

31st October 2025

The Pelican Brief



Dear PYP Parents,

We extend our sincere thanks to all parents who took the time to attend the Parent/Teacher Conferences on Monday. We trust that the meetings provided valuable insight into your child's progress during the first six weeks of the school year.

Regular dialogue between the teacher and parents continues to be an integral part of every child's education at Codrington. Our next Parent/Teacher conference will be held on March 20, but as always teachers are available throughout the year for conferences at the request of parents. We encourage ongoing dialogue to ensure that every student continues to thrive both academically and personally.

This week we commenced our second round of Units of Inquiry. Teachers and students threw themselves into the '*Tuning In*' and '*Finding Out*' phases of the Inquiry Cycle. The new Units are:

PYP 1&2: Stories

PYP 3: Local History

PYP 4: Personal Health

PYP 5: Living Things - Environment

PYP 6: Forces

PYP 7: Human/Animal Conflict

PYP 8: Forces

Halloween brought a burst of creativity to the end of our week, with an eclectic mix of skeletons, witches, super heroes, princesses and ninjas roaming around campus today. As always, the creativity and imagination from our students ensured the day was filled with plenty of fun and laughs. Thank you to everyone for joining in and helping make the day a memorable one.

We have a busy six weeks ahead of us as we motor toward the Christmas break. We have lots to look forward to including the Codrington Golf Day, Independence Day celebrations, Pizza Day and of course, the big one, our Christmas Concert in the penultimate week of school. It's a full schedule, but we're ready for the challenge and excited to throw ourselves into the second half of Term 1 with our trademark verve and gusto!

All the best for the weekend.

Regards,

Rob Fuller

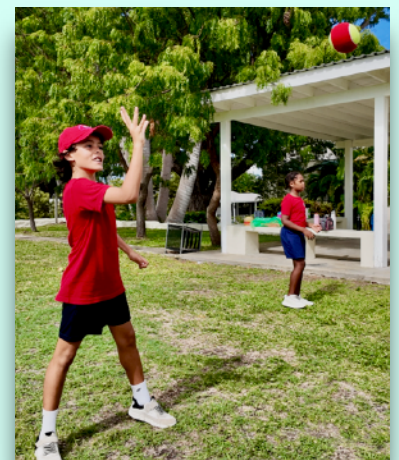
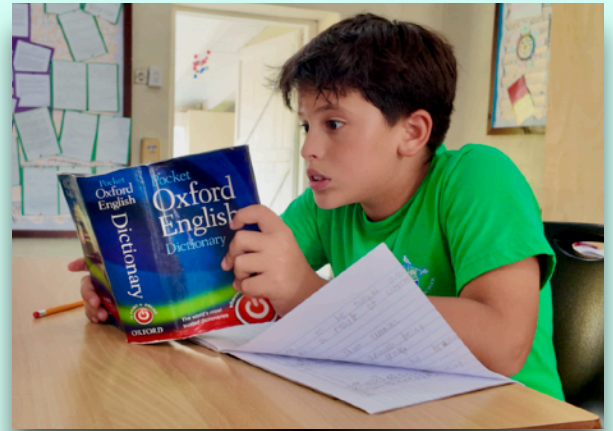
Head of Primary

Important Dates

- November 20:** PTA Pizza Day
- November 23:** Codrington Golf Day
- December 1:** Independence Day National Holiday (school closed)
- December 5:** Christmas concert
- December 12:** Final day of school
- Dec 13-Jan 5:** School closed for Christmas Holidays
- January 5:** Teacher Work Day (no classes)
- January 6:** Classes resume for students



Around campus this week





PYP 1&2: Stories

Trans-disciplinary Theme: How We Express Ourselves

Central Idea: Stories help us express ourselves

Lines of Inquiry:

1. Feelings and emotions that stories evoke
2. Features of a story
3. Creating stories

PYP 3: Local History

Trans-disciplinary Theme: Where We Are In Place
And Time

Central Idea: Local history helps us understand
where we live.

Lines of Inquiry:

- i) Children's lives now and then
- ii) Food supplies through history
- iii) Transportation now and then



PYP 4: Personal Health

Trans-disciplinary Theme: Who We Are

Central Idea: Making balanced choices about daily
routines enables us to have a healthy lifestyle.

Lines of inquiry:

1. Daily habits and routines
2. Consequences of making balanced choices
3. Our responsibility to lead a healthy
lifestyle



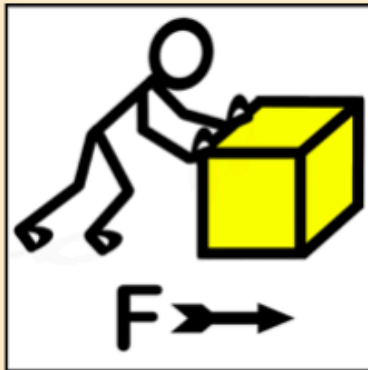
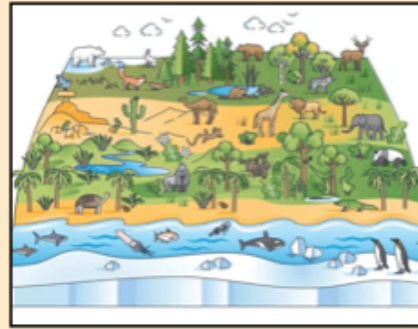
PYP 5: Living Things - Environment

Trans-disciplinary Theme: Sharing the Planet

Central Idea: Living things function, interact and adapt within their environment.

Lines of Inquiry:

- i) Healthy environments and habitats
- ii) Adaptation in living things
- iii) Habitat loss and how to prevent it



PYP 6: Forces

Trans-disciplinary Theme: How the World Works

Central Idea: People apply their understanding of forces and motion to invent, design and create

Lines of Inquiry:

- i) Different types of forces
- ii) How forces are used in mechanical inventions and structures
- iii) Environmental factors that influence the mechanical design of inventions and structures

PYP 7: Human/Wildlife Conflict

Trans-disciplinary Theme: Sharing the Planet

Central Idea: Finding peaceful solutions to conflicts, impacts human existence.

Lines of Inquiry:

- i) Reasons for conflict
- ii) Conflict resolution and management
- iii) Exploring local, regional, and global case studies of Human-Wildlife conflict



PYP 8: Energy

Trans-disciplinary Theme: How the World Works

Central Idea: Energy is produced in different ways

Lines of Inquiry:

- i) Types of energy sources
- ii) How energy is used
- iii) Conserving energy
- iv) Renewable energy

Happy Halloween







House Team History

This week we're digging into the history of Codrington to uncover the stories behind our House Teams, Anstey, Gooding-Emtage and Elliot Sealy. We discovered that the Houses are named after the four men who were instrumental in establishing the school in 1916. These founders played pivotal roles in shaping the school's direction, curriculum, and community spirit, laying a strong foundation for generations of students that followed.

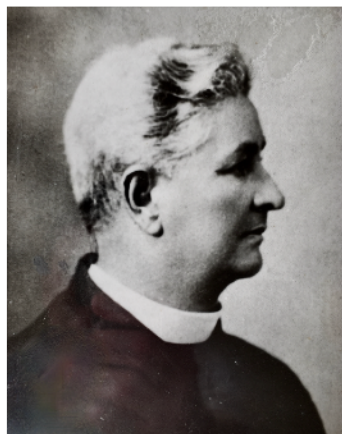


Bishop Arthur Anstey

Founder and Benefactor of the school, Anstey was the Principal of Codrington College from 1910-1918. In 1918, he was appointed Bishop of Trinidad & Tobago, a post he held for nearly three decades until 1945. In his final two years there he also served as Archbishop of the West Indies, leading the province's Anglican community. He was made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) for his services to the church and community.

Dr. C. E. Gooding

Gooding was an active member of the West India Committee, a UK-based not-for-profit organisation dedicated to improving the welfare of Caribbean people through education. He was a member of the Codrington School Committee from 1916-1927 and served as Chairman from 1925-1927.

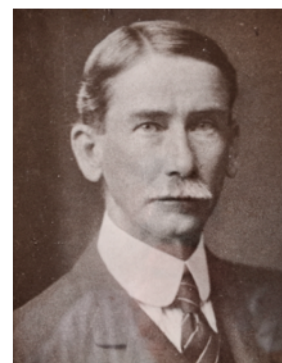


Oliver de Courcay Emtage

A former student at Harrison College, Emtage won a scholarship to England where he graduated from Oxford with First Class Honours BA in Mathematics and later earned an MA in Physics. He returned to Barbados to teach at Harrison College before being appointed headmaster of the Lodge School from 1899 to 1931. Emtage is credited with bringing British-public-school practices into a Caribbean setting, with the aim of developing both mind and body, ie. academics & sports. Emtage served on the School Committee from 1916-1930.

G. Elliot Sealy

A prominent landowner in St. John and St. Phillip, Sealy was the Barbados representative at the British Empire Exhibition in London in 1924. He was a member of the Codrington School Committee from 1917-1925.



Inter-school Swimming Championships

Next week our Codrington 'Super Fish' will be representing the school at the Inter-school Swimming Championships. Win, lose or draw were very proud of the group and hope they have a great meet, swimming personal bests and enjoying the experience amongst elite competition. Good luck team!

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| Rosemary Jackson | - Freestyle, Backstroke |
| Kiran Vasani | - Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke |
| Eloise Ferguson | - Freestyle, Backstroke, 2 x relays |
| Valentina Manger | - Freestyle, 1 x relay |
| Alexa King | - Breaststroke, 1x relay |
| Lucia Trinchieri | - Backstroke, Breaststroke, 1 x relay |
| Henry Blagrove | - Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, 3 x relays |
| Mason Mulligan | - 2 x relays |
| Joshua Beckles | - Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, 3 x relays |
| Tristan Noble | - 2 x relays |
| Rio Watanabe | - Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, 1 x relay |

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| BOYS FREESTYLE RELAY | - Henry, Mason, Joshua, Tristan |
| GIRLS FREESTYLE RELAY | - Eloise, Valentina, Lucia, Rio |
| MIXED FREESTYLE RELAY | - Henry, Joshua, Eloise, Alexa |
| BOYS MEDLEY RELAY | - Tristan (Ba), Joshua (Br), Henry (Fly), Mason (Fr) |

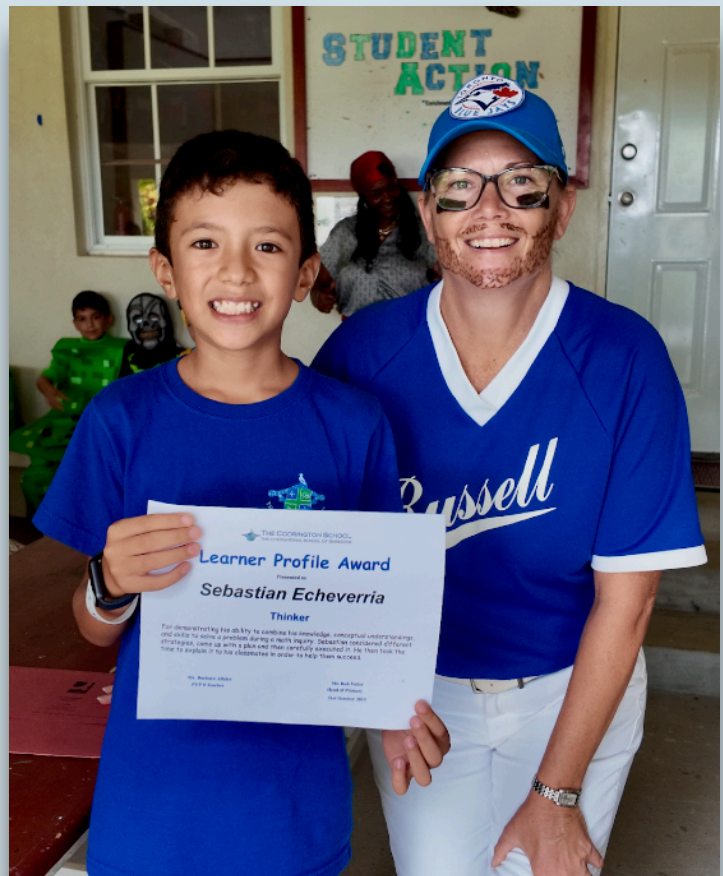


Learner Profile Awards



Navanya (PYP 7) - Caring

Sebastian (PYP 8) - Thinker



Paz Award

This week Ms. Allie's PYP 4 class were declared the PYP Class of the Week. They won the Paz the Pelican award for their super presentation and performance at the Celebration of Learning prior to mid-term break. The class also demonstrated wonderful school spirit and imagination with their inventive costumes in today's Halloween celebration.



Another lap around the sun

This week we acknowledged and celebrated the 6th birthday of Zane Mulligan from Ms. Renee's PYP 3 class. We also got in early for PYP 7 student Eloise Ferguson, who turns 10 tomorrow. Happy Birthday to you both!



PYP House Team Competition

Term 1 - 2025/2026

Elliot-Sealy: 392 points
Anstey: 366 points
Gooding Emtage: 366 points



PYP 3 students new to the school this year, Xander & Malo (**Anstey**), Naomi, Mila and Sidney (**Elliot-Sealy**) and Saathvik (**Gooding Emtage**) display the progressive House Team scores at the end of Week 7.

The Codrington School, The International School of Barbados

2025-2026 School Calendar

August 2025						
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- School Closed
- Early Release Day (noon)
- PD Professional Development Day (no school for students)
- End of Term
- First Day of School for MYP & PYP students
- First Day of School for DP students
- Graduation

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)

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)