Deputy Principal’s Message

Dear Parents / Guardians,

I hope all our mother’s enjoyed a special Mother’s Day weekend. I feel that we should try to take every opportunity we can to recognise all the efforts of special people (notice I said ‘try’).

Once again the weeks are passing by. This week is an important week for the grade 3 and 5 students as the national assessments take place. The NAPLAN assessments will run over 3 days starting from Tuesday 11th May until Wednesday 13th May. NAPLAN reports will be available in term 3.

Applications for 2011 are now being received. If you know of any prospective families who wish to apply an application form can be obtained from the school office. The annual school Open Day will be held on Sunday 30th May and this is a great opportunity for those interested to meet some teachers and get a feel of school life.

This year we have added Anti-Bullying week to our calendar, thanks to Mrs Burcu Goksu. Concerns regarding issues of bullying are a serious violation of rights as the grade 5 and 6 students learnt during the seminar presented by Constable Sahinkaya.

Finally, I wish to remind parents that it is important that children be picked up at dismissal time promptly. Supervision only occurs from 8.35am-3.45pm.

Regards,
Ms Evla Han

LOTE Week Poster Competition Results

GRADE 6
1. Selin Sayan 6B
2. Beyza Kaymak 6C
3. Ayse Aydin 6B

GRADE 5
1. Nurel Osman 5B
2. Evra Cagla 5A
3. Berrin Bektas 5B

GRADE 4
1. Beyza Saglam 4B
2. Vildan Cosgun 4A
3. Tara Almoso 4A

Grade 3
1. Jale Arik 3C
2. Elif Dogan 3A
3. Helin Bayram 3C

GRADE 2
1. Ceyda Yildirim 2B
2. Eren Kalkaner 2B
3. Yasemin Sezer 2A

Important Dates:

* 11–13 May: NAPLAN
* 17 May: Fruit & Veg & Education Week
* 19 May: Grade 6 Camp
* 21 May: National Maths Day
* 30 May: Open Day

For those who like to plan ahead...

* 4 June: Enrolment renewals Due
* 6 June Entrance Exams
* 9 June: ICAS Science
* 14 June: Queens Birthday Holiday
* 16 June: ICAS Writing & Spelling

Grade 5 & 6 Police Cyber-bullying seminar
ENCOURAGING YOUR CHILD TO READ

We have always known that reading is somehow good for our children, but do we really understand why it is important for them to get near books at an early age?

There are many reasons for encouraging children to read and keep working on getting them interested in books:
1. Reading helps children develop and improve their language skills
2. Reading enriches our children’s lives
3. Books are a tool for developing in your children several social skills that can be important for them to be competent at social spheres. In any case, books will be either way crucial factors of your child’s future success and growth.
4. Finally, parents perform the most crucial role in their raising and education, so if they encourage and advise their children to read they won’t be doing anything more than fully benefiting their children.

Last week grade 2 students have learnt about mass. All students were involved with the activities and enjoyed hands on activities within their groups. They have measured various objects in the classroom, ordered them from lightest to heaviest.

Lest We Forget

In remembrance of Anzac Day the Prep team at Isik College organized an activity session with all their ‘Preppies.’ During the session the children discussed the significance of the day, coloured in some ‘Lest We Forget’ worksheets and best of all baked some Anzac cookies. They were able to enjoy some of their baking at school and also take a cookie home.
On the 30th of April, Isik College was visited by the Tony Bones entertainment company. Our students had the privilege of watching the play "Bully-Bull Ring. The play presented components of anti-bullying behaviour. The students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the message was clearly conveyed - Bullying is not cool!

ISIK COLLEGE IS A NO BULLY ZONE!

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<th>Yaren and Ada Sargin</th>
<th>For helping us organise the class after every learning session.</th>
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<td>Sude and Omer Faruk</td>
<td>For always trying to keep their work organised.</td>
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<td>Samet Yavas</td>
<td>For being super organised and neat when completing his work.</td>
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<td>1A</td>
<td>Helin Yurdabul</td>
<td>For showing confidence and persistence in trying to complete her work and making an excellent start to term 2.</td>
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<td>Selin Erduran</td>
<td>Getting along well with her peers.</td>
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<td>Zeynep Demir</td>
<td>Organisation: makes sure room is clean.</td>
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<td>Hazal Icbudak</td>
<td>For showing confidence and persistence in all areas of work.</td>
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<td>Semih Doktoroglu</td>
<td>Getting along very well with his friends, and being organised.</td>
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<td>Ceyda Yildirim</td>
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<td>Sueda Polat</td>
<td>For displaying confidence and doing a great job all the time.</td>
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<td>Merve Arik</td>
<td>Always getting along with her friends.</td>
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<td>Dilara Ozdemir</td>
<td>For showing enthusiasm and persistence when reading.</td>
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<td>For displaying great confidence and persistence when completing homework.</td>
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<td>For being persistence in class.</td>
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<td>Dilara M. Aydin</td>
<td>Providing a helping hand when needed.</td>
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<td>Eren Guclu and Ersin Kurt</td>
<td>For persistence: making an excellent start to term 2</td>
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On the 30th of April some of our grade 4, 5 and 6 students were involved in the annual District Cross-country. This run is held every year where 12 schools within this district race against each other to go off to the zones held at a later date. Our students ran the 2km (10 year olds) and 3km (11 and 12 years) course with enthusiasm and displayed great effort. Well done to all of those who competed. One of our 12 year old student, Oner Kucuk came in 9th place, although unfortunately he won’t be going to the zones we as Isik College, would like to congratulate him for his efforts.

Mrs N. Tasci—Sport
Team Leader

BOOK FAIR

A Scholastic Book Fair is a unique and rewarding experience and is the best way to support your school reading program and acquire much-needed resources for your school. We will be hosting our annual Scholastics Book Fair on the 18th of May 2010. We hope to see all parents, students and staff make BOOK FAIR 2010 an event to remember!

Literacy Team

I would like to start my sentences by saying how fortunate we are to be studying at a school like Isik College. Our library has so many books for us to read and we are surrounded by computers and many more resources that we can learn from. We get various government funding which help even more to enhance our learning. However, schools around the world aren’t as fortunate as us, such as Vietnam. As the SRC of our school we have decided that we could help our sister school in Vietnam by organizing a book campaign. Please remember that they are much less fortunate than us. This is our chance to “donate to educate”. We want your help! All you need to do is donate any books you no longer need. A book that’s just sitting on your shelf may mean so much to a student in Vietnam. Thank you from now. I know that your generosity will show through this campaign.

Dilara Kor 6C SRC Member.