Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Last week we informed you about the benefits of working together to help our students become good citizens and nurture the very important beings in our lives; our children. In the newsletter before that we had discussed the importance of discipline and the benefits it would have on our children.

This week all our year 7-10 students were given the ISIK College Curriculum and Handbook which has all our policies and details that are important to our school. We urge all our parents and students to familiarize themselves with this book. All our aims and the way that the school operates are in it. We hope that this will shed light to all of our parents and students.

As you will all acknowledge our school is growing day by day and is fast becoming an establishment that will be educating many students from all ethnic backgrounds and suburbs within the vicinity of the school. It is imperative that we remain focused at all times and not lose sight of the bigger picture.

Lately there has been some unrest amongst some of our students. We would like to believe that our parents will help by talking calmly to our children and remind our students that school rules and guidelines need to be obeyed and respected. This will ensure that we cover this from all angles to ensure that we give our children sound advice and teach the valuable lesson by being persistent and consistent with our actions and words. In addition with this we expect our concerned parents to notify the school administration if they wish to report any problems they foresee or know about.

Furthermore we have had numerous newsletters that we have sent out in the past years that any visitors to the school including parents and friends must report to the office and get a visitors pass. This pass will ensure that the administration and staff know that access has been granted. The reason for this is that the school needs to know who is on the grounds for the safety of the students.

In addition to this reminder The School Administration has also decided that parents and friends will not be allowed to enter the school past the gates in front of the car park. This also includes assemblies. If there is a special assembly that is going to be held you all will be notified of this. Again, please ensure that you report to the office if you need to be on the school grounds and take a visitor’s pass.

On weekends we have Talent Mastery Program operating and it is good to see many of our students coming and participating in this program. We hope that all our students will benefit from this and put into practice what they learn.

We all appreciate your good wishes and prayers and hope that you will continue lending your support to us in the issues that we discuss in newsletter on a weekly basis.

Wishing you all a safe and restful weekend.

Regards

Erdal Kocak
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Prep commencing full day—3rd March
Year 2/3 incursion—7th March
Labour Day Holiday —10th March

“THE DEEPEST PRINCIPLE
IN HUMAN NATURE IS THE
CRAVING TO BE
APPRECIATED.”

William James
Year 4’s Home Alone Stories

One day a boy called Marcus had to stay at home by himself because his parents had to go to a wedding. It was 12:00 pm and there was a big storm. About one hour later there was a knock on the door. Marcus got really scared. Then there was another knock and then the door opened. There was a big green face with a skeleton body. Marcus ran up the stairs in his bedroom, locked the door and went in his bed. Then there was a knock on his bedroom door. Someone said," Marcus” which sounded like his dad. He was standing there holding a costume with a big green face and a skeleton body.

Berkan

One Saturday night my mum and dad went to a party and I was home alone with my baby sister. We were watching a baby movie because my sister wanted to watch it. Then I heard some noises coming from upstairs, but I didn’t what it was. So I rang my mum and she said," It’s nothing, it’s just the curtains going up and down because the windows are open”. Then I said to myself that I am not going upstairs because its scary and I can hear different noises saying shhh……but I don’t know what is it. I asked my mum to come back quickly but she said she can’t. Next I heard the noise of the door. Then I went upstairs and I got a shock because I had a surprise party and it was my birthday. So they tricked me.

Brianna

One day I was home alone. I was doing my homework. It was night time, and the next day was a school day. I saw a big spider on the outside of my window. It was scary. I was so scared that I went into bed and hid under my blanket. The spider ran away.

Kubra

Once on a cold frosty night, I woke up and looked around, there was no one home. I got really scared. Then I just sat down and suddenly a knock on the door. I got so scared that my heart started beating fast. I opened the door, no one was there. Then I got a torch and went outside. I looked all around the house but no one was there. So I came back inside and heard another knock. I opened the door and it was my mum. I was so glad.

Lindie

Once upon a time there was a little girl. Her name was Samantha. Her parents went somewhere and Samantha wasn’t allowed to go. So she had to stay home. When Samantha’s parents left, she was scared. It started to rain and Samantha said," I want my parents. I’m scared and cold.” So she went to sleep. After an hour someone knocked on the door and Samantha woke up. She looked and found her parents were back.

Betul

I was home alone. I remembered that my mum gave me the keys for the door. I opened it and went in. The phone rang and I picked. I said, “Hello”. Someone said, “Seven more days”. I said, “Hello, who’s that?” Then it hang up. The door opened, “Seven more days until your birthday,” said my mum. It scared the life out of me.

Batuhan
ISIK College Mothers Support Group has started the 2008 education year with a fantastic activity: The ISIK CAFE’! Every Wednesday morning till 10.30am, parents have a chance to have coffee or tea and cookies from the tent behind the front office along with having a chat with their fellow parents (instead of in the car park!!). The money raised goes to make the school a better environment through MSG activities. Mrs. Almila Koca, coordinator of MSG, reports that: “We would like to support our school and parents by organising many activities. There are some parents having a difficult time thinking they are the only people dealing with their kids’ academic or psychological problems. By meeting with other parents who have the same problem, they may realise that they are not alone, and with the right guidance, they may find the right person to solve the problem instead of complaining about their situation without having any attempt to solve them. Apart from that, we are thinking of organising seminars to increase the parenting quality in many ways along with some going out activities to release the stress from trying to juggle many things at once. We are thinking of preparing a questionnaire to get the parents’ ideas and expectations.”

We hope ISIK Cafe’ will be a starting point of a journey to explore more about life through sharing the valuable experiences with positive encouragements to each other.

GOZLEME FEAST

On Tuesday, 26th February MSG organised “Gozleme Feast” to the whole school. Overall the activity was fantastic for a start up. We would like to thank teachers, students and parents for their support. For the ones who already missed our “delicious gozleme”, we have good news for you:

The next gozleme activity will be on Monday, 17th March!
**Students of the Week 4**

| Grade 1 | Beyza Koca  
|         | Abdullah Duldul  
| Grade 2 | Sumaya Feki  
| Grade 2/3 | Sadri Abazi  
| Grade 4 | Fahmeed Khan  
| Grade 5 | Firdaus Nishar  
|         | Miradie Sinani  
|         | Fatih Sahin  
| Grade 5/6 | Faiz Nishar  
| Grade 6 | Ramazan Sarac  

**SWIMMING**

**LOST CLOTHES**

**TEARS**

**NO NAMES**

**BIG PROBLEM**

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE**

**PUT NAME'S ON ALL CLOTHING.**

Recorder Use in Music Class: I ask that all students with recorders bring them to school and leave them at school for music classes. There are too many being left at home. (Year 4,5 and 6 only).

Y. Levy