
WEEKLY NEWS

The International School of Bergen

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Learning for Life

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From the Director's desk.....

17TH MAY PARADE

Great weather attracted many ISB students and parents to the celebration of Norway's constitution day. Many thanks to Connor and Robert, both Grade 7, for carrying the school banner, and to their assistants. You were all excellent ambassadors for ISB! Thanks also to the parents and staff members who volunteered their help and for organising "hurras" at regular intervals. A very special way to spend the morning and a great way to see the other parade!

SPRING FAIR - MAY 24TH

The weather forecast for Saturday looks absolutely fabulous, so make sure you come along to the ISB annual Spring Fair from 12:00 until 14:00. **A reminder that all lottery books, sold or unsold, should be returned by Friday 14:00.** There is a prize (a gift voucher from Norli) for the student selling most tickets and another (a pizza party) for the class selling most tickets. The lottery prize winners will be announced at the Spring Fair.

The PTO are still looking for

donations of prizes for the tombola, tins, full bottles for the bottle toss and more lottery prizes. Please leave any donations in the school office. Thank you.

SCHEDULE SURVEY - REMINDER

We have had a very good response to the staff and student surveys, but only a few parents have returned theirs. Remember, this is your opportunity to give input and feedback. Deadline is tomorrow, so send them back today or tomorrow.

PARENT REPRESENTATIVE TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES REMINDER

All parents should have received information regarding the call for nominations as parent Representative on the Board of Trustees. The deadline for nominations is 15:30 tomorrow.

GREASE

ISB Drama Club is proud to present their production of **Grease on Thursday, May 29th at 17:50 in the Slettebakken gym.** All those involved have been working extremely hard to put on a great show and evening of entertainment for everyone, so please come along and

show your support and have a really enjoyable evening!

LOST AND FOUND

Have you lost some money in the past couple of weeks? We have found some money on the lower corridor and feel sure someone must be missing it since it is quite a significant amount. If you think it is yours, please contact the school office. Thank you.

LOCAL EXAMINATIONS - UPDATES

Our Grade 10 students will be taking part in the local written exams in Norwegian language today and tomorrow. In early June, they may also be taking part in an oral exam in the same subject.

We have been informed this week that ISB students will now be exempt from the local exams in Religious Education. We have been working on obtaining this exemption for our students for more than two years. So, all our hard work has finally borne some fruit!

NO INTERNET AT ISB TOMORROW

Due to the requirements of the local examination system and the way our server is

currently set up, we will not be able to access the internet or our e-mails tomorrow until after 14:00. If you need to contact us and it cannot wait until after 14:00, please call the school office. Thank you.

ISB PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL UN OFFICE - IN THE NEWS

I reported last week on the involvement of our Grade 6 students in potato planting at the Nations Park close to ISB. This took place on Monday, and on Tuesday, an article appeared in *Bergens Tidende*. In addition to a photo of some of our students planting potatoes, some were interviewed. So, next time you meet a sixth grader, ask them about Blue Congos and Kerrs Pinks!

RECYCLING IN PRACTICE

Kindergarten and Grade 1 are inquiring into how we can save the planet by recycling, reusing and reducing. We are therefore asking for donations of second hand clothes which the students will use to organise a sale at the end of the unit (date tbc). Any unsold items will be donated to Fretex and any money raised will go to a good cause. Thank you for your support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 24: Spring Fair

May 29: Drama Club performance of *Grease*.

June 4: Annual General

Assembly including election for parent and staff representatives.

June 4 & 5: PYP authorisation visit.

June 9: PM ISB Sports Day

June 12: 18:00 Awards Night

June 13: 12:00 End of school year.

WHAT'S ON IN BERGEN?

The annual international arts festival started yesterday. Although some performances were threatened by the airport strike, it seems that everything will go ahead as planned now. There are still tickets available for some performances, some even at discounted rates.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Is your child interested in science? This summer, students in Grades 7 through 10 can take part in a science summer camp organised through the local science centre, VilVite. There will be three course weeks: June 23 - 27, June 30 - July 4, and August 11 - 15. The courses are free. The day starts at 9:30 and finishes at 15:00. Sign up before it is too late on www.vilvite.no.

FYSAK SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Further up the street from ISB is the FYSAK centre.

This sports and activity centre has a wide range of different activities located here. During the period, June 23 - 27, they will have

a special programme for students in Grades 8 through 10. More information and registration at www.bergen.kommune.no/idretts

