



ISI Calendar of Upcoming Event Targets

- 01/04 Parent volunteers meet in the evening to fill eggs
- 02/04 13:00 - PTA Easter Egg Hunt
- 06/04 - 13/04 SPRING BREAK
– no school
- TBA Student Class Photo day
- TBD – PTA Spring Event



Coronavirus Information:

For families looking for additional information regarding the Coronavirus in English you can visit the website of

Embaetti landlaeknis Directorate of Health
<https://www.landlaeknir.is/koronaveira/english/>

Additional information is also found online with some of the news outlets:

<https://www.icelandreview.com>
<https://icelandmonitor.mbl.is/news>
<https://www.government.is/news/article/2020/03/09/response-to-COVID-19-in-iceland/>

A Message from the PTA

Happy Spring ISI Families! The PTA is currently planning several Spring activities again this year. However, it is a very unusual time with the potential of any Coronavirus impacts on many minds in this fluid situation. We will of course keep informed and make adjustments as necessary to support safety in the community.

The PTA representatives for ISI on **Grunnstöð** (Gardabaer Parent Association for primary schools), **Baldur Ólafsson and Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir** have provided an update on the work being done with the Mayor of Gardabaer tied to issues identified by local primary schools; this can be found on page 2 of this newsletter.

The PTA is currently planning to sponsor it's annual **EASTER Egg Hunt on Thursday April 2nd at 13:00** unless a change becomes necessary. This is an event the children look forward to. This is sponsored by the ISI PTA. Younger students will have the opportunity to hunt for surprise filled Easter eggs which will be hidden with the help of the older students. Then, all the students will gather in the classroom above the library in the big school building, to open eggs and turn in plastic eggs for a small snack (we recycle these each year to ensure an eco friendly event). We look forward to the annual visit from the Easter Bunny. Siblings again will be welcomed this year to participate if they are signed up in advance. Older students will help hide eggs for the event as part of school community service, and will have some deviled egg snacks. The PTA will be **donating 30,000 ISK** to support the older class trip currently planned to Edinburgh. Parents who want to volunteer to help the day of the Easter Egg hunt or the night before to fill the eggs can contact the PTA by email.

Annual Class Photo day is being coordinated with the school to provide students and their family with a keepsake of the school year ... more details to come. In case you were wondering: The PTA membership fee of 3,000 ISK which was agreed to in the fall has not yet been processed yet we will let you know when it goes out given the delay.

The PTA would like to thank those who participated in the PTA fall fun raiser, Holiday Family Fun Night, it was a huge success! Special thanks to all those that donated all the wonderful raffle prizes, our bakers, our Yule Lad, and those who helped with crafts. Some pictures of last years fundraiser are in the newsletter for your enjoyment!



Thanks to our Yule Lad (Intern: Diego) for a great job with the kids!

Thanks to those who participated in the Scholastic Book Sale. The PTA was able to raise almost **30,000 ISK** in books for the school library.



PTA Holiday Family Fun Night

In the fall ISI families gathered to have an evening of fun, food, holiday crafting and to support the older classes and PTA fundraising activities. Great volunteer parents and teachers helped kids fund raise for a class trip, make crafts, enjoy good food, and win awesome donated prizes! Hat's off to the parents, kids and teachers of ISI on a job well done! We certainly have an impressive community which pulls together to accomplish worthwhile events!

(More pictures of the event can be found on the ISI website)



Parent Association representatives of primary schools in Garðabæjar - Grunnstoð Update:

Baldur Ólafsson and Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir represent ISI as part of the Garðabæjar umbrella association of primary schools. They have been working with other parent representative to address local concerns. We are pleased to advise they have jointly presented issues related to safety and other concerns, in collaboration with the PTA Board and the ISI Headmistress to the Mayor of Garðabæjar. These concerns include safety issues tied to signage, crosswalk markings, lighting and traffic for consideration and action by the local authorities in order to improve the ISI school environment and safety for our school children. In addition, the Sjálandskóli parents have asked for ISI parents cooperation in signing a petition to ensure safety tied to the opening of the new restaurant nearby. An e-mail message with more details has been sent to allow parents to participate and better understand the concerns. Our thanks to Baldur and Kriselle for their active and important ISI representation on Grunnstoð.



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