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Dear Parents,

We are delighted to witness our students fully engaged and readily adjusting to their curriculum requirements, actively participating in baseline assessments within the first two weeks of this academic year. It is wonderful to see them confidently progressing towards their holistic growth under the guidance of their teachers.

Parent Orientation

Our parent orientation for FS 2 to Year 1 is scheduled on Saturday, 16th September at 9:00 AM and for Year 2 to Year 6 on Monday, 11th September at 2:15 PM.

We anticipate the participation of all our parents to make these family conferencing events a successful one. Your partnership is highly significant to measure the smooth progression of your child's academic journey from the beginning.

Roald Dahl celebration

Our students of Years 1-6 will be celebrating "Roald Dahl Day" on Wednesday, 13th September bringing the characters alive in a fantasy world on the birth anniversary of British children's author, Roald Dahl, who created world-famous stories such as Matilda, James and the Giant Peach and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. He pioneered children's literature by writing books that stretched the imaginations and minds of the readers and inspired children through his globally renowned books. We cannot wait to see our budding authors coming alive on that day!

International Benchmark assessments- Term I

Our international benchmark assessment will run from September 2023 to November 2023, with Cognitive Abilities Tests 4 (CAT4) and New Group Reading Test (NGRT) to commence from Monday, 18th September. In November, the Arabic Benchmark Test is scheduled to take place.

Detailed information will be shared shortly.

COP28- A global approach to a greener future

Aligned with the objectives of COP28 (*The United Nations Climate Change Conference or Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC, more commonly referred to as COP28*), supporting the UAE Ministry of Education, AUS is in the process of establishing a roadmap to make our school and learners climate-ready, a model that can be adapted globally. Our school has implemented various strategies to integrate COP28 into the curriculum raising awareness through UN Sustainable Development Goals and the school's Core Values. These include introducing student led events, age-appropriate projects, research and inquiry-based learning,



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such as incorporating hydroponics techniques into lessons to teach students about sustainable agriculture and resource conservation as well as enriched experiences through educational trips. Through these efforts, the school aims to promote sustainable practices and empower students to become active global citizens.

Communication pathways/ Parent Handbook

As we go through the initial phase of this academic year, we request that you take time to read through the [Parent Handbook](#), which will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of the communication points should you have any queries throughout the year.

AUS has a dedicated medical team who are focused on actively promoting healthy lifestyles and providing training to our staff to ensure the safety of every child. You will soon receive update to explain the vaccination procedures and medical conditions aligned with Dubai Health Authority (DHA) protocols.

Activities Next Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Primary: Parent Orientation: Meet the Learning Manager Year 2- Year 6 Secondary: Year 11 Boys Trip to Etihad Museum Diagnostic Testing Week	Secondary: Year 11 Girls Trip to Etihad Museum Diagnostic Testing Week	Primary: Roald Dahl's Day Celebration and Book Character Dress up Competition for Years 1-6 Secondary: Year 10 Boys Trip to Etihad Museum Diagnostic Testing Week	Secondary: Year 10 Girls Trip to Etihad Museum Diagnostic Testing Week	EYFS: International Dot Day celebration in FS2 & Year 1 Primary: IQRA (Arabic D.E.A.R) Secondary: IQRA Diagnostic Testing Week Saturday, 16/09/23: Parent Orientation for FS2 & Year 1 parents in Taher Hall

Have a nice weekend!

Sincerely,

Susan Rubin Varghese
Deputy Principal