

Wednesday 31st May, 2017

Dear Parents,

Hoping this finds you well. The following includes information from life in our Junior School over the past few weeks; a write-up and pictures from our assemblies, sports news, an update about the Kenya Music Festival results, Junior School enrichment, as well as information with an attachment about our upcoming Student-Led Conferences.

Assemblies

Year 4A Assembly – Friday 19th May (from Ms. Michelle)

Students in Year 4 presented a three part performance for the assembly as provocations into their new unit on Drama. They expressed themselves through Luo tongue twisters, a mime *Marikiti* scene and a musical performance using kitchen tools. The students enjoyed brainstorming and collaborating with each other to bring an entertaining performance to the Junior School.



Year 4A Assembly

Year 1 Assembly - Friday 26th May (from the Ms. Anne and Ms. Sangale)

The Year 1 student's assembly was based on the unit theme *How We Express Ourselves*, which was exhibited through stories. The students presented this through dance, reading their own stories and using hand puppets they made in their Art class.



Sports News (from Kennedy Kariuki)

On Tuesday 30th May our junior teams for football and netball played Oshwal Academy for the league matches. The boys’ football team won 4 - 2 whilst the girls’ netball team girls lost their match 11- 1. The last round of matches for the season will be played on Tuesday 6th June with Braeburn Mombasa, here at the Academy.



U11 Football team



U11 Netball team

Kenya Music Festival (Information from Mr. Philip Agutu)

Fifteen Junior School students as well as ten Year 6 – 8 students shone at the Sub-County music festival competition, which took place at Ronald Ngala Primary School on Friday 26th May. The students scooped 9 first positions, 3 second positions and 1 fourth position, qualifying for the next County level. We wait to hear news of the results from the events of Tuesday 30th May.

I am pleased to also inform you of our Senior School students’ victory in the ongoing Kenyan Music Festivals. The competition at this level is very competitive and the team has done us proud, once again. The students performed a total of 11 events taking part in 9 categories, scooping seven 1st places, three 2nd places and one 3rd place! The group will be proceeding to Regionals which will take place from 5th – the 7th June. Qualifications for the Nationals will be known next week. Well done to all the participants in this year’s music festival.

Enrichment Programme – Diamond Jubilee Workshops

This term's enrichment has focused around creating pieces to celebrate His Highness The Aga Khan's Diamond Jubilee. Please see as follows pictures from the workshops where students have been involved in photography, poetry and story-writing, art work, model making as well as creating songs and dances. Early next week, their work will be sent to Aiglemont, to the AKDN Head Office.





A collage from the photography workshop



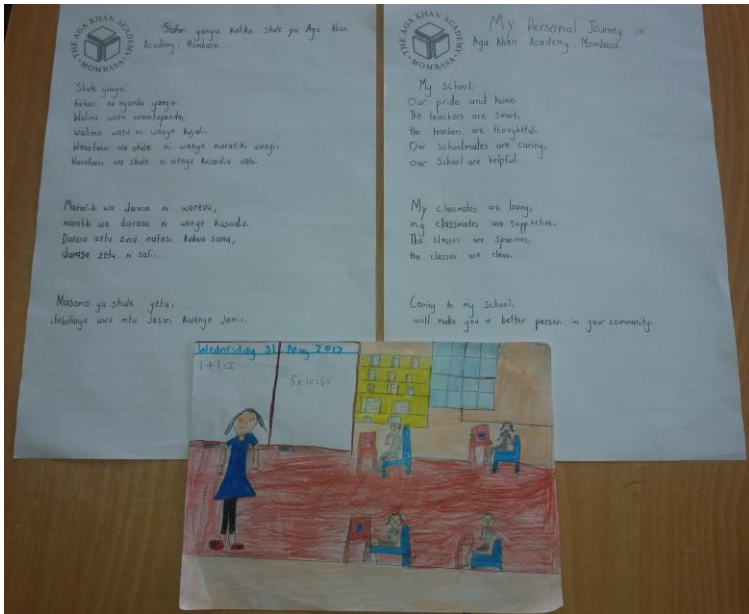
Art workshop



Model-making workshop



Music and Dance workshop



Poetry and Story Writing Workshop



Model-making

Student-led Conferences – 12th – 16th June

As part of school processes for keeping you informed about your child's progress within the PYP, an annual Student-Led Conference is held. This is an opportunity for your child to take you through a selection of their work, showcase pieces from Units of Inquiry as well as other school subject areas. Please see the attached document for signing up for a time to come into school.

Return of Library books for inventory

Over the next few weeks an inventory of the books in the Learning Commons, will be carried out. This means students will no longer be able to borrow books for the month of June. Thank you in advance for checking at home for any school books your child has, and have them returned to school.

Lost property

There is a considerable amount of lost property from the Junior School, accumulated over year – water bottles, food containers, uniform, swimming gear and towels, and recently, a few pairs of school shoes. If your child has lost any items please ask them to check the lost property. Students are not always able to identify their items, which we put out from time to time for ease of viewing and claiming. The lost property will also be displayed in the foyer during the Student-Led Conference week. Items not claimed after June 30th 2017 will be donated.

Dates for the Diary

June

Thursday 1 st	Madaraka Day – Public Holiday
Friday 2 nd June	School resumes
Monday 5 th	Music Festival – Regional Level at Diani, Kwale
15 th June	Last date for Enrichment for Term 3 (including paid clubs)
Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th	Student-Led Conferences
Friday 16 th	Year 5 Graduation Assembly – 8.00am – 9.00am
Friday 16 th	Year 5 Party – Evening
Wednesday 21 st	Student Semester 2 Reports to parents
Friday 23 rd	Junior School Assembly – 11.00am
Friday 23 rd	School closes

Wishing you a restful Madaraka day and we look forward to having the students back at school on Friday 2nd June.

We also wish all our families a peaceful Ramadan.

Kind regards,

Isla Gordon
Principal, Junior School

