

Dear Parents,

School Inspection.

This week ISIB had a school inspection which was extremely successful. Ms Linda Jensen from Esbjerg joined the staff and students for the day and popped into many of the classes ranging from primary through to secondary. She met with some of the student council members who explained what their role is in the school and she also spoke with many of the staff/students discussing how things work at ISIB. She was given a very warm welcome by the ISIB community and was very impressed by everything she saw. The purpose of the inspection is to ensure we are providing education at the relevant level for your children. Ms Jensens report will be available for you to see shortly on our website and we wish to thank her for her visit and for the many complimentary things she said about our lovely school.

Happy Birthday to the Queen of Denmark.

Today marks the Queen of Denmark's 81st birthday. Many of the primary classes participated in activities to celebrate this special day including making birthday cards, pictures and videos to congratulate her. Early years planned a whole week of activities to mark this special occasion and finished up the week by coming to school dressed in their finest party clothes. Much fun was had by all and we wish her Majesty Queen Margrethe a very Happy Birthday!!!!

Litter picking activity.

This week we held a whole school event in collaboration with the Danish Society of Nature Conservation (Danmarks Naturfredningsforening), as part of our Green Flag project. Students in all year groups put on their gloves and went on a full school ground clean up, picking up litter along the way. Bags and bags of rubbish was collected in an attempt to clean up the environment and save the planet. Students in IG1 and IG2 found some interesting items hidden in the surrounding areas of Hjertet including a shopping trolley and an old bicycle which they dragged out of the water and the forest. Students studying at home this week were also sent out at the same time to help out with the event and many selfies were sent in from the students cleaning around their local area. Pictures of the students getting their hands dirty can be found on the website. We would like to thank Ms Anglada for organizing such a worthwhile event for the students.

Ramadan.

ISIB would like to wish a "Ramadan Kareem" to our families who observe this religious month. Ramadan is the Arabic name for the ninth month in the Islamic calendar. It is considered one of the holiest Islamic months. Ramadan is also a time when Muslims are encouraged to give to charity, strengthen their relationship with God, and show kindness and patience. This is the second Ramadan to fall during the coronavirus pandemic. For Muslims in Denmark, just like fellow believers around the world, this means another year of changes to traditional practices. The iftar meal is usually shared with family and friends but because of the restrictions, such meetings will be restricted once more. If our students wish to pray during the day, we have a dedicated area which students can use. We wish all families a reflective and peaceful month.



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
Ikast-Brande

A message from Ms Bell - Farewell.

It is with a heavy heart that I have to inform you that I am leaving ISIB on the 10th May to start a new position abroad. I will be leaving after the students finish their ICT examinations as I want to ensure I am around to support the students through these before I go. I have been offered a wonderful opportunity to be the Head of School in South East Asia which is where I worked for many years before coming to Denmark. I am of course very sad to be leaving such a wonderful community and wish to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for all the support you have given me over the past 5 years. I can honestly say that the students, staff and parents have been amazing to work with and I will miss you all very much and wish you all the very best for the future. I hope to see you before I leave in person to say goodbye (Covid permitting) and wish to thank you for the unrelenting support you have shown me throughout the years here. ISIB will always have a very special place in my heart and I hope to come to visit in the near future. Take care all of you and I will miss you. Ms Bell.

Regards / Venlig hilsen

The ISIB Team