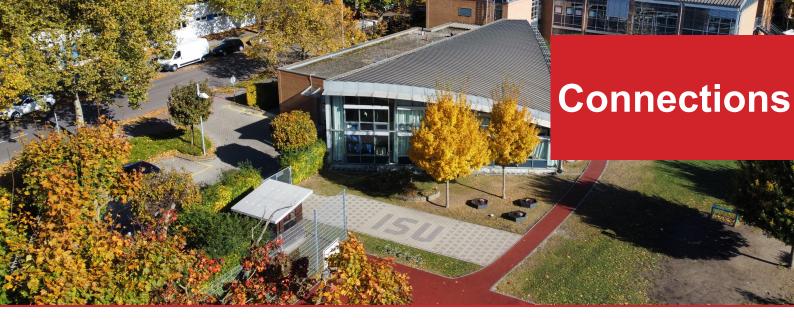


## Newsletter

08.03.2024

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### Online Evening Connection: ISU Board of Trustees

Join us for our Evening Connection and gain insight into the broad vision and strategic role of ISU's Board of Trustees. We are looking forward to welcoming you!

The Evening Connection will take place online on Tuesday 19th March 2024 from 18:00 until 19:00.

Please sign up to give us an indication of numbers by Sunday 17th March 2024.

### Morning Connection: Mathematics within the Primary Years Programme

We are excited to invite you to join us for an exploration into the world of Mathematics within the Primary Years Programme (PYP) at our school. At the heart of our approach lies a transdisciplinary and inquiry-based framework, fostering greater understanding and critical thinking skills in our young learners. Through this session, we will delve into various strategies employed in both teaching and learning mathematics, while also addressing the crucial question of how you can support your child's conceptual understanding of mathematics at home. Together, let's embark on a journey to empower our children to become confident problem solvers and lifelong learners.

The Morning Connection will take place at ISU on Tuesday 12th March from 8:30 until 10:00 am.

Please sign up by Sunday 10th March 2024, to give us an indication of numbers.

#### Calendar

We would like to keep you informed about an important aspect of our school planning process. Given that our school calendar does not align with the school holidays in public schools in Bavaria, we are required to seek government approval for each academic year.

We are pleased to confirm that we now have the approved calendar for 2024-25 and it can be accessed via our website.



Dear ISU community, it is with great excitement that we announce the starting of our sports season 3.

Below is the list of sports that we are planning to offer, with starting dates, information regarding coaches, days for practices and dates for events (season starts on April 8th):

- U14 girls volleyball (practices on Monday and Thursday, coach: Mr. Foege).
- U14 boys volleyball (practices on Monday and Thursday, coach: Mr. Foege).
- U14/varsity track & field (practices on Wednesday and Thursday, coaches: Mr Alex and Mr. Martin).

If you are interested in joining our sports program, please save the following dates:

- April 13th U14 girls volleyball at Franconian International School (friendly tournament)
- April 27th U14/Varsity track & field at Franconian International School (friendly tournament)
- May 4th U14 boys and girls volleyball at International School of Stuttgart (friendly tournament)
- June 6-8th U14 boys volleyball at Dresden International School (final GISST tournament)
- June 6-8th U14 girls volleyball at International School of Stuttgart (final GISST tournament)
- June 13-15 U14/Varsity track & field at Berlin Brandenburg International School (final GISST tournament)

The signing up process is now open on schoolcloud. Looking forward to seeing you join our programme and let's go Wolves!

Alexandre Alves (a.alves@is-ulm.de)

ASAP and Athletic Director







On Thursday, February 22nd, ISU went to Munich to play BIS in a friendly game. With hopes to perform better than last year, the ISU team ended the game losing 63-12. Whilst a 50 point loss, it was a big improvement on the previous year's 100-2 game. The team showed promising flashes with times where they managed to hold BIS on defence and managed to force more turnovers. However, the struggle was more apparent on offence, with imposing defence from BIS holding the team to 12 points. However, the team is determined to improve their teamwork and hopes to perform better against BIS in next week's GISST tournament hosted at the BBU Orange Academy. With great hopes to finish the season, next week will be the team's chance to show their improvements and play their hearts out with hopes for a high placement amongst the other international schools. Additionally, they hope for a better result against BIS, who will also be present at the tournament.

#### Reza





U14 Boys Basketball Team Displays Remarkable Team Spirit at Munich International School Tournament

Despite facing tough competition, our U14 boys basketball team showcased exceptional teamwork and resilience at the tournament hosted by Munich International School on February 24th. Despite not securing a victory in any of their four matches (played against International School of Augsburg, Munich International School, Franconian International School and Frankfurt International School), the team demonstrated commendable sportsmanship and determination throughout the event. Led by their dedicated coach, Simeon, the players displayed remarkable cohesion on the court, supporting each other and executing strategic plays with precision, being also able to have a close match against one of their opponents. Despite the outcome, the team's performance was met with admiration from spectators and opponents alike for their unwavering spirit and positive attitude (thank you to the parents that attended the event and showed fantastic support throughout the different matches). The tournament served as a valuable learning experience for our young athletes, highlighting areas for improvement and fostering a sense of camaraderie among the team members. Despite the challenges, our U14 boys basketball team left a lasting impression with their tenacity, sportsmanship, and commitment to teamwork. Their next event will be our final GISST basketball tournament at International School of Frankfurt on March 14 to 16th. Wish them luck and let's go Wolves!

Alexandre Alves
Athletic Director





On the 22nd of February we had a match against Bavarian International School for a friendly game. It was a pretty tough game, but our U14 Basketball team tried their hardest. Even Though we lost, we worked well together and made some good baskets. We ended up losing 20 - 36, but we know what we will need to compete against during our final tournament. But we definitely improved on the 24th of February, because our team work was better, and we worked harder to win.

The first game we played was against Frankfurt International school, and it was a tough match. The opponent ended up winning with 26 points ahead, but it was a very hard team to beat. By the time we had our next game, we were playing against Franconian international school. We were much more confident before the game, since we had played against them before. We worked together and used our strengths and weaknesses in a good way. Winning this game with a score of 11 - 52 we were much more confident for the last game. We were all very proud of ourselves, and excited for the next game. When we started our next game against Frankfurt international schools second team, we quickly knew that it was a hard team to beat. We tried our best, but we didn't end up winning. It was one of the hardest teams to beat, but at least we learned something from our last game.

#### Arola





On February 29th and March 1st, the International School of Ulm/Neu-Ulm had the privilege of hosting the final GISST tournament for varsity boys basketball Div. II.

Six teams from across Germany participated in this thrilling tournament, including the home team, ISU Wolves, as well as Dresden International School, International School of Frankfurt, Bavarian International School, Berlin British School, and International School of Stuttgart.

The tournament followed a format of group stages leading to an elimination round. Despite facing stiff competition, our team showcased their skills with one victory and two closely contested matches that could have swung in our favour. Ultimately, they secured a commendable 5th place out of the 6 participating teams by triumphing over Dresden International School in the elimination round.

Throughout the event, our players demonstrated remarkable growth and resilience, embodying qualities of determination, sportsmanship, cooperation, and confidence. Kudos to Harry, Anthony, Mayukh, Henry, Henri, Andrés, Victor, Richmond, Oskar, Pascal, Reza, and Florian for their outstanding performances. A special acknowledgement also goes to our coach, Paul Foege, for his invaluable guidance and support and to our players that could not contribute to the team, Noah, Julius and Ryan.

Furthermore, we extend our gratitude to the individuals who contributed to the success of the tournament, elevating the event to new heights. Their efforts in broadcasting matches, creating advertising boards, welcoming teams, updating scores, presenting medals and trophies, and ensuring the presence of the ISU mascot added immense value. A heartfelt thank you to John Henry, Asmi, Aurel, Shriya, Andrés, Amanda, Mahnas, Johannes, Emilia, Taisiia, Annika, Satin, Neve, Marie-Fleur, Mila, Paul and Maya for their dedication and hard work.

Overall, this GISST tournament was a testament to the spirit of sportsmanship and camaraderie, and we are proud of the achievements and contributions of all involved.

Go Wolves!

Alexandre Alves
Athletic Director



It is with great excitement that we announce the restart of our After School Activities, season 3 on April 8th.

Activities will be offered four days a week Monday - Thursday. The list of activities is as below:

## **Monday**

Description of Activity Activities run from Apr 8 - May 30	Location	Age Range and numbers	Any costs and other details
Basketball - Ratiopharm Basketball Coaches and Mr. Alex 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.  Learning basketball skills, drills, and lead-up games. Students will be divided into groups by age.	Sports Hall	Grade 1 - 5 Max: 20 Students	No additional cost Meeting Point: play- ground
Choir 3:15- 4:15 p.m.  My name is Rob and I'd like to start 2 choirs, I work at Theater Ulm and have studied singing at the Royal Academy of Music in London. Choir builds musicianship, self-confidence, creativity, teamwork and is a great social activity after a long day at school. We will sing a range of songs and our main aim will be to have fun.	Music Room	Grade 1-12 Max: 20 students	80 euros per session divided by the total amount of students Example: if 10 stu- dents join, price per session/student is 8 euros



# Tuesday

Description of Activity Activities run from Apr 8 - May 30	Location	Age Range and numbers	Any costs and other details
Drama Club - Ms. Habeck 3:45 - 4:45p.m.  Students who want to have extra time working on Drama skills and games can join Ms. Habeck in C-106 after school. We will put together some short pieces with the option of joining the Spring Play Evening performances!	Room: C106	Grade 6-12 Max: 15 students	No additional cost
Chess Club - Mr. Bailey 3:45 - 4:45p.m.  Welcome to the Chess Club, an exciting and intellectually stimulating environment for students in grades 4-12 to learn and enjoy the game of chess! Chess is not only a game of strategy but also a fantastic way to enhance critical thinking, concentration, and sportsmanship. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced player, everyone is welcome to join and explore the world of chess.  Requirements  Students should have a basic understanding of chess rules (for beginners) or a passion for improving their chess skills. Bring your own chess set if possible. Limited sets will be available during the club meetings.  Join the Chess Club and embark on a journey of intellectual growth, strategic thinking, and fun! Let's checkmate boredom and make every move count!	Room: B207	Grade 4-12 Max: 16 students	No additional cost



# Wednesday

Description of Activity Activities run from Apr 8 - May 30	Location	Age Range and numbers	Any costs and other details
Turkish Language and Culture Club 3:30-5 pm  Come learn and engage in language and cultural activities for all.	Room: B201	Grade EY3-8 Max: 10 students	No additional cost
German tutoring (individual work and support) 3.15-4.15pm  Come learn and engage in language and cultural activities for all.	Room: B203	Grade 2-5 Max: 12 students	No additional cost



# Thursday

Description of Activity Activities run from Apr 8 - May 30	Location	Age Range and numbers	Any costs and other details
Boxing Club - Ms. Garcia 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.  A mixture of fitness and kickboxing. Students will learn and practise the basics of boxing to develop different combos.  Students need to bring their own boxing gloves.	Sports hall	Grades 7 - 12 Max: 16 Students	No additional cost
Technicolor group - Ms. Habeck 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.  This is an Upper School club for students interested in becoming part of an active group to create a safe space to learn more about and be a part of LGBTQIA+ community and other social advocacy issues. We will enjoy learning about everything from Heartstopper or Everybody's Talking about Jamie to current events in the news. We will watch films, listen to music and read about what is happening in the LGBTQIA+ world and other social advocacy issues. We can become an active part of the ISU community to raise awareness, take action and teach, but first and foremost is creating a community space where all identities are welcome. If you are interested in being part of this group, please email Ms. Habeck (s.habeck@is-ulm.de) or Ms. Bailey (a.bailey@is-ulm.de) to find out more information about meeting time and location.	Room: C106	Grades 9 - 12 Max: no limit	No additional cost
French Tutoring 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.  Learning with fun, gamification focused on identified needs. Courses in French only. Some	Room: C202	Grade 1 - 5 Max: 5 Students	Price per student/per student: 15 euros  In case is only 2 students per season
minimal French background is a prerequisite.			then 20 euros per session



For Season 3, starting on Monday, April 8th, the sign up process is open and available on ISU School cloud. Registrations will remain open until April 26th. Please note that ASAP activities will be limited to twice a week per child. This is to ensure as equitable distribution as possible and we will monitor and review depending on demand for the range of activities.

Follow this link to sign up or scan the QR code:

We look forward to seeing you at our activities!

Alexandre Alves
After School Activities Coordinator

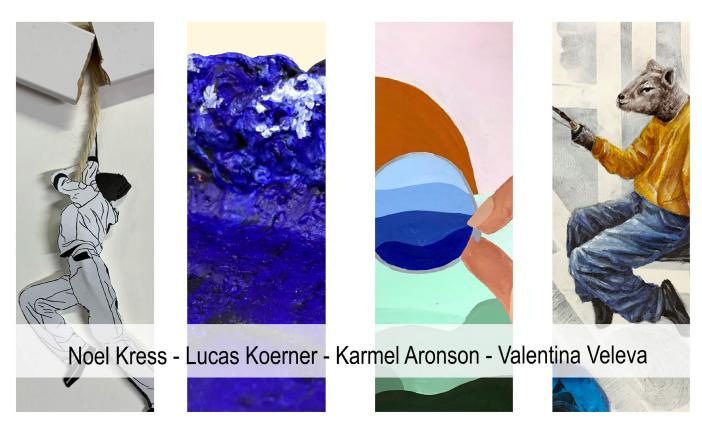


Dear ISU community, a slight change regarding our French tutoring after school activity. From March 14, the club will start at 3.15pm instead of 3.45pm. Each session will have a duration of an hour.

Thank you for your understanding,

Alexandre Alves (a.alves@is-ulm.de)

ASAP and Athletic Director





# IBDP Visual Arts Exhibition 2024



Donaustr.5, 89073 Ulm Opening 8 March 18:00 - 20:00 Public Vieweing 9 March 11:00 - 15:00 Schaufenster 10 - 22 March



For many years, the Grade 6 and 7 trip to Outward Bound has been a highlight of the academic calendar and this year was no exception. Thirty-one Grade 6 and 7 students left ISU on Monday, 29 January 2024. For many of our Grade 6 students this was particularly exciting as it was their

first school trip away from home. For many of our Grade 7 students, they were returning to Outward Bound as senior students on the trip, ready to provide valuable advice and hone their leadership skills.

After arriving and moving into the Outward Bound centre, activities began. Students were given opportunities to do a wide range of activities that are designed to challenge them both physically and mentally. These included hiking, tree climbing, wall climbing and (everyone's favourite) the Flying Fox. We were fortunate to have unseasonably warm and



clear weather for the majority of the trip, providing us with perfect conditions for our outdoor activities.

The greatest challenge of the week is undoubtedly the hike to the Franz Putz Hut where groups of students stayed overnight before returning to the centre the following day. Students are encour-

aged to plan every aspect of this portion of the trip including navigation, hut organisation and food for both dinner and breakfast. Our students did a brilliant job of preparing delicious, healthy meals for us to enjoy. We were also impressed with their ability to take responsibility for ensuring that the hut was neat and tidy before we left.

The opportunities for personal growth and reflection that outdoor education offers truly are unique and we hope that our students found this trip memorable and enriching. A big thank you to Ms. Pei and Ms. Seda who accompanied the students for the trip and to Mr. Rawlinson for all of his support.



We look forward to another exciting Outward Bound adventure next year!

# CAS & Projects



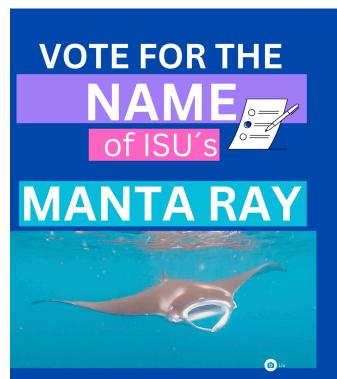
# UNICEF JUNIOR TEAM

## Red Hand Day 12th of February



This project aims to raise awareness about children that are used as soldiers. Asking people to print their hand on our canvas, is like collecting signatures for a petition. The canvas is then sent to the authorities and the Mayors of Ulm & Neu-Ulm to show them how many people are following our actions.

Scan the QR code for more information on Red Hand Day



**THANK YOU:)** 

My name is Liv and I am in the 11th grade.

I'm a dedicated diver and marine conservationist. As part of my 11th grade CAS project, I raised money to support the work of MantaTrust.org, an NGO involved in marine conservation and the protection of manta rays. In addition, I was planning to "adopt" a manta ray for our ISU community. The great news is that the Manta Trust team has given us a great opportunity to name our Manta Ray. This female reef manta is a newly sighted animal at Lhaviyani Atoll in the Maldives and she was seen to be pregnant.

I would like to invite you to my short survey, which is a list of 10 names from which you can choose your 3 favorites.

Thank you very much for your contribution! The election closes on Sunday, 10.03.2024





Vote here

Very soon I will install a bulletin with news about our schools manta ray, the work of Manta Trust and marine conservation...

For more information

www.mantatrust.org



follow my Instagram @oceanic.ambassadress

# CAS & Projects





We cooked our first practice meal with our brand new trangia :D

Thank you to the PTG for supporting us & helping us get some equipment.



There will be a test alarm across wide parts of Bavaria on Thursday 14th March at 11:00 am.

Sirens will possibly be heard in Neu-Ulm. In addition the Bavaria State Ministry will also trigger the warning devices connected to the Modular Warning System (MoWaS) for the entire state of Bavaria. This includes in particular Cell Broadcast as well as the warning Apps NINA, KATWARN and BIWAPP (these Apps warn you of dangers throughout Germany).

It is a routine test and there is no cause for concern.

This is the link for more information.

### Dear parents,

We kindly want to remind you that, if you child has lost a piece of clothing it may can be found at our Lost & Found corner in the Atrium.

There are plenty of clothes, food containers, water bottles etc. waiting to be taken back home.

### Thank you



