

The Pelican Brief

3rd October 2025



Dear PYP Parents,

We've glided seamlessly into the month of October, which means have two significant events rapidly approaching on the horizon.

Celebration of Learning:

We are excited to invite parents to our first Celebration of Learning for the year on **Friday 17th October**. Students will be sharing their learning experiences with parents, family, and friends from their first Unit of Inquiry. The morning will follow a regular school schedule with the class presentations being held in the afternoon. Students are welcome to leave with their parents at the conclusion of their presentation.

We warmly welcome all family members and friends to attend and support the students as they showcase their learning journey for UoI #1. Please see below for the schedule for the day:

| Time | Classes presenting | |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1.00 - 1.30pm | PYP 1&2 | PYP 3 |
| 1.30 - 2.00pm | PYP 4 | PYP 8 |
| 2.00 - 2.30pm | PYP 5 | PYP 6 |
| 2.30 - 3.00pm | PYP 7 Peggy | PYP 7 Adi |

Parent/Teacher Conferences:

Our initial P/T conference for the year is being held on **Monday 27th October**. It's an opportunity for teachers to bring you up-to-speed on your child's performance and progress over the initial six weeks of school. It's a non-teaching day for faculty so students do not attend school.

Conferences are 25 minutes in duration. Additional meeting time can be scheduled with the teacher for another day if necessary. Specialist teachers are available for 15 minute conferences but please note they are unavailable during parts of the day due to Secondary School commitments.

You can reserve a specific meeting time using the link below. Please type your child's first name in the schedule. For bookings with Specialist teachers please refer to the second page of the sign-up schedule:

[Parent/Teacher Conf. sign-up](#)

We look forward to welcoming parents on campus to both of these important events.

All the best for the weekend.

Regards,
Rob Fuller
Head of Primary

Important Dates

- October 11:** PTA Social event - *'Lime at Lancaster'*
- October 17:** Celebration of Learning
- October 18-26:** School closed for mid-term break
- October 27:** Parent/Teacher Conferences 7.30am-3.30pm; no classes
- October 28:** Classes resume
- October 31:** Halloween Dress-up Day
- November 20:** PTA Pizza Day
- December 1:** Independence Day National Holiday (school closed)
- December 5:** Christmas concert
- December 12:** Final day of school



A Global Community (Part 2)

Once again we're shining a spotlight on the incredible cultural diversity within our school community. This week we're proud to celebrate the varied homelands and heritage of the students in Mr. Adi's PYP 7 class. From near and far, each student brings a unique story and background that helps shape a vibrant learning environment throughout the school.

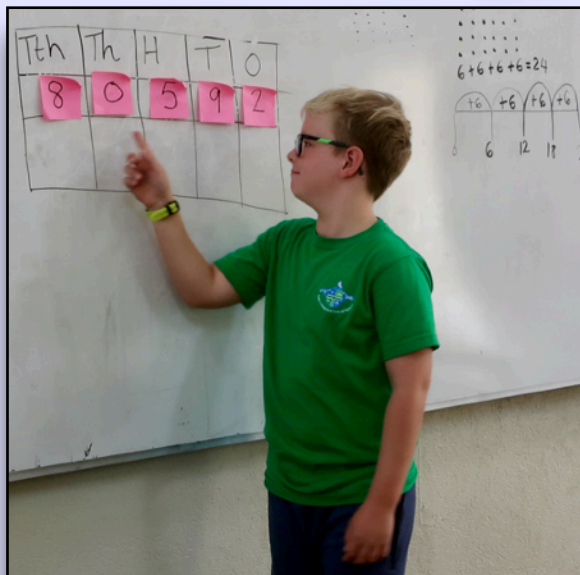


Survival in the Gully

Ms. Bec's PYP 6 class visited Welchman Hall Gully on Monday to further connect with their Unit of Inquiry on Exploration. The students assumed the role of explorers shipwrecked on the east coast and were challenged to find shelter, water, food, and medicinal plants in a survival scenario. They were given the task of identifying natural materials that could be used to build an overnight shelter capable of withstanding wind, rain (and cranky green monkeys!). Teamwork and collaboration came to the fore as students worked in groups to problem-solve, communicate ideas & make collective decisions. The results were admirable, albeit a little breezy!



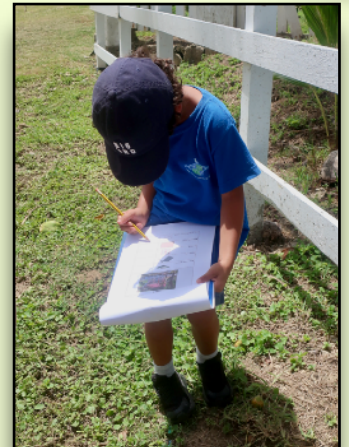
Around campus this week





Chasing Chattels

On Tuesday Ms. Carla's PYP 1&2 class set off on their first field trip of the school year, an exciting expedition to Bathsheba. Aligned with their Unit of Inquiry on 'Homes', our youngest inquirers were on a mission to discover and identify traditional Chattel houses. As they journeyed around the foreshore area, the students tested their observation skills, pointing out key architectural features such as steep gabled roofs, shutters & louvres, central doors, and elevated foundations. It was a hands-on, real-world learning experience that brought their classroom inquiry to life and help them deepen their understanding of these iconic Bajan dwellings.



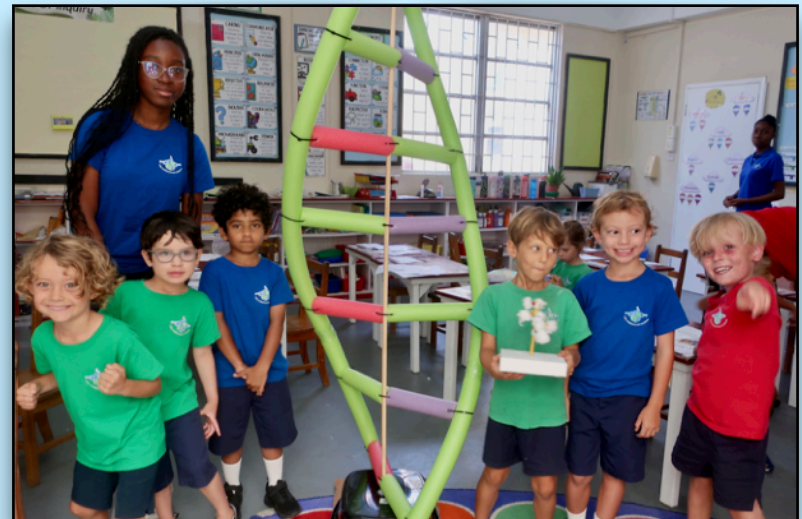
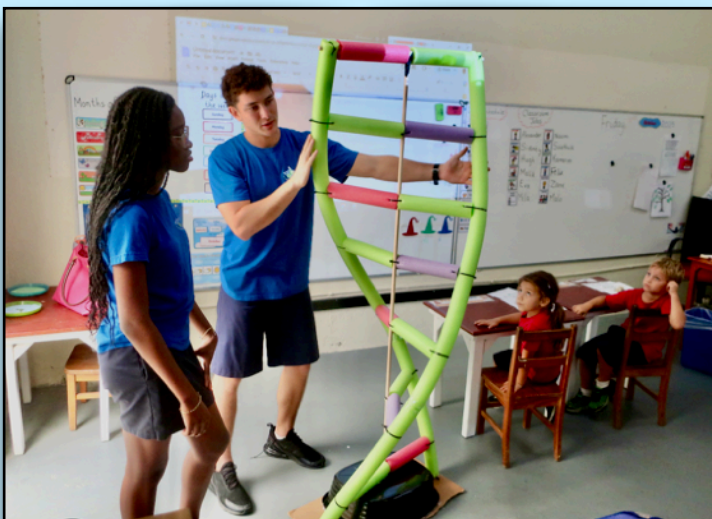
Shaped by History

On Wednesday Ms. Barbara's PYP 8 students visited the Barbados Museum in Bridgetown as part of their Unit of Inquiry into how the past shapes our present and future. During their visit, students explored significant events in Barbados' history, including the transatlantic slave trade, the development of the sugar cane industry, and other major historical achievements that have helped shape the island's identity. Through interactive exhibits and thoughtful discussions, the class reflected on how these historical events continue to influence life in Barbados today. As part of their inquiry, students will also examine the current goals of the Barbadian government and how these are connected to the country's historical journey.



Double Helix

As part of their Unit of Inquiry on 'Families', Ms. Renee's PYP 3 class welcomed two special guest speakers on Friday from within our own student body. Secondary school students Dylan and Anne visited the class to share their knowledge and recent work on genetics from their DP1 Biology class. They brought science to life for the PYP 3s with an engaging and age-appropriate presentation, showcasing a creative DNA model made from pool noodles. The unique model helped the PYP 3 students grasp the basic function and structure of DNA in a fun and relatable way.



PYP Assembly

PYP 3



PYP 5



Learner Profile Awards



Azai (PYP 5) - Thinker & Principled



Lucia (PYP 8) - Thinker & Communicator

PYP House Team Competition
Term 1
2025/2026



PYP 5 students Sydney (Elliot-Sealy), Joshua (Gooding Emtage) and Zoe (Anstey) display the progressive House Team scores at the end of Week 4.

Paz the Pelican

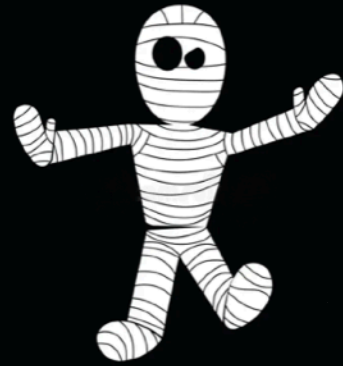
Congratulations to Ms. Judy's PYP 5 students for being named the PYP Class of the Week.



Another lap around the sun

This afternoon we jumped the gun on birthday celebrations for Nahlen Chandaria (PYP 8) who turns 10 tomorrow. We hope you have a fantastic day, Nahlen. Happy early birthday and congratulations!





Halloween Dress-up



October 31



"Lime at Lancaster"

A CODRINGTON SCHOOL PTA SOCIAL EVENT

Saturday 11th October

LANCASTER GREAT HOUSE, ST. JAMES

6:30PM

\$70 BBD per person

INCLUSIVE OF

*APPETIZER BUFFET

*LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

*WELCOME DRINK (SET SELECTION) CASH BAR TO FOLLOW

RSVP Google form by 3rd October

ADULTS ONLY

SMART CASUAL DRESS

The Codrington School, The International School of Barbados

2025-2026 School Calendar

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- School Closed
- Early Release Day (noon)
- First Day of School for DP students
- PD Professional Development Day (no school for students)
- End of Term
- First Day of School for MYP & PYP students
- Graduation

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| Aug 26- Sep 2 | Planning/Development Days |
| Sept 2 | First Day of School for DP students |
| Sept 4 | First Day of School MYP & PYP for students |
| Sept 7 | Back to School BBQ |
| Oct 20-24 | Half term - no school |
| Oct 27 | Parent/teacher Conferences (no school) |
| Dec 1 | Independence Day (national holiday) |
| Dec 13 - Jan 5 | Winter Break - no school |
| Jan 5 | Teacher Work Day (no school) |

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| Jan 21 | Errol Barrow Day (national holiday) |
| Feb 16-20 | half term - no school |
| Apr 2 | End of Term 2 (half day) |
| Apr 3- Apr 19 | Easter Break - no school |
| Apr 20 | Start of Term 3 |
| Apr 28 | Heroes day (national holiday) |
| May 1 | May Day (national holiday) |
| May 25 | Whit Monday (national holiday) |
| May 30 | Graduation |
| Jun 24 | Last Day of School (half day) |