilyeva@isbremen.de) if you require further information.



Art Department

Our Art and Photography teacher, Mr. Holloway will be exhibiting some of his images on **Sunday, 18 May from 3.00pm** in the Rat und Tat Zentrum, Theodor-Körner-Straße 1 (Bremen Steintor). Here is a small taste of what you can expect:

Tales of a Wanderer

In this collection of images from A. David Holloway, we explore the world of the traveller, both real and imagined. Each image tells its own story about time, place, and emotion. These images explore the idea of travelling, of discovery, and of loss. This collection also explores the juxtaposition between the natural and man-made landscapes, influenced by abstract painting and surrealism.

Entry is free, tea, coffee, and cake are available, and a free glass of sekt. See also: http://www.ratundtat-bremen.de/Termine/index.php?we_objectID=1055



After-School Activities

Running Club

The ISB Running Club for all students of Grades 5 – 12 is starting once again! The first run will be on **Tuesday, 13 May** and thereafter every Tuesday from 3.15 – 4.00pm. Meeting Point is the ISB Ground Floor Foyer (next to the stairs). Our regular programme includes running, circuit training, stretches etc.

The first running event will be on **Sunday, 18 May**, the “Ummellauf” at Hepstedt, see www.ummellauf.de where you can choose your distance: 2.5k, 5k or 10k. Meeting point 9.00am in front of the ISB building.

If interested, please contact Tania Hessing on 0170 - 16 71 717.



Global Issues Network

We are still continuing to accept donations of young children's clothes, colouring books, school supplies, kitchen utensils, cutlery and bicycles, so please bring them to the school reception where they will be collected and stored. Once again thank you for your support which is very much appreciated, especially by the occupants of the refugee centre in Bremen.

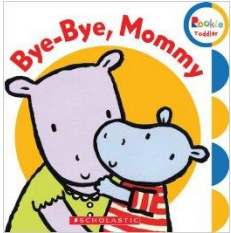
M R-Slater (Teacher in charge of Global Issues Network)



Library News

This Month's Library Book Selection: May (Mother's Day)

The following books have been chosen for the various age groups represented at our school. The age recommendations are only an approximate estimation.

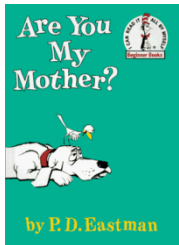
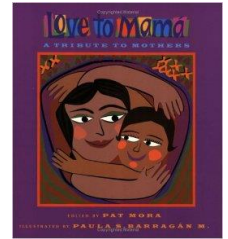


Board Book

Bye-Bye, Mommy (Rookie Toddler Series), Publisher: Scholastic

Picture Books (age: 0 – 5)

Love to Mamá: A Tribute to Mothers by Pat Mora,
Publisher: Lee & Low Books

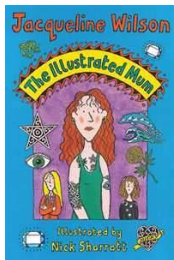


Early Reading (age 5 – 8)

Are You My Mother? by P. D. Eastman, Publisher: Random House

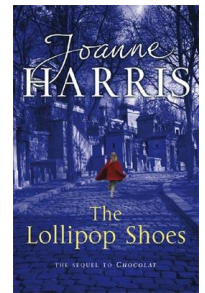
Junior Fiction (age 6 – 10)

Kumpulan Cerita Kashi Ibu. I love you Mom.
(Indonesian/ English) by A. Arleen



Youth Fiction (age 11 – 14)

The Illustrated Mum by Jacqueline Wilson, Publisher: Yearling



Adult Fiction (age 15+)

Lollipop Shoes, by Joanne Harris (sequel to *Chocolat*),
Publisher: Black Swan

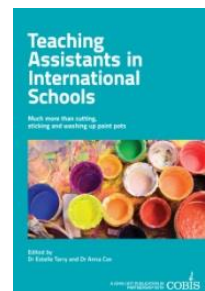


Adult Non-Fiction (age 15+)

Mother's Day, by Jillian Powell, Publisher: Wayland

Professional Books

Teaching Assistants in International Schools,
Edited by Dr. Estelle Tarry and Dr. Anna Cox,
Publisher: John Catt Educational

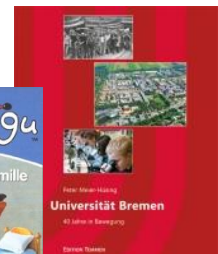


Foreign-Language Books

French: *Pingu et sa famille*

German: *Universität Bremen, 40 Jahre in Bewegung*, by Peter Meier-Hüsing,
Publisher: Edition Temmen

Spanish: *Ésa es mi mamá* by Henriette Barkow



The Library is always open to hear about your own recommendations, so please contact Mrs. Holsten at library@isbremen.de if you have any suggestions that you would like to share with her.



Website of the Week !

www.poemsforfree.com/mothersdaypoems.html

This site contains dozens of Mother's Day poems that can be used free of charge for any personal or non-commercial purpose (*all poems copyright Nicholas Gordon*) and includes a link to *Mother's Day Stories For Free*. Just the thing to hand to Mum or to a mother you know on her special day. Take a look and let yourself be inspired!





ISB Calendar at a Glance

ELC

May 13	EL1 visits Bremen Airport, 8.45am – 2.30pm
May 14	EL2 goes on a mini-cruise on the River Weser, 9.00am – 1.30pm
May 21	EL2 plays mini-golf in the Bürgerpark, 10.30am – 2.00pm
May 29 – 30	Ascension Day + School Holiday – School closed
June 4	EL3 End of Year Assembly Performance, 8.15 – 8.50am for students, 2.20 – 3.00pm for parents
June 4	EL2 visits Bremen Universum's "Wasserwelt", 10.30am – 2.30pm
June 9	Whit Monday – School Closed
June 11	EL1 and EL2 End of Year Assembly Performance, 8.15 – 8.50am for students, 2.20 – 3.00pm for parents
June 18	EL2 Luau party, 7.50am – 3.00pm
June 21	ISB Summer Barbecue
June 27	Last day of school year – reports sent home
August 27	First Day for Grades 1 – 12
August 28	First Day for EL 1 – 3

Elementary / Grades 1 - 5

May 12	Grade 4 visits the Picasso Exhibition, Kunsthalle Bremen, 10.00am – 2.00pm
May 13 – 16	Grade 5 visits London. Departure: 13 May, 5.30am; Returning: 16 May, 9.45pm
May 14	Grade 4 Exit Point Art Unit Exhibition “They see the world like this” – parents invited, in classrooms, 8.10 – 8.40am
May 19	Grade 4 goes to the Kletterpark, Verden, 8.15am – 3.00pm
May 20	Grade 1A visits the Kinder- + Jugendfarm in Bremen, 9.00am – 1.00pm
May 21	Grades 1 – 5 Music Enrichment Programme performance for Assembly, Malcolm Davis Hall, 8.15am
May 22	Grades 1 – 5 Music Enrichment Programme performance for parents, Malcolm Davis Hall, 8.15 – 8.50am
May 22	Grade 1B visits the Kinder- + Jugendfarm in Bremen, 9.00am – 1.00pm
May 24	Selected students of Grades 4 and 5 take part in the Game 24 Maths Competition at the International School of Hannover, departing 6.00am (Bremen Main Station), returning 4.00pm (Bremen Main Station)
May 29 – 30	Ascension Day + School Holiday – School closed
June 4	Grade 5 visits Olbers Planetarium, 12.00 – 3.00pm
June 9	Whit Monday – School Closed
June 13	Selected Grade 2 – 4 students take part in a floorball tournament in Oslebshausen, 7.45am – 2.30pm
June 18	Grade 3 dress rehearsal for “Oliver”, Malcolm Davis Hall, 8.15 – 8.45am
June 19	Grade 3 presents “Oliver” (Parents’ Performance), Malcolm Davis Hall, 8.10 – 9.00am
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Secondary / Grades 6 - 12

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May 5 – 23

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May 29 – 30

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June 9

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June 10 – 13

IMYC Exit Point

June 14

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June 14

Grade 12 Graduation Dinner, Park Hotel, 6.30pm

June 17 – 24

Grade 11 IB Art Trip to Spain

June 19 – 20

Grade 9 Final Expedition – to be confirmed

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September 6 – 12

Grade 12 (present Grade 11) IB Biology/Spanish B visits the Gredos Centre, Avila/Spain

