

Introducing the *IAS Weekly* ¡Todo acerca del nuevo periódico escolar!

What makes our school so unique and special? I found myself asking that very question my first day here at IAS. Besides the occasional foreign students and the use of English as the main means of communication, what truly struck me was the sense of unity as both students and educators, and members of our local community. Never in my life had I seen Seniors and 7th Graders teaming up and talking about music, college, exchanging advice (yes, both ways!) or sharing food. Never had I seen an entire high school unite to create a Model UN conference that would make those in New York jealous, and reach out to other schools, other states, and even other continents. Most of those awesome in-school activities like *independencia*, Drama Fest, Coffee Poetry House, etc, wouldn't be possible without the help of all students and teachers involved. We are a proactive institution. We wanted a Japanese elective? Check. How about having a student council with elections and all? We got it. And we don't limit ourselves to the school. The amount of help we offer to schools in need, to animal shelters, to recycling programmes, besides being extremely good for our community, makes us compassionate, mature and understanding members of society. So as the amazing school we are, we deserve a newspaper, a place to put events, ideas or opinions out there in a casual, secure format. As always this wouldn't be done without the much-needed, much-welcomed help of Miss Ale, and the blood, tears and sweat of all of us in the Journalism elective. We'll keep in touch with you!

On behalf of the Journalism team, *Lollo*.

¿Qué hace de nuestra escuela tan única y especial? Me hacía esa misma pregunta mi primer día en IAS. Además de los estudiantes internacionales y el amplio uso del inglés como la *lingua franca*, lo que en verdad me impactó fue el sentido de unidad, tanto de maestros como estudiantes, y como miembros de nuestra comunidad local. Nunca antes había visto a *Seniors* y alumnos de 7mo juntarse para simplemente hablar de música, la universidad, aconsejarse, o compartir comida. Nunca antes había visto a toda una prepa unirse para crear un Modelo de las Naciones Unidas (MUN) que no le tiene nada que envidiar al de Nueva York, y hacer que llegue a otras escuelas, estados e incluso otros continentes. La mayor parte de los eventos escolares que le dan fama a la escuela no serían posibles sin la cooperación de estudiantes y alumnos. Somos una institución proactiva. ¿Queríamos un elective de japonés? Hecho. ¿Qué tal suena un consejo estudiantil, con elecciones y cargos y todo? También es un hecho. Y no nos limitamos a los artísticos muros de la escuela, sino que la ayuda que le damos a escuelas de bajos recursos, refugios animales, y a programas de reciclaje, nos hace estudiantes empáticos, maduros y miembros sensibilizados de la sociedad. Siendo la increíble comunidad que somos, merecemos un espacio para poner nuestros eventos, opiniones e ideas de forma casual y segura. Nada de esto sería posible sin el apoyo de Miss Ale, y la sangre, lágrimas y sudor de todo el equipo de Journalism. ¡Nos mantendremos en contacto!

De parte del equipo de Journalism, *Lollo*.

Meet Your New President and Vice-President!

This week at IAS we held the 2017-2018 elections for President and Vice-President of the school. It's a tradition to elect two major school representatives that become head of the Student Council so they can organise and create events throughout the year, and mainly to hear the voice of the IAS students. The candidates who ran for the presidency were Alejandro Lara from 11th grade, who



Official propaganda from Lara and Murillo

was last year's VP, promising to accomplish his proposals along side with his partner Pablo Murillo who was running for vice president. Our second candidate for the presidency was the Senior Miguel Estrada, it's his last year at IAS and was the potential competitor of Alejandro Lara for the presidency. There were only two candidates who ran for president, but the vice presidency was fought between three Seniors, Roberta Estrada, Carolina Solis, and Melissa Soto. Each promised different changes to the school, Melissa Soto promised an artistic movement at the school alongside the expression of the student creativity. Carolina Solis wanted more females to participate in school politics, and Roberta Estrada wanted more privileges to the small vegan community of the school. All candidates had big ideas and some shared the same proposals like the implementation of a system where parents don't occupy the parking lot spaces for only less than an hour when there are parent meetings, so students don't need to go to the outside parking which causes them to arrive late to class. So, who are this year's leaders of the school and Student Council? Speeches were held on Wednesday and students got to vote almost immediately, and the victory was for Alejandro Lara and his partner Pablo Murillo, President and Vice-President respectively. It was a major defeat to the Seniors who lost the opportunity to become leaders of the school because it's their last year at IAS. The leadership conference will be held on Saturday 9th so the winners can meet the new Student Council team. Congratulations to our first Junior President and Vice president, we'll keep up with your campaign promises!

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Parents' Night!

On August 31st Parents' Night took place at IAS. In this event students and parents have the opportunity to get introduced and get to know their kids' teachers. Every year is a tradition for parents to come in the afternoon and have a great time. This is a chance for teachers to know the parents of their students and get to know them a little bit better. As every year this activity brings a lot of fun, and great quality time. Do not worry if this year your parents could not attend, you will have a future opportunity for them to enjoy knowing your teachers. As always parents went to each room that their kids go to normally in their school day schedules. Parents stay for a little period of time at each classroom and have time to ask the teachers questions and how their classes are planned. After the classes the teachers, parents and a few students were able to enjoy a little buffet.

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Callejón del lienzo



La vida es un lienzo, qué metáfora tan compleja, ¿no? Tenemos la oportunidad de escribir y pintar lo que nos rodea, lo que nos hace a nosotros y la esencia que el mundo percibe de uno mismo. Este es un callejón, una sección por la que casi nadie pasa pero con una diferencia, los que pasen por este camino serán artistas. Está es la primera edición del Callejón del Lienzo, una sección donde el talento artístico de IAS podrá ser expuesto pero más importante apreciado por la comunidad escolar. Fotografía, pintura, dibujo, poesía y literatura son algunos de las artes que serán reconocidas aquí, en este callejón, está comunidad. La escuela es un lugar para desarrollar el intelecto pero el talento no debe de ser olvidado.

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NHS Initiation



Left to right: Andrea Delgado, Paola Carillo, Maguire Mount, Marina de la Mora, Astrid Ordaz

The National Honor Society is a club here at IAS which is formed by extraordinary people committed to help the society and the school. NHS consists of four pillars: leadership, service, character and scholarship. Every year, new members are selected to enter this club. They are selected due to their grades, leadership skills, dedication to the school, school spirit, and teacher's recommendations. At the beginning of the year white envelopes were seen in the hands of some students. Envelopes that as simple as they seemed represent a key to change. An opportunity given to you by the school to make a change here at school and outside. This year 13 students were invited to be part of NHS. For the first time in several years one of the letters was declined, and even though we respect the decision taken, being in NHS is an honor, and so is being invited to be a part of it. Getting the invitation does not mean you are part of NHS it is just one step closer to get in. Selected members should write a speech that impress the School Board, and then they will be told the verdict.

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Congrats to:

Adi Stern, Alejandra, Andrea Cala, Andrés, Eleonora, Julieta González, Liat Salame, Mariela Escalante, Marina de la Mora, Maya Goebel, Natasha Berron, Valeria Nuñez

for being admitted into NHS!

