



ISLAND ACADEMY

PARENT ORGANISATION REPORT



2019 - 2020



With Gratitude from Us to You

Thank you for your support and dedication to the students of IA.

We are grateful to all of the members of the PO who provided their expertise, time, and dedication to support all the activities that took place during 2019 - 2020. We were able to end the year on a solid note despite the unexpected turn it took with the arrival of and still ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

Whether you are a parent or other family member, your support has not only been instrumental to our hosting of successful events, but also to our ability to weather the resulting challenges of a global pandemic. Please know your support for and during our Distance Learning Programme has allowed us to respond to the needs of both your children and our entire community and we could not be more grateful.

Thank You

Nadine Fuller has been a long-serving member of the PO since her first son attended IA. Over the last few years, she acted in the capacity of the PO's treasurer and during this time, her hard work and her strategic decision-making have helped to bring the PO to what it is today. As Nadine's children have graduated from IA, we express our gratitude for her commitment to the school and wish her and her family the very best moving forward.



Fundraising in Brief



A total of \$29,642 was raised from a variety of fundraising activities. With only 1 full term and a half of another, we raised \$6,172 in Bakes Sales & Alternative Dress. The annual Spookapalooza, Carols By Candlelight and IA's Got Talent & Bingo saw excellent turnouts and generated significant income.



PO funds also facilitated access to a number of online resources including online libraries such as Questia, used by secondary students and online resources and platforms such as Seesaw, TTRockStar and MyMaths for primary students. These resources were all fundamental during the Distance Learning Programme.

Plans for 2020-2021

At the moment, the school has a secure financial position thanks in large part to the prudent decisions made by our board and administrators. We have successfully navigated the major hurdle of safely opening the school. Additionally, the PO was also able to close the year with a \$20,000 balance and thanks to our present financial stability, there is no immediate need this term to generate funds in the ways we have done in the past. This is especially important, since, as a country we remain under a state of emergency. We will need to continue to be cautious given that globally, we have entered the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Over the years, we have been extremely fortunate to benefit from the assistance of well wishers to the school who are not always parents of our current students. With extending participation in mind, we would like to officially invite those who have a vested interest in educating children in Antigua the "IA way", to join our parents in our newly created organization: the "**Families and Friends of IA**" (FFIA). FFIA will take the place of the original Parent Organization. If circumstances allow, FFIA intends to re-launch the car raffle originally planned for June 2020. Ticket sales will hopefully begin in December, and the tentative plan is to have a grand draw around Valentine's Day.



Anyone interested in becoming part of the **FFIA** should look out for an invitation via school email or PIN for the first meeting.

We look forward to working with all of you to make IA the best it can be!

Financial Report

2019-2020

All figures quoted in XCD

Beginning Balance		\$ 70,028.00
INCOME		
(from monies raised)		
Bake sales	\$ 6,172.00	
Tie Dye	\$ 982.00	
Spookapalooza	\$ 11,190.00	
Carols by Candlelight	\$ 6,304.00	
IA's Got Talent & Bingo	\$ 4,994.00	
Total Income	\$ 29,642.00	
EXPENSES		
Online subscriptions K - G13	\$ 4,688.00	
Questia G10-G13	\$ 4,781.74	
Seesaw License K-G6	\$ 3,335.00	
MyMath K-G11	\$ 2,220.00	
IXL Licenses K - G9	\$ 18,869.00	
Ipads + Cases + Storage Unit	\$ 12,234.00	
Chromebooks Storage Case	\$ 5,812.00	
Classroom Supplies	\$ 3,889.00	
Spookapalooza	\$ 1,868.00	
Carols by Candlelight Prep + Decor	\$ 469.00	
Coolers for school events	\$ 1,390.00	
Tents	\$ 14,980.00	
Class Treats G2,4&6 National Asses.	\$ 718.00	
Bank Fees & Wire Transfers	\$ 2,000.00	
Total Expenses	\$ 77,253.74	
Net change		(\$ 47,611.74)
Funds remaining in account		<u>\$ 22,416.26</u>