



## Coffeehouse Edition

### Campus News

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This year we are having our first coffee house.

At the coffee house everyone in the AC can show their talents and use them to delight the audience. Both AC's have worked hard to organise everything and we hope that the Coffeehouse will please you and that it will be a success!

Thank you for coming!



## Coffeehouse!

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#### Japan

Read about the natural disaster that has lead to a catastrophe for Asia on page 2.

#### Habitat for humanity

Habitat for Humanity is an organisation that helps build houses for those people who have lost their home, or who live in poor conditions. Learn how you can help on page 3.

#### NBA Cares Charity

NBA Cares Charity Challenge is an organization that helps those less fortunate. Read more on page 3.

#### Interviews

We have interviewed a few of the many students who are presenting an act at our Coffeehouse. Check out what they had to say on pages 4-5.

#### Animal experiments

There are many different opinions toward animal experimentation. Which side are you on? Get informed on page 6.

## World News

# Catastrophe in Japan

In the last issue, we talked about getting involved in the community or around the world. We are now being faced with a new disaster in Japan where help will be needed from all corners of the world. Here is a small breakdown of the events of the past week.



*The 10 metre wave which swept over Japan destroyed buildings, cars, and harbours. The devastation is immense.*

On Friday, 11 March, 2011, an undersea earthquake with a magnitude of 9.0 slammed into Japan's northeastern coast, creating a 10m high tsunami that swept ships, cars and buildings inland. It is estimated that over 10,000 people have been killed by the enormous wave, and many others are missing, or are trapped under fallen buildings. Violent aftershocks followed the major earthquake, damaging many more buildings and causing more chaos for the country.

The next day the Japanese government issued a warning, telling all residents living near the Fukushima No.1 nuclear power plant to evacuate the area. The cooling systems weren't working and there was fear of a meltdown. The plant exploded later that day, causing more damage and releasing nuclear fumes into the air. Power and water have been shut down, leaving many people without clean water or electricity.

On Wednesday a fire broke out in the Fukushima plant and workers were evacuated again, as a tall white cloud moved into the sky above the plant.

Another aftershock hit Tokyo, and the people began to panic and evacuate the large city.

As of Thursday, 17 March the death/missing toll has reached 14,650 and it continues to increase. Many people have been missing or trapped inside fallen buildings for days, and the odds of them still being alive are very slim. Water is being dumped onto the nuclear reactors, in hopes that they will cool down and prevent further fires or explosions. The government has also issued a warning to stop using electricity, because they may be facing blackouts in the next few weeks.

Japan is in a time of need, and will require help from all over the world. Their homes must be re-built, and their lives are in turmoil. Who will come to the rescue? Who will get involved?

In the following 2 articles, you will read about organisations that help in similar situations.

You should also do some research on your own: what can we do to help!? Give us your comments in the Montessori Times comment box in the AC classes.

## Getting Involved - Part 2

### People Building Houses for People

Habitat for Humanity is an organisation designed to help people who don't have a home or who live in poor areas. People from all over the world are helping this organization. Stars are helping too, for example Brad Pitt and Bill Clinton, former president of the USA. Millard Fuller founded this organisation in

1976 in Atlanta, USA.

Together they have renovated and built more than 400,000 houses for more than 2 million people in the world. They have built and re-built many homes after natural disasters, for example in New Orleans and Thailand. They will probably get involved in Japan as well.



### NBA Cares Charity

The NBA Cares Charity Challenge runs from 3 May through 9 May. During this time NBA fans can vote for one of four charity players or teams. The winning team receives a donation of \$10,000 and an additional team receives \$5,000, both to be given to their charities.

In July 2007, Pau Gasol and UNICEF visited Angola. Pau Gasol and UNICEF are fighting against HIV/AIDS. Pau's team won and got \$10,000 to help with the fight against HIV/AIDS in Africa.

Other teams, for example the Denver Nuggets and Carmelo Antony, are working with Special Olympics.

They have been working together for many years and have formed a long-lasting relationship. They have played and worked with their annual basketball clinic for Special Olympics athletes all over Colorado.

NBA Cares Charity Challenge is a good organisation. They help anyone who is less fortunate.

I think the Bundesliga should set up a charity organization similar to the NBA Caves Charity Challenge, because there are also many people in need here in Germany.



# Interviews

## Diabolo Act

**What's your name?**  
Alexander Broistedt.

**Which act are you doing?**  
I'm doing Diabolo.

**Who are you doing your act with, or are you doing it alone?**  
I'm doing it with Alexander Klose.

**What is your act about?**  
Tricks.

**Why are you doing your act?**  
Because there aren't many acts, so I am doing one.

**What do you think will be good at the Coffeehouse and what won't be?**  
I think it is good that we can show what we're good at.

**Would you like to act for the Coffeehouse again?**  
I don't know, only after I've finished my final exams.

**How did you get the idea for the act?**  
I do it every day.



## Magic Act

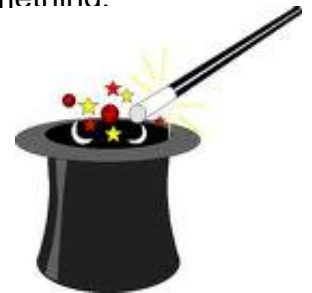
**What's your name?**  
My name is Anton Wieprecht.

**Which act are you doing?**  
I'm going to do a magic show.

**Who are you doing your act with, or are you doing it alone?**  
I'm going to do it alone. I only need some guys for the technology.

**What is your act about?**  
My act is about magic.

**Why are you doing your act?**  
I'm doing my act because I like doing magic and I want to present something.



## Interviews continued...

### Music Act

**What's your name?**

Brandon Alexander Singer.

**Which act are you doing?**

Playing guitar with Mr. Eich.

**What is your act about?**

My act is about the combination between electric guitar and classical music.

**Why are you doing your act?**

Because guitar and piano is a good combination.

**What do you think will be good at the Coffeehouse and what won't be?**

There might not be enough food but the acts will be good.

**Would you like to act for the Coffeehouse again?**

Yes, sure.

**How did you get the idea for the act?**

I like to play guitar for people.



### Reality TV

(1 of 2 performances)

**What's your name?**

My name is Laura Reszka

**Which act are you doing?**

T.L.O.O.S.

**Who are you doing your act with, or are you doing it alone?**

I'm doing it with Paul, Anton, Nick K. and Sabrina.

**What is your act about?**

The act is about the life of a fictional millionaire family.

**Why are you doing your act?**

Because it is an English assignment.

**Where did you learn to do it?**

In school.

**What do you think will be good at the Coffeehouse and what won't be?**

I think that everybody will have fun.

**Would you like to act for the Coffeehouse again?**

Yes.

**How did you get the idea for the act?**

In an English key lesson.

## Animal Experiments - Part 2

There are many different opinions about experiments on animals. On the one hand the people think it is good because they help to find remedies and vaccinations for illnesses. On the other hand people think it is bad, because animals have feelings too.

Here I'll present some of the arguments for and against animal experimentation, so we can see both sides.

**For:** They help to fight against illnesses, because the experiments

lead to new vaccinations. The people in the laboratory are friendly to the animals because there is a rule that they only hurt the animals if they have to, and that the animals are under anaesthetic.

**Against:** Animals have got feelings like us, but they can't say anything if it hurts them. These animals don't know what life is like outside the laboratory. The laboratory doesn't need the animals, there are other possibilities.

**What do you think about animal experiments?**

**Let us know for the next issue. Leave us a comment or thought in the Montessori Times comment box in each classroom.**



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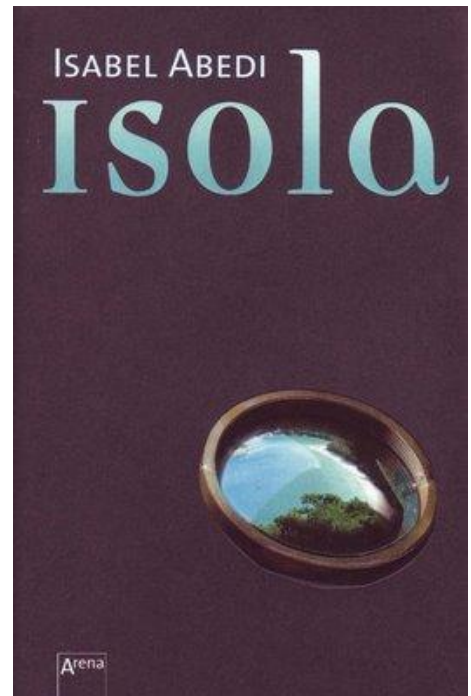
The book is called Isola and the author is Isabel Abedi. It's from the Arena publishing company and it came out in 2007.

So let's start... Vera Marcondes was invited to a film project by Quint Tempelhoff, the director of the film. There is no storyline - just an island, three houses, food and cameras. These cameras film them every day and everywhere.

One day they find some paper and realize it's instructions for a game. They open it and read the contents. One person is to become the murderer and the others are the victims. The murderer has to take one of the victims and bring him to a secret place, while the other victims have to find the murderer. If they catch him, the game is over, but in the first few days they don't find him and then after a party in a cave they find some blood. They are surprised and anxious...

This horrible game becomes longer and longer and none of the victims can find the murderer.

I read the book and found it great because it's exciting. I think that you have to read the book! ☺



## Feedback Coffeehouse

Dear Guests,  
We would be delighted, if you told us your opinion about our first Coffeehouse.

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How did you find the Coffeehouse?	0	0	0
How did you find the acts?	0	0	0
How did you find the catering?	0	0	0

How would you describe the atmosphere?

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What can we do better next time?

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Thank you for giving the newspaper team Feedback about our first Coffeehouse!  
You can cut out this sheet and gave it to us.

