



Our Mission

Providing a balanced and innovative international education that enables students to achieve their individual potential while preparing them to be successful citizens who make positive contributions to society and the world.



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Head of School Notes

Dear ISZ Community,

Thank you all for coming - either in person or virtually - to our term 2 parent/teacher conferences. I hope you had a chance to receive detailed updates about your child(ren)'s learning over the past few months. If for whatever reason you were not able to talk to teachers, please feel free to make a separate appointment. Providing insightful feedback on student learning is a top priority for us, and we want to make sure that every parent has an opportunity to speak in person with our teachers.

During these times rich in events (not all of them good), I am very proud to take a moment to share with you some very good news about our senior graduating class and the many wonderful university offers these talented young adults have been receiving. This is also a good time to thank Ms. Lynda and all staff for working so hard to help our students achieve their dreams.

Have a look at this impressive list of universities which is still growing with new offers. We are so very proud of you guys. (For a feature on some of our Year 13s, please see below Ms. Lynda's article.)

Law program at University of Aberdeen (UK)

Law program at University of Edinburgh (UK)

Anthropology program at University of Kent (UK)

Social Anthropology program at University of Manchester (UK)

Anthropology program at Queen's University Belfast (Ireland)

Social Anthropology program at SOAS University of London (UK)

Economics and Management program at Brunel University (UK)

International Development program at King's College London (UK)

BA Economics program at SOAS University of London (UK)

Economics and Business Administration program at University of St. Gallen (Switzerland)

Wishing everyone a peaceful and relaxing weekend, I remain,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr. James W. Pilton

Year 9 Science with Mr. Anthony

Although the Year 9's did a very good job of virtual learning and lessons, it is great to be back in the classroom together again. I congratulate them on an excellent Term 2. Last week we

started our new section of Astronomy. We will be exploring many elements of the relationship between our Earth, moon, and sun, our solar system, our galaxy, and our universe. We started with an introduction to the relationship between our planet, the moon, the sun, and the seasons. This week we have been looking into our solar system, exploring the basics of the four Terrestrial planets and the four Jovian planets. We have discovered what makes our planet a habitable planet and have discussed the possibilities of other habitable planets in our galaxy and the universe at large. We've particularly focused on Kepler 452b, how it falls into the habitable zone of its solar system and why we believe it is at least possible that life could be found there. Sadly, it may not be possible to gather all the information we would need to one day confirm this since it is 1400 light-years away, and with what is currently our fastest form of space travel, this would be a 26-million-year trip! This is a fascinating topic and I am looking forward to getting into more specific elements of Astronomy with them next week.



Year 11 Science with Mrs. M-B

In their latest unit, the Y11s have been exploring wave properties and phenomena. This has led to the use of online simulations, models, and in class practicals where they are able to manipulate wave sources and observe patterns of refraction, diffraction, and dispersion. Why is that waves typically crash perpendicular to the shore? While the students have had a good amount of experience observing waves at the beach, they can now explain that it's due to waves slowing down and bending towards the normal as they enter shallow waters. These

same principles also apply to light and sound. As the Y11s further learn about waves, they'll explore how waves can be manipulated for practical purposes such as fiber optics and lenses.



Year 7 Swahili with Mrs. Ashura

This week, the Year 7's have learnt about shapes and measurements in Swahili. Students have made a poster of things that have different shapes and named them. They have also drawn different shapes and made sentences using the shapes for class and homework. We are continuing with reading time/clocks in Swahili and how it differs from English.



Cambridge Exam Schedules

Our IGCSE, AS and A Level students have some busy weeks ahead. You can find our Cambridge IGCSE and A level exam schedule on our website by clicking here <http://isz.co.tz/cambridge-igcse-a-level-exam-schedule/>

University Prep Class with Ms. Lynda

The entire secondary team is so very proud of these four graduating seniors who have all received offers from European universities. Their application processes began in August, and they have worked diligently in creating successful application portfolios through mid-January, when submissions were finalized. Then the waiting for the results began, and now we celebrate every offer as it comes in.

Of course, when our graduating seniors are successful in their post-secondary pursuits, we must congratulate all of the teachers with whom they have learned along the way to these

moments of pride. Our hearts are full as we congratulate Zahra, Kumail, David and Felix!
I know your families are proud of you, and we are honored to have shared in your learning and
in your success!



Talking to Your Child About Covid-19

Here is a wonderful resource shared by one of our parents about how to talk to your child about the current pandemic and what children can do to stay safe and help stop the spread of the disease. It even has the PDF file for download.

Thank you Maha for passing this on.

Have a great day.

<https://interagencystandingcommittee.org/iasc-reference-group-mental-health-and-psychosocial-support-emergency-settings/actions-heroes-guide-heart-heart-chats-children-accompany-reading-my-hero-you-how-kids-can-fight>



UPCOMING EVENTS

- OFFICE HOURS FROM 8AM TO 3:30PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
- End of term 2 on March 17
- March 18 Parent Teacher Conferences
- GRADUATION June 12, 2021
- Last Day of School June 24, 2021

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