



ICS Newsletter

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CIE WORKSHOP

Some ICS teachers were selected to attend a workshop in Tema organized by Cambridge International Examinations (CIE). It is a policy in ICS that teachers are given on the job training to equip and enhance their teaching and handling of their subjects.

Based on this policy, teachers from high school and primary school, as well as from ICS Obuasi and ICS Accra partook in the training.

Mr. Nsiah, the head of the delegation had this to say: "it was a very inspiring and motivating experience and we are very grateful for the opportunity the school has given us. We as teachers would pay the school back by making sure we implement everything we have learnt.

The workshop also gave us the opportunity to share experiences with teachers from other schools who teach the same subjects and discuss how to improve on our teaching strategies."

ICS Accra:



The International Community School Accra Campus has hit the ground running. Just as in our Pakyi campus, we have strived in Accra to make sure that students can benefit from enriching activities outside of the classroom, activities that allow children to explore other areas of strength that may have previously gone untapped.

One of the most interactive and exciting events we have had on our Accra Campus has been our School Spelling Bee. Our learners had anticipated

the event far ahead of time, huddled together during break times discussing the words and took the word lists home to practice. On the day of the Bee, the atmosphere was charged. The rules were announced and the students listened raptly as our quizmaster explained the expectations. The students were arranged by colour teams, each person taking part. The students cheered their fellows on, breath bated as each word was spelt, crowning the speller with warm applause, whether the word was spelt correctly or not. The competition was tight; as each word given had been graded to the class level of each child, so there was an equal opportunity for any individual learner to win.

In the end our quiz winners were the Yellow colour team, being represented by Golda Ofori (Year 2), followed up by Julian Benson (Year 5) of the same colour team and Aseda Kofi Andoh (Year 4) of the Blue colour team. Students asked for a bonus round, and our bonus round winner was Suhiyini Kasim (Year 5). Our ICS Accra students are eagerly waiting for the next chance to display their spelling prowess, and we are excited to welcome a new group of winners next time.

ICS Obuasi:

Drama and poetry day at Obuasi

On the 16th of October, 2015, the Obuasi campus witnessed an exciting spectacle. It was drama and poetry day, and kids treated their peers, teachers and parents to a play entitled 'The Prodigal Son' as well as fantastic poems with such titles as 'As I Grew Older' and 'Books, Pens and School'. Parents who came were excited as they talked about the children's performances and asked for more.

Community helpers to the rescue

As part of the theme for preschool, the kids dressed up and took the roles of doctors, nurses, pilots and policemen and visited the local police station on the 19th of October, 2015. Excitement heightened as kids took turns to tell what the different community helpers do. Watch out because we have yet more exciting and interesting things to come.



Journey To The West

Two Round Square Ideals (Adventure and Service) were combined when our high school students embarked on a trip to the Western Region of Ghana. The trip was to provide adventure to the students through sightseeing and hiking. It was also to provide them with the opportunity to donate to less fortunate schools in the region.

On their way to Takoradi, the students and staff made a stop at the Kakum National park, where they walked on the canopy and explored the forest.

The next morning, they embarked on an adventurous journey to the Ankasa Forest, close to the Ivorian boarder. On their way they saw the River Ankobra and the Black Volta.

The following day, they visited "Anto Abosco Methodist Primary School", where the students taught, donated gifts and played with the pupils of the school. The students donated ten boxes of books, stationary, and toiletries to the school.

These are some views the students shared after the trip:

"It was fun and exciting, the organizers did a really good job and I learnt a lot". *Nana Ama Sarpong Frimpong, Year 11*

"It was nice. The service project was inspiring and touching. Takoradi in general is a nice and interesting place. We enjoyed ourselves and had fun. Eating octopus and shrimps was exciting and adventurous. We were sad to see River Pra destroyed but we were happy to see the Black Volta and River Ankobra in good shape. Even though we couldn't visit Busua beach, Vienna beach was a nice place. Kakum and Ankasa Forest actually relaxed me. Thanks for this opportunity". *Shakoorah Ali Kassie Year 11*

Year two (Pakyi Campus)

Those of us in year 2 love to learn practically. It is usually fun in our classrooms. An example of practical learning is the restaurant programme we had on the 31st of October, 2015.

During the programme students took up the roles of members of a restaurant. You need to see members of 'Pleasant P Restaurant', 'Parley Robin Restaurant' and Exquisite Delish Inn' in action and you will agree that learning is 'engaging' at our end.

Comments from students of Year 2 below would attest to this fact:

"We had fun in the Restaurant" says *Cook Ama Oforiwaa*.

"I can now tell the roles of members of a restaurant because of the restaurant program" says *Bartender Elogo*.

"What a nice programme! So much food; so many customers," says *manager Kwame Afrifa*.



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UP COMING EVENT

Christmas concert on Friday, 4th December

Birthdays:

16th November: Dennis Okyere Adjei, High School
18th November: Kojo Nanny Tera, High School
18th November: Evelyn Gyan, Preschool
18th November: Roselyn Adraku, Primary School
22nd November: Margaret Odoom, Kitchen
22nd November: Yvonne Kusi Odame, Preschool
23rd November: Debbie Yeboah, ICS Accra
24th November: Kwadwo Yeboah Konadu, Head of Primary and Middle School
26th November: Matilda Apuko, ICS Accra
30th November: Vida Darkwa, Administration
1st December: Veronica Serwaah Amoah, ICS Accra

5th December: Bernice Nai, Administration
12th December: Iddris Omar Peprah, High School
13th December: Ernestina Woanya, Middle School
13th December: Eunice Saacquah, ICS Accra
18th December: Patrick Asare-Kyeremateng, High School
19th December: Jennings Fenyi Otebil, ICS Obuasi
20th December: Joseph Appiah, Support Staff
21st December: Bernice Asamoah, Preschool
22nd December: Alexander Appiah-Kubi, ICS Accra
22nd December: Patricia Owusu-Ansah, Administration
24th December: Andrews Asara, Security ICS Accra
25th December: Bright Sarpong, Security
31st December: Isaac Annor Addo, Security