

Newsletter No. 7/ 2016-17

25th November 2016

Dear Parents,

With just two weeks of this term left, times are exciting. The following provides information about the upcoming events as well as others that have recently taken place.

Year 2 Assembly

Last Friday, the two Year 2 classes presented a beautiful assembly about their Unit of Inquiry on materials. Through quizzes, stories, songs and dance, they creatively presented information about the properties and uses of materials.

This assembly was full of emotion; a joyous moment seeing the recent learning in Year 2, but also, a sad moment as the whole school sang to say *kwaheri* to Bill O'Hearn, who left later that evening for the US.





Year 2 Assembly – 18th November

Arts Week Performance

There has been great excitement in the Junior School this week as the Arts Week workshops have taken place. We are very much looking forward to sharing with you the culminating performance which involves pieces from the drama, music, dance, costume and other workshops. Please see below some photos from this week's workshops, as well as well as an attachment with details about the logistics for the evening of **Friday**, **2**nd **December**.

Please note that we prefer that all students go home or to a friend's house on the Friday at 2.40pm after school, so that they can rest. However, we also understand that for some, this might mean spending a lot of time on the road. If this is the case with your child, please send an email to the school office at rebecca.davis@agakhanacademies.org to inform us that you wish for your child to stay back at school and be supervised. If your child stays at school please



provide him/her with an extra snack and drink for the day. For students who use the bus, the buses will depart at 3.00pm as usual.

Please note that all students should report back by **5:45pm** to get ready for the performance (costumes and make-up), which starts at **6:30pm**. Should any parents wish to help with the make-up please contact Anu Mohsin at Anuradha.Mohsin@agakhanacademies.org. We have really appreciated parents help in the past.

Some photos from the Arts Week Workshops







Costumes Workshop

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Art & Crafts workshop

A student's photo

Inter-School Athletics – 19th November (from Mr. Ndungu)

On Saturday 19th November we hosted 8 Mombasa Schools for the annual AKA,M Junior Athletics Championships; Shree Swaminarayan, MSB, Braeburn, Kivukoni, Light Academy, Jaffery Academy, Mombasa Academy and Coast Academy. The championships involved three age groups; the Under 8's, Under 10's and Under 12's. The turnout was impressive in terms of our students and parents, including participants and their families from visiting schools.

In the Under 8 category our team won after collecting a total of 163 points. In the under 10's we again led with a total of 194 points. In the under 12's the AKA,M team emerged second behind Shree Swaminarayan with a total of 201 points. We scooped the Overall Winners shield with 558 points after all the age group points were totalled. A big thank you to all the participants for representing the school and to parents and families for attending and supporting the children. We also thank the Junior School faculty for officiating and general organization of the event.

Some sporting moments captured







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Zawadi Bazaar – Saturday 3rd December

The annual Zawadi Bazaar is here once again; this takes place on Saturday 3rd December 2016 from 10.00am – 4.00pm at the Senior School. This is an exciting day for the students and their families; there will be food stalls, gift vendors, a raffle and entertainment! Entry is Kshs. 50/= per person. All proceeds will go to the Citizenship Fund to support student community service projects. If you wish to book a stall to sell food or other items, or advertise products, please contact Mr. Edgar Orwa on 0736 305 238 or email him at Edgar.Orwa@agakhanacademies.org. The charge for hiring space is Kshs. 3,500. We look forward to seeing you all, at the event.

AKA, M Voices for Change – Request for dry food donations

The AKAM Voices for Change, a Senior School choir and service group, has initiated a food donation drive to help people affected by famine, in Kilifi. They are requesting for donations of dry foods such as flour, rice, maize and beans, and aim to reach their target of their slogan, Jaza Lorry. The food items are to be delivered to the Junior School office or Library next week, and will be donated first-hand to the affected families during the week of 5 - 9th December. Please see the attached flyer about the event.

Date for the diary

Friday, 2 nd December:	Junior School Arts Performance	6:30 pm – 8:00pm
Saturday 3 rd December:	Zawadi Bazaar	10:00am – 4:00pm
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Sunday 4th December: Safaricom concert with the school choir (time TBC)

Monday 5th December: No after-school clubs/enrichment this week

(apart from Taekwondo on Monday 5th December, for Grading)

Friday 9th December School closes (2.40pm)

Thursday 5th January School starts back for all students

Please note that due to the Safaricom concert on the Sunday evening, there will no longer be the Christmas Tree Lighting on the Tuesday 6th December



We look forward to seeing you at the scheduled events over the next two weeks.

With warm regards,

Isla Gordon Principal, Junior School

Attachments:

- 1. Arts Week Performance logistics
- 2. Zawadi Bazaar flyer
- 3. Voice for Change flyer

