

High School News

Thursday - March 8, 2018

COLOMBO MODEL UNITED NATIONS (COMUN XXIV)

March 9-11, 2018

The Overseas School of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Seven TAISM students will be participating in a variety of assemblies, including a Security Council Simulation, a UN Assembly on Drugs and Crime, an Economic and Social Council, and General Assemblies dealing with refugee crises and peacekeeper deployment.

They will be accompanied by Mr. Jason Webster (HS Social Studies Teacher/MUN Adviser), and Ms. Dante Meyer.



Omar Ansari (12), Ana Arosemena (12), Natalie Baltimore (12), Natalia Castano (12), Ewan Cosker (11), Juan Quintana (12) & Jared Rogerson (12).

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

Talent Show

March 12, 2018

Performance Hall

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY FAIR



MEET ADMISSION REPRESENTATIVES FROM THESE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

BABSON COLLEGE
Wellesley,
Massachusetts | USA

BLON UNIVERSITY
Elon, North Carolina | USA

**EMERY-RIDDLE
AERONAUTICAL
UNIVERSITY**
Daytona Beach,
Florida | USA

**THE EMIRATE
ACADEMY OF
HOSPITALITY
MANAGEMENT**
Dubai | United Arab
Emirates

**GLION INSTITUTE OF
HIGHER EDUCATION**
Clarens | Switzerland

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY
BLOOMINGTON**
Bloomington, Indiana | USA

**JOHNSON & WALSH
UNIVERSITY**
Providence,
Rhode Island | USA

**LAKESHORE
UNIVERSITY**
Thunder Bay,
Ontario | Canada

LYNN UNIVERSITY
Riverside, Florida | USA

MARIST COLLEGE
Poughkeepsie,
New York | USA

**OTIS COLLEGE OF
ART AND DESIGN**
Los Angeles,
California | USA

**SUSQUEHANNA
UNIVERSITY**
Selinsgrove,
Pennsylvania | USA

**UNIVERSITY OF
AKRON**
Akron, Ohio | USA

**UNIVERSITY OF
CALIFORNIA, DAVIS**
Davis, California | USA

**UNIVERSITY OF
COLORADO
BOULDER**
Boulder, Colorado | USA

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW
HAVEN**
West Haven,
Connecticut | USA

**THE UNIVERSITY OF
TULSA**
Tulsa, Oklahoma | USA

**UNIVERSITY OF
VERMONT**
Burlington,
Vermont | USA

**WENTWORTH
INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY**
Boston,
Massachusetts | USA

WHITTIER COLLEGE
Whittier, California | USA

FAIR INFORMATION

Date:

Tuesday, March 13

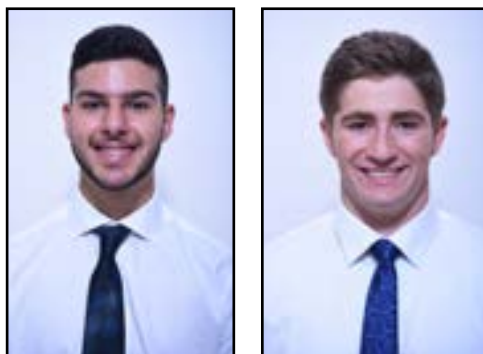
Location:

HS Atrium



**AMIS High School Honor Band
& Orchestra Festival
Singapore American School
14-18 March 2018**

Two seniors were selected to participate in this festival:



**Majd El Ashkar (Trombone)
Alexander Sidhu (Euphonium)**

They will be accompanied by Mr. Dylan Dwyer (MS/HS Band Director), and will travel to Singapore .

From the Principal's Desk:

Dear TAISM High School Parents:

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the High School Parent Coffee Morning on Monday, May 5th. At that meeting I shared information about some of the changes that have been occurring this year as we develop our standards-based learning system and standards-based approaches to assessment, and the impact these changes are having on students' engagement in the learning process. You can find a link to the presentation used at Monday's coffee under *HS Updates* on the *High School* page at parents.taism.com.

Next week, between Sunday, March 11th and Thursday, March 15th, all high school students will be completing their mid-semester progress report self assessments. Students consider the learning expectations for each of their courses and write a self assessment that reflects their engagement, academic achievement, and the challenges they have faced. Please ask your student about their self assessments, and know they will be sent home to you as an email attachment on Thursday, March 22nd.

High school Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Sunday, March 25th**. Our second semester Parent-Teacher Conferences in the high school are one day only, and they occur mostly in the teacher's classroom. Ms. Zarita will send parents a sign-up form via email on Sunday, March 18th. Please plan to sign up for conferences with either all your daughter's/son's teachers or the selected teachers that you want to meet. During this time individual teachers will also request conferences when they believe that the in-person conversation is needed to best support the student.

Google Classroom Guardian Email Summaries:

Many of our high school teachers use Google Classroom as a tool to manage assignments and classroom communication with their students. From a student perspective, Google Classroom

is a very helpful tool to manage resources, and keep track of assignments and due dates. There is also an important feature called Guardian Email Summaries. When activated, this feature gives a guardian/parent the option of receiving a weekly email summarizing their child's Google Classroom activity.

Weekly Guardian Email Summaries provide a "window" for you to observe the Google Classroom communication between your student(s) and their teacher(s). Each summary provides a sense of what your student is being asked to do in each class, and it allows you to monitor whether or not your student is completing their assignments. Please note that Guardian Email Summaries do not give you access to your child's Google Classroom account. Also note that many, but not all, teachers are using Google Classroom, and the Guardian Email Summaries are available only for those teachers using Google Classroom.

In an effort to promote more effective home-school communication, I encourage you to activate the Google Classroom Guardian Email Summaries feature through the email that you will receive on Monday, March 12th. Should you accept, you will then be asked to choose the frequency with which you want to receive emails (daily or weekly; many parents prefer the weekly option in order to better manage the flow of information). Please let us know if you have any questions. You can contact Mr. Guttinger (guttingerj@taism.com) for more information and/or support.

Thank you for the many ways you support TAISM and your student's learning.

Sincerely,
Richard Petersen
High School Principal

Announcements:



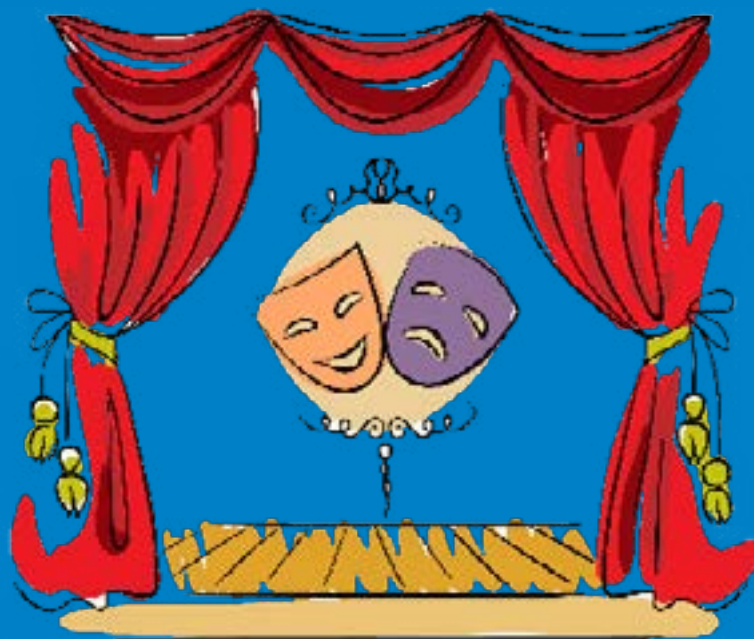
Dear TAISM Community,

On behalf of TAISM, I wish to thank all of you for your exceptional contributions to the 20th annual International Day celebration which was held this past weekend. The efforts of our parent volunteers, from the planning to the implementation of the day, demonstrate a collaborative spirit which remains a cornerstone of our school's success.

The proceeds from International Day 2018 will be utilized to support co-curricular (after school) programs at TAISM.

Congratulations to Natasha Fernandes (Parent Volunteer Coordinator), her team of country coordinators, and to all who participated in this annual event.

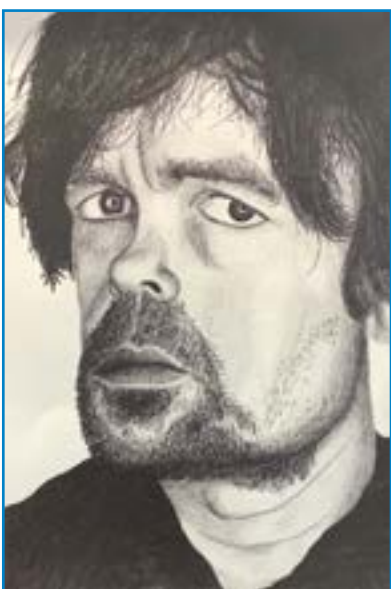
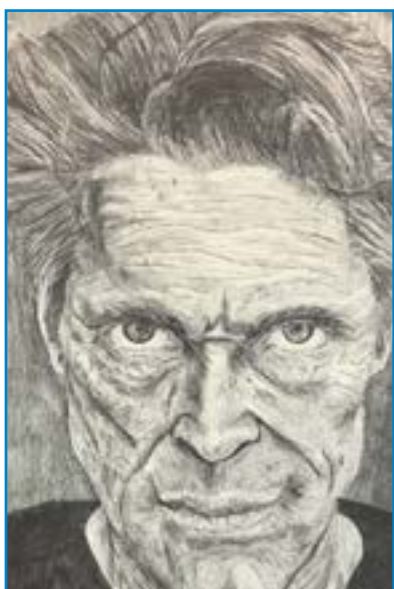
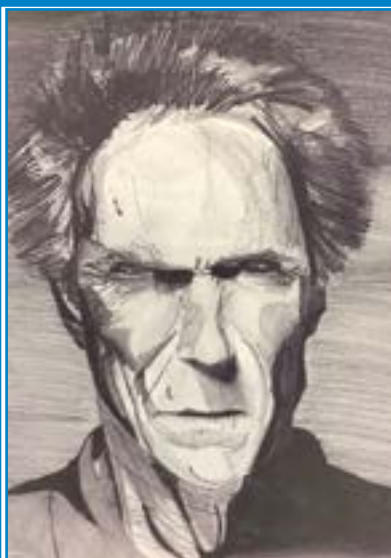
With Sincere Gratitude,
Kevin Schafer
Director



**The Advanced Drama Class
Presents....**

**One-Act Plays
Sunday - March 11, 2018**

Performance Hall



Drawing 2 students recently completed these graphite portraits to demonstrate their skills at manipulation value, texture, light and shadow.

Artists: Jack Spilles (12), Maren Lee (9), Serena Lee (12), Shama Al Balushi (9), Tarim Al Shanfari (9), Nathan Allison (10), Matthew O'Brien (11), Yasmine Tebib (12) Ahmed Al-Zaabi (12) & Lucas Spelsberg (11).

Last Week:



MSSL JV Boys Basketball Tournament @ TAISM

Pic. Credit: Yearbook Team



Candids from Track Meet vs. ABA @ TAISM

Picture Credit: Suchitra Ambudipudi (Grade 10)

TAISM's International Day





Scenes from AMIS Honor Choir Festival at the JF Kennedy School, Berlin
Picture Credit: Luther Rauk (Athletic Director) / Chaperone