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Monday 2nd
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Normal Timetable

Tuesday 3rd
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Normal Timetable

Wednesday 4th
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Normal Timetable
G10 students
visiting college

Thursday 5th
February

Normal Timetable
'Sciences Po'
Presentation 14.00

Friday 6th
February

Normal Timetable

News from the Principal

University Presentation

This week we welcome a representative of the world renowned 'Sciences Po' from Paris who will talk to Grade 11 students about opportunities for study. Further information can be found at: <http://www.sciencespo.fr/en>

Article in Relocate Global

It was pleasing to receive a positive report in a well-known relocation journal – following a recent visit by a number of relocation professionals:

<http://www.relocatemagazine.com/news/rmarriage-01-d3-2015-641-international-school-london-showcases-new-ib-college>

Grade 11 examinations have now finished and teachers are marking examination scripts, giving feedback to students and working on the student reports. These Grade 11 reports will be posted on Managebac prior to the Parent Teacher Meeting on February 24th

Alumni News:

We were pleased to hear that one of our former IB Diploma students has been appointed Deputy Director General of the Confederation of British Industry. Katja was a student at the school at one of its key turning points when the school relocated from Camden to Gunnersbury in 1990:

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/people/profiles/katja-hall-interview-people-must-start-to-feel-the-difference-in-their-pockets-9956925.html>

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IB News

The IB has just announced a new Chair of the IB Board – which is the body, which sets strategic direction for the IB worldwide:

<http://www.ibo.org/en/news/news-about-the-ib/dr-george-rupp-joins-the-ib-board-of-governors-as-chair/>

Huw Davies

Principal - Diploma College

Re-enrolment for 2015 -2016

The deadline for re-enrolment confirmation / notice of withdrawal for the current school year is Friday 27th March 2015.

We have already received many applications from new families for 2015 - 2016 and will soon have a waiting list for several classes. I would therefore be grateful if you could confirm by e-mail to me on email address: ygordon@islondon.org as to whether your children will remain at ISL for the 2015- 2016 school year. I appreciate that many of you will not be sure of your plans for next year and I am happy to wait until nearer the deadline for confirmation.

Thank you.

Yoel Gordon
Admissions



Key Dates January to June 2015

Day	Date	Event
Wednesday	February 4 th	Grade 10 Visits to Diploma College
Thursday	February 5	14.00: Presentation by Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po).
Monday	February 9 th	Grade 10 Visits to Diploma College
Mon-Fri	February 16-20	Half Term holiday
Tuesday	February 24	G10 Parent Visits to College 11.30-12.30
Tuesday	February 24	G11 Parent Teacher Meeting (at 139)
Wednesday	February 25	G10 Parent Visits to College 18.00-19.00
Tuesday	March 3	G10 Parent Visits to College 11.30-12.30
Wednesday	March 4	14.00 Professor A.C. Grayling TOK Masterclass with Grade 11
Wednesday	March 4	G10 Parent Visits to College 18.00-19.00
Mon-Fri	March 16-20	G12 Art Exhibition
Friday	March 27	End of Term 2
Monday	April 13	Start of Term 3
Monday	April 20	G12 Study Leave begins (Teachers available in class time)
Monday	May 4	IB Diploma (G12) examinations begin. (Bank Holiday – no G11 classes)
Thursday	May 21	IB Diploma (G12) examinations end
Friday	May 22	G12 Graduation
Monday	May 25	Bank Holiday – no classes
Tuesday	May 26	School Holiday – no classes
Mon-Wed	June 1-10	G11 Written Examinations
Wednesday	June 24	G11 Parent Teacher Meeting 17.30 (at 139)
Friday	June 26	Last Day of Term – classes finish at 12.00 pm
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>September 1</i>	<i>First day of term 2015-16</i>



From the Deputy Principal:

Grade 12 Extended Essay

Grade 12 parents are advised that grade 12 students should now be in the final stages of completing their Extended Essay ready for submission to their supervisors.

Theory of Knowledge

Grade 12 have now finished the taught component of their Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course and are now working on their examined essay. They are asked to choose one of the prescribed titles from the IB. Here are the titles - how would you answer them?

1. *There is no such thing as a neutral question. Evaluate this statement with reference to two areas of knowledge.*
2. *"There are only two ways in which humankind can produce knowledge: through passive observation or through active experiment." To what extent do you agree with this statement?*
3. *"There is no reason why we cannot link facts and theories across disciplines and create a common groundwork of explanation." To what extent do you agree with this statement?*
4. *With reference to two areas of knowledge discuss the way in which shared knowledge can shape personal knowledge.*
5. *"Ways of knowing are a check on our instinctive judgments." To what extent do you agree with this statement?*
6. *"The whole point of knowledge is to produce both meaning and purpose in our personal lives." To what extent do you agree with this statement?*

Upcoming Events



We will be delighted to welcome Professor A C Grayling, philosopher, writer and broadcaster, as well as Master of New College of the Humanities, to the Diploma College on **Wednesday 4th March** from 2pm. Professor Grayling will lead a **'TOK Masterclass'** with grade 11 Theory of Knowledge students on the question 'What is knowledge?' Parents are very welcome to attend.

For more information about A C Grayling, see www.acgrayling.com

Upcoming university events

Parents and students are reminded that university admissions personnel frequently visit the College to present their universities or other institutions of higher education (HE). Parents are welcome to attend these sessions. Here are visits coming soon:

Date	Time	Institution	Country
05.02	14.00	Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)	France

Paul Morris
Deputy Principal