



Friends & Family of Island Academy (FFIA)

Annual Report June 2023



ISLAND ACADEMY
INTERNATIONAL
UNITY IN DIVERSITY

Thank you!

Thank you for your support and dedication to the students of IA. We are grateful to all of the members of FFIA who provided their expertise, time and dedication to support all the activities that took place during 2022 - 2023.

This year has seen us return to a more normal school schedule following the pandemic and a welcome return to many extra curricular activities.

Although FFIA is primarily a fundraising organisation for the school, all of the hands-on work is appreciated from decorating the school for Independence Celebrations and Christmas, to the volunteer reader programme and careers day presentation. We also thank you for supporting the student council with their Valentines Dance, it was a real highlight for students and volunteers alike!

FUNDRAISING IN BRIEF

This year FFIA raised over **\$40,000XCD** (after all associated expenses).

These funds were generated from FFIA's portion of events and fundraising drives such as Spookapalooza, the Gala Night, the Unity in Diversity Concert, IA's Got Talent, House Bake Sales, Book Sales and the raffle.



Highlights



Teacher
Appreciation
day
May 2023



Teacher Appreciation day was a huge success this year, from sushi to salad, chicken to chocolate cake, FFIA made some amazing food to show our thanks to all the staff.

The funds raised from FFIA have been used in all aspects of school life this year. All grades and departments across the school have benefited.

The major projects have been providing new PE equipment, art supplies, secondary science supplies and primary play equipment. All of these resources will be ready and available for the 2023-24 academic year.

We're closing off this year with a balance of \$12,000XCD.

Additional FFIA funded projects this year provided resources for our Black History Month celebrations, the lower secondary Science Fair, the school's winning volleyball team, college counselling for our most senior students and for our younger students sessions in traditional Antiguan palm weaving with a local expert.

FFIA Support



Plans for 2023 - 2024

Next year, there will be lots of opportunities for parents and friends to get involved with the school and influence our events.

We will be starting a number of community based projects, which will be a great way of providing students and volunteers the chance to make a difference in our community. There will also be a full programme of assemblies and school events that will be published in September.



JOIN US IN SEPTEMBER!

There will be an in-person FFIA meeting on campus in September where we will set goals for the year and discuss the calendar. We would love to see you there!