

ABU DHABI GRAMMAR SCHOOL (CANADA)

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Date: Thursday 10 November 2016

What's Happening in Our School Community?

Thursday, 3 November
Thursday, 17 November
Sunday, 20 - Thursday, 24 November
Wednesday, 23 November
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Tuesday, 29 November
Wednesday, 30 November

Flag Day Ceremony
Reports Go Home to all grades K-12
Bully Awareness Week
Parent Teacher Interviews @ 1:30 – 5:30
Dismissal @ 12pm (Kg - 2) & 1pm (3 – 12)
Bully Awareness Week
National Day Celebrations
Martyr's Day

National Flag Day

Students celebrated the anniversary of Sh. Khalifa's Presidency of the UAE by raising the UAE flag at 11 am and playing the National Anthem on Thursday November 3rd, 2016.



AGS Dance Group- 2016 FIBA 3x3 World Tour and Canadian Business Council Lunch



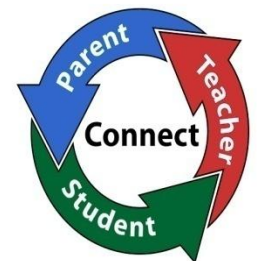
The AGS Dance Group has been chosen to participate in 2016 FIBA 3x3 World Tour and Canadian Business Council Lunch. They took part in the opening ceremony of 2016 FIBA 3x3 World Tour. The event was held at Zayed Sports City-Tennis Arena. The group also performed in the Canadian Business Council lunch that was held at Abu Dhabi Beach Rotana hotel. Both events were successful.



Thanks to the students and the parents for the support, understanding and cooperation they have shown in these events.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher conferences will be held this term on Wednesday, 23 November. Teachers will be contacting you to set up an interview appointment time for grades K-5. The interviews will begin at 1:30 pm and run until 5:30 pm. More information on interview times will be sent to you soon. Grades KG - 6 will be in their respective classrooms and grades 7 - 12 and specialist Teachers will have their interviews held in the school gym. For grades 6 – 12 interviews will be on a first come first serve basis.



Report cards will be going home with all students on Thursday 17.

Changes to the Grades 4 to 6 Report Card

You will see some changes to the grading system in the Grades 4 to 6 Report Card this year. In line with Nova Scotia's Action Plan for Education, the redesigned curriculum has a clear focus on

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mathematics and literacy learning. Students will receive a letter grade (A - D) on Integrated Language Arts and Integrated Mathematics. The other subjects (Core French, Health Education, Information & Communication Tech, Music, Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, and Visual Arts) will use the following developmental scale:

- Well Developed understanding and application of concepts and skills
- Developing as Expected with understanding and application of concepts and skills
- Needs Development with understanding and application of concepts
- Insufficient Evidence to report on achievement of the expected learning outcomes

These grades are written as WD, D, ND and INS. As in the past, most subjects will contain comments.

Nova Scotia Assessments Results

Recently we received the results of our Grade 8 and Grade 10 Assessment results from last year, 2015-16. We are very happy to report that our students are doing very well!

In Grade 8 our students did exceptionally well in Mathematics with 81% of our students being at or above the expectation for the end of Grade 8.

Our Language Arts results are unavailable due to insufficient evidence. Our students did not complete one section of the assessment making the results invalid.

In June of last year our students in Grade 10 wrote provincial examinations in English and Math. In English 80% of our students are meeting or exceeding expectations. In Math 73% are meeting or exceeding expectations.

We are extremely proud of our students and teachers for achieving such high standards on the Nova Scotia Provincial Assessments.

Canadian Tour of Universities:

Abu Dhabi Grammar School (Canada) was very fortunate to be able to host a Canadian Tour of Universities for high school students on October 31st. Students



had the opportunity to speak with university representatives from more than fourteen Canadian universities and colleges who provided extensive information regarding courses, programs, degrees, and admission requirements. Meeting with admission officers permitted students the opportunity to put a name and a face to a school as well as ask questions about what is important to them. Having a personal “feel” for what a school is like is very helpful when making this important decision.



University & College Application Process:

Students can begin to focus on early applications for Canadian schools in November and December. Students applying to the UK

should be applying now.

All university applications should be completed by the end of first term. (February 2017).

Universities and colleges will need to see an official transcript of student marks. Transcripts are issued and sent directly to post-secondary institutions by the Nova Scotia Department of Education & Early Childhood Development (EECD). Students are eligible for 5 transcripts free of charge. The Guidance Counselor will advise the Department of EECD on where to send students' transcripts. It is the students' responsibility to email Ms. Marlene the complete name and mailing address of the respective university. mjohns@agsgrmmr.sch.ca

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High School Student Council Fall Classroom Decorating Contest

Congratulations to the winning classes for the High School Student Council Fall Classroom Door Decorating Contest: KG- 3- Ms. Kelsie (3C); 4-6- Ms. Leeann (4A); 7-9- Ms. Nicole (7C). The High School Student Council will provide each of the winning classes with a Pizza Lunch. Well done to all teachers and students who decorated their classroom doors!



Ms. Leeann-4A



Ms. Kelsie- 3C



Ms. Nicole- 7C

House Assembly

All the students from K - 8 had House Assemblies. The theme was Sportsmanship. Students wore their House Shirts and participated in sports activities to earn points for their team and practice good Sportsmanship. Relay races and group activities got everyone moving and cheering.

There were a few close calls and in the end, the Red triumphed over the other teams with a combined score of 3100, with Blue coming second (2900), Green third (2300), and Black fourth (2100).

Students also earn points for their House Team by wearing their House Shirt every Thursday.

KG - 8 House Assemblies: Oct 23 - 27

	KG/1	2/3	4/5	6/7	8	Total
Black	400	400	500	300	500	2100
Blue	400	600	700	700	500	2900
Green	400	400	500	500	500	2300
Red	400	800	500	700	700	3100

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT AGS IS A NUT SAFE SCHOOL!



Bully Awareness Week- November 20-22

In our continuing efforts to decrease bullying in our school, **Bully Awareness Week** will be held **November 20-22**. During the 21st and 22nd, assemblies will be held and they will

include Building Community Puzzles, videos, slide shows and talks to discuss ways to prevent bullying. During the week KG-12 students will be involved in discussions concerning "Building Community" - the theme throughout the week. Sunday, November 20 will be Cultural Dress Day with a focus on "Building Community", Tuesday will be House Shirt Day with a focus on "Achieving Community" and



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Wednesday will be Pink Shirt Day with a focus on Sustaining Community.

Cultural Night

K to 5 classes received their countries for Cultural Night early this year to promote year long learning and teachable moments. Parents will still be invited to contribute to their home country, their child's class country, or any place they may visit. We will provide more information as the event draws closer. Cultural Night will be on Feb. 22, 2017 this school year.

Cultural Night Assignments			3A	Julie	Libya
			3B	Brittany O	Palestine
			3C	Kelsie	Algeria
K G 2A	Margaret	Tunisia	3 D	Cindy	Malaysia
K G 2B	Evelyn	Brasil	3E	Vanessa	Nigeria
K G 2C	Eriel	Morocco	4A	Leeann	Egypt
1A	Kirsten R	Romania	4B	Janna	Russia
1B	Valerie	Pakistan	4C	Lindsay	Sudan
1C	Katie U	Australia	4 D	Sarah	Jordan
2A	Heather	Indonesia	5A	Scott C	Lebanon
2B	David L	UAE	5B	Zana	Iraq
2C	Tessie	India	5C	Kristen H	Canada
2D	Ruth	Syria	5 D	Marguerite	Philip

DEL F Results and DEL F Junior trophy

Diploma in French language studies
 DELF and DALF are composed of 6 independent diplomas that correspond to the levels of the common European Framework of Reference for languages. There is also a specially adapted version of the DELF diplomas for teenagers in public and private schools. 38 students from Abu Dhabi Grammar school (Canada) participated in the DELF exam during the previous academic year 2015/2016. Students attended different levels and they all passed the exam successfully. 3 students attended level B1 and B2 and received their diplomas successfully and DELF Junior trophy. Those students are: Layan Elgaali, Nour Mohamed, Verina Farag. Congratulations to all the students for their hard work.



Intramurals- Grades 7-9

A new Intramural program has started for **Grades 7-9 Boys and Girls**. Games take place during various Break Times throughout the week. The games are played in the Red Area and the Gym. Good sportsmanship and having fun playing is emphasized during all games. Students have enjoyed playing football games so far and look forward to this activity during the break. Other sports will be introduced as the year progresses. Shown above



Intramural Game Action- Grade 8 Teams 1 and 3. Shown on the left Good Sportsmanship displayed following Intramural Games. Intramurals are also taking place with **High School Teams** playing

during their Break times.

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Celebrating Student Achievement

Assemblies across different grade levels starting from grade 4 will be held to recognize students who have scored above 90% in their academic performance in the year 2015-16.

Students names has been posted in the main office. The post will remain there for the rest of the year. Congratulations. Well done!



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Celebrating Student Achievement 2015 – 2016



98% -100%

Grade 3:

Adon Tayar
Ahmed Shaat
Haya Abu Ghaida
Ilham Abu Seif
Khaled Al Refai
Massa Ajjan
Mohaned Abdussalam
Nancy Moukahal
Perry Armanious
Reem Hamad
Rwad Karma
Saif Dawas
Zina Kair
Zulfa Abu Zanat
Christia Kim
Hamza Miskeen
Hani El Zein
Hibba Ibrahim
Ibrahim Hassan
Leen Naser

Ramsey Salem
Rayane Bouzidi
Saif Al Shehhi
Salma Al Rubaye
Shahd Hamam
Talah Rawashdeh
Yara Owaida
Abdalla Agina
Alexandra Salama
Ali Abu Al Houf
Hafsa Ahmad
Lana El Gaali
Masa Ghadri
Mohamed Ahmed
Naya Diab
Omar Abu Sharar
Omar Said
Savita Zubery

Grade 4

Marta Golovina
Mohamed Khalayli
Nariman Aly
Nour Bellah
Omar Elbeitar
Ram Tayar
Yousef Samman
Adam Ramadan
Aizza Khan
Alawi Ali
Keanu Permana
Leen Al Damen
Noor Tawfeeq
Nour Alsheikh
Omar Atiyah
Philip Mseikeh

Grade 5

Adam Al Shughri
Ahmed Osman
Ahmed Ahmed
Ali Jaber
Aliv Rheantoro
Asyraf Rahman
Bani Rayyan
Emil Gawrieh
Mohamed Shamsan
Hashem Al Refai
Hassan Rammal
Jude Sabih

90% - 95%

Nora Bridi
Tala Qadous
Zeina Zeid
Hamza Khawaja
Annes Elgaali
Karina Aranas
Fatima Osman
Layan Ismail
Idris Bin Adrian
Youssef Shaheed
Laila Kemmous
Mira Kasseb
Mohamed Abdulla
Najla Rahman
Noor Khaddam
Sara El Cheikh Hassan
Yazan Faraj
Ahmad Qureshi
Ahmad Al Bsti
Gabas Elamin
Hamza Ali
Jad Al Massih

Kinan Al Awnih
Michel Al Durah
Mohamed Adli
Mohamed Mansy
Mohamed Metaxas
Mohammed Howwar
Muhammad Anwar
Najdat Mounla
Rana Awais
Saif Alaleeli
Yazan Samman
Yousef Abu Zanat
Zain Al Shakarchi
Aisha Ali
Alia Zein
Aliya Shahhuseyova
Ameera Abu Ghaida
Feda Saeed
Jana Elmoslimany
Jana Abdelrahman
Janya Narwani
Jayna Narwani
Leah Zorbalas
Malaq Diab
Malk Ayyad
Maryam Al Shehhi
Rahaf Gashut
Rama Al Safadi
Sama Ahmad
Shahad Yammahi
Shahed Al Sheble

Grade 6

Abdelmounaim Adli
Abdullah Jamil
Bilal Al Haj
Hamzah Haleemah

Joshua Vidal
Khalid Dfaalla
Mahmoud Darwish
Mohamad Khatib
Mohammad Amode
Mouein Khalouf
Muhammad Faisal
Omar Moskeen
Saif Al Hosani
Youssef Elmoslimany
Amina Gharib
Asma Sohail
Basugat Elamin
Farzah Jamil
Hala Mustafa
Janna Samson
Nadine Abou Shahla
Noor Alhaddad
Nour Raee
Sarah Salem
Wiktorja Czerniewska

Grade 7

Abdal Raof Ali
Gabriel Salvador
Mohamed Abdussalam
Zein Kachi
Dzakiya Muthmainna
Fadwa Assaf
Jude Suleiman
Laura Octavianus
Soad Abdul Kader

Grade 8

Abdullah Al Sheble
Michael Tashman
Nihad Kazimli
Arsala Baig
Leena Agha
Saama Alsafadi
Tania Al Baytee
Zienah Al Sheble

Grade 11

Evan Sabih
Qais Alfityani
Rabee'a Alfityani
Khairunnisa Binti Ashri
Maya Al Durah
Nada Aly
Niloofer Zadeh
Rana Hegab

Grade 9

Ahmad Alissa
Ahmed Elgaali
George Haddad
Kareem El Rufaie
Murad Ibrahim
Omar Al Damen
Sultan Alaaldin
Basima Abbas
Hadeel Mabrouk
Joyce Tashman
Sara Abuhijleh
Yara Mhana
Yara Ahmed
Abu Baker Al Hilal

Grade 12

Hamed Alawadhi
Karim Felfela
Khairil Bin Azwan
Syed Mehdi
Farah Khalid
Yara Al Sharawneh

Grade 10

Ammar Mohana
Fabian D'Silva
Husam Jad Allah
Rameen Babadi
Layan Elgaali
Maryam Binti Adrian
Nour Mohamed
Sama Abdelsalam
Sarah Nabelsi