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THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

ISI PTA 2021-2022

Board of Directors:

Sigrun Boatwright, Chairperson
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Grunnstofð Representatives:

Ingimar Ingimarsson
(Supported by: Ellen Gulaugsdóttir &
Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir)

Class Representatives

Grades (K-2):

Chris McClure, Signý
Sigurþórsdóttir & Samuel Perrella
Grade (3-4):

Michelle Zong & Courtney Kemps

Grades (5-6):

Chris McClure & Caroline Chéron

Grades (7-8):

Maria-Mirabela Bogatu

Grades (8-10):

Caroline Chéron

A message from the PTA

The ISI PTA held a VIRTUAL Annual General Meeting (GM) for all parents on September 22nd in line with our Articles of Association. A review of last years achievements, financials and new volunteers were sought. An interactive discussion with the school principal was one of the highlights of the evening, along with the raffle for prizes. A BIG thank you parents who participated on-line with us!

At the meeting the Articles of Association were presented and approved without any changes. The GM presentation with meeting notes will soon be available to ISI parents through the ISI website (www.internationalschool.is) in case you missed the meeting. You will be able to get access as an ISI parent under the Parent Teacher Association meeting minutes section.

The financial statement and membership fees were approved as part of the General Meeting. The **PTA membership fee this school year will again be 3,000 kr. per family (optional) with option to also donate more. This will be sent electronically to parents bank accounts** later in the year to facilitate payment and the ISI PTA will work with the school to ensure the proper information on accounts for processing.

All ISI parents are automatically members of the PTA. The ISI PTA events are public events, as such pictures are taken during events which are posted in our newsletters or on the ISI website.

We would like to thank **all those volunteers who helped us last year** and would like to congratulate our new Board Members, Class, Grunnstofð and School Council Representatives and Auditors who are also listed in the boxes to the left and on the next page.

We are still in the need a couple more Class Representatives, 1 more for Grade 7-8, Grade 8-10 or Grade 5-6 so please contact the PTA if you would like to volunteer in that role as we prefer to have 2 for each class!!



Thank you for your eagerness and willingness to volunteer to help our children's school continue to be a great place for them to learn and grow.
Your ISI PTA



School Community Cooperation:

Grunnstöð Garðabæjar is an umbrella association for parent representatives of Parent Associations and School Boards of all primary schools in Garðabær. ISI has been a member since March 2013, this year ISI will be represented by **Ingimar Ingimarsson**. Both Ellen Gudlaugsdóttir and Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir agreed to support Ingimar in this new role.

ISI's active participation in the association has facilitated understanding of the unique needs of an International School. In addition, the ISI PTA has learned and shared valuable insight in opportunities and activities that can be effective for PTA's.

Grunnstöð works on matters that concerns all the schools of Garðabær and assists and gives advice on school and family related matters to the Town Council. The purpose of the association is to strengthen the voice of the parents in the community and to join their forces for the good of the school community. Grunnstöð meets with the Mayor of the Garðabær twice a year.

ISI School Council 2020-2021

The School Council is a forum for cooperation between the principal and the school community regarding school operations and activities. The council meets regularly to discuss school developments.

Principal: Hanna Hilmarsdóttir

Teachers: Lara Stefansdóttir, Elísa Línadóttir

Parents: Chris Eva, Gunnar Þórisson, Sigrun Boatwright, Chris McClure and Helena Gudmundsdóttir
Two ISI students

World Teacher Appreciation Day Is Tuesday October 5th



The ISI PTA was the first school in Iceland to participate in UNESCO's World Teacher Day. One and a half years into the COVID-19 crisis, the 2021 World Teachers' Day theme for this year is "**Teachers at the heart of education recovery**".

Teachers are a vital part of society contributing to education and development of young minds and we are proud to recognize them on this day.

The PTA will provide a gift to all ISI staff and provide a buffet lunch. Theme "Taco Tuesday".

Parents can also contribute to the lunch if they want to provide a sweet treat - just contact the PTA to coordinate.

Join us this **Tuesday October 5th** to help recognize our teachers.

How you and your child can participate:

Thank a teacher!

Please remind your children to thank their ISI teachers on Teacher Appreciation Day – they can even give them a hand written letter or card with words of thanks, or just tell them during that day!



Congratulations to our Raffle Winners at the General Meeting:

Ingimar Ingimarsson,
Christopher Eva,
& Signý Sigurþórsdóttir

