

INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN SCHOOL OF
WARSAW

19 TO 23 OCTOBER 2026

In The Loop

This week at IAS

“Thank you, as always, for
your continued support and for
being part of our community.”



Christopher Uden
Principal

Thank you to our teachers



A Teachers' Day thank-you from our students to the people who teach, encourage and support them.

Watch the Teachers' Day film

Before the next school day

- **Timetable**

Check your child's updated class schedule in Community Zone.

- **Wednesday**

Evacuation practice will take place in both buildings on 21 October.

- **Clubs**

The revised club timetable is included below. Monday pick-up for D12 students is from D18.

- **Dates to keep**

Halloween: 30 October. Mid-semester reports: 12 November.

Please check the updated lesson timetable

A few lesson times have changed for next week. The updated timetables are available in the Community Zone. Please check your child's class schedule before Monday.

[Open the family Community Zone](#)

Evacuation practice on Wednesday

Both buildings will practise evacuation on **Wednesday, 21 October**. If the weather is poor, students will be allowed to take their coats with them.

Supervised shop visits at lunchtime

All lunchtime visits to nearby shops must be supervised. They are for students who need to buy an essential item, not for browsing or social visits. Students should eat their main lunch at school before joining the group whenever possible, and only join if they intend to make a necessary purchase.

The week ahead

Monday

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- Updated lesson timetable in Community Zone.
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Tuesday

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- Book fair.
 - Lunchtime: student football tournament, Grades 6 to 12.
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Wednesday

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- Evacuation practice in both buildings.
 - CAS trip, Grades 11 and 12.
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Thursday

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- Theatre trip, Grades 9 and 10.
 - CAS trip, Grades 11 and 12.
 - Lunchtime: student football tournament, Grades 6 to 12.
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Friday

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- CAS trip, Grades 11 and 12.
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A message from Mr Uden

Dear IAS Community,

The last week has brought many changes with the new arrangements in place with site access. I know that some of these changes have complicated life at school, particularly for our students in older grades. However, I am really grateful to all of the students for their understanding and cooperation. As we continue with our monthly theme of respect, I have been appreciative of the many members of our community that have managed to discuss the difficulties they have faced with these changes in a respectful manner.

Next week we have some changes that will be made to the timetable of lessons. Please make sure that you check the updated timetables, details about this below. Also, in the coming weeks we will be having Halloween celebrations and the mid-semester reports which will be sent out on **12 November**. As such we are now entering a busy time at school where there will be activities organized and assessments taking place.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for being part of our community.

Best regards,
Christopher Uden

Students test a package that keeps samples cool



During the IB Diploma Programme Collaborative Science Project on 15 and 16 October, physics, chemistry and biology students worked together to design an inexpensive insulated package. It had to keep biological samples cool during transport without electricity.

The chemistry team compared three salt-and-ice mixtures to find the best coolant. The physics team then tested five packages with different insulation and cooling arrangements. Each contained a sealed flask of potato catalase extract prepared by the biology team.

After a simulated journey, the biology students checked whether the enzymes were still active. The teams shared their findings, analysed the measurements and drew a joint conclusion.

Halloween on Friday, 30 October

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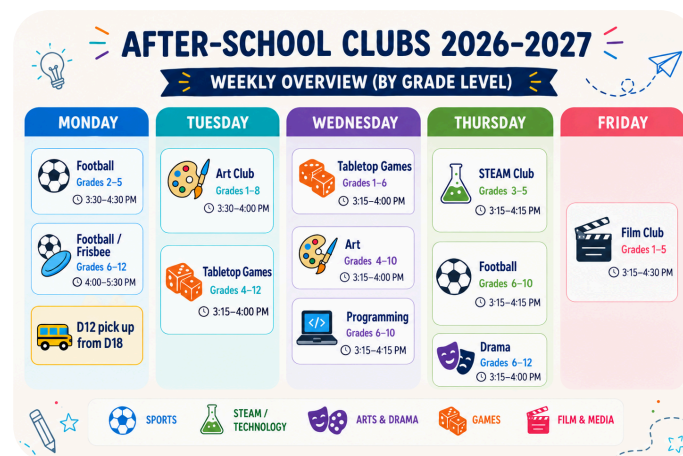
Students in **Grades 6 to 10** will visit themed classrooms for the Trick-or-Treat Passport Challenge. They will complete games and challenges prepared by their peers, using their personalised passports and earning sweet rewards along the way.

The afternoon will include a Halloween disco and a costume competition for students and staff.

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Classroom decorations begin next week. On 30 October, regular lessons will be replaced by Halloween activities: a disco in the D18 cafeteria, films, pumpkin decorating, trick-or-treating, games and a costume competition. Students are invited to prepare their costumes.

Revised after-school clubs schedule



The revised schedule is below. On Monday, D12 students are collected from D18.

Monday

Football: Grades 2 to 5, 15:30 to 16:30

Football / Frisbee: Grades 6 to 12, 16:00 to 17:30

Tuesday

Art Club: Grades 1 to 8, 15:30 to 16:00

Tabletop Games: Grades 4 to 12, 15:15 to 16:00

Wednesday

Tabletop Games: Grades 1 to 6, 15:15 to 16:00

Art: Grades 4 to 10, 15:15 to 16:00

Programming: Grades 6 to 10, 15:15 to 16:15

Thursday

STEAM Club: Grades 3 to 5, 15:15 to 16:15

Football: Grades 6 to 10, 15:15 to 16:15

Drama: Grades 6 to 12, 15:15 to 16:00

Friday

Film Club: Grades 1 to 5, 15:15 to 16:30

Grade 3 discovers how muscles work in pairs

Grade 3 built model arms from cardboard, two elastic bands, a pin and staples. Bending and straightening the models helped them see how the biceps and triceps work together.

When an arm bends, the biceps contract and shorten while the triceps relax and lengthen. When it straightens, the roles reverse. The models demonstrated why muscles work in pairs: they can pull, but they cannot push.

Grade 4's surprise for Ms Julia



Grade 4 planned a Teachers' Day surprise for their homeroom teacher, Ms Julia. They decorated the classroom with balloons and confetti, brought snacks to share and presented her with gifts.

Class President Zainab said the class was very grateful to Ms Julia and happy to have her as their homeroom teacher.

Grade 11 joins Grades 3 and 4



For Teachers' Day, Grade 11 students Platon, Lev and Kiril spent a lesson with Grades 3 and 4.

School meals



Meal selection from our catering partner; illustrative photograph.

Complete your catering details

If you choose school catering, please register or sign in to the IAS iKuchnia panel and complete your details and your child's details. For siblings, use "Add child" in the same account. Then choose the dates and meals, press "Order" to confirm, and arrange payment under "Balance" → "Pay". Creating an account alone does not order lunch. Please arrange any allergies or special diets directly with the kitchen through iKuchnia.

[Complete details and order meals](#)

School transport



The Little Monsters school transport fleet.

Register your interest in school transport

If your family needs school transport, please complete the transport interest form with your contact details, your child's name and grade, pick-up area and the journeys you need. Please direct transport questions to Michael Ceesay through the school office. The form is an expression of interest; availability, fees and the service agreement are confirmed with the provider.

[Complete the transport form](#)

We're building IAS Online

We're actively developing IAS Online, a school system for families, students and staff. It will bring student information, timetables, attendance, assignments, learning materials and school messages together in one place.

Work is under way, and we'll share more as it takes shape.

Recommend IAS to another family

If you know a family looking for a school, please put them in touch with our admissions team. The IAS referral programme offers a **2,000 PLN tuition credit** for an eligible new-family referral.

The new family must give the referring parent's name at **first contact**, before submitting application documents. This is separate from the sibling discount. Please check the [referral terms](#) or contact admissions@ias.edu.pl.

Welcome back to IAS

Our student social media team made this short film to welcome everyone back to school. Take a look at life at IAS through their eyes.



[Watch the students' YouTube Short](#)

Safety guidance for families and staff

We have condensed the ministry's pupil guides into short English and Polish PDFs for families. Staff resources also include a summary of Warsaw's crisis-response guide. The original documents are available alongside each summary.

[Resources for parents](#) · [Resources for teachers](#)

Life at IAS

If you would like to see IAS through the years, this two-minute film brings together classroom life, sport and graduations from 2024, 2025 and 2026.



[Watch Life at IAS](#)

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