

Dear ISF Parents and Guardians,

It is hard to believe it's already October already and we have started Week 7 of Term 1. It will be Fall Break before we know it (October 21-25), and after that end-of-Term 1 exams will be right around the corner (November 18-22). I'm glad to see the entire ISF community – students, faculty and staff, and parents – so well settled in to the 2024-25 school year.

As you know, communication is one of our areas of focus for the school year. I am pleased that so many of you are finding the Weekly Updates from the AQCs so helpful and informative. We will continue to share important information through these Weekly Updates. As we have been doing, when there is a need, we will also continue to communicate through E-mails and information posted on the SABIS Digital Platform or via the SABIS Parent App.

It has been good to see and meet so many of you at the various school events associated with the new school year. Building a partnership between the school and parents is important in order to support students' growth and development. Our recent Back-to-School evenings and High School Information meetings were a great success, and I want to extend my gratitude to all the parents who participated. Your engagement in these discussions is invaluable. If you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out to your Academic Coordinator or myself.

Looking ahead, we have Middle School and High School Parent-Teacher Conferences from October 7-18. These meetings are an opportunity for us to collaborate and support your child's progress. If you have any questions, please contact your Academic Coordinator, who will be happy to clarify how things work.

On the non-academic side of things, there have been many opportunities for our students to develop relationships, explore their interests, and have fun. Our Middle and High School students recently enjoyed the SLO® Overnights, which were filled with fun, team-building activities, and opportunities for self-development. It has been great to see them bond and grow together as classes. We had a chance to show off the talents of our young cheerleaders and Korean drummers at the recent Newcomers' Fest in Frankfurt. Our students represented the school with great pride, showcasing the vibrant spirit and talent of our community. I encourage you to check out the [ISF Newsletter for September 2024](#) to read about more activities and special events the school has been involved in.

Finally, please mark your calendars for the ISF International Day on Saturday, November 2. This annual all-school event will be a wonderful celebration of the diversity that makes ISF such a vibrant place for learning. Focus countries will be Brazil, The Netherlands (Holland), Japan, Turkey, and the US. The event will run from 10:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to sharing more updates and celebrating our students' achievements with you in the weeks to come.

Warm regards,

Rupert Cox  
School Director