



The School Buzz

News & Updates

U.A.E. National Day

Once again, ISC-Ras Al Khaimah successfully hosted its very own National Day celebrations, which demonstrated the students' understanding and appreciation of the rich culture and traditions of the U.A.E. Speeches, poems, music, songs, and dance, along with arts and crafts displays together with a mini-food festival colored the afternoon and filled the air with a joyful and positive atmosphere. The school community came together and celebrated the national identity with their shared sense of belonging.



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Back to School

As the summer holidays came to an end, the administration and staff at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah, were excited to welcome all students back to a new school year. The students were excited and ready to start. It was truly a pleasure watching them rush into their new classes and meet their new teachers. Fun activities engaged the students throughout the breaks with a very friendly Panda Bear visiting corridors and play areas all around school!



Morning Assembly

Every day at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah's Morning Assembly, we gather to learn, stay active, and improve. Our prefects lead discussions on crucial topics like wellness, U.A.E. culture, and emotional intelligence. We end each assembly by singing the U.A.E. National Anthem to express our love and respect for our cherished country. It's a wholesome way to start each new day!



Book Character Day: Grades 1 to 3

Our younger students in Grades 1 to 3 had loads of fun by dressing up on their respective Book Character days, as they were invited to bring to life their favorite characters from stories they have read. The variety of characters was endless on these fun-filled days and students expressed their admiration for their heroes' personality traits, seeing them as role models – for example, Superman portraying bravery and compassion. Book Character Day provides a unique platform to promote reading and allow all students to participate freely, irrespective of their academic performance or cultural background.



Social Police Lecture on Harassment: Grades 1 & 2

The topic of harassment took center stage at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah, when Social Police Officers empowered our Grade 1 and Grade 2 students with knowledge on the matter. The Police Officers also shared good behavior traits in addition to self-defense skills. The students were fully engaged and actively participated as valuable lessons were shared on what harassment looks like, how to be kind to one another, and how to ensure they are not contributing to any harassment of others. Equally important, they were guided on how to be confident and speak up if they have any concerns. A lesson to be remembered for life!



Trivia Night: Grades 10 & 11

Grades 10 and 11 students took part in a fun-packed Trivia Night. The students asked each other questions, played many games, and enjoyed some popcorn. They were fully immersed in the event as they were able to engage with each other in a different way outside their regular classroom activities. It was a truly enjoyable and memorable time for everyone attending.



Social Police Lecture on E-Safety: Grades 3 to 6

The Social Police lecture about E-Safety was presented as an informational session with Grades 3 and 4 as well as Grades 5 and 6 respectively. Students learned how to stay safe online and how to speak up if they have a concern. The E-Safety Prefects were encouraged to keep up their role in class and to continue sharing these messages with their peers. Everyone was once again reminded of the importance of online safety – a life lesson worth remembering.



Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day finally arrived at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah. Students were eagerly preparing some small gifts for their caring teachers. The purpose of this exciting day was to allow students to demonstrate their heartfelt appreciation towards their teachers, for the value they are adding to their lives throughout the year. Next year's event has already been marked on the calendar – a day not to be forgotten.



Seniors' Jacket Ceremony

Since the senior students have already embarked on their final year at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah, it is important to reflect on all their achievements and successes accomplished over the years. Often this is a bittersweet time for them, as they have created and collected many memories through the years, yet they are keen to move on to the next chapter of their lives. Our annual custom is to allow every senior to proudly wear the Senior Jacket, which is presented during a special informal celebration. This was truly a special moment for everyone present, which they will treasure for many years to come. We wish all our seniors every success in their final year at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah and their future endeavors.



Social Police Lecture about Time Management: Grades 7 to 12

Our last Social Police lecture for the term, organized through the SLO Outreach Department, was planned to address an essential skill for our Grades 7 to 12 students, themed 'Time Management.' The students were able to learn more about key skills on the subject, particularly how to go about organizing their daily lives and finding balance while accomplishing everything they set out to do. This was an extremely useful lecture preparing students for the present and their future lives.

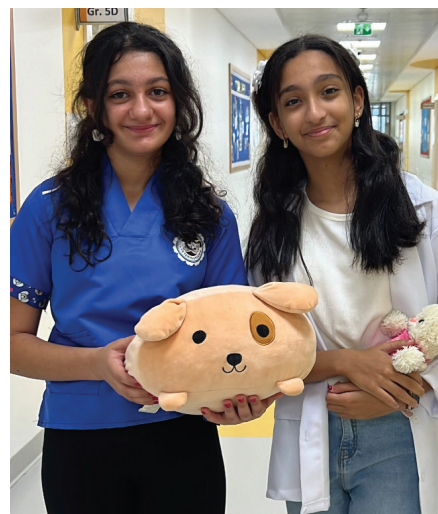


Grades 4 to 6: Career Day

Since one of the goals of education is to prepare students for the future, then nothing brings this reality home better than organizing a mini-career day. Our students in Grades 4 to 6 could hardly contain their excitement since they were allowed in their individual year groups to come to school all dressed up in the vocation of their choice.



Each event kicked off at the morning assembly, where other students and teachers could get a glimpse into their future career aspirations. The classrooms, corridors, and playgrounds remained abuzz throughout these days as students and teachers shared thoughts on many aspects of planning a future career. It is with great expectation that we are following our students to see whether they will ultimately accomplish their career dreams.



Pre-KG to KG 2: Career Day

Our Pre-KG – KG 2 Career Day was an excellent stepping stone for our younger students to learn about different careers.



Since we believe that it is essential for our students to begin learning at an early age about different career path opportunities, we were delighted to see the level of enthusiasm shown as they all turned dressed up and eagerly took part in different activities organized by the staff.



Sustainability Action Plan

Sustainability Action Plan in full swing!

Check out our dedicated Sustainability Ambassadors guiding us on reducing waste, conserving water, and saving energy. They also spread the word about the ISC-Ras Al Khaimah WWE Club (Water, Waste, Energy) among fellow students and encouraged them to join in taking action: **TOGETHER TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE!**



The prefects promoted the campaign during morning assemblies, showcasing eye-opening models of weekly waste output and highlighting our progress with plastic bottle recycling. We are looking forward to our first in-school mini Sustainability Conference scheduled for early February 2024!

U.A.E. Flag Day

In early November, ISC-Ras Al Khaimah hosted a celebration to honor the U.A.E National Flag. All students and staff dressed up in the vibrant colors of the flag, symbolizing energy and sacrifice, growth and prosperity, dignity, as well as peace and purity. The flag was proudly raised in a slight breeze with the air filled with the joyful singing of the National Anthem. It was great to see Emiratis and expatriates come together on this special day, united in pride and appreciation.



Evacuation Drill

Periodic evacuation or fire drills at ISC-Ras Al Khaimah remain an essential part in ensuring we operate from a safe campus, where the wellbeing of everyone is valued. Teaching students about procedures to follow and reminding staff of their expected duties in the event of a need to evacuate the buildings or campus will always remain of paramount importance, one drill at a time as shown in these photos.



Kindness Week

Cultivating kindness in children has far-reaching benefits, fostering positive relationships, creating a supportive environment, and shaping them into empathetic and responsible individuals. Our team of prefects used Kindness Week to further foster a culture of empathy throughout the school: by implementing various strategies, they guided and advised younger students on the significance of kindness and bullying prevention, setting them on a path towards making their own positive contributions to the school culture, the Ras Al Khaimah community, and beyond.



Pre-KG to KG 2 Show & Tell

Show and Tell activities offer a treasure trove of benefits for our younger students, fostering their development in multiple ways including social, emotional, creative, personal, as well as cognitive and language aspects. Here are some sparkling moments as our KG students bring their passions to life through Show and Tell!





Pre-KG to KG 2 Cupcake Decoration

Ah, cupcake decoration! It is a sweet symphony of giggles and creativity for young children. See how our Pre-KG to KG 2 students let the frosting fly and their imaginations soar! This day was a recipe for laughter, learning, and delicious memories as they used the U.A.E. colors to get their hands a little sticky and their hearts a lot fuller!



Origami Club

ISC-Ras Al Khaimah Origami Club is where mathematical concepts mixed with imagination take physical shape! Our Grades 5 and 6 students explored their folding creativity one paper at a time!



Science Activities

These photos cannot truly portray the level of excitement that fills our Science Room each time students come to explore the wonders of the World of Science! While Grade 1 students enjoyed their planting activity, Grade 3 students were busy exploring The Digestive System, and Grade 5 students The Excretory System.



Grade 6 students were on the other hand captivated by the process of photosynthesis, through which plants make their own food using chlorophyll, carbon dioxide, and water in the presence of sunlight!



SLO Stories

SLO Recruitment Week

It's the beginning of the new academic year, and we're looking for students who would be willing to manage and run the Student Life Organization as a mini society; a fun and exciting place for students to connect and cooperate. It is with great expectations that we are looking forward to new projects and events that are run by students, that teach them the importance of responsibility, and make them proud when their innovative ideas turn into reality.



SLTC 2023 Certificates

Recognizing our amazing prefects who shined at the annual Student Life Training Conference (SLTC)! Here they are, receiving their certificates and kind feedback from the SABIS® Head Office and facilitators following the Cairo Conference held in the summer of 2023. Well done to our own, Aysha Shahzad and Beshr Jannoura!



ISC-Ras Al Khaimah Mini SLTC

Our ISC-Ras Al Khaimah Mini Student Life Training Conference (SLTC) was a great opportunity for our students to delve into the finer points of leadership, wellbeing, and the art of raising the bar in all they do.

From refreshing sessions led by the Director, the Student Life Coordinator (SLC), and senior prefects on the dynamics of the Student Life Organization (SLO), to exciting team-building activities, it was a day filled with fun and learning for the 29 participants who accepted the open invitation from the Administration to join in the event!



Student Life Organization General Assembly (SLOGA)

The Student Life Organization General Assembly (SLOGA) was an immersive workshop where Student Life Coordinators and SLO Leadership teams gathered to explore new ways to take the SLO to the next level!

The outing to one of our SABIS® Network schools in Abu Dhabi, SIS-Yas Island, was packed with opportunities where students could share ideas and plans on best practices in each SLO department, how to problem-solve and overcome challenges, and how to provide a supportive environment for fellow students' engagement and development.



Prefects in Action

On duty and on point: ISC-Ras Al Khaimah prefects leading by example!



Student Achievements

Grade 1 Mental Math Competition

The Grade 1 students took part in their first-ever Mental Math Competition. It was a competitive and challenging day as they had to use their math skills to the utmost. The students were pumped and ready to ace the competition for the chance to win the grand trophy. They had 7 minutes to answer 40 questions. We are proud of our students who can already demonstrate at this young age the meaning of passion and perseverance.



Grades 2 & 3 Mental Math Competition

Our Grades 2 and 3 students also took part in their own Mental Math Competition. They had been waiting patiently for this day to arrive so that they could not only showcase all their knowledge and skills, but also stand a chance to win one of the glorious trophies. All participating students worked incredibly hard to be able to answer the questions without making any mistakes. Well done to each and every one and congratulations to the individual winners!

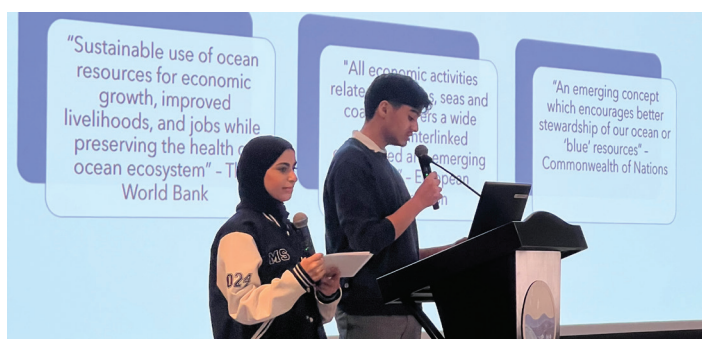


6th International Conference on Climate Change

We were honored to witness our students, Ibrahim Pasha (Grade 10) and Maryam Al Suwaidi (Grade 12), shine at the 6th International Conference on Global Warming in Ras Al Khaimah! Their insightful presentation on 'Coastal Tourism as a Growth Sector in the Blue Economy' reflects their commitment to the all-important topic of sustainability.



It makes us even more proud considering they shared the stage on the day with international scientists, researchers in the field, as well as representatives from UNESCO. Congratulations, Ibrahim and Maryam!



SABIS® STEAM Clubs

Through teamwork, problem-solving, and experimentation in robotics, electronics, and 3D printing, the ever-expanding STEAM Clubs help our students live the concepts through 'minds-on and hands-on' learning. Younger students are delighted with the inclusion of a junior and intermediate Robotics Club this year, while seniors are thrilled to be part of a very exclusive group of schools having their own Electric Vehicle Club.



After successfully assembling their own e-car, they will focus on mastering optimal settings to compete in early March at the Abu Dhabi Electric Vehicle Grand Prix, which focuses on endurance (efficiency) rather than speed. All STEAM Clubs will be sending representatives to the 2024 SABIS® STEAM Competition U.A.E. with the all-inspiring theme of 'Envision, Create, Innovate.' We wish them every success!

Sports Highlights

Hosting U15 Girls Basketball Competition

The day of the basketball competition arrived and our under 15 girls were really pumped up and eager to face their opponents. Since ISC-Ras Al Khaimah hosted the event, it added an extra sense of excitement to the day. The spectators were truly impressed with the skills our girls demonstrated on the court. Not only did they sharpen these skills, but they also worked together as a team. That reminds us of Phil Jackson's words: "The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team!"



Football Competition

Our football teams have demonstrated throughout the first term that they are serious contenders for greatness this season and beyond. The U10 boys did well by finishing 3rd out of 7 schools in the first round, while the U14 team secured through their second-place finish a spot in the U.A.E. finals in January!



Their remarkable journey showcases true resilience and determination, a model to be emulated by other teams. We wish them continued success!

Seniors Basketball

Our senior boys went from strength to strength by first winning against ISC-Sharjah, followed by a thrilling overtime match against ISC-Dubai. Check out the highlights!



School Trips

Bounce X – a Fun-filled Trip to Sharjah

The SLO Activities Department organized separate trips for Grade 3 and 4 students to Bounce X, Sharjah.



Students eagerly took part in all the activities that the facility had on offer, had many fun moments with their peers and teachers, and also demonstrated kindness, care, and consideration for one another while playing. It was a true pleasure seeing them enjoying their day and making memories to last for many years to come.



University Fair

ISC-Ras Al Khaimah understands the importance of providing comprehensive guidance to its students regarding their selection of universities and the application process. We were pleased to arrange a Sunday trip on October 8 to the Najah University Fair in Dubai for our Grades 9 to 12 students.

Those attending made excellent use of the opportunity to explore the material provided by exhibiting universities and to ask their representatives any questions they had. Back at school, another opportunity came about when a group of guest speakers from different universities addressed our students on various related matters, including motivational thoughts on undergraduate decision-making.





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