

WELCOME BACK
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ISWB Bulletin



January 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 06 February KS2 Valentine's Dance
- 07 February High School Valentines' Dance
- 14 February Inter-House Athletics
- 18 February High School Awards Ceremony

ATHLETICS PRACTICE

Tuesdays & Thursdays
Jan Wilken Stadium
14:00 - 15:30

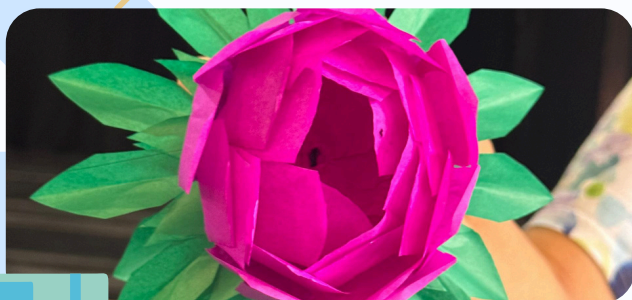
MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A new year brings fresh opportunities, and it is a great honour to serve as the new Principal of ISWB. My name is Luischen Sirakis, and I bring 36 years of experience in education, together with a strong commitment to academic excellence, personal growth, and a safe, inclusive learning environment.

My goal for this year is to build on the school's established culture of excellence and achievement, working closely with our dedicated staff to provide a rich and meaningful educational experience for every student. I believe in nurturing a positive school culture that celebrates success in all its forms, promotes positive citizenship, and values the unique talents and contributions of each individual.

I strongly believe that open communication and collaboration between school and home are essential to student success. Parents and guardians are encouraged to actively engage in their child's education and participate in the vibrant ISWB community. I look forward to a year filled with growth, collaboration, and new opportunities, as together we cultivate a culture of excellence, kindness, and curiosity where every child is supported to reach their full potential.

Mrs. Sirakis



Paper Art



PAPER ART DEMO



On Tuesday, our Key Stage 1 students were treated to a delightful paper art demonstration that filled the hall with colour and cheer. The students were introduced to the simple magic of creating with paper. By the end of the demonstration the hall was filled with large, vibrant flowers and looping chains of paper. A wonderful celebration of imagination and the joy of making something by hand.



YEAR 10 FUNDRAISERS

Our Year 10s & SRC have kicked off their matric farewell fundraising initiatives in the best way possible, with great energy and even greater support from our school community.

The year kicked off with a delicious cake sale, followed by a popular hotdog sale at the beach clean-up, both of which were a fantastic success. Next up is the High School Valentine's Dance, and excitement is already in the air!

A big thank you to all the students for showing up, buying treats, and supporting every effort so far. Your enthusiasm truly makes a difference. We also extend our sincere thanks to the parents and teachers that are always ready to support where needed.

Students are encouraged to grab their tickets for the Valentine's Dance and be part of the fun while supporting a great cause. Every contribution helps our Year 10s get one step closer to a memorable matric farewell!



YEAR 10 CAKE SALE!



SUN, SAND AND SERVICE

Another successful beach clean-up in the books! We are incredibly proud of our students and staff for protecting the place we call home. Our annual clean-up is more than a tradition, it's a commitment to caring for our coastline and community, one piece of trash at a time. Swapping the classroom for fresh air reminds us all that small actions can create a big impact.



BARE BONES OF SCIENCE

Ms. Profijt's Year 3 class recently explored the fascinating world of skeletons as part of their science syllabus. The lesson came to life during an interactive clay skeleton-building session, where learners assembled and identified different bones while discovering how our skeleton supports and protects the body.

The classroom was filled with excitement and curiosity as students worked together, asked questions, and proudly showed off their creations. Hands-on activities like these make learning memorable and help bring science to life for our young learners.



Why didn't the skeleton do his homework?

He didn't have the guts to finish it!



CELEBRATING OUR BRIGHTSPARKS



Our students recently sat for the Cambridge external examinations, an internationally benchmarked assessment that reflects dedication, perseverance, and academic excellence. These exams challenge students to apply their knowledge, think critically, and demonstrate deep understanding across their subjects.

We are incredibly proud of our top achievers, whose outstanding results are a testament to their hard work, discipline, and commitment to their studies. Their success not only highlights their individual efforts but also the supportive partnership between teachers, parents, and the school.

Congratulations to our high performers for setting a shining example for their peers — your achievements inspire our entire school community and remind us that effort and determination truly pay off.

A LEVEL TOP ACHIEVERS



MARCELA RIOBO
Geography 90%
Mathematics 75%
Physics 74%



KARLA GARRARD
Physics 80%
Mathematics 80%
Chemistry 77%

AS LEVEL TOP ACHIEVERS



TENIELL SOWDEN
Biology 90%
Mathematics 88%
English Language 81%
Chemistry 74%



DAWID BISSETT
Biology 83%
Mathematics 81%
Chemistry 78%
English Language 70%



YARO KAKONDA
Mathematics 85%
Physics 74%
English Language 70%
D & T 58%

IGCSE TOP ACHIEVERS



PATRICK LETTENBAUER
Foreign Language German 99%
Physics 88%
Mathematics 86%
Chemistry 82%
Biology 80%
First Language English 72%



LUCAS LOFTY-EATON
Physics 89%
Mathematics 87%
Chemistry 76%
ICT 74%
First Language English 72%
Biology 69%



KEANU POOL
Biology 84%
ICT 81%
Afrikaans second language 78%
Physics 75%
Chemistry 70%
Mathematics 63%

EXCITING EVENTS HAPPENING SOON!

International School of Walvis Bay

KS2

Valentines Dance

FRIDAY | 06 FEB | 16:00 - 18:00

MUSIC - TUCKSHOP - DANCING

Tickets: **N\$40**

Available from Mrs. van der Merwe

please join us for a

VALENTINE'S DAY party

FEB **07** 6:30 PM

FOOD | LIVE DJ | DANCE

Hage Geingob Street, The International School of

Walvis Bay

Mrs D +264 81 245 6062, Ms B +264 81 325 8790

SRC +264 81 388 2940

N\$ 70 per ticket

Tickets are sold through ISWB's SRCs
NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE GATE!

— ISWB – ATHLETICS —

COBRAS VS SCORPIONS

SATURDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2026

Venue: Walvis Bay Private High School

Time: **07:00**

Free entrance

Tuck shop available

ISWB CALENDAR 2026



January						
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12/01 School starts: Teachers (Meetings)
13/01 Subject meetings(open day - Rec 2, Yr1)
14/01 School starts: Students
30/1 Beach clean-up

February						
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06/02 KS2 Valentine's Dance
07/02 High School Valentine's Dance
14/02 Athletics - Interhouse
18/02 High School Awards
20 - 21/02 Zonals
27/02 KS1 - Rough and Tough
28/02 Regionals

March						
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13 - 14/03 NAPSO Athletics
18/03 KS2 Science Fair- Set-up
25/03 KS2 Science Fair - Ends
26/03 Trash for Fash @11:30 & HS stay-awake
27/03 Rec KS1 & 2 School 10:00
30 - 31/03 to 06/04 Mid term

April						
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01- 06/04 Mid-term break
22/04 Secretary's day
24/04 General Knowledge Quiz
28/04 KS2 Entrepreneur's Day
30/04 School closes

May						
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07/05 Reports

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01/06 School starts: Teachers
02/06 School starts: Students

July						
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04/07 IFF: ISWB Food Fair
06 -07/07 Mid-term break
23-24/07 Photo Day
30/07 Volley Ball Day: Primary
31/07 Volley Ball Day: High School

August						
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07/08 Yr 6 Exams start
14/08 Yr 6 Exam ends
20/08 KS2 Spelling Bee
21/08 School closes for students
27/08 Reports

September						
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07/09 School opens: Teachers
08/09 School opens: Students
11/09 Cultural Festival
16/09 Sport awards
19/09 Matric Farewell
22/09 Valedictory

October						
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05/10 KS3 (7, 8, 9)
12/10 KS2 Camp
16/10 & 19/10 Mid-term

November						
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25/11 Rec Graduation
26/11 KS 1 & 2 Award Ceremony
27/11 School closes

December						
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03/12 Reports

Government calendar
School calendar
NAPSO calendar

SEE YOU SOON KRAKEN CREW!