



THANK YOU  
VERY MUCH

## ISI PTA 2020-2021

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Sigrun Boatwright, Chairperson  
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Nína Halldórsdóttir  
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### Grunnstoð Representatives:

Ellen Gulaugsdóttir  
Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir

### Class Representatives

#### Grades (K-2):

Chris McClure & Maria Orlova

#### Grade 3-4:

Kirstin Kristindóttir & Ellen Gudlaugsdóttir

#### Grades (5-6):

Petur Petursson & Caroline Chéron

#### Grades (7-8):

Zoe Brynjólfsson & Malwine Jung

#### Grades (8-10):

Caroline Chéron & Kadri von Imhoff

## A message from the PTA

The ISI PTA held its first VIRTUAL Annual General Meeting (GM) for all parents on September 22<sup>nd</sup> in line with our Articles of Association. Where a review of prior achievements, the financial accounts and elections for the upcoming year were accomplished. We thank all the parents that 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](http://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. As discussed, the PTA is provided parents e-mails from the school for communications and parents can "opt-out" of receiving emails if they choose. 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, Grunnstoð 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 of one more Auditor, so please contact the PTA if you would like to volunteer in that role!!

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:**

Grunnstof 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 **Ellen Gudlaugsdóttir** and **Kriselle Suson Jonsdóttir**.

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.

Grunnstof 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. Grunnstof 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 October 5<sup>th</sup>**



The ISI PTA was the first school in Iceland to celebrate UNESCO's World Teacher Day. The ISI PTA was later recognized on May 20th, 2015 by Heimili og Skóli, an organization which advises and assists parents and parent associations in Iceland. ISI in cooperation with the PTA was the first school to bring this important recognition to Iceland. Other schools in Iceland now recognize this day.

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.

Join us this **Monday October 5<sup>th</sup>** 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:**

Petur Petersson,  
 Xabier Por Tjero Landa,  
 Raket Haraldsdóttir,  
 Elísa Ósk Línsdóttir

