



AIS SCHOOL VISION

For our students to become confident, capable and socially aware global citizens who contribute meaningfully to the communities in which they choose to live and work.

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Jakarta Bytes, 15th August 2025

Indonesian Independence Day Celebration

Thank you very much to our organising teachers - Ibu Ani, Pak Yohan, Ibu Nada, Ibu Fani, Ibu Agnes for planning such a marvelous celebration to recognise Indonesia's 80th year of Independence. Thank you to the P&F and parents for organising the great food for the students and to the Yayasan Board for organising lunch for our staff and visiting parents.

I was very proud of our Year 9 students who officiated at today's Flag Ceremony - they certainly did a marvelous job. I enjoyed moving around the school and seeing the students participating in a range of activities including traditional Indonesian games, flash mob and Ondel-ondel decorations.





Primary School Book Week

AIS will be celebrating Book Week next week with a range of activities planned for our students. A highlight of the week will be next Friday's Book Week Character Parade where students, staff and parents are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.



New Books

Our Teacher Librarian, Ms Lorraine, has created an eye-catching display of our latest award-winning books in the main foyer. Many of these titles are sourced from Australia, with selections guided by the Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year winners, honours, and shortlists.

We invite parents and students to stop by before or after school to explore the new arrivals. This is a great opportunity to browse these quality titles before they are returned to the library and added to our regular circulation.



Taipans Cup

Over the past few months, a group of Year 11 and 12 students have been working hard to organise next week's **Taipan's Cup** as part of their *Creativity, Activity & Service (CAS)* learning program.

The Taipan's Cup is a multi-day, multi-sport tournament for high school teams. This year, we're excited to welcome competitors from **AIS Jakarta**, other **Jakarta-based high schools**, and even visiting teams from **AIS Bali**.

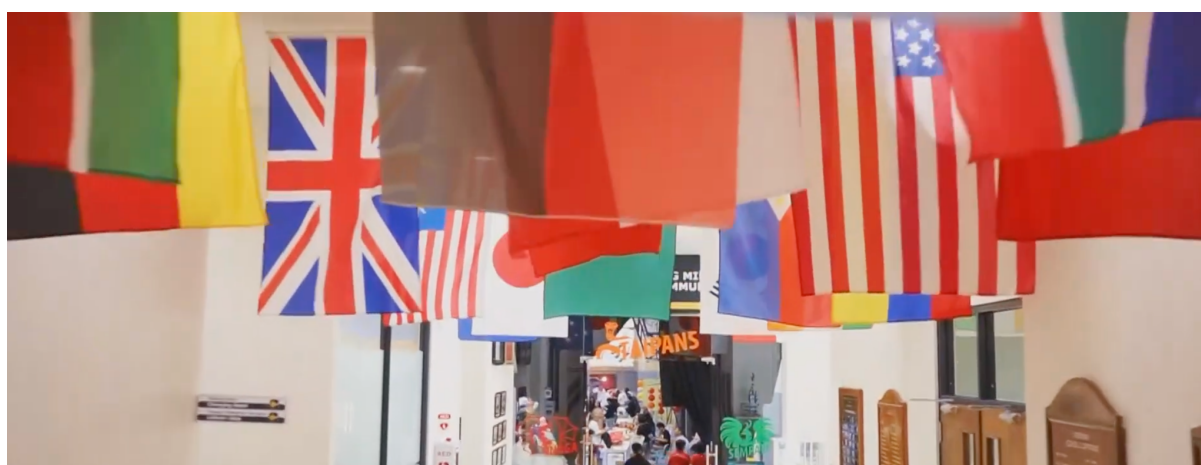
Thursday 21st August	Volleyball Day 1/1 Soccer Day 1/2
Friday 22nd August	Soccer Day 2/2 Basketball Day 1/2
Saturday 23rd August	Basketball Day 2/2

All High School Students are encouraged to wear **green** and **gold** next Thursday & Friday to show support for our teams

International Day

Please click below to see the highlight video from International Day.

<https://youtu.be/o4NNJrxkOn4>



Clothes Drive

We would like to extend our gratitude to everyone who contributed to our recent Clothes Drive for Yayasan Gemilang Indonesia, the local shelter for underprivileged children and teenagers.

Your generosity has helped fill the shelter's donation shelves, allowing them to turn these items into much-needed funds to sustain their programs, including providing informal education for teenagers who work as trash pickers. Your kindness has given them not only resources but also the encouragement to keep moving forward.

Thank you for turning compassion into action and for showing the true spirit of our school community. Together, we have made a meaningful difference. Thank you to **Ibu Atiek**, our High School Learning Support Teacher for leading this initiative



Jungle Toppings Canteen Orders

The best way to ensure your child receives their preferred meals is by pre-ordering for break and lunchtime each week. If weekly ordering isn't possible, you can still order daily—either in person at the canteen or online each morning.

[Click here](#) to pre-order for Week 6 (Tuesday 19th – Friday 22nd August)

Upcoming Events

Week 5	
Monday 11th August	AIS PS Basketball Gala Day
Friday 15th August	Indonesian Independence Day Celebration
Sunday 17th August	Indonesian Independence Day Public Holiday
Week 6	
Sunday 18th August	Indonesian Independence Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 19 - Friday 22 August	PS Book Week
Thursday 21, Friday 22 & Saturday 23rd August	Taipan's Cup. <i>HS interschool sport event run by Yr 11 & 12 CAS Students</i>
Friday 22nd August	0805. PS Book Week Assembly
Saturday 23rd August	HS Girls & Boys Senior Football vs LV & GJS @AIS
Week 7	
Monday 25 - Wednesday 27	ACER PAT Assessments

PS = Primary School. HS = High School

2025 AIS Jakarta Calendar

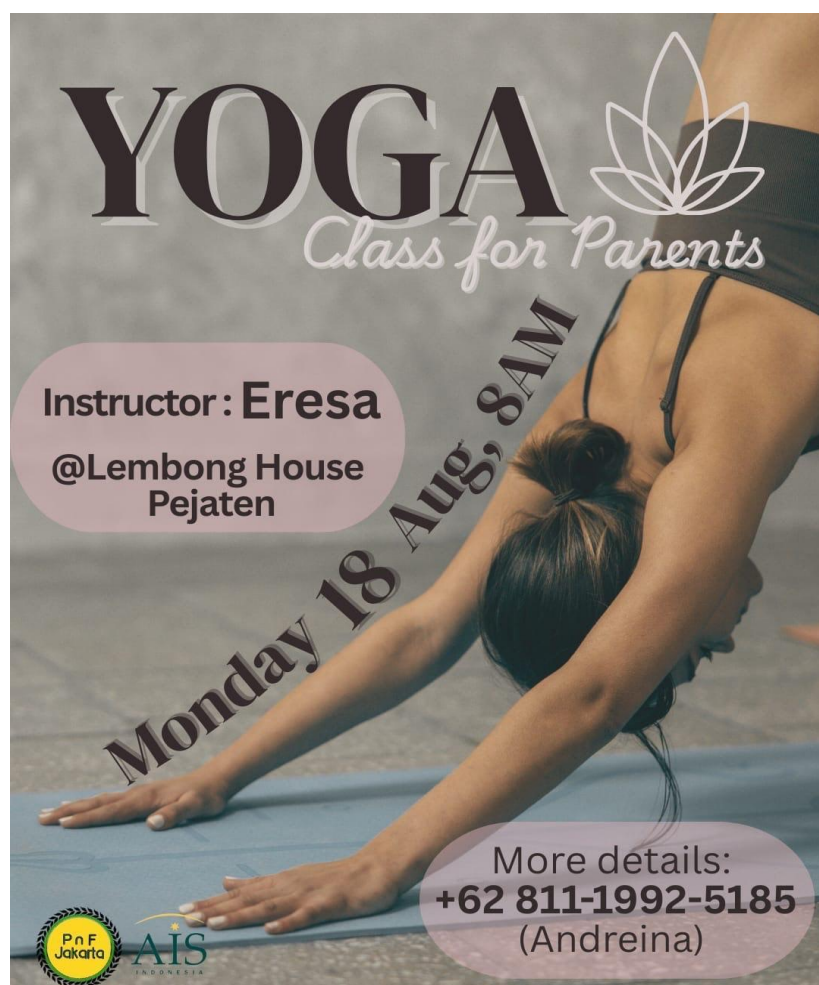
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2026 AIS Jakarta Calendar

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Craig Eldred
Principal

PnF Newsletter



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PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

What a wonderful Primary assembly today to celebrate 80 years of Indonesian independence! It was an absolutely amazing show, with a variety of performances that showcased Indonesia's incredible diversity. A huge thank you to Ibu Nada and Pak Yohan for organising such a special day for our school community.

Next week will be a short one with Monday as a public holiday, but it's also Book Week! Please make sure students have their parade costumes ready for Friday's Book Character Parade.

Tomorrow, F45 Kemang will be running a special track event at AIS. All AIS families are welcome to join, free of charge. Please bring a water bottle, towel, and yoga mat. The fun begins at 7:30 am — see you there!

Have a wonderful weekend,

Sinead Smith

Deputy Principal, Primary

Year 4

This term, our classroom has been buzzing with creativity, curiosity and collaboration. We began by stepping into the world of poetry, discovering the power of words through haikus, tankas and limericks. From playful rhymes to reflective moments, the students have been experimenting with language and learning how poetic devices shape meaning.

Meanwhile, our inquiry in HASS led us on a journey through time as we explored the lives and cultures of the First Australians. Students were fascinated by the diversity among communities and the deep connection to Country and Place that continues today.

In Maths, a burst of design energy took over as symmetry and fractions found a real-world purpose increasing our own surfboards, snowboards and skateboards. Measuring, folding, sketching and calculating, students brought maths to life through their personalised creations.

Our curiosity extended to the science lab, where we used Makey Makeys to test which materials are conductors and which are insulators. That led naturally into our technology unit, where we explored the digital world of inputs and outputs, finding connections between the tools we use every day and the systems behind them.

Collaboration has been a strong focus, with jigsaw activities giving students the chance to become experts on a topic before returning to teach it to their group. This approach transforms learners into teachers and helps build confidence and understanding.

And finally, in HASS, we used physical movement to practise historical thinking. Students stepped left or right to show whether they thought a source was primary or secondary, then explained the reasoning behind their choices.

It has been a rich and varied term, full of hands-on learning, thoughtful discussion and shared discoveries.



Mr. Cosi and Mr. Kessell

Good luck to our Scrabble Stars!

This weekend, students from both our Primary and High School campuses will compete in the first qualifying round of the National Scrabble Competition at the Bintaro Exchange Mall.

The following students will be representing AIS, Aiden, Aisyah, Dzaki, Eisai, Eoghann, Hadi, Jihan, Keano, Krishiva, Seungmin (Eric), Yunji, Yunso



We wish all our players a fantastic experience – play your best and enjoy the challenge.

Mr. Cosi

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to High School News

Our Year 9 students have spent this week getting ready for the Indonesian Independence Day celebrations that we are holding in school. Year 9 are the officers for the flag ceremony and they take this duty very seriously, understanding the importance of the ceremony and the place that it has in Indonesian culture and traditions. I would like to thank Ms Fani for preparing them so well for the ceremony and Ms Ani, Ms Agnes, the rest of the staff and the PnF and Indonesian mums for organising and supporting the day.

A group of students in Years 11 and 12 have been busy recently organising the second Taipan's Cup as their CAS project, which will take place between Thursday 21st August and Saturday 23rd August. They are organising Volleyball, Football and Basketball tournaments between our school, AIS Bali and several local schools. I'd like to wish our school teams all the best and am looking forward to enjoying the event.

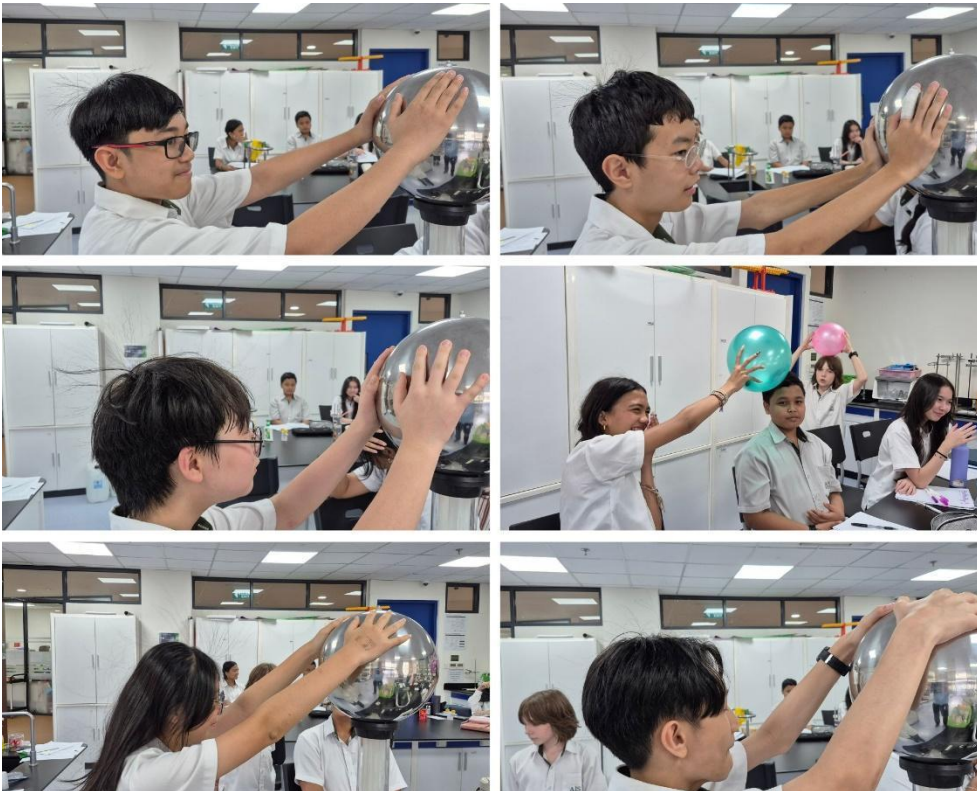
A reminder that there will be no school on Monday 18th August.

Dr Beth Ashfield
Deputy Principal and Head of High School

Year 7s



Today the Year 7s were introduced to electricity in our Science lesson. We discussed how static electricity is formed from standing charges and then explored the ideas further through our Van de Graaff generator. It literally made their hair stand up!



Mr. Mark

Poetry in Motion:

An invitation by Mr. Dave O'Shea to share my Poetry with his Year 5 class turned out to be a fun-filled session with students.

On Tuesday morning, **IB Visual Arts Teacher, Mr. Tal**, visited our **Year 5 class** to share some of his poetry. His passion for poetry was inspiring and helped our students learn about **free-form writing**. He showed them that **poetry doesn't have to rhyme all the time** and **encouraged them to be more observant** in their surroundings and to **draw inspiration** from their **personal experiences**.

Mr. David O'shea

Y5 Homeroom & English Teacher



It was fun hanging out with Year 5- sharing some of my poetry and **reading to a young audience**. We discussed the poems together. After each one, students were asked what they thought it was about and if they could identify any poetic devices being used. It was a fun, interactive session, and I'm happy to see Year 5 so excited about **creative writing**, thanks to **Mr. Dave's extensive experience** and **enthusiasm**.

A glimpse at one of the poems shared with Year 5:

"Island Boy"

As a youth amongst the backyard foliage
my imagination soared

I would often close my eyes tightly
and toss biscuits in the air,
and then quickly put my hands over my ears
not to hear or see anything,
as I literally believed that I was feeding God

Amongst the greenery there was a comfort
beyond the shade

Amongst the greenery, there was an energy to appreciate
without the urge to steal it out of necessity

TalRick
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Thank You,

Mr. Tal

IB Visual Arts Teacher

AIS Muay Thai Success!

Huge congratulations to Zalan (Year 11) and Emma (Year 11) for their amazing performances at the South Jakarta Muay Thai competition on Saturday 9th August at the Pertamina Arena, Simprug.

Zalan won his fight in the second round, and Emma gained a well-deserved draw. Both showed incredible skill and determination.



A big thank you to their CCA coach, Maria, for her guidance and support

Ms. Linzi

JHS - Scrabble Tournament 2025

The following middle school students will be representing AIS in the upcoming **Middle School** Scrabble Tournament:

Eoghann (8), Aiden (8), Yunji (8) and Keano (8)

These students are looking forward to an enjoyable and rewarding experience. This past weekend they willingly participated in an **Online** Briefing & Coaching via Zoom. This helped prepare them to understand the procedure and rules of the tournament.

Key Dates & Venue

The tournament will take place at: Main Atrium, Bintaro Jaya Xchange Mall 2

- Middle School Qualifier: Sunday, 17 August 2025.
- Middle School Grand Final: Sunday, 24 August 2025.

We wish them the best of luck.

Ms. Jill



TAIPANS CUP Update

Our upcoming **Taipans Cup** tournament is now only two weeks away! This dynamic tournament, featuring 3 sports football, basketball and volleyball, will be held on August 21st to 23rd of August. We have around 15 different schools joining the tournament including AIS Bali!

This event is not only a great opportunity for our students to showcase their athletic talents, but also to foster teamwork, sportsmanship, and school spirit.

We encourage all parents to come and support our young athletes. Your encouragement means the world to them and greatly contributes to their motivation and performance. There will be food and drink on sale on Thursday - Saturday for you to enjoy.

Here is the current schedule of events:

Girls Volleyball - all day Thursday in the North campus MPC

Girls and Boys Football - Thursday (round robin games) on the field and Friday (semi-finals / finals) on the field

Girls and Boys Basketball - Friday (round robin games) in the South campus MPC and Saturday (semi-finals/ finals) in the South campus MPC

Another exciting moment of the Taipans Cup tournament is that our AIS Jakarta mixed touch team will play a friendly match against AIS Bali on Saturday.

To make this event possible, we have sought sponsorships. We would like to thank those parents whose companies have generously agreed to sponsor this event. This includes the following companies:

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at the Taipans Cup!

Warm Regards

Taipans Cup Committee

Cisarua Visit

Last Wednesday, Miss Katrina took Mackenzie and Charlotte Ash as well as Tahlia to the Cisarua Refugee School to hold a workshop for four classes, year four, five six and senior years, on study techniques and how to properly revise what you learn in school.



We were warmly welcomed into their assembly and joined the morning exercise routine. We met all of the teachers, who shared how long they had been at the school. Many were former students who returned to teach after graduating, with the youngest only 18 years old. While none hold formal teaching qualifications, their passion for education is unmistakable.



The day highlighted two CAS projects: Tahlia's penpal initiative and Mackenzie and Charlotte's project on teaching study skills to help students improve their learning. Our school also donated stationery for use in the penpal program, and the three girls enjoyed reuniting with their penpals. Charlotte and Mackenzie led four consecutive study skills sessions, from Grade 4 through to the senior students. The sessions were lively and interactive, with students eager to learn and contribute ideas.

It was an inspiring and rewarding day that strengthened the bond between our communities. We left with new insights, great memories, and excitement for our next visit.

Ms. Katrina

AIS Jakarta University and Career Fair 2025

Dear Parents and Friends of AIS Jakarta,

We warmly invite you to take part in our University and Career Fair on **Wednesday, 3 September, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM** in the MPC, South Campus.

This event gives our students a valuable opportunity to explore a wide range of career paths and university options. We are seeking volunteers from our school community to serve as ***career or vocational guides/representatives***—sharing personal insights and experiences about your profession or vocational field.

You don't need to be an "expert"—just someone willing to speak about your work, answer students' questions, and offer a window into the realities of your field. Every profession is welcome and valued—whether in the public or private sector, NGO, trades, creative arts, corporate world, small business, healthcare, education, engineering, homemaking, or beyond. Our students will benefit greatly from hearing many different stories and perspectives.

We will provide: a table with your name/career area displayed, plus tea and coffee.

Students may ask questions such as:

- What is a ... and what does the role involve?
- How does one enter this career?
- What do you enjoy most about your work?
- Are there challenges in this field of work?
- Which skills, subjects, or qualifications are useful?
- Where did you go to study?

If you are able to volunteer—or know someone who could—please complete this [form](#) to sign up.

Thank you for helping our students discover and dream about their future.

Warm regards,

Jeremias Sampang, Jr.
University and Careers Counsellor

