



**Monday 2nd
March**

Normal Timetable

**Tuesday 3rd
March**

Normal Timetable

Grade 10 Parent
Visit 11.30-12.30

**Wednesday 4th
March**

Normal Timetable

14.00: A.C.
Grayling ToK
Masterclass

Grade 10 Parent
Visit 18.00-19.00

**Thursday 5th
March**

Normal Timetable

09.00: Meeting-
Diploma College
PTA – Principal

**Friday 6th
March**

Normal Timetable

13.00 Diploma
College Student
Council

News from the Principal

We are looking forward to the Theory of Knowledge masterclass being given by the well known philosopher, writer and broadcaster, Professor A.C. Grayling on Wednesday at 14.00. More details on page 4.

Theory of Knowledge is one of the core elements of the IB Diploma Programme – along with the Extended Essay and CAS. More information on the Theory of Knowledge can be found at :

http://www.ibo.org/globalassets/publications/recognition/core_tok.pdf

Grade 12 students are busy with meeting the upcoming IB deadlines and Visual Arts students will be preparing for their exhibition which starts on 16th March.

A reminder to all staff and students – please ensure you use the biometric recognition on entry to and exit from the building at all times.

Huw Davies
Principal - Diploma College



Key Dates March to June 2015

Day	Date	Event
Tuesday	March 3	11.30-12.30 G10 Parent Visits to College
Wednesday	March 4	14.00 Professor A.C. Grayling TOK Masterclass with Grade 11
Wednesday	March 4	18.00-19.00 G10 Parent Visits to College
Thursday	March 12	Lanterna Seminar Grade 11
Monday	March 16	Grade 11 Visit to UCAS Convention
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
Tuesday	June 23	Sports Day – all day event
Wednesday	June 24	17.30 – 19.30 G11 Parent Teacher Meeting (at 139)
Friday	June 26	Last Day of Term – classes finish at 12.00 pm
Tuesday	September 1	First day of term 2015-16

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



From the Deputy Principal:

Upcoming deadlines

We are now in 'deadline season' for grade 12. There are two 'waves' of deadlines, and the first are:

Grade 12 Extended Essay: final version of essay to be uploaded to the Managebac Dropbox by midnight, 28th February. Students then need to complete their recorded *viva voce* interview with the supervisor, complete the reflections on the *Planning and Progress form* in Managebac, and sign the 'yellow folder.'

Grade 12 Theory of Knowledge Essay: final version of essay to be uploaded to the Managebac Dropbox by midnight, 28th February

Grade 12 Psychology: Coursework / IA to be submitted to Ms Aavikko with signed cover sheet

Students then need to complete the reflections on the *Planning and Progress form* in Managebac.

In addition, students will be completing recorded **oral examinations** for all Group 1 languages (literature, language and literature) and Group 2 languages acquisition orals. They will also be submitting all languages **written assignments**, and signing cover sheets accordingly*.

*'Signing the cover sheet' means that the student is confirming that the work to be submitted is their own, authentic work. No work can be accepted without a signature.

Grade 12 revision classes during the spring holidays are now posted in the grade 12 Managebac calendar. Classes take place at the college unless otherwise stated. The revision classes are offered voluntarily by ISL teachers at no additional cost. Third-party providers also offer pre-examination IB revision courses – please contact Mr. Morris pmorris@isllondon.org if this is of interest to you.



A C Grayling Masterclass



*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 warmly welcome to attend.*

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

Grade 11 Tutorial Time:

On **March 12th** Grade 11 will attend a seminar led by experts from **Lanterna Education** on 'study skills for the IB' – this will supplement the ongoing support and advice student receive from their form tutors.

Grade 11 Higher Education orientation:

Grade 11 students have started to research possible courses and institutions, including learning how to search using the UCAS and other systems.

Advice on resources is posted on Managebac – for parent and student use.

We will also hold **parent workshops** on 'Supporting my son/daughter in applying to university' in the summer term, details to follow.

Please note that on **Monday, 16th March** all grade 11 will visit the UCAS convention at Olympia Exhibition Centre in Earl's Court, London – parents should have received a separate letter about this. Parents are welcome to come along with us if they like!

As part of the College higher education orientation programme, we invite speakers from a variety of institutions of higher education to meet with students. This is a valuable opportunity to hear what each university has to offer that is special, and to hear also what they are looking for in applications for admission.



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Higher Education Talks and Events

Date	Time	Institution	Country
04.03	14.00	New College of the Humanities	UK
16.03	13.30 on	UCAS Convention, Olympia exhibition centre, London	UK
18.03	14.00	Glasgow Caledonian University	UK
19.03	14.30	Regent's College London	UK
26.03	14.30	Leiden University	Netherlands

The calendar of visits is updated periodically according to the availability of visiting representatives.

Paul Morris
Deputy Principal