

# Head of School Report

BOD Meeting - 20th March 2023

## 1. Substation & Newbuild update Mar 13 2023

Facilities update Cheese & Wine evening. An opportunity for the community to gain an update on progress so far on the Newbuild, see the plans and ask questions of the Project Manager and Board representatives. Attended by approx. 30 parents, our Board Members, and many staff.



## 2. This month @ VIS

- a. **Our Head of School, Ms Totty** has been on medical leave due to an operation. In her absence David Miles has stepped in as Acting Head. We wish her a swift recovery.
- b. **Admissions for 2023-24 & Re-enrollment** - Parents have been requested to re-enroll their children for the next academic year with a non-refundable deposit. This allows us to start allocating free places for September 2023.
- c. **Diversity Calendar:** Raising awareness of the roles women play and their contributions is our focus in March, kicked off by a visit from Her Excellency Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca to the Elementary School as part of their Friday Focus opening session.



- d. **Duke of Edinburgh Award** trips out - multiple staff involved in weekend treks with G9-11 students working towards their Bronze/Silver awards - an extra-curricular opportunity we have been working towards for many years.
- e. **Visit from US State Dept Representative Dr Christy Brown** - she usually visits every 2-3 years. This visit is used to confirm our association with the US State Dept which includes our ability to apply annually for a US State Department grant.
- f. **Visit by Literacy Consultant Monika Medina-Olds** to continue her professional development work with all our Elementary staff.
- g. **Secondary Parent-Teacher Conferences.**

Hybrid version - increasing accessibility for parents

- i. Good feedback re the MYP from parents
- ii. Positive response to intervention with G9/10 parents
- iii. Positive response from G7/8 parents re bullying/cyber-bullying

- h. **Repairs to MS Windows continuing.** Project taking longer than anticipated as process has to change due to complaints about the smell from students & staff - now removing windows to work on elsewhere and applying paint only on weekends.
- i. **DP Visual Art Exhibition** - culmination of 2 years of work.
- j. **AGM 2023** - Preparations are underway for the VIS Annual General Meeting to take place in the gym on 29 March 2023. This will also be offered in hybrid mode to allow parents to join from home. We will also be celebrating long-service members of staff.