

212°—THE EXTRA DEGREE



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"And now let us welcome the new year, full of things that never were." Rainer Maria Rilke

GREETINGS FROM THE IB COORDINATOR

This is a monthly newsletter designed to keep you and your parents informed of IB news, upcoming events and deadlines. It is also an opportunity for you to share your ideas, articles and good news. Please drop off items for the newsletter to room 239 anytime.

Grade 12 IB students—

Congratulations on completing your first set of IB examinations in French—with great results for all of you! IB meetings with the Coordinator take place this month. The EE meeting to review final steps is in the library after school Sept 18.

EE final draft is due Friday September 28th—please see your Moderator ASAP. Please submit any summer CAS hours completed on Managebac.

Grade 11 IB students Wel-

come to full IB! The IB team is thrilled to have you with us. You may now begin CAS hours. A friendly reminder that you cannot start CAS until you have met your Ontario 40 hours obligation. These hours are submitted to guidance. Ms. Regimbal will be introducing you to our online management system called Managebac on Thurs Sept 13 after school in the library.

Grade 10 JP students Congratulations on completing your first year in the Junior Preparation Programme! A special welcome to those who are new this year. This is a very important year where you will decide which IB stream you will enter. As a reminder, it is strongly encouraged that you complete your 40 hours of community service for the OSSD

this year, submitting all documentation to guidance. We are hosting a MANDATORY townhall during both lunches on Mon Sept 17 in the library.

Grade 9 JP Students Welcome to all our new JP students! Your applications were all very impressive and we are looking forward to getting to know each of you. If you have any questions please drop by room 239 (located beside guidance). Your first MANDATORY lunch and learn is on Wed Sept 12 during both lunches in the library.

Finally, I want to wish everyone a successful and happy year. Ms. Robertson



Coming Soon to IB

Parent Info Night JP and IB

Thurs Sept 13 6:30-7:30; 7:45-8:45

Grade 8 IB Information Night

Tues September 18 7-9

EE workshop Grade 12s

September 18 after school library

• CAS Summer Hours—

Grade 12 students may submit their CAS hours to room 102

• Grade 12 EE—final submission Friday September 28th

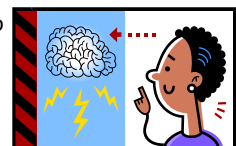
• Grade 11 Managebac meeting Thurs. Sept. 13 after school in library

“TOK TALK” ENTERS OUR SIXTH YEAR!

For the grade 11 students, welcome to an exciting adventure known as our **TOK Talk Series**. Each month, you will have one class set aside for making TOK connections to other subjects. Beginning in September, you will have a period 1 TOK presentation Sept 25 or 27—more from per 1.

Our first TOK talk is an introduction to TOK, where Mr. Hageman will walk you through the basics and terminology and concepts. A complete list of TOK Talks will be posted on Edmodo soon! Stay tuned for more details. Again, this year you will receive a “cognitive journal”.

You will receive this at the first TOK Talk. This is a book for you to keep for the next two years where you can write down your ideas, make connections or just jot down anything. This is your book where you can just take some time to think things through. No one will ever collect it or mark it - it is yours. Finally two field trips are planned this year—Places of Worship and A Question of Truth at the Science Centre.



IB Information Night for Students and their Parents

Grade 11 and 12

When: Thursday Sept 13

When: 7:45-8:45

Where: School Library (outside the main foyer)

Topics: The Year Ahead, Deadlines and Events



Also includes a discussion of protocols for use of the Table of Equivalents, Academic Honesty,

JP Information Night for Students and their Parents

Grade 9 and 10

When: Thursday Sept 13

When: 6:30-7:30

Where: School Library (outside the main foyer)

Topics: The Year Ahead, Introduction to JP programme and IB—general overview and program templates. In addition a discussion about Academic Honesty.



9th Annual

Grade 11/12 De-Stress Night

Date: COMING IN NOVEMBER

Get ready grade 11s and 12s!!!

More specific details regarding format and activities will follow shortly.

KUDOS TO YOU!!!

We reserve this section to highlight the many amazing things that you do. It could be academic, athletic, service related or an award for a group, team, club or council

you are involved in.

Please let us know so that we can sing your praises.



Grade 7 and 8 IB Information Night



When: Tuesday September 18

When: 7-9

Where: School Library (outside the main foyer)

Topics: An introduction to IB and the JP programme; Review of the Application Process

All are welcome to attend!

IB ambassadors are needed for this event. CAS or OSSD hours available. See Ms. Robertson in room 239.

MAY EXAMS 2019—A preview ...

May 3—HL BM P1

May 6— HL BM P2

May 7—HL HOA P1, P2

May 8—HL HOA P3

May 9— HL/SL BIO P1, P2

May 13—SL Math P1

May 14—SL Math P2

May 16—HL English P1

May 17—HL English P2, HL Physics P1, 2

May 20—HL Physics P3

May 22—SL Chem P1, 2

May 23—SL Chem P3/SL French P1

May 24—SL Chem P 3, SL French P2

CAS—COMING ATTRACTIONS ...



Get involved! Here are a list of upcoming events that qualify for CAS.

Camp Whitepine—September

Terry Fox Run—September

PAC Open Gym—September

WE Day—September

IB Ambassadors—needed for every IB information night and grade 8 Open House

Fall Sports

Cross Country, Soccer, Volleyball, Swimming, Golf, Basketball, Intramurals, Weight Room, Rugby

Councils

ESC, PAC, ELC, Environmental

Clubs and Service Animé, Drama, Loop Dogs (knitting club), Peace by Piece (Quilting Club), Destination Imagination, Chess Club, Debate Team, Reach for the Top, Yearbook, Photography, Off the Wall, La Plume Français, Social

Justice, Pennies for Heaven, DECA, PASS, Volunteer Now, Best Buddies, Robotics Team, CIA and so much more.

School Theme: **TOGETHER**

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today." H Jackson Brown, Jr.

ODDS AND ENDS ...



Ms. Regimbal is in the library for various times throughout

the day in semester 1. If you cannot locate her in 239, try the library. Please make her feel welcome in her new role by visiting often!

Do you have an idea for an article for this newsletter? Please contact Ms. Robertson in 102 anytime with your ideas! We need you!



IB Guidance Counsellor this year is **Ms. Vigliatore**—please feel free to drop by and say hello! Appointments can be made through guidance.

Our office has moved! We are now located beside guidance in room 239! We are slowly moving in and hopefully will have things settled soon. We would love to see you—please drop by to say hello. Appointments can be made through us or with Mrs. Murphy in guidance.



Grade 12's interested in doing a TOK talk?

At the end of last year, during our debrief and evaluation of the TOK talk series, several of you expressed an interest in conducting your own TOK Talk for the Grade 11 students. If you are still interested, please see Ms. Robertson in room 239 or via edmodo to **1. express your interest and 2. provide a topic and rough outline of what you would like to do.** You can earn CAS hours, either in Creativity or Service for this. If you would like to work in partners,



IB STATS FROM LAST YEAR

Congratulations to our IB students who graduated in June 2017. They had to wait until July 6 to receive their IB results and here are some highlights ...

348 Exams were written; with 40 Diploma students and 51 Anticipated Students writing French.

Average point total - 30

(24 achieves the diploma, 45 is the maximum amount possible)

Highest Diploma Total—41

Average grade achieved by candidates—4.77

(each course is marked on a scale of 1-7; 7 being the highest possible mark)

7's were earned in:

English, History, Business Management, Biology, Chemistry, Math, French Ab Initio, French B

(7's are extremely difficult to achieve and represent marks of 97% and above)

EEA's—3!!! (remember only 5% in the world receive an A)

History and two in Visual Arts

Individual Components scoring 7's—

English, French, Business Management, History, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Math and Music

(when broken down, these subjects students scored 7's on various assessment components such as Paper 1 or IA etc.)

The IB Team looks forward to future results. **The key to this type of success:**

Ability + hard work

Do the daily grind—homework, reading, preparation. It sounds redundant but it is worth repeating. The more you put into this programme, the more you will get out of it. If you are in it for the marks, then you must do the work day in and day out to achieve success!



Use IB Tools to help you succeed—check out our IB reference section of our library. There are books from the IB Prepared Series, CD's of student resources and examples of work. Get an Oxford Study Guide for the subject you need help with.

WE ARE TOGETHER!!!

In IB, we consider ourselves a true family. This year's school theme is TOGETHER, which is perfect for us. We get through the ups and downs and successes and almost successes in IB TOGETHER! ***"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."***

Remember that in IB we are a school community but also part of something much bigger, community around the world. You will have chances to communicate and meet other IB students as you journey your way through the programme. Always remember that you are part of something great! And that we can achieve anything ... TOGETHER!



