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Dear Parents and Students

As a school and as a school family we place children at the heart of all it is that we stand for as an institution and community. Children are our sole reason for existing and it is they who bring so much joy and purpose to our lives, and I would therefore like to commence this week's edition of Blaze by celebrating the arrival of **the two very newest members of our school family**. On Monday Grade 4 Teacher Assistant Jade Zhang gave birth to a gorgeous 3.65 kg baby girl called Caiyi, and on Tuesday Athletics and Activities Coordinator, Guo Ying, gave birth to a beautiful 3.45g kg baby boy called Xiaoke (nickname). Mothers and babies are all well and very happy, and it is my pleasure to congratulate both families on behalf of our school community. Photos will be posted on the school website asap.



Baby Xiaoke



Baby Caiyi

Each year IST offers a limited number of **academic scholarships** to students to support their pursuit of a world-class education in the form of an IB Diploma. Scholarships are available to talented IST students whose families may be experiencing financial hardship and to external students of exceptional ability and talent. If you know a student that you feel would benefit from such a wonderful opportunity I encourage you to have them contact the school. Scholarship application packages are available from the main school office or from the school's website. The deadline for applications is 16 March.

Over the past couple of weeks you may have become aware of a crackdown on front gate security when entering the school campus. **IST has very clear protocols requiring all adults to wear IDs at all times**, but unfortunately the security guards have not been entirely consistent in enforcing this expectation when parents and drivers occasionally refuse to adhere to the policy. The result of this is inconsistency, inconsistency which ultimately makes parents frustrated with differing expectations on different days and which undermines our confidence that IST is indeed a secure environment for our children. I wish to apologise for this inconsistency and assure parents that this failing is being given the utmost attention. I do ask, however, that you too support the school by willingly supporting these regulations and by insisting that your drivers do too. Thank you.

Best wishes for an enjoyable weekend.

Steve Moody
 Director



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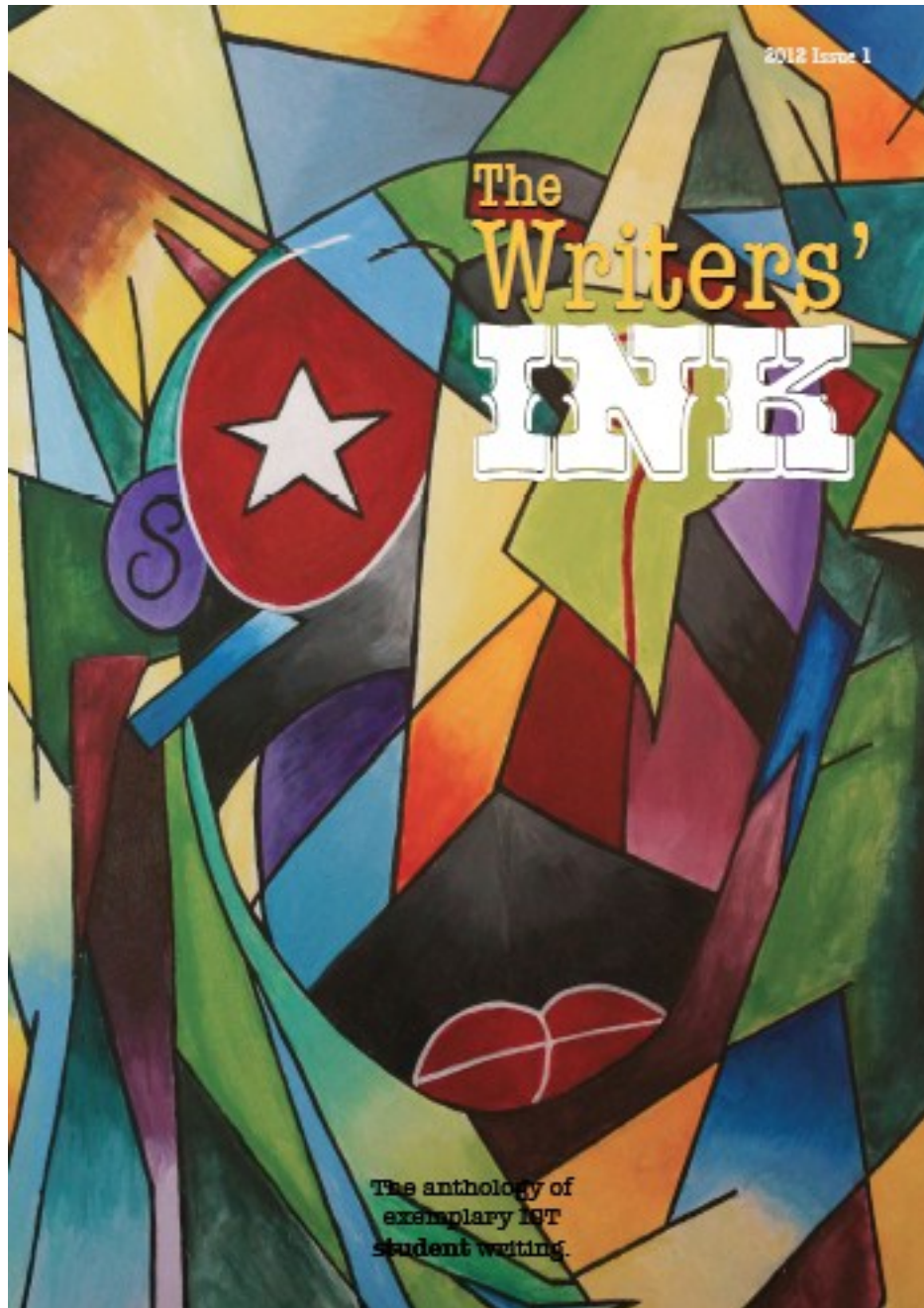
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The Writing Center

is very proud to announce the first publication of



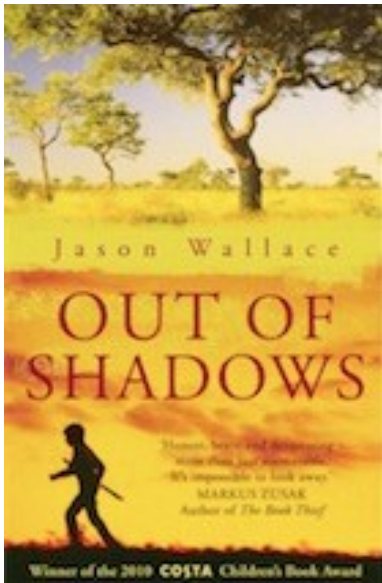
This edition of *The Writers' INK* includes the work of eight secondary students from Grades 6 to 11. *The Writers' INK* is a bi-annual publication open to all secondary students at IST. The writing contained in this issue was recommended by teachers and selected by the editors.

Copies of the magazine are available for purchase from the library.

From the Library and Information Literacy Center

Mark your calendars:

- Scholastic book club orders are expected to arrive by the last week in February.
- The Library-sponsored Parent Book Club meets again on Wednesday, March 7 from 8:00 to 9:00 AM in the library. This month's selection is the Costa-award winner, *Out of Shadows* by first-time author Jason Wallace. Set in Zimbabwe in the early 1980s, this novel mercilessly examines the anger and resentment of the white farmer recently supplanted by Robert Mugabe's independence movement. If you are interested in joining the book club, please contact Ms. Fitzgerald at Josi-



12-14 Scholarship Announcement

All relevant documentation and additional information can be gathered either by visiting our **web-site** or by coming to see Ms. Song in the main office to request a scholarship application package.

Friday, 16 March, noon – Application deadline
Saturday, 17 March, 9:30-2:30 – Scholarship exams
26-30 March – Scholarship interviews
Mid April – notification for candidates.



CRAZY IN LOVE

Thursday Night Live
February 23rd 2012
6.30pm

Buses from Aocheng at 5.30pm
Lake pk at 5.45pm - return 7.45pm
Light refreshments available

IST Winter Formal

The days are numbered and the Winter Formal Dance is coming up quickly! Hurry to buy your tickets before they are all gone! Hotel Directions and Phone Numbers are located on the reverse side of the ticket.

Student Council members will be selling tickets at 180rmb each at the Barista Café (student center) during morning break and lunch. Just look for the Red Foam Board. You will also be able to choose your table number at that time. You are also welcome to bring 1 guest per person from another school, but their ticket will cost 200rmb.

This could be the best dinner we have ever had. Arrival should be at 6pm (only around a 30 minute taxi from Au Chung), dinner will begin to be served at 6:30pm, while some very talented music groups entertain us. There will be a free dance after dinner, prizes for 'best of' categories, a 15 minute 'couples only' dance and tons of fun with our Musicians Night theme!

Again, hurry! And buy your ticket while tickets last!

See you Friday Night!!

Sincerely,

Student Council

THEATRE AND BLACK BOX BOOKINGS

The Year of the Dragon promises to be another busy one for our beautiful Black Box and Theatre. It is great that so many activities are being offered. Community members are invited to email chrissie_akov@istianjin.net for a booking form. We welcome you to these facilities but to avoid heartache, please do not use the facilities without a confirmed booking which will be emailed to bookers and our facilities manager, Mr Li. The Black Box still has availability on a Monday afternoon for any interested parties.

Thank you

Mrs Akov



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February 5, 2012

Dear Grade 9-12 Student Athletes and Parents:

See information below regarding 2011-2012 season 3 (February 20 - April 21) sports at IST.

Grades 9-12 sports in season 3: Soccer, Badminton, and Track & Field.

Competition leagues: ISAC - Beijing/Tianjin and ACAMIS.

Grade 9-12 practice dates: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 3:30- 5:00.

High school JV teams will practice on Monday and Wednesday from 3:30-4:30 with the varsity teams during this season.

Practice locations: Soccer - IST Field, Badminton - IST gym, Track & Field - IST track.

Track & Field practice will be held 2 times per week as a lunchtime activity.

Letters will be sent home to players explaining all game dates, times, and other details.

A bus will leave school after practice and will return to Ao Cheng at 5:30 p.m. as well as a smaller bus returning to Crystal City, Lake Park Ave, and Meijiang at 5:30 p.m. JV players will return home on 4:30 activity buses.

IST 2011-2012 Season 3 HS Sports Dates:

Monday, February 20 HS season 3 sports practice/tryouts start - boys and girls soccer, boys and girls badminton.

Monday, March 5 HS Soccer-IST V @ TIS V boys, TIS V @ IST V girls (non-league games)

Friday and Saturday, March 9-10 ACAMIS AGM March 9-10 @ NIS

Saturday, March 10 HS Soccer-ISB V @ IST V boys 12:30, ISB V vs. TIS @ IST 3:00, WAB V @ IST V boys 11:00, IST V @ WAB JV girls 11:00, IST V @ ISB blue girls 1:30

Saturday, March 10 ISAC HS Badminton-Boys @ WAB, Girls @ ISB

Saturday, March 17 HS soccer-IST V @ DSP girls 10:00, IST V @ DSP boys 10:00, IST V @ DCB boys 1:00

ISAC Elementary Badminton @ BCIS

Thursday to Saturday, March 22-24 ACAMIS Badminton @ NIS (small school)

Saturday, March 24 HS Soccer-DCB 2 @ IST varsity girls 11:00

Monday, March 26 HS soccer-TIS V @ IST V boys, IST V @ TIS V girls (league games)

Saturday, March 31 ACAMIS Track & Field Invitational @ SSIS

April 7-15 IST Spring Holiday

Friday, April 13 ISAC U19 & U14 Track & Field @ ISB

Saturday, April 14 ISAC HS Soccer Tournaments-D3 boys @ BISS, D3 girls @ BISS, D1 Girls Invitational @ WAB, D2 Girls Invitational @ ISB, D1 Boys Invitational @ DCB, D2 Boys Invitational @ BSB

Thursday to Saturday, April 19-21 ACAMIS Soccer @ ISB

Confirmation of availability for all practice and game dates:

Parent Signature _____ Student Name _____

Playing on IST sports teams requires a commitment to attend all practices and games. To operate sports teams requires many school resources - transportation, coaching, facilities, referees, etc. Unless there is an emergency, any player not attending all scheduled events may lose their privilege to participate at the discretion of the Team Coach and the Athletic Director. Students, please review the dates above with your parents and return this signed letter to your coach. We look forward to a great sports season at IST.

Yours sincerely,
Scott Fitzgerald, Athletic Director
International School of Tianjin
Cellular: 1380 213 7621



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February 2, 2012

Dear Grade 6-8 Student Athletes and Parents:

See information below regarding 2011-2012 season 3 sports at IST.

Season 3 dates: February 21- April 21

Grade 6-8 sports in season 3: Basketball and Track & Field

Competition leagues: ISAC- Beijing/Tianjin

Grade 6-8 practice dates: Tuesday/Thursday, 3:30-5:00

Practice location: IST Gym, Track & Field- IST Track

Track & Field practice will be held 2 times per week as a lunchtime activity.

Letters will be sent home to players explaining all game dates, times, and other details.

A bus will leave school after practice and will return to Ao Cheng at 5:30 p.m. as well as a smaller bus returning to Crystal City, Lake Park Ave, and Meijiang at 5:30 p.m.

Scheduled game dates are listed below:

Tuesday, February 21 MS season 3 sports practice starts-boys and girls basketball

Thursday, March 1 MS BB- U13B IST @ TIS, U14B IST @ TIS, U13G TIS @ IST, U14G TIS @ IST

Friday and Saturday, March 9-10 ACAMIS AGM March 9-10 @ NIS

Saturday, March 10 ISAC MS BB exchanges-U13 boys @DCB, U13 girls @IST, U14 D1 boys @DCB, U14 D2 boys @BCIS, U14 D1 girls @CISB, U14 D2 girls @HISB

ISAC HS Badminton-Boys @WAB, Girls @ISB

Tuesday, March 13 MS BB- U14B IST @ REGO

Tuesday, March 20 MS BB- U13B TIS @ IST, U14B TIS @ IST, U13G IST @ TIS, U14G IST @ TIS

Saturday, March 24 ISAC U12 boys and girls 3 on 3 basketball invitational tournament @CISB

Tuesday, March 27 MS BB- U14B REGO @ IST

Saturday, March 31 ACAMIS Track & Field Invitational @ SSIS

April 7-15 IST Spring Holiday

Friday, April 13 ISAC U19 & U14 Track & Field @ ISB

Saturday, April 21 ISAC MS Basketball Tournaments-U13 Boys @TIS, U13 Girls @WAB, U14 Boys Div. 1 @ IST, U14 Boys Div. 2 @TEDA, U14 Girls Div. 1 @CISB, U14 Girls Div. 2 @BSB, U12 Boys @ BCIS, U12 Girls @ BCIS

Confirmation of availability for all practice and game dates:

Parent Signature _____ Cellular phone number _____

Student Name _____ Student Signature _____

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Yours sincerely,
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Athletics Director
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Diary Dates

Wednesday-Sunday, 15-19 Feb 2012

ACAMIS Choral Music Festival , Dulwich College Beijing

Friday, 17 February 2012

Winter Formal Dance (see below for details)

Friday-Sunday, 17-19 Feb 2012

GIN (Global Issues Network) @ Manila

Thursday, 23 Feb 2012

Thursday Night Live (TNL)

Wednesday, 22 Feb 2012

MYP Personal project Due

Thursday, 8 Mar 2012 @ 5pm

Grade Four How We Express Ourselves Exhibition, held in the main Elementary foyer.

Session 3 ASA Dates

Mon, 20 Feb. 2012 – Registration DEADLINE

Fri, 24 Feb 2012 – Confirmation List of Session 3 ASAs Distributed to Students & Teachers

Mon, 27 Feb 2012 – First Day of Session 3

Fri, 4 May 2012 – Last Day of Session 3

- There will be **NO ASAs** on the week of April 7-15 (Spring Break)
- On Wed. from 2:30-3:30 the gym will be used for elementary badminton activity with non-teaching personnel

Registration for IST After School Activity (ASA) will be done on line. Please visit the following link to sign up.

<http://istianjinelearning.org/asa/>

Sports Dates

Monday, February 20 HS season 2 sports practice/tryout starts- boys and girls varsity soccer, boys and girls badminton

Tuesday, February 21 MS season 3 sports practice starts-boys and girls basketball

Thursday, March 1 MS BB- U13B IST @ TIS, U14B IST @ TIS, U13G TIS @ IST, U14G TIS @ IST

Monday, March 5 HS Soccer-IST V @ TIS V boys @#43MS, TIS V @ IST V girls (non-league games)

Friday and Saturday, March 9-10 ACAMIS AGM March 9-10 @ NIS

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Saturday, March 17 HS soccer-IST V @DSP girls 10:00, IST V @DSP boys 10:00, IST V @DCB boys 1:00 (Olympic Stadium)

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Thursday to Saturday, March 22-24 ACAMIS Badminton-@ NIS (small school)

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IST MENU



	<i>Monday</i> 2012.2.27	<i>Tuesday</i> 2012.2.28	<i>Wednesday</i> 2012.2.29	<i>Thursday</i> 2012.3.1	<i>Friday</i> 2012.3.2
<i>Main A</i>	<i>Pork Curry</i> 咖喱猪肉	<i>Beef Enchilada w/Salsa</i> 墨西哥烤牛肉卷饼	<i>Jamaican Roast Chicken</i> 牙买加烤鸡	<i>Baked Shell Pasta w/Mozzarella in Tomato Creamy Sauce</i> 斜切面奶油番茄汁	<i>Pizza (Ham, Mushroom)</i> 火腿蘑菇比萨饼
<i>Main B</i>	<i>Chicken Schnitzel</i> 炸鸡排	<i>BBQ Chicken</i> 烤鸡	<i>Sweet Sour Pork</i> 咕鲁肉	<i>Mini Chicken Ball w/ Gravy</i> 鸡肉饼配烧汁	<i>Black Pepper Chicken</i> 黑椒鸡肉
<i>Daily Starch</i>	<i>Parsley Rice</i> 米饭	<i>Fried Rice</i> 炒米饭	<i>Potato Lyonnaise</i> 洋葱炒土豆片 <i>Steam Rice</i> 米饭	<i>Fried Rice w/Seaweed and Sesame</i> 炒米饭芝麻海苔	<i>Fried Rice w/Carrot</i> 胡萝卜米饭
<i>Soup/Salad</i>	<i>Dumpling Soup (Man-Doo-Guk)</i> 韩式馄饨汤 <i>Potato Salad</i>	<i>Vegetable Barley Soup</i> 蔬菜大麦汤 <i>Garden Salad w/French Dressing</i> 蔬菜沙拉法汁	<i>Carrot Soup</i> 胡萝卜汤 <i>Couscous Salad</i> 小米沙拉	<i>Minestrone</i> 意式蔬菜汤 <i>Garden Salad w/French Dressing</i> 蔬菜沙拉法汁	<i>Mushroom Soup w/Crouton</i> 蘑菇汤 <i>Tofu Salad</i> 豆腐沙拉
<i>Hot Vegetable</i>	<i>Carrot Vichy</i> 维希胡萝卜	<i>Stir Fry Zucchini and Corn Carrot</i> 炒西葫芦玉米胡萝卜	<i>Sauteed Celery and Cherry Tomatoes</i> 炒芹菜小西红柿	<i>Ratatouille</i> 意式烩蔬菜	<i>Mix Vegetable</i> 炒什蔬
<i>Dessert</i>	<i>Fruit Cake</i> <i>Daily Fruit</i>	<i>Oatwheat Cookies</i> 饼干 <i>Daily Fruit</i>	<i>Ice Cream</i> <i>Daily Fruit</i>	<i>Strawberry Mousse</i> <i>Daily Fruit</i>	<i>Chocolate Cake</i> <i>Daily Fruit</i>
<i>Drink</i>	<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>	<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>	<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>	<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>	<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>

Main Course

Dessert

Potato

Soup

Vegetable

Set menu includes: Choice of 1 main dish from (A or B) + daily starch & hot veggie; Choice of 1 (dessert or daily fruit cut); Choice of daily soup or salad; Choice of 1 (juice, water, or yoghurt).



Name: _____

Grade: _____



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Morning Snacks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Yoghurt Fruit Cut</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Pancake Fruit Cut</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Banana Bread Fruit Cut</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Tomato Cheese Bread Fruit Cut</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Chocolate Danish Fruit Cut</i>
Set Lunch	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Steamed Pork Dumpling</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Baked Penne w/Meat Ball in Bolognese Sauce</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Roasted Meat Loaf w/Gravy Sauce</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Beef Lasagna</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Chicken Burger</i>
		<i>Potato Sticks</i>				<i>Fried Rice</i>				<i>French Fries</i>
		<i>Sweet Corn</i>				<i>Boiled Broccoli</i>				<i>Lettuce and Tomato</i>
		<i>Daily Fruit</i>				<i>Fruit and Ice Cream</i>				<i>Daily Fruit</i>
		<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>				<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>				<i>Juice/Water/Yoghurt</i>

*Morning snack offer available at 4 **rm6**, Snacks are only available for daily set lunch consumers.*

Please deadline to return the form to your classroom assistant teacher by Feb 17 (Friday)