



الأكاديمية الدولية - عمان
THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY - AMMAN

Parent News

Monday, 4th June 2018

Calendar

Monday	4	--Grade 6-9 Exams --Open meeting with Primary Principal, Mr. Andrew Powell, Primary Principal's Office, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM --Grade 3M Trip (Off- Campus) --Pre-K red class trip (Off- Campus)
Tuesday	5	--Grade 6-9 Exams --Director's Open Meeting with Parents, Director's Office, 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Wednesday	6	--Grade 6-9 Exams --Grade 3G Trip (Off- Campus)
Thursday	7	--Grade 6-9 Exams --Grade 3S Trip (Off- Campus) --Grade 1 Iona & Stacia Assembly, Auditorium, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Friday	8	
Saturday	9	
Sunday	10	--Grade 6-9 Exams
Monday	11	--Grade 6-9 Exams --Open meeting with Primary Principal, Mr. Andrew Powell, Primary Principal's Office, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM --Grade 5 Promotion, Auditorium, 5:00 PM

A Message from the Director

Dear IAA Community,

We have less than two weeks of school left. What another great year it has been! And I ask myself, where has the time gone? I was looking at this year's Yearbook and I was full of pride to see what we have been up to this

year. The year's trips, events, assemblies and memorable moments are all embodied in this precious record. I encourage you to purchase your copy before the year ends.

We had a brilliant end of year assembly in Secondary last week. Our assemblies are becoming of the highest standards and performances are world-class. Thank you students and a huge thank you to the staff for bringing out the best in each and every student.

You must have all received a parent survey link yesterday. Please take the time to complete it to allow us to continually improve our school and student achievement. Here is the link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SZC8CH7>

As our long summer break approaches, and during our summer vacation, many parents witness the 'summer learning loss' syndrome – as I call it. Research suggests that parents should ensure that their children take time to read, since summer reading is critical to a child's ability to not only retain information learnt the previous year, but also to grow in knowledge and critical thinking skills for the coming year. Here are a few tips:

<https://www.parentingscience.com/summer-learning-loss.html>.

Finally, note that the last day of school for students is Tuesday, June 12.

And for parents who wish to see me, my office will be open this Tuesday from 9-10 am.

Have a wonderful week!

Hana Kanan Ed.D.

Director

Primary School News

Dear Parents,

As we draw towards the end of the academic year it is wonderful to look at the development of our students and their readiness for the year ahead. This week we have initiated a series of transition experiences so that all of our students get to spend time and familiarise themselves with the grade they will be in next year.

I have also commenced interviews with aspiring prefects and it is affirming to hear these students talk about their time at the school, relate their experiences and actions to the Four Pillars and talk about their aspirations for the future.

Gift Policy

It is this time of year that many parents want to express their gratitude to our teachers. We do have a very strict gift policy and I do want to remind you that teachers may only receive small gifts such as chocolates or bouquet of flowers.

Parent Survey

The annual parent survey was released yesterday. Your feedback is important, and it will help make our future school planning more meaningful. The survey is conducted anonymously, and it is important to us that you complete it as honestly as possible.

Upcoming Events

The following events are coming up as we work our way to the end of the school year:

- June 7th -Assembly (Grade 1 Iona & 1 Stacia)
- June 11th -Grade 5 Promotion Ceremony @ 5pm
- June 12th -End of Year Assembly

Award Winners

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

Bronze Award Winners

Haya Al Soury 2Z

Silver Award Winners

Noor Saeed 5CS

Aban Al Lozi 3LC

Fuad Halawah 3LC

Sam Al- Bay 5CS

Alanood Haddadin 3LC

Faisal Kardan 3LC

Munira Al Hashimi 4G

Alanoud Abu Al Haj 3LC

Eid Al Halawani 3LC

Maya Ghokapsh 3LC

Abdullah Al Bdour 3LC

Ali Toukan 2Z

Rakan Qawasmi 3LC

Jaffar Armouti 3LC

Gold Award Winners

Mariam Saket 5CS

Lea Zuhir 3M

Amin Mustafa 3LC

Ahmad Odeh 5CS

Sarah Al Salaimah 3LC

Loulwa Belbeisi 2J

Ali Abu- Lughod 5CS

Mariel Imseeh 3LC

Maria Al Zraiqat 2J

Lara Kilani 4G

Salma Ellauzi 3LC

Abdallah Fraij 2J

Maya Samman 4M

Abdullah Abu Halimeh 3LC

Bashir Abu Hejleh 2J

Zaid Al Nammari 3M

Gold with Merit Award Winners

Sarah Dahleh 4M

Sanad Damrah 3M

Maia Cubeisy 2J

Omar Mansra 4M

Kenzi Kalbouneh 3M

Talal Rudeini 2J

Zahraa Al Dulaimi 3LC

Muheyddin Al Ghezawi 2Z

Hamzah Mansour 1F

Noor Asali 3LC

Jazmine Al Jamal 2J

Jude Saadi 3LC

Raya Qawar 2J

Gold with Excellence Award Winners

Ghazi Jallouqa 5CS

Yara Saoudi 2Z

Suleiman Al Ghezawi 2J

Ali Abzakh 4G

Yasmin Farraj 2M

I hope that you have a wonderful week.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Powell

Secondary School News

Dear Parents,

End of Year Assembly

Our penultimate newsletter of the year – and what a year it has been. On Thursday last week, we held our celebration assembly when we took a snapshot of the year and presented it on stage. It took two hours of packed presentations before we finished and there was so much we did not cover. Wow! In and out of the classroom, on the field and on trips, we have done so much and everyone left the theatre on a real high (and a little scared at how quick time seems to fly by). We were happy to have guests in to receive donations from our various fundraising initiatives, and it was great to have a number of Grade 12 students back in passing on words of wisdom and doing one last performance for the school.

Summer Reading for Grades 6 to 10

The research is clear that children who do not read during the summer can lose up to three months of reading progress and that loss has a cumulative, long-term effect. If your child struggles in choosing a book to read, then they should complete an online quiz that matches their personality type with an interesting read. The link for the quiz can be accessed via Moodle. Once they find the book that is the perfect match for them, they should get in touch with Ms. Kathleen (Head of Libraries) or Ms. Hala (Head of English), who are excited to help them secure copies of the books before the summer holiday. A list of all the books available can be found at <https://www.flipgorilla.com/p/25621759289983032/show>

End of Year Assessments

End of year assessments start this week, and we would like to wish all our students the very best. It is important that students come to each exam prepared with the correct materials. Information on what to bring can be found in the exam revision booklet that can be accessed via Moodle from the News Forum.

On each exam day, students should also bring in the textbook for the subject that they are examined on. All students have been given a “book return” form to complete that confirms their return of all textbooks and library items. It is important that they are organised and have these completed and handed in to their Grade Leaders by June 11th (11:15 am) to ensure that end of year reports are distributed on the final day of school.

Bus services have been altered for the return journey so students in Grades 6 to 8 and Grade 9 can take the bus home after their exams at 11.15 am.

Diploma

We welcome our Grade 10s back on school on Sunday June 3rd. For the next week and a half, we will do work shadow feedback, college counselling, portfolio building and then the focus will be on transition into Grade 11. Students will be introduced to all aspects of the Diploma Programme. They will also sit a number of lessons in their chosen subject areas, be given their textbooks, guides and some limited reading, so that they start Grade 11 strong.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Martin and Ms Zena