

From Brian’s Desk

A Short but Busy Week!

This has been another four-day week, but it has been crammed with activity. On Monday, AISF marked Earth Day with a series of engaging activities. Then, on Wednesday, we celebrated Sierra Leone’s Independence Day with learning, birthday cake, some music and dance, and the national anthem: “Land that we love, our Sierra Leone.”





Art Exhibition: May 4 and 5

Next week we will be celebrating the work of AISF's budding artists with an art exhibition! There will be a brief opening on Thursday 4th May at 2pm here at school and teachers and students will be free to see the exhibition. Parents are also welcome at this time!

Then on Friday, we will have the exhibition open from 5pm to about 6pm for parents and relatives—and the kids of course—to drop by and see the work of our wonderful students. The PTO will be putting on some snacks and drinks for this art opening! This should be a great time for our families to come together on campus.

I hope that you enjoy the poster below created by Bemnet in Grade 6!



Important Upcoming Dates

Monday 1 st May	May Day (Labour Day): AISF Closed
Friday 5 th May	Art Exhibition at AISF
Wednesday 24 th May	Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 31 st May	Promotion Ceremony (KG to Elementary, G4 to Middle School, G8 to High School)
Friday 2 nd June	International Day @ AISF
Friday 16 th June	Final Day of School: 12 noon dismissal

Quote of the Week: *From every mountainside, let freedom ring.* Samuel F. Smith

ECC

This week was a week of celebrations!!! ECC students celebrated Salone's Independence in many different ways. They made the famous banana cake from scratch with grades 1-4 students, and we all enjoyed eating this delicious delicacy (Thanks to Ms. Kerri). On Wednesday we learned about Salone culture, music, dance, and history. Today we celebrated Kadiruna's birthday, with lots of cake, pizza, balloons, drinks, goody bags, and all good the stuff.



Grade 1-4

The Pangolins and the Chimpanzees have had a fun-filled week of learning! On Monday we celebrated Earth Day by appreciating nature around us and recycling materials to make art. On Wednesday we celebrated Independence Day by learning all about Sierra Leone. We heard interesting presentations about Sierra Leone's history, worked with the ECC to make rice akara, and enjoyed some fantastic music from our school staff. On Friday we took a trip to an Art Gallery showing Sierra Leonean art. It was very interesting and inspired our creative minds!

We also celebrated Miki's 7th birthday - have a great day Miki!





Grade 5-8 (English and Social Studies)

In Language Arts, 5/6 read chapters 7 and 8 of *The Giver*. We analyzed how Jonas's reaction to praise reveals inherent character traits of him. 7/8 read and performed Act 2 Scene 2 of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and practiced making claims of characterization.

In Social Studies, both classes learned how to calculate costs for their Entrepreneurship projects, as well as determining prices based on a 50%, 100%, and 200% markup.

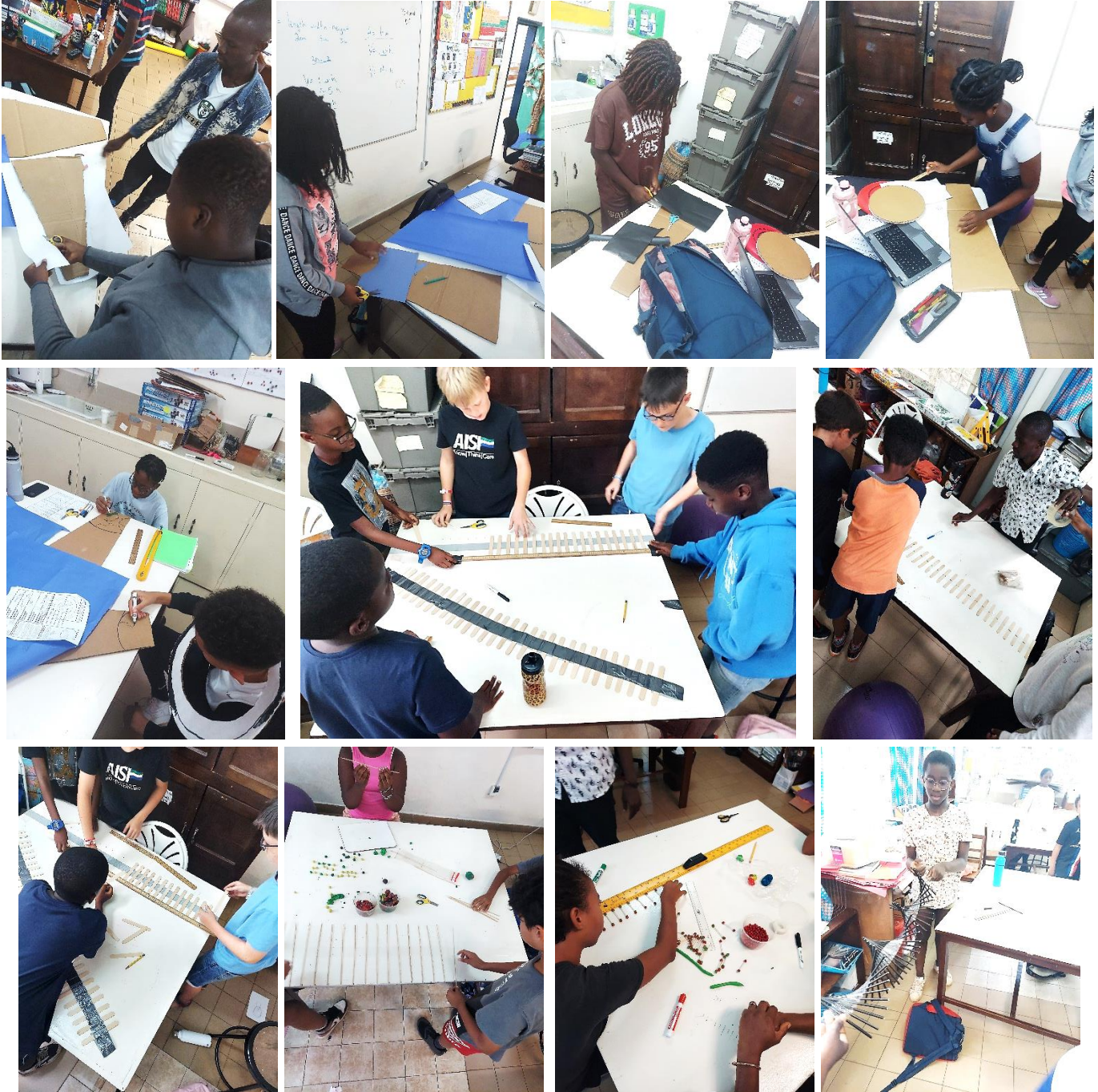


Grade 5-8 (Math and Science)

This week in Math, grade 7 and 8 learned about simple probability. Grade 6 practiced calculating area on triangles, trapezoids and composite shapes. Grade 5 learned to calculate volume using length, width and height.

In Science, grades 5 and 6 built wave machines to help learn about frequency, amplitude and wavelength. Grades 7 and 8 built models of the layers of the atmosphere.

We had a great time celebrating Earth Day on Monday of this week. Invest in our planet!



High School

It has been a short but intense week! High School students were focused on their online work, but they enjoyed the time during the activities for Earth Day or celebrating Sierra Leone's Independence Day.



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