

Progress of the construction work.....



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From The Principal

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Each of the three campuses of AusIS has been busier than usual with staff and students all completing the final tasks before the December – January break. It is a time of final semester assessments for some, preparing for end of semester events and trips for others, and a time of report writing and parent-teacher meetings for the staff.

As an educational community of learners there is much that we can be proud of at AusIS, but in the spirit of continuous improvement, there is also a great deal that needs the attention of staff, parents and students to ensure that positive progress is maintained, and in fact, accelerated.

Of particular concern are the daily attendance and punctuality rates of the students at each campus. There is a considerable body of research available that establishes a very clear, and not surprising, relationship between high attendance and punctuality, and success at school. The research similarly points to a high correlation between high absenteeism and high school drop-out rates, and in younger students, significant delays in literacy and numeracy acquisition levels.

As a general guide, a 95% attendance rate is considered to be the minimum standard regardless of the age of the student.

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It is true that there are many reasons for student absence that can't be avoided by students or parents, and AusIS will do all it can to support our students in such circumstances. It is also true, however, that many of our students have a significant amount of time away from learning for reasons that are unnecessary and frivolous. It is the unnecessary absences that we, as a like-minded community, need to eliminate from our culture.

I intend to make the improvement in student attendance and punctuality a school-wide focus in the next semester, and will be sending parents and students more information on this prior to the winter break. Parents and students will also be invited to share their ideas with this focus in mind.

Best Regards.

AusIS Dhaka



November 2016
HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR
NOVEMBER

- Early Childhood** Zayn Wali
- Pre Primary** Sura Naava Ahmed
Jarratin Jabid Shosti Nuzhat
Shehzana Subhana Simrat
- Year 1** Najiba Rawza
Mohymen Mahir rahman
Umayma Nazaha Ahmed
Rashaad Zaman
- Year 2** Adeeb Ahmed Choudhury
- Year 3** Sara Julianne Alam
Aphsara Chowdhury
Ayaan Usama Aziz
Aynani Tajrian
Razmoni Ahasan
- Year 4** Ayman Tateyama
Mushfique Kamal
Nusrat Rahman Tashin
Zayan Kashem Chowdhury
- Year 5** Jibrael Ali Chowdhury
Rayed Mominul
- Year 7** Aymaan Zaman
- Year 9** Jamal Ahmad
- Year 10** Tanha Ali
- Year 11** Zaheen Araf Taseer



UPCOMING EVENTS OF December- 2016

- Dec 11- Christmas carnival, Class party & C1, C2, Semester final report sent home.
- Dec 12- Eid-E-Miladunnabi.
- Dec 13-15– Teacher only day/ PYP Workshop.
- Dec 15- C3 Semester final report sent home.
- Dec 16 - Jan 12—Winter Vacation
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Campus 1 News

We have been extremely busy this month conducting our Saturday workshops for parents on how we develop a love of reading and how we run our reading program from EC-Year 3. Parents had an opportunity to see and partake in the activities that we use to teach reading. Thank you to all of our parents who attended the workshops and actively partook in reading activities. We truly appreciate your attendance and commitment to partnering with us in the learning of your child. Thank you also goes to all of our teachers for conducting the workshops.



Parents creating a wonderful Reading Den



Parents participating in and reflecting on reading activities

News from Year 1
Year 1 are having a wonderful time in UOI classes. During our second unit of inquiry we learned about changing materials and did many experiments. We learned about solids, liquids and gases and saw how water can change from ice to water and then from water to water vapour. We did this experiment with the help of an electric kettle. Our fun did not end there we added sugar to the hot water and watched how it dissolved. We also baked bread to see how yeast reacted to heat and made the dough rise. We called our bread 'Chicken in a Blanket' because it had sausage inside. We really enjoyed eating it too!



Unit of inquiry presentation about how materials can be changed

In math we have been doing lots of hands on activities and using objects from around the classroom to measure

Students busy with Math



In accordance with our belief, "If you can reach, we can teach" one of our Pre Primary students joined class from Canada. Skype and email ensured that important phonics lessons were not missed. Students also had a great time keeping in touch with a friend 10,000 km's away!

Campus 2 News

The students demonstrated their learning in many ways both inside and outside their classrooms this month. We looked forward to our morning assemblies for students' presentation each day as they would do role plays with a morale message, mesmerize the audience with some magic tricks, conduct quizzes and riddles as brain teasers, perform TV advertisement followed by a lottery draw and many more exciting sessions.



Making 3D shapes in Math-Year 4



Year 4 students performed two thoughtful skits on human rights violations and the roles and responsibilities to establish the rights. The objective was to spread out the message to bring equality in the society.



A short role play by the Year 4 students on two kingdoms and how pride goes wrong and being content pays off.....



Presentation on history, culture and festivals of Bangladesh by Year 6.



Presentation on 'The Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman' by Year 7.

MYP Professional Development sessions on 'MYP in the IB Continuum' and 'Planning a Coherent Curriculum'. Teacher's presentation on the significance and structure of the MYP subject groups.



Campus 3 News

The semester final exams for the senior campus have begun on the 27th of November 2016. The students displayed great enthusiasm and gravity while also they are on the lookout for their winter break. Some are longing for Bhutan trip.

Our soccer tournament was held this month where the players were keen and energetic towards the game in spite of their upcoming exam stress.



Science projects presented by students of Years 11 & 12



Orientation to the Parents on the excursion to Bhutan



Counseling session by Canadian University Representatives to the senior students

