



July 2018

Message from the Principal's Desk:

"Remember to celebrate milestones as you prepare for the road ahead."

- Nelson Mandela-

Dear Parent,

The summer has come to an end and we are prepared for another exciting year ahead. I wish to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to school. The start of the year is always a special time on campus. We are fortunate to add additional faculty to our team, whose diverse areas of expertise will build upon our commitment to excellence in teaching and learning. We also have close to 200 students who have joined us this year and we look forward to all the students contributing towards our schools vision of striving for excellence. I trust that all of you, like me, are looking forward to the new challenges and opportunities the year will bring for our students. Together, I know we will make this school year a successful one, ensuring continuous growth of our children.



Let us begin with some news of what happened in July:

1) IBDP Results:

The IB Diploma Programme results of our 7th batch of 55 students was declared on the 5th of July 2018 and the results have been simply outstanding. We are delighted for the significant number of students who have really excelled this year and are extremely proud of their achievements. We have exceeded our expectations and our teachers and students have done us proud. There has been a quantum leap in our performance from the past years with Ria Thimmaiahgari securing a perfect score of 45/45, proving to be a World Topper.

The highlights of the results are as follows:

1. Ria Thimmaiahgari has secured a perfect score of 45
2. Six of our students have secured 40 and above. They are:
 - Ria Thimmaiahgari - 45
 - Abhishek Deb Bathina – 43
 - Ishita Chawla – 43
 - Paavan Anish Varma Alluri – 41

- Siddharth Thumati – 41
 - Shagun Dhanania - 41
3. 85% of our students have secured the IB Diploma this year, the highest since inception.
 4. The IB DP School average has increased from 31.5 in 2017 to 34.1 this year.
 5. We have achieved thirty-two 7s in subjects this year, which is the highest since inception.
 6. 54% of the grades scored by the students are at least 5 (out of 7). This was 38% in 2017.
 7. 35+ scores have increased from 32% in 2017 to 50% this year, and 30+ scores have increased from 59% to 90%.

We heartily congratulate our students, parents and teachers for the outstanding results which is testament to the quality of teaching at IISH as well as the sheer hard work and determination of our fabulous students. We strongly believe that every student has the potential to excel and I am sure with the team of the dedicated and committed faculty we have, we will achieve even greater heights this year.

2) **Staff update at IISH:**

We are thrilled to announce that this year we have an outstanding group of teachers joining our team who bring with them a tremendous amount of experience and deep commitment. The number of teachers mentioned below is indicative of our astounding growth this year as we have increased our faculty at school in various departments as our student strength has also increased:-

- i) **Ms Anjalika Sharma - Head of School PYP**
- ii) **Ms Kriti Mathur - PYP Coordinator**
- iii) **Ms Swetha Kothapalli - STEAM Coordinator**
- iv) **Ms Pinky Ann Daniel - Associate MYP Coordinator.**
- v) **Mr. Achal Kumar Mandot - Counselor - University Guidance & Placement**
- vi) **Ms Apurva Madkaikar - Teacher Spanish**
- vii) **Ms Natalia Sharma - Teacher Spanish**
- viii) **Ms Diana Patel - Teacher French**
- ix) **Mr. Rajinikanth Lingala - Teacher Business Studies**
- x) **Ms Pooja Bathija - Teacher Mathematics**
- xi) **Mr. Ashish Kawade - Teacher Geography**
- xii) **Mr. Ram Sankar Deb - P.E Teacher & Coach Swimming**
- xiii) **Ms Malem Hawaibam - Coach Swimming**

- xiv) *Mr. Rajiv Kapadia - Teacher Hindi*
- xv) *Mr. Rupak Rao - Teacher Music*
- xvi) *Ms Sabita Benbow - House Parent Girls*
- xvii) *Mr. Shailendra Kumar - P.E Teacher & Coach Tennis*
- xviii) *Ms Sonia Jacob - Teacher Psychology*
- xix) *Mr. Victor Jayakumar - HOD Arts*
- xx) *Ms Sumana R Kumar - Teacher SEN*
- xxi) *Teacher PYP -*

Ms Dulcea R Johnson

Ms Alna Chandra

Ms Debosmita Samata

Ms Kavitha Reddy

Ms Trishna Sharma

Ms Amara Vijayan

Ms Chandrika T S

Ms Maria Rodgers

Ms Munazza Nausheen

Ms Neha Tripathi

Ms Sarita Chanda

Ms Shruti Kishore Padrang

3) The continued improvement of Infrastructure and other Facilities:

Admin Block

- *The entrance to Admin Block has been given a fresh green cover with new plants, grass and a flower bed to add bright colours to the premises.*

Dining Hall

- *Additional tables and dining chairs have been procured to accommodate the increased number of students.*
- *Single window & CRM Day were successfully conducted on 27th & 28th Jul 18.*
- *A trial room has been positioned near the main store offering a changing facility for the students.*

Primary Block

- *The Ground floor STEAM Lab has been moved to the Secondary Block to accommodate classrooms for the first batch of PP1 & PP2 at IISH with a close access to washroom.*
- *Deep cleaning, Painting and General Maintenance of all classrooms have been completed for the new academic session 2018-19.*

- *Additional classrooms have been made by converting Primary Library, PYP AV Hall in view of increased sections at the PYP.*
- *Fresh stock of furniture have been positioned in the primary classrooms.*

Secondary Block

- *Thorough waterproofing of the Amphitheatre has been carried out and proven.*
- *The basement classrooms no. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 7 15 were revamped with works on false ceiling walls and centralised ACs.*
- *Four new classrooms have been constructed in the basement of Secondary block to accommodate STEAM, an additional Music room and two classrooms for language studies.*
- *A sit out has been constructed in the lawns of the secondary block for students to experience a rich green environment and learning under shade of the tree.*
- *Secondary library has been transformed to serve as a common library for the whole school and has been provisioned with new vinyl flooring and colourful seating arrangements to attract the reading enthusiasts..*
- *Three separate science rooms have been created for Physics, Chemistry and Biology in AV Hall 2 with partitions to avoid occupying Lab space for theory classes.*
- *All classrooms and the Offices of the Coordinators have been given a fresh coat of paint as part of the regular maintenance and towards promoting fresh classroom environment.*
- *A rose bed has been provided next to the secondary block.*

Boarding Houses

- *The reception area and the corridors have been given a fresh look and ambience with a mix of colours and new sofa sets and centre tables.*
- *Entrance Steps to the both hostels have been repaired against cracks and uneven surface.*
- *All the rooms in hostels have been touched upon with fresh coats of paint to bring a welcome feeling to its boarders. All sets of furniture have been attended to in detail to ensure a comfortable stay at hostel.*
- *The seepage issue in the Boys' hostel washroom has been attended to during the summer break.*
- *The second floor in the Girls' Boarding has been made operational to accommodate boarders. The common washroom on the same floor has been made operational for use.*

Sports Infrastructure

- Both Basket Ball courts have been given a new surface.
- Resurfacing of football field is in progress along with leveling and smoothening of the athletic track which will be fully operational by mid-August.
- Swimming Pool has been provided with new permanent starting blocks besides grinding of edges, repair of tiles, repairs in Baby pool, fixing of holding bars, positioning of new graters, painting of upper surface and servicing of water filtration plant.

Miscellaneous

- Effective fogging and pest control measures implemented with a professional agency in all living spaces including hostels, classrooms, quarters and Kitchen/ dining hall.
- The STP work will commence in the month of August for recycling of waste water on campus.

Upcoming Events:

06 August	School Team selection trails start
09th & 10th August	Child Safety Orientation for Students
15th August	Independence Day
17th August	Substance Abuse Session for Students
20th August	Inter House Swimming (Grade 9 - 12)
21st August	Gender Sensitization for Students
22nd August	Eid-Al-Adha
25th August	Insignia
27th August	Inter House Football (Gr 9 - 12 Boys) begins Inter House Basketball (Gr 6 to 12 Girls) begins
31st August	Inter House Football (Gr 9 - 12 Boys) ends Inter House Basketball (Gr 6 to 12 Girls) ends

Warm regards,

Nuwaira Pasha