



ST ANDREW'S
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



2025/26
SEMESTER 2
REVIEW



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INTERNATIONAL
& PROUDLY **BAHAMIAN**

Diversity

Community

Lifelong Learning

Ethics

Excellence



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians, Faculty and Staff,

First of all, thank you for the support you have shown the school this year as we worked together to get the very best out of each of our St Andrew's Hurricanes. In classrooms for lessons, on stage for performances, and on sports fields for matches and tournaments they have excelled again this year and I appreciate the partnership between home and school as we work together to challenge and support them.

This semester 2 newsletter is packed full of highlights. It could be two or three times the length that it is, such has been the varied range of colourful opportunities offered to our students over the past six months.

A particularly enjoyable aspect for me has been seeing new and returning events and opportunities. Our first 'Sports Awards Evening' was a huge success and we owe Mr Burningham and his team of coaches huge thanks for ensuring our students' athletic efforts were highlighted and celebrated. Along with our academic awards ceremonies and graduations, as well as our 'Celebration of the Arts' evening, we now make sure that our fully holistic programme takes time to recognise students' different achievements. Some incredible students received that recognition in all three areas! It was also lovely to see GGYA back with a vengeance at St Andrew's as several students completed their bronze award.

Our CIS & NEASC accreditation visit went extremely well last month (details are in this newsletter) and I want to thank the students, faculty and staff, parents, Directors and alum who gave their time to meet with them and share such positive views of our school and community.

My last thank you is for our outgoing Deputy Chair of the Board of Directors, Mr Robert Meister. A proud alum and die-hard Lucayan, Mr Meister has supported the school in more ways than I can mention here during his time on the Board. I have very much appreciated working with him and he will be a tough act to follow as the Board appoints new directors.

Have a simply lovely summer and we look forward to seeing everyone in August!

Gordon McKenzie
Principal



St Andrew's Receives Strong Endorsement from International Accreditation Visit

In May, we welcomed representatives from the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) as part of our ongoing international accreditation process. Over three days, the visiting team met with students, parents, faculty, staff, school leaders, and Board members, while also observing lessons, reviewing documentation, and evaluating every aspect of school life.

We are delighted to share that the feedback was overwhelmingly positive and recognised many of the qualities that make St Andrew's such a special community.

The visiting team highlighted the school's exceptionally strong sense of community, noting the highly positive and respectful relationships that exist throughout the campus. Students were described as happy, engaged, confident, ambitious, and proud of their school. The team was particularly impressed by the way our values are lived daily by students and staff and by the strong sense of belonging experienced across the community.

The report praised St Andrew's commitment to student well-being, describing a deeply embedded culture of care, kindness, and support that is consistently experienced by students and recognised by parents and staff alike. The visitors noted the school's strong safeguarding practices, effective admissions and transition programmes, and the positive impact of initiatives such as Thrive and Learning Support in helping students flourish academically and personally.

Teaching and learning also received strong commendation. Visitors observed excellent relationships between teachers and students, high levels of student engagement, effective inquiry-based learning, and a culture that encourages curiosity, confidence, creativity, and collaboration. They praised the professional expertise of our faculty and the wide range of opportunities available to students both inside and outside the classroom. The school's commitment to sustainability was recognised repeatedly throughout the report. Particular attention was given to the success of our solar farm project, environmental initiatives, and recycling programmes, which were cited as examples of meaningful leadership and community engagement.

The visitors also acknowledged the significant improvements made to our facilities in recent years, including campus enhancements, upgraded learning environments, and investments that directly support student well-being. They commended the Board of Directors and school leadership for maintaining a strong balance between strategic vision and operational effectiveness while ensuring the school's long-term sustainability.

In their concluding remarks, the accreditation team recognised St Andrew's long and proud history, its strong academic reputation, its commitment to inclusion, and its clear dedication to student voice and student agency. They described the school as having both the capacity and the drive to continue advancing its ambitious goals. The team specifically noted the professionalism, commitment, and positivity of our faculty, support staff, students, parents, leadership team, and Board members. As with all accreditation visits, the team also identified areas where we can continue to grow. These recommendations focus on strengthening strategic planning processes, gathering even more community feedback, enhancing visibility of student destinations and learner outcomes, further developing campus facilities, and continuing our work in areas such as artificial intelligence and future-focused learning. These are not areas of concern but opportunities to build on an already strong foundation and ensure that St Andrew's continues to evolve and improve.

The visiting team concluded by thanking the entire St Andrew's community for its openness, energy, and commitment to excellence. We are grateful to our students, parents, faculty, staff, leadership team, and Board of Directors for the role they played in this successful accreditation milestone.

The report affirms what many of us experience every day: St Andrew's is a caring, ambitious, internationally-minded learning community that remains committed to continuous improvement and to providing an exceptional educational experience for every student.

Caption: Paul Topping, CIS School Support and Evaluation Officer, and Sheila Escobedo de Morales, NEASC evaluator, visited St Andrew's between 13th and 15th May, 2026. Pictured here with the St Andrew's leadership team.

GGYA

Highlights



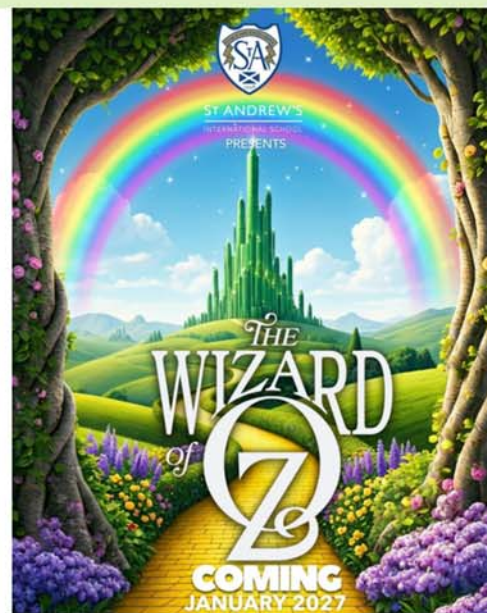
This semester, our Governor General's Youth Award (GGYA) participants had the excitement of their 'Adventurous Journey' camping trips, following several months of training. They took part in a two-day hiking and camping practice expedition in January to prepare for their assessed qualifying three-day hiking and camping trip, which took place in south Eleuthera in March. Students worked in teams to navigate their pre-planned route using maps and compasses, covering between 12 and 20 kilometres each day. The St Andrew's students' teamwork, resilience and determination to complete and pass their Adventurous Journey section were commendable and all should be very proud of their efforts throughout. It was particularly impressive to witness how well all of our students helped each other along the way, all using different strengths and skills to keep themselves motivated and achieve success as a team.

This year saw a fantastic increase in numbers for GGYA involvement at St Andrew's International School. Following the success of last academic year's relaunch where we took 9 students through the programme, we had a total of 24 students successfully complete practice and qualifying expeditions this year and pass the Adventurous Journey section of the Award. An amazing accomplishment!

To achieve the full Bronze Award qualification, students also have to complete a total of 52 hours of Physical, Skills and Volunteering activities over 6 months. Evidence for all of these activities need to be gathered and uploaded on to participants' online accounts. 10 St Andrew's students managed to complete all of these hours and we came together to celebrate this fantastic achievement in the penultimate week of the school year. The rest of this year's cohort are working towards finishing off their Physical, Skills or Volunteering hours and are looking forward to celebrating achieving their full qualification in the near future. A huge well done to all of our GGYA participants!

The Wizard of Oz... Coming January 2027

We are excited to announce that our next school production, The Wizard of Oz, will take to the St Andrew's stage in January 2027. Auditions will begin in September, and we look forward to seeing students from across the school get involved. Following the success of our recent productions, we are excited to begin preparations and are looking forward to what promises to be another fantastic show.





celebration OF THE Arts

In March, we held our annual Celebration of the Arts event, which featured students from Grades 2–12. The evening included a variety of performances, including vocal solos, duets, instrumental pieces, drama performances, and live artwork. It was wonderful to see so many students sharing their talents and hard work with the school community.

Before the concert, attendees enjoyed viewing an art exhibition showcasing work created by students from Preschool through Grade 12. The exhibition featured a wide range of artistic styles and mediums, highlighting the creativity of our students across all age groups. The event was a great opportunity to celebrate the many talents of our students and the important role that the arts play in our school.



The Eleutheran Adventurers

Grade 5 recently returned from an exciting week at Camp Bahamas in Eleuthera, filled with adventure, learning, and unforgettable memories. Throughout the trip, students explored the island's natural beauty while participating in a variety of fun activities.

From swimming in crystal-clear waters, kayaking along the coastline, to soaring through the air on a zipline, there was never a dull moment. The students also had the opportunity to visit several of Eleuthera's famous attractions, gaining a deeper appreciation for the island's unique environment and culture.

The week was filled with laughter, teamwork, and new experiences, and grade 5 created memories that will last a lifetime. By the end of the trip, everyone agreed that Camp Bahamas was an incredible adventure they will never forget.

Field Trip to Cable Bahamas

As part of our Advertising unit of inquiry, our trip to Cable Bahamas provided our third graders with the opportunity to learn about the functions, forms, and purposes of advertising in a business context.



MUN Trip to Toronto

The Model United Nations Club were at it again this year, this time traveling to the frozen north (Canada) for the University of Toronto's MUN in January. We arrived on the coldest day of the year and immediately swung into gear! Walking in -30 degrees daily, having members plot our course before we set out, finding reasonably priced food - and that was all before the Conference started. Members were well prepared for sessions and made lots of good contacts and memories. We went on a college tour, did some shopping at the Eaton Centre and ended our trip at the famed CN Tower where we had dinner by the light of the full moon at 1,151 feet above ground. This was definitely a trip to remember!



Beauty and the Beast Jr

In January, our school community was treated to the spectacular whole-school production of Beauty and the Beast Jr. This memorable show showcased the incredible talents of our students and was the result of months of hard work, dedication, and teamwork. Nearly 100 students were involved in the production, taking on a wide range of roles in the cast, backstage crew, sound, and lighting teams. From the performers on stage to those working behind the scenes, every student played an important part in bringing the story to life. The production was a tremendous success and highlighted the creativity, commitment, and collaborative spirit that make our school community so special.



To wrap up their Ocean Blue Unit of Inquiry, the Grade Two class experienced a day at Blue Lagoon, complete with an up close and personal Dolphin Encounter!



University Bound
IB Students

festival OF INTERCULTURAL **understanding** **One World, Many Traditions**

Our school community came together for a truly special week as we celebrated the Festival of Intercultural Understanding under the theme One World, Many Traditions. It was a wonderful opportunity for students, faculty, and the community to share and learn about the celebration of the many cultures that make up our school.

We began with an opening ceremony, opened by our Primary students with a lively performance of Wavin' Flag. The audience was then warmly welcomed as students and faculty representing 22 nationalities greeted everyone in their mother tongue and shared facts about their home countries.

Throughout the week, all departments embraced the opportunity to embed international themes into their lessons. Students explored influential poets, historians, and inventors from around the world, making meaningful links across subjects and deepening their global understanding.

There were many highlights across the week. Grade 6 Spanish and French students performed a vibrant salsa, while Grade 7 students presented drama pieces exploring global New Year traditions and a travel blog showcasing famous landmarks around the world.

The Art Gallery showcased traditional clothing from different cultures, from wedding attire to Junkanoo costumes, alongside Grade 8's International Money Tree displaying currencies from around the world. One student commented, "I was so impressed by the money tree and all the different currencies. It was amazing to see it all together."

Advisory groups also took part by designing doors inspired by the Sustainable Development Goals, linking their work to life in The Bahamas. Congratulations to the USA group, whose design was selected as the winner.

Students also explored Bahamian traditions, including christening customs and well-known sayings, and enjoyed capturing memories in a popular international photo booth.

The week was brought together in a closing assembly, which featured a special International Gallery showcasing Bahamian and Androsia fabrics, Junkanoo costumes and international fashion. We were also delighted to welcome Eddie Minnis, who shared Bahamian folk tales and led a sing-along of Naughty Johnny.

Following the assembly, students, faculty and the wider community gathered for an international food fair organised by the PTA. This final event brought the week to a close, with students and families sampling dishes from around the world and celebrating together.

At St. Andrews, we believe International Week goes beyond flags and showcases. It reflects who we are as an international school, proudly Bahamian, globally minded and committed to embedding international understanding across the curriculum in meaningful and lasting ways.

It was a powerful reminder for students, faculty and the wider community of what makes our school so special, diverse, connected and proud to celebrate one another.





BASKETBALL

St Andrew's fielded both Junior and Senior teams in the BAISS competition this year, with participation numbers significantly higher than in previous seasons. This ensured that both teams were able to compete in every fixture throughout the competition. Students showed great commitment, balancing basketball with other sporting commitments, particularly those who had recently represented the school in baseball.

A notable achievement was the development of the Junior team, with more than half of the squad made up of Grade 6 students. Despite being one of the youngest teams in the competition, they embraced the challenge, gained valuable experience, and improved considerably as the season progressed. Both the Junior and Senior teams showed steady growth throughout the year. Their understanding of the game, teamwork, and confidence all improved, while their enthusiasm and commitment remained strong from the first game to the last. By the end of the season, it was clear that the players were eager to continue developing their skills and competing at a higher level.

Although neither team was able to secure a playoff place, the impact of the season has been extremely positive. The increasing number of students choosing to play basketball during lunchtimes, combined with the enthusiasm shown by players across all age groups, highlights the bright future of the sport at St Andrew's, particularly within the younger year groups.



NATIONAL SCHOOLS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The school achieved outstanding results at this year's Private and Home schools games, with both the Lower Boys Team and the Upper Boys Team earning silver medals in their divisions. In the individual competition, Connor Stevenson also secured a silver medal with a strong performance. The excitement continued at the All-School Finals, where champions from the public, private, and home-school sectors competed against one another. Rising to the challenge, the Lower Boys Team delivered an exceptional performance to claim first place overall. William Stevenson added to the school's success by winning an individual gold medal and taking the top spot overall. In the Lower Girls category, Savannah Mackey competed impressively and finished in fourth place. These achievements reflect the hard work, determination, and sportsmanship of all the students involved. The students who took part were Jordan Thorne, Dakota Bastian, Advik Arora, Chase Baldacci, Savannah Mackey, William Stevenson, Zane Gibson, Arabella Surujlal, Amaya Rodgers, Yeshaya Rodgers.

BAISS TRACK AND FIELD

The BAISS Track and Field competition took place in March, and once again St Andrew's was able to field a strong team. Several athletes delivered excellent performances and represented the school with pride throughout the competition.

Logan Rolle produced an outstanding result by finishing 3rd in the javelin, while Isabella Munroe placed 5th in the 800m and went on to achieve another impressive 5th-place finish at the National Championships. Dakota Bastian also performed exceptionally well, finishing 5th in the 1500m before matching that achievement with a 5th-place finish at Nationals.

The team also picked up valuable points in the shot put and 3000m events. While it was frustrating to narrowly miss out on medals and qualification places in several events by mere fractions of a second or a few centimetres, there was no disputing the effort, commitment, and determination shown by all of our athletes.

BAISS SOCCER

The BAISS Soccer season was another positive one for St Andrew's, with three teams representing the school across the competition: the Junior Boys, Senior Boys, and Senior Girls. Throughout the season, all three teams demonstrated commitment, resilience, and a strong desire to improve, proudly representing the Hurricanes both on and off the field. The Junior Boys enjoyed a competitive season and were unfortunate to miss out on a playoff place. Finishing in 5th position, they were separated from qualification by goal difference alone. While this was a disappointing way to end the campaign, the team can take great pride in their performances and the progress they made throughout the year. The Senior Girls continued to build on their success and secured an impressive 3rd-place finish during the BAISS season, earning a place in the playoffs. They competed strongly in a closely contested playoff match but were narrowly defeated. Their efforts throughout the season also qualified them for the National Championships, where they faced a tough opening fixture. Unfortunately, a last-minute goal saw them exit the competition, but their determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship were evident throughout. The Senior Boys also showed tremendous commitment over the course of the season. Despite facing strong opposition, they continued to develop as a team and demonstrated excellent character in every match. Their willingness to work hard for one another and represent the school with pride was a credit to both themselves and St Andrew's.

BAISS VOLLEYBALL

The BAISS Volleyball competition took place over a two week span for each division. Our senior girls competed first shortly after Easter break.

We had a few new faces join us this year and they not only blended in seamlessly, but made huge impacts on the court. Our girls were dedicated, coachable, and most importantly hungry for the win every time we got out there. Their endurance and level headedness throughout those long days were extremely commendable. It was a joy to see them encouraging each other and make real time adjustments. I am so proud of these young ladies. Throughout the season there were dime passes, aces, and interesting ways of scoring points. Our seniors finished 10th out of 12 schools.

Right after a jam-packed two weeks with our seniors, we moved on to our junior girls. This year has been the first year we were able to field a junior girls team, in the four years that I have had the pleasure of coaching. They fought extremely hard and took in every moment they were out there. They scouted teams and constantly worked on individual needs. They encouraged each other and were never shy when it came to introducing a game plan or two. I am so proud of their debut and although the season was short, it was very demanding and gave little room to host practices in between, but the level of growth in those two weeks motivated me as a coach and drives our plans for next season.

Our grade sixes showed up consistently to practices and over time, built up the courage to not only step on the court, but make some crucial plays. Our juniors finished 6th out of 11 schools.

HOUSE VOLLEYBALL

The House Volleyball competition this year was held for secondary school students, showcasing skill, teamwork, and competitive spirit. The games were fast-paced and full of excitement, with every house giving their best on the court. It was a thrilling tournament that highlighted the talent and determination of all participants.

Results:

1. Lucayan
2. Carib
3. Taino
4. Arawak

HOUSE SOCCER

The House soccer competition this year was held separately for primary and secondary school, giving students at each level the chance to showcase their skills, teamwork, and school spirit. Both competitions were filled with energy and enthusiasm, and every house gave their best, making the events exciting and memorable for all participants.

Results:

1. Arawak
2. Carib
3. Taino
4. Lucayan



Across all three teams, students displayed excellent dedication to training and competition. The growth of the soccer programme continues to be evident, and the enthusiasm shown by players throughout the year provides a strong foundation for future success.



PRIMARY HOUSE BASKETBALL

The annual Primary School House Basketball was an exciting display of teamwork, sportsmanship, and determination. Grade 4/5 students from all four houses competed, demonstrating impressive basketball skills and a strong competitive spirit, while Grade 2/3 students played Boxball, a passing game which requires similar tactics and strategies.

Taino House emerged as the overall champions, Carib House secured second place, Lucayan House finished in third place, while Arawak House placed fourth.

FRANK PANTO RAHMING ALL-SCHOOLS TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

25 athletes from the Primary School competed in this competition making the school very proud, especially with their display of sportsmanship and efforts. Special commendations go to Kaydence Knowles who gained 5th place in the 100m finals, although she ran the 3rd fastest time against 60 competitors in the heats. She also gained 5th place in the Long Jump. Alan Gervasini came 6th place out of 36 for the Ball Throw event for his age group. Eli Williams gained 9th place in his category. Jahmya Saunders was a credible 10th place for the 800m out of 30 competitors. Well done to all who took part!

SPORTS DAY

In January, St Andrew's hosted its annual Sports Day, bringing together students from across the entire school for a fantastic day of competition, teamwork, and school spirit. Throughout the day, students competed in a wide range of track and field events, demonstrating determination, resilience, and enthusiasm. It was wonderful to see students of all ages giving their best effort, encouraging their teammates, and proudly representing their houses. The atmosphere was outstanding, with strong support from staff, students, and families helping to make the event a memorable occasion.

The competition remained close throughout the day, with every point proving valuable in the battle for the House Championship. Congratulations to Taino House, who were crowned overall champions following an excellent performance across all age groups. Lucayan House finished in second place, closely followed by Carib House in third, while Arawak House completed the standings in fourth. A huge thank you goes to all students, staff, and families who contributed to the success of the day. Sports Day once again highlighted the positive attitudes, sportsmanship, and sense of community that make St. Andrew's such a special place.

SPORTS AWARDS

On 2nd June, St Andrew's proudly hosted its first-ever Sports Awards Evening, celebrating the outstanding achievements, dedication, and commitment of our student-athletes throughout the academic year.

The event brought together students, families, coaches, and staff to recognise the hard work and success of those who have represented the school across a wide range of sports. Throughout the evening, awards were presented for individual performances, team contributions, sportsmanship, and overall excellence, highlighting the many accomplishments of our athletes both on and off the field. A total of 32 trophies were presented during the ceremony, reflecting the depth of sporting talent within the school. One of the standout performers of the evening was Summer Wong, who collected an impressive four awards, recognising an exceptional year of achievement across multiple sports. Beyond the trophies and accolades, the evening served as an opportunity to celebrate the values that underpin sport at St Andrew's: teamwork, resilience, dedication, and pride in representing the school. The enthusiasm and support shown throughout the event made it a fitting conclusion to a highly successful sporting year.

We would like to thank all of our coaches, staff, parents, and student-athletes for their contributions to the success of the programme. Following the success of this inaugural event, we look forward to making the Sports Awards Evening a valued tradition for years to come.





PK2 -Sensory Science Fair

To conclude our unit on the five senses, the students proudly showcased their learning by inviting their parents into the classroom. Each child explained and demonstrated the five-senses experiments they completed throughout this nine-week unit of study. The students confidently shared their knowledge and discoveries, highlighting what they had learned about sight, hearing, smell, taste, and touch. It was a wonderful opportunity for families to celebrate the students' hard work and learning.

PK2 -Field Trip to Bahamar Kitchen

During our sensory unit, Pop the Popcorn, students put their taste buds to the test on an exciting field trip! They watched as an instructor demonstrated how to make a pizza from start to finish. Then, using all five of their senses, the students created their own homemade pizzas. While their pizzas were baking, they enjoyed a fun dance party and even had time to play on the playground. It was a delicious and memorable experience that brought their learning to life!



PK2- Field Trip to Ardastra Zoo

After completing our unit on animals, PK2 went on an exciting field trip to the zoo. We participated in the flamingo show and took part in an animal classification scavenger hunt around the zoo. Mrs. Arthur showed great courage and was a risk-taker by holding a Bahama Boa. The students enjoyed learning about different animals and observing them in their habitats, making it a fun and educational experience for everyone.



Grade 4 Science Fair

Our students were excited to showcase their skills as builders as they presented their different communities for our transdisciplinary theme, 'How We Organize Ourselves'.



IB Business Management Field Trip

Grade 11 IB Business Management students participated in the Financial Literacy Seminar hosted by the Central Bank of the Bahamas. The seminar, themed "Finance Forward: Smart Money Moves Start Now", was held at the Baha Mar Convention Center and provided valuable insights into financial responsibility and planning.

Primary Student of the Year

2ND RUNNER-UP

AMELIA ROLLE

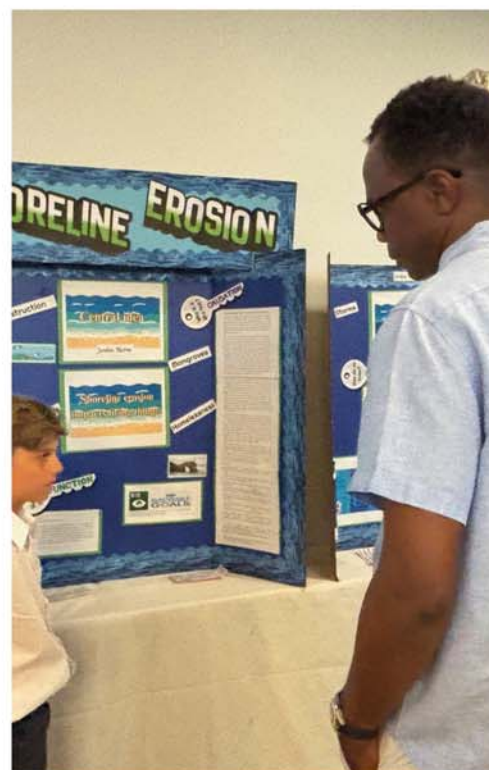
We are incredibly proud to celebrate Amelia Rolle's outstanding achievement as Second Runner-Up in the Bahamas Primary Student of the Year Competition. This prestigious recognition is a testament to her dedication, perseverance, academic excellence, leadership, and commitment to serving others. Throughout her primary school years, Amelia has consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic, a passion for learning, and a genuine desire to make a positive difference in her school and wider community. Her kindness, integrity, and community spirit exemplify the qualities of an exceptional young leader. Being named Second Runner-Up among 123 talented students from across The Bahamas is a remarkable accomplishment.

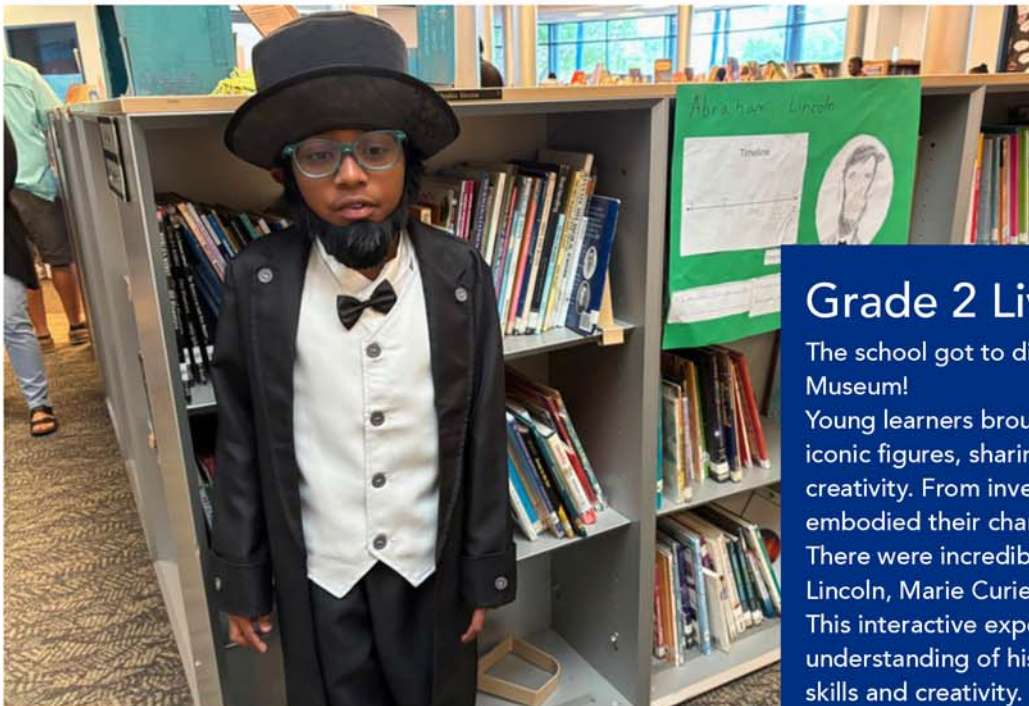
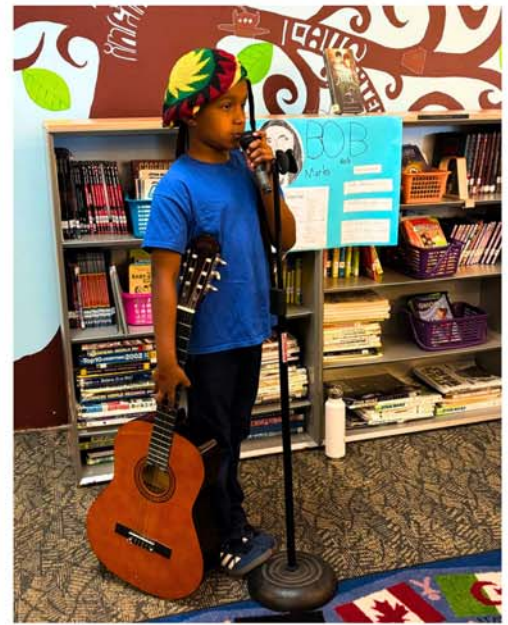




PYP Exhibit

The PYP (Primary Years Programme) Exhibition is a celebration of curiosity, creativity, and student voice. After weeks of inquiry, research, and collaboration, students showcased their understanding of real-world issues, from sustainability to social change. Their presentations reflected passion, critical thinking, and a commitment to making a difference, helping them grow as compassionate and responsible global citizens.





Grade 2 Living Wax Museum

The school got to dive into history with the Grade 2 Living Wax Museum!

Young learners brought the past to life as they transformed into iconic figures, sharing stories of innovation, leadership, and creativity. From inventors to trailblazers, each student embodied their character with confidence and enthusiasm. There were incredible portrayals of Thomas Edison, Abraham Lincoln, Marie Curie, and Coco Chanel—just to name a few! This interactive experience not only deepened their understanding of history but also built their public speaking skills and creativity.



Red Cross News

The Red Cross Club has been busy since January, 2026, having held 6 separate activities.

On Thursday, January 21st, we held a concession stand at our school's Beauty and The Beast production. We raised a total of \$778, which was presented to the Bahamas National Red Cross to assist in its humanitarian efforts.

On January 29th, 2026, five students from our Red Cross Club, accompanied by one of our teaching assistants and Red Cross patron, Mrs. Martha Rahming, had the pleasure of engaging in a Working Luncheon with the President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), Ms. Kate Forbes. During that time, a check for \$778 was presented to the Bahamas National Red Cross (the proceeds of our January 22nd fundraiser).

On Sunday, March 8th, 2026, the Bahamas National Red Cross held an official Enrollment Ceremony where Junior Red Cross Club members from schools across New Providence received their official Red Cross Enrollment certificates.

On Saturday, April 18th, 2026, our Red Cross Club visited Unity House Group Home, where we served them a hot, balanced lunch and entertained them with singing.

On Tuesday, May 19th, 2026, our Red Cross Club held its Fifth Annual Family Fun Fitness Challenge fundraiser. We raised a total of \$1859.

On Tuesday, June 9th, 2026, we held our end-of-year close-out celebration, where club members and patrons enjoyed fun and fellowship to mark the close of a successful year.

During this time, a check for \$1000 was donated to the Bahamas National Red Cross to further support humanitarian efforts.

K-Kids

K-Kids was on the move! From our first meet & greet with Thelma Gibson's K-Kids, to selling heart croc charms in aid of The Bahamas Heart Association, to collaborating with Mrs. Saddleton on a club t-shirt design, to our sweets treat stall at the PTA BBQ, to supporting one of our club members at her local church fair. We've finished this year **STRONG**.



The St Andrew's Key Clubbers once again participated in the annual PTA BBQ. Students volunteered at various booths and also raised funds for their upcoming service projects.

Secondary Student Council



The Student Council demonstrated commendable leadership through a series of meaningful initiatives

Glow Dance Party: Primary School students enjoyed an unforgettable Glow Dance Party, organized to foster community spirit and celebration. **Autism Awareness:** On April 28, the Council coordinated a bake sale and a "Dress in Blue" day in recognition of Autism Awareness. Proceeds from the bake sale were donated to REACH Bahamas, a local non-profit organization dedicated to supporting individuals with autism.

Spirit Week: May 4–8, the Secondary Student Council led Spirit Week, energizing the school community with themed days such as Pajama Day and Throwback 90's Day. On May 5, they also organized a Teacher Appreciation Ceremony, a heartfelt event honoring educators whose dedication inspires and uplifts students. The ceremony was marked by tributes, laughter, and gratitude.



Group 4 (Grade 11)

Each year, our Grade 11 IB students complete an integrative science experience known as the Group 4 Project. This year's theme was 'Self-sufficiency, Can We feed ourselves?'. Students and teachers visited Bluefields Farm for a guided tour and lecture series on aquaponics, hydroponics and sustainable farming practices. Students were then challenged with designing and presenting their own self-sufficient farm. We were pleased with their display of 21st Century Skills through this project. Not only did they think critically, but were creative, collaborative, and communicated well.



ICT Eco Club-STEM Week

This year's STEM Week was a collaborative effort not only spanning Mathematics, ICT, and Science, but also Eco Club. The theme this year was the same as that for Earth Day 2026, 'Our Power, Our Planet'. Across Mathematics, ICT and Science lessons, students focused on sustainable design. Grade 6 focused on designing and building upcycled toys, grade 7 focused on sustainable architecture and used recycled materials to build models of notable architectural structures and grade 8 focused on sustainability in motion. Recycled materials were used to design and build functional cars and planes just to name a few. A group of 8th grade girls, opted to design upcycled fashions.

Gregory Pinto at 2026 Bahamas Laws of Life Essay Competition

Gregory Pinto was honoured as a finalist in the John Templeton Laws of Life Competition. Out of approximately 300 submissions, he placed among the top twelve entries. This outstanding achievement reflects his talent, dedication, and the strong potential of our students.



Builders Club

Buy Extra and Donate Service Project

On Saturday, May 30th, our Builders Club held its Buy Extra and Donate service project in collaboration with Lowe's Pharmacy at Southwest Plaza. This project was a repeat of last year's initiative, students from grades 6-8 volunteered from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to collect donated supplies for the All Saints Camp, a home for children and adults suffering with HIV/AIDS. The group was assisted by grade 9 Key club member Mataya Romer and our sponsoring club, Kiwanis Club of Southwest New Providence and its members.

It was especially heart-warming to witness students' excitement and eagerness as donations poured in throughout the day. Thanks to the generosity of the community, a substantial quantity of essential items was collected, including personal hygiene products, household supplies, and other necessities. The project was a tremendous success. Among the items donated were over 300 bars of soap, 338 sanitary napkins, over 100 rolls of toilet paper, shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, deodorant and other various toiletry items. The project served as an excellent opportunity to raise awareness about the needs of the residents at All Saints. Throughout the day, students interacted with hundreds of shoppers and community members, sharing information about the donation drive and encouraging participation.



Build A Bridge

Our students participated in the Annual IBS Build-A-Bridge Competition. Students were supported by Ms. Sharon Stuart, Physics Teacher. The competition challenged students to use their creative, innovative and critical thinking skills to design and construct a model bridge. Our team earned 4th place in the Aesthetic Competition and 5th in Efficiency. The 100 stick popsicle bridge made solely of popsicle sticks and Elmer's glue held a whopping 86.5 pounds.

Builders Club

First Annual Assembly

Kiwanis Builders Club proudly hosted its first assembly, 22 members officially received their membership packages, including certificates, Builders Club pins, and membership booklets. During the assembly, students shared their experiences in the club and encouraged others to join by highlighting the leadership opportunities, teamwork, and service initiatives Builders Club provides. The event was fun and interactive, featuring a simulation of a regular Builders Club meeting, giving potential members a glimpse of club activities.





Sustainability Eco Fair

Our Second Annual Eco-Sustainability Fair was an exciting day filled with discovery and hands-on learning as students explored the many ways they can help protect our environment. We were thrilled to welcome students from L.W. Young Jr. High School, Thelma Gibson Primary School, Doris Johnson Senior High School and Akhepran International Academy, who, along with our students, enthusiastically participated in interactive exhibits, engaging demonstrations and fun educational activities. Highlights of the day included the Atlantis touch tank, where students had the unique opportunity to safely interact with and learn about fascinating marine creatures and the live snake presentations hosted by The Bahamas National Trust and Wild Bahamas, which helped students overcome fears and gain a greater appreciation for these important native species. Our amazing partners: Baha Mar, Weather Enthusiasts, The Forestry Unit of The Bahamas, CANS 4 Kids Bahamas, BREEF, The Bahamas National Trust, Wild Bahamas, and Atlantis Paradise Island, brought environmental education to life and inspired students to become future leaders in conservation. The event was a wonderful celebration of learning, curiosity and our shared commitment to a greener, more sustainable Bahamas.

Working in the Garden

Our primary students have been busy developing their green thumbs in the school garden! By planting, watering and caring for our tomatoes, onions, broccoli and various other vegetables students learned valuable lessons about nature, responsibility and healthy living. It has been exciting to watch the garden grow and the children have taken great pride in helping to create a beautiful and thriving outdoor learning space.





Junkanoo World

Grade 6 students enjoyed an exciting visit to Junkanoo World, where they learned about one of The Bahamas' most vibrant cultural traditions.

During the visit, students performed two energetic rush out performances for tourists, playing drums and cowbells while experiencing the excitement of Junkanoo first hand. They also designed their own masks, tried on traditional costumes and learned how Junkanoo drums are made.

The trip provided a fun and interactive opportunity for students to deepen their understanding of Bahamian culture and heritage. It was indeed an enjoyable and memorable experience.



Eco Assembly

At this year's annual Eco Assembly, students focused on the theme "Our Power, Our Planet" through a fun and interactive session about protecting the environment. One of the main activities was "Guess the Decomposition Time," where students were surprised to learn that everyday items can take hundreds of years to break down, some more than 500 years, and that some eventually turn into microplastics that are now affecting our food and health. The assembly helped students see the impact of everyday choices and challenged them to make small changes that can make a big difference, such as using a reusable water bottle or choosing a packed lunch with less plastic packaging.

Grade 4 Exuma Trip

Our Grade 4 students had an unforgettable adventure on the beautiful island of Exuma. From splashing around with the famous swimming pigs to relaxing on bright blue beaches, every moment felt magical. They enjoyed bonfires under the stars, spent sunny days exploring the shoreline, and made memories they'll be talking about for years to come.





Career Conversations

Our Alumni and Friends Career Conversations event, held on March 12, was a tremendous success. St Andrew's graduates returned to campus alongside community partners and parents to share their professional journeys with students in Grades 9-12. Representing a wide range of career fields, our presenters offered valuable insights into their professions, while students engaged enthusiastically and asked thoughtful questions. The event provided an excellent opportunity for students to explore future possibilities and learn from real-world experiences. We are grateful to our alumni, community partners, and parents for inspiring the next generation of Hurricanes.



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