



13th November 2015

Dear Parents,

We hope this finds you well.

This newsletter includes details about the following:

- Upcoming Events
- The SRC election process in the Junior School
- Junior School Sports
- The Zawadi Bazaar
- Recent visit to The Aga Khan Academy, Maputo

Calendar - Upcoming Events

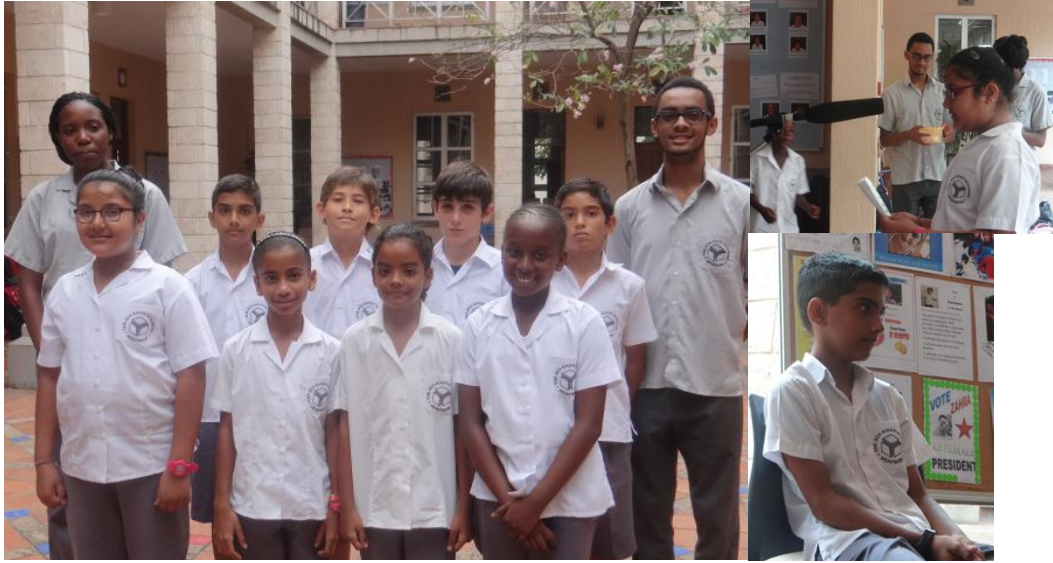
14 th November:	Inter-School Junior Athletics at AKA, M – 8.00am – 1.15pm
19 th November:	PYP Coffee Morning: Assessment in the PYP (8.15am – 9.45am)
26 th November:	PYP Meeting: Assessment in the PYP (5.00pm – 6.30pm)
28 th – 29 th November:	NASA Invitations Swimming Championships (Nairobi)

For logistics planning, please email your confirmation to attend the PYP meetings to rebecca.davis@agakhanacademies.org

Student Representative Council (SRC) elections in Junior School

This was the final week of the Student Representative Council elections and results will be announced to the whole school during the assembly on Monday. Central to the Academy's vision is to provide opportunities for the student body to engage in leadership activities with the goal of creating proactive and holistically-minded learners. Having a Student Representative Council as part of our Academy allows our young learners to take an active role in the school's development and daily activities. For the past month, the Junior School has been embarked on a process that has allowed students to explore the Aga Khan Strands of Governance and Civil Society through experiencing democratic elections.





SRC Assembly – Friday 6th November

Last week the SRC candidates presented their speeches. The President ones were moderated by the Senior School SRC Presidents and in addition to their speeches, candidates also answered questions asked by teachers and fellow students related to leadership and what it would mean to them to be part of the Junior School SRC.

Sports Events

Inter-School Athletics – Saturday 14th November

Our annual Inter-School Athletics event will take place tomorrow **Saturday 14th November** from **8.00am**, with 5 other schools participating. We welcome you to come and cheer on our team. *(Please bring with your own drinks and snacks for refreshment as there will be no tuck shop facility).*

Swimming

The CASA Open Junior Championships for the 6 to 9 year olds took place on 7th and 8th November. Our teams did extremely well, once again, showing AKA, M supremacy in swimming from grassroot to senior levels. AKA, M finished first in both the boys' and girls' teams and won the overall title, winning 49 gold, 26 silver and 12 bronze medals in the individual and relay events. Congratulations to all the students who took part, and for their excellent accomplishment, which they have achieved through hard work and commitment to the training programme.



The Junior Swimming Team with Coach Malik and Coach King'ori

Inter-School Rounders Tournament

On Saturday 31st October the Academy hosted an Inter-School U11 and U13 Rounders Tournament, with 5 other schools participating. In the U11 match the girls played in energetically contested matches against 4 of the schools and emerged in 5th place with 6 points, with a tie in points with the 4th placed school; the victorious and 2nd place schools tying with 10 points.

In the U13 matches the school played against 2 schools in 'Pool A' and emerged 4th overall with 4 points. Well done to the girls' for participating and we look forward to greater victories.

Cricket

On Tuesday 3rd November we hosted Shree Swaminarayan Academy for an U11 cricket match. We won the toss and batted first, with a target of 65 runs in 8 overs. The match was tightly contested with skilful batting, fielding and bowling but we lost to Shree who won by 72 runs in 8 overs.

On Tuesday 10th November the U11 team went to Braeburn and played against them. AKA, M won the toss and set a target of 89 runs in 8 overs, and got 5 wickets. Braeburn scored 51 runs in 8 overs. Well done to the team for their achievements and representing the school.



The U11 Cricket Team

Zawadi Bazaar – Saturday 5th December 2015

The fifth annual Zawadi Bazaar is fast approaching! This year's Bazaar will take place from **11am** to **4pm** on **Saturday, 5th December**. There will be food and gifts for purchase as well as music, games, a raffle and much more.

As always, we welcome AKA, M parents to take part, either by attending and supporting our students, or by renting a stall for your business or donating a prize to our raffle. Friends and the community are welcome to attend and participate. Please direct any enquiries to the coordinator, Emma Johnson, at emma.johnson@agakhanacademies.org or telephone **0737 696 936**. Attached with this newsletter is a letter from the Zawadi Bazaar Committee and the event poster. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Coast Academy Art Competition

For the students who participated in the Coast Academy Art Competition on Saturday 7th November, the prize giving ceremony will be held on **Saturday 21st November** at the Coast Academy Junior School playground, from **11.30am** to **1:30pm** and not on 14th November as initially communicated.

Visit to The Aga Khan Academy, Maputo

Rukiya Cochu and Isla Gordon spent the early part of this week at the Aga Khan Academy in Maputo, Mozambique, running a Primary Years Programme workshop for the staff, as well as observing classes. This visit is a strong reminder that AKA, M is part of a wider network of Academies and we were able to develop many connections, some of which will benefit our students, such as having our students collaborate and discuss ideas with young learners from other countries.



PYP Workshop, Staff from the Aga Khan Academy, Maputo

Finally, last but not least, for our families who celebrated Diwali, we send you are our very best wishes and health and happiness for this New Year. Wishing you all a wonderful week-end.

Kind regards,

Isla Gordon, Principal, Junior School