



الأكاديمية الدولية - عمان
THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY - AMMAN

Parent News Monday, 5th February 2018

Calendar

Monday	5	--Open meeting with Primary Principal, Mr. Andrew Powell, Primary Principal's Office, 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM --KG1R Trip, (Off- Campus)
Tuesday	6	--Secondary Parent Conferences
Wednesday	7	--Secondary Parent Conferences --KG1J Trip, (Off- Campus) --Grade 11 Trip, International Trip --Grade 4 Trip, (Off- Campus)
Thursday	8	--Grade 11 Trip, International Trip --KG1I Trip, (Off- Campus) --Grade 2J Assembly, Theatre, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Friday	9	--Grade 11 Trip, International Trip
Saturday	10	--Grade 11 Trip, International Trip
Sunday	11	--Grade 11 Trip, International Trip
Monday	12	--Open meeting with Primary Principal, Mr. Andrew Powell, Primary Principal's Office, 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM --Grade 11 Trip, International Trip --ISA Tests

Primary School News

Dear Parents,

I hope that you have had a relaxing weekend and have been able to enjoy the warmer weather. This week we have a number of classes exploring the city. Our KG1 classes are off to the Children's Museums as part of their 'World Around Us' unit. They look forward to exploring exhibitions related to everyday life in Amman such as supermarkets, building sites and the importance of saving water. Our Grade 4 students will also be heading out, but their goal is to explore how the past and present are intertwined as they visit the Amman Citadel. We trust that these visits will help to stimulate our students' curiosity while also enriching and informing the work we do in the classroom.

Next week our Grade 3-5 students will be taking the International Schools Assessment, which tests core skills in reading, writing and mathematical literacy. The tests will take place on Monday, February 12th and Tuesday, February 13th; students must be at school and ready to commence these assessments at 8 am. In order to ensure that your children are able to do as well as they can, it is important that they come to school well rested. Please support your child by ensuring that he or she has slept well and has had a healthy breakfast before leaving home.

I would like to recognise our award winners this week. They are:

Bronze Award Winners

Ghassan Kanber Agha 5MM	Ali Ziada 3G	Saif Hijawy 4P
Faris Ziadat 4P	Yasmine Abu- Omar 3G	Mouj Hijjawi 4P
Hani Samman 4P	Basel Al- Qusus 3G	Zaher Jardaneh 4P
Talia Shanti 4P	Bishr Maraqa 3G	Nour Damrah 4P
Sanad Haijawi 4P	George Akkawi 2H	Saba Horani 4P
Sanad Al- Khawaldeh 3S	Shaden Bondagji 2H	Mohammad Al Huseini 4P
Sarah Al Salaimah 3LC	Nora Sharaan 2H	Farah Jebrel 4P
Lea Zuhir 3M	Sara Al Dowaiash 2H	Nazeeh Abdul- Hadi 4G
Khairy Al Saudi 3M	Nadine Dajani 2H	Fullah Al- Farhood 4G
Sanad Damrah 3M	Mira Tbakhi 2H	Lara Kilani 4G
Mohammad Qawasmi 3M	Zaid Saleh 1S	Tiba Al Khawam 4G
Zina Al Abdullah 3M	Faisal Shawareb 1S	Farah Zureikat 4G
Ghazi Khalifeh 3LC	Mohammad Al Jazairy 1S	Mohammad Dajani 4G
Rakan Qawasmi 3LC	Karim Mohsen 5MM	Salma Toghhoth 3M
Amin Mustafa 3LC	Hashem Al Jazy 4M	Yasmine Assaf 2H
Salma Al- Bkirat 3G	Omar Manasra 4M	Layla Haj Hasan 1S

Silver Award Winners

Salma Bawalsa 5MM	Raya Oweis 3G	Jehad Atwan 2H
Tala Attari 4M	Jude Saadi 3LC	Haya Sunnaa 2H
Reem Al- Basha 3G	Amin Mustafa 3LC	Zakariyah Hoozeer 2H

Omar Hyasat 3G
Kareem Ghnaimat 3G
Sumayah Makanai 3G
Talia Al- Kurdi 3G
Farah Saliba 3G

Zahraa Al Dulaimi 3LC
Muhyeddin Al Ghezawi 2Z
Fathi Salem 3S
Haya Halawa 3S

Yulixa Houkayem 2H
Jamal Semreen 2H
Jaffar Zalatimo 2J
Mohamed Morrarr 1S

I hope that you have a wonderful week.
Yours sincerely,

Andrew Powell

Secondary School News

Dear Parents,

Semester 1 Reports were sent out on Thursday. This week we have Parent Conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday. The purpose of the conferences is to celebrate progress and more importantly to identify what can be done moving forward to consolidate, or even improve, the grade. Please ensure to make bookings using the Moodle system and clicking on the *Parent Conference* tab on the dashboard.

Please note: in order to facilitate the conferences the Secondary School will have an early finish at 2.15 on Wednesday 7th February. Bus students will return home on the Primary bus run that day.

This past Friday, 12 of our Grade 9 students embarked on a small part of the Jordan Trail near Ajloun. The scenery was spellbinding with almond trees in full blossom; wild strawberry trees; and “Roman” olive trees that have been around for 2000 years! The ancient city of Pella was visited, which was once upon a time a hub of human life during Roman times and today has breath-taking view of the Palestinian hills. At the Jesus Cave, there was a lesson on how olive oil was made in historic times. Along the trek, there were herds of sheep and goats; a few tortoises basking under the sun; locals who enthusiastically greeted us and flowers that covered the forest floor. Grade 8’s are up next to hike the Jordan Trail. Do not let your children miss this opportunity. The Grade 8’s might even be in for a bigger treat as the time may coincide when our national flower, the Black Iris, is in full bloom.

Last week we continued to bring other perspectives to our classes. On Sunday the TOK team invited in a guest speaker, Aroub Soboh, to present as part of the unit ‘TOK and the Human Sciences’. Aroub, a well-known journalist, activist and media specialist who focuses on children and women's rights, was able to raise some interesting issues and discussion points as part of our ongoing aim to broaden the scope of understanding and insight of our students.

We have a large number of students from Grades 6 to 10 who have signed up to participate on February 22nd and 23rd in the World’s Scholars Cup (WSC). The WSC has a comprehensive, thematic curriculum that changes from year to year, and invites participants to learn about, research and debate serious global issues. It focuses on collaboration and critical thinking. It encourages students not just to work on their existing strengths and skills, but to discover new ones. This year’s theme will be ‘2018: An Entangled World’. Our students have started

training for this competition every Monday after school, under the leadership of our Grade 11's. Deadline to pay the 60JD fee to Finance is Tuesday Feb. 12th.

Lastly, Ms. Susanne, Ms. Lubna and Mr. Mohammad are accompanying a group of grade 11 students to Nepal, the 'Roof of the World', as part of the school's annual international trip. We wish our teachers and students safe travels, and we look forward to hearing about their adventures and learning experiences. They leave on the 7th of February and are back on the 17th.

Best regards,

Mr. Martin and Ms. Zena

Library News

The Primary Library will host a MakerSpace on Tuesday, 13 February, from 2:30-3:20. The MakerSpace is a programme for students and parents, from KG1-G5. Registration is on a first-come basis. Register at library@iaa.edu.jo. Please include the names and Grade sections of each child.