

High School News

Thursday, March 16, 2017

THIS WEEKEND:



We will be hosting a **lunch on Saturday, 18th March** for the **OIG Staff** (*the men in blue who keep our school clean and safe*). Students will cook and serve lunch in the High School Commons.

We are truly grateful for all that they do for us!

THIS WEEK: Spirit Week

HS SPIRIT WEEK 19 - 23, 2017

(Please wear appropriate attires that adhere to TAISM's dress code)

Sleepwear Sunday

Wear your favorite
pj's to school!



Multiple Monday

Dress as
twins/triplets/quadruplets.



Team Tuesday

Wear your favorite
team's shirt or jersey!



Wacky Wednesday

Dress as crazy as you
wanna be!



Spirit Day Thursday

(12:30 pm - 3:30 pm)

Show your team spirit & wear your team color!





TAISM BANDS
SPRING CONCERT
 BOSCH CENTER FOR THE
 PERFORMING ARTS

WED. MARCH 22

THE AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL,
 MUSCAT
 SULTANATE OF OMAN

FEATURING THE TAISM HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT BAND, JAZZ BAND,
 MIDDLE SCHOOL JAZZ BAND, 8TH GRADE BAND AND SELECT 7TH GRADE
 SOLOS AND ENSEMBLES.

MUSIC BY GUSTAV HOLST, STEVIE WONDER, MOZART, JOHN COLTRANE,
 DUKE ELLINGTON AND MORE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: DYLAN DWYER - DWYERD@TAISM.COM

DAYS FOR GIRLS



TAISM DAYS FOR GIRLS TEAM



It is here, it is KIT PACKING day! Anyone who has helped us over the past 6 months in any way please come and join us on Sunday to assist packing the kits for Uganda! Time to celebrate .

March
 19th
 HSC
 4pm



COLLEGE VISITS:



VISITING COLLEGES:

- UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE
- MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY
- NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

SUNDAY
19 | MAR | 2017
11.45AM-12.30PM
HS ATRIUM

VISITING COLLEGE

UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE
WWW.UO-LAVERNE.EDU

MARYWOOD UNIVERSITY
WWW.MARYWOOD.EDU

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY
WWW.NKU.EDU



VISITING COLLEGES:

- BERRY GROUP
- UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL
- UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS
- UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD
- UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH WALES
- UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS
- UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
- ABERDEEN COLLEGE OF HIGHER EDUCATION
- LONDON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
- JERICHO UNIVERSITY
- QUEEN'S COLLEGE DUBLIN
- UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL
- UNIVERSITY OF GLoucester
- UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM
- UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD
- UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH WALES
- UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS
- UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
- UNIVERSITY OF YORK
- UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL
- UNIVERSITY OF GLoucester
- UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM
- UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD
- UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH WALES
- UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS
- UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
- UNIVERSITY OF YORK

MONDAY
20 | MAR | 2017
11.30AM-12.30PM
HS ATRIUM

VISITING COLLEGE

CENTRAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TOUR

DESTIN


AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND



TUESDAY
21 | MAR | 2017
11.45AM-12.30PM
RM 232
(MR. JACKSON)

VISITING COLLEGE

DE WOODS CART TOUR



VISITING COLLEGES:

- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF BOCA RATON
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF HOUSTON
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF INDEPENDENCE
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF NEW YORK
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PENNSYLVANIA
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PRINCETON
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF WASHINGTON DC
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF WESTON
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WEDNESDAY
22 | MAR | 2017
11.30AM-12.30PM
HS ATRIUM

VISITING COLLEGE

DE WOODS CART TOUR

Just a week to go for our Annual TAISM Ball!

Mad Hatter Ball

THE ANNUAL TAISM BALL

Come and celebrate with us a classy night to remember

PM FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017
AFRAH BALLROOM - GRAND HYATT MUSCAT

TICKETS RO 50

AGE 21 AND ABOVE
DINNER, DANCE, DJ AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

TICKETS ON SALE AT TAISM STARTING THURSDAY MARCH 9
For information and prebooking sales, contact Nicole Bexx - becxi@taism.com

Dresscode: elegant attireand don't forget, it's all about the hat!

Logos: ER Khinji Foundation, GRAND HYATT, OUA, Tropicana, Air Arabia

This will be an exceptional evening of great fun, music, dance and food. It's an excellent time to get-together with old friends, make new friends and simply celebrate with our awesome TAISM community. It will be a great opportunity, especially for new TAISM families to meet other parents, in a fun and relaxed gathering.

Book your tickets now! Tickets for the gala event will be on sale in the Tree of Knowledge Foyer and the ES Office Foyer, from Sunday, March 19 to Tuesday, March 21, 2017, from 08:00 to 08:45 am and 03:00 to 03:45 pm.

You can also contact Ms. Nicole Bradbury-Becx (becxn@taism.com) or Ms. Natasha Fernandes (fernandesna@taism.com), to purchase tickets.

Shangri-La
Barr Al Jissah Resort & Spa
SULPHUR, OMAN

Environment Society of Oman, in partnership with Shangri-La Barr Al Jissah Resort & Spa presents

60+ | **Earth Hour Family Event!**

📅 Saturday, 25th March 2017
📍 Venue: Al Bandar Hotel
🕒 Time : 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

📌 **Event details:**
Games and activities for children to learn about their environment and energy saving.

FREE ENTRY

Lights off
Saturday 25th March
8:30 - 9:30 pm



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear High School Parents:

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the High School Parent Coffee Morning earlier this week. Our Discover Oman Coordinator, Ms. Jacqueline Mallais, presented highlights from this year's Discover Oman trips, and our counselors, Ms. Chrystal Kelly and Ms. Cheryl Brown, shared information about summer programs and student transfer requests. I also presented information and answered questions about our upcoming progress reports and Parent Teacher Conferences. You can find the presentation from the parent coffee morning on the High School page at the parents.taism.com website. I encourage you to view the presentation and let me know if you have any questions.

This week our students have been writing their progress report self-assessments, and over the coming week our teachers will be incorporating their narrative comments. The students' self-assessments were due at 4:00 pm on Thursday, March 16th. Any additional comments they want to include will need to be discussed and shared through their classroom teacher(s). It is a new process for our students, and I am impressed by their level of engagement and the quality of their communication. The ability to reflect on the learning that was expected from them and their level of achievement toward those expectations are very important skills to develop. While these self-assessments are not graded, they are expected from each of our students. I hope that your student's self-assessments are a valuable starting point for you to have conversations about their learning at TAISM. The progress reports will be shared with you as attachments to an email next Thursday, March 23rd.

Our Parent-Teacher Conferences are coming up on Sunday, March 26th. Please look for an email from Ms. Zarita Saldanha this coming Sunday, March 19th, with a link for you to sign up for your conference(s). Our focus this semester is for parents who want to meet with particular teachers and for teacher-requested conferences when there is a concern. For teacher requested conferences, Ms. Zarita will contact parents to schedule a time. The conferences will be scheduled into blocks of time starting at 8:30 am and ending at 4:30 pm on the 26th. Session 1 will be from 8:30 to 10:00 am, Session 2 will be from 10:00 to 11:30 am, Session 3 will be from 12:30 to 2:30 pm, and Session 4 will be from 2:30 to 4:30 pm. We will host the conferences in teacher's classrooms and in the HS Library and HS Commons. I hope that you are able to attend.

Thank you for your participation and contributions to TAISM. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about the various upcoming events.

Sincerely,
Richard Petersen
High school Principal

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COMMUNITY SERVICE / HS GIRL'S BASKETBALL TEAM



HOOPS 4 HELP:

The High School Girls Basketball team worked hand in hand with the High School Community Service and raised over OMR 1,600.000 during the SAISA Tournament, to help support Syrian refugees currently living in Greece.

Many thanks to all the students who support this innovative fundraiser.

TAISM Swim Club
News-

The TAISM Swim Club will compete at the BSM Spring Invitational on

Friday, March 17th. We will have more than 20 swimmers from ES, MS and HS competing in 10 different individual events. The meet starts at 9:00 a.m., if you are interested in coming to watch! GO EAGLES!

TAISM Swim Club will be having a "Spring Fling" inter-squad swim meet on Monday, March 27th after school. This meet is for ES, MS and HS swimmers. We are looking for volunteers to help at this fun event. Please let Mr. Luther or Ms. Cori know if you are interested. Stop by the TAISM Spring Fling on the 27th to cheer for our hardworking TAISM swimmers!

Thanks!

Swim hard...Dream BIG!





At a special assembly on Tuesday, our high school students had the opportunity to witness the amazing Chelsea Green & The Green Project. On Wednesday, students of Concert Band and Concert Choir participated in an interactive workshop with the quartet.

Picture Credit: Daniel Durazo (US Embassy)



Chess Club is now on Monday's to accommodate students otherwise engaged in athletics.

Pic Credit: John Gibney



Varsity Boys Basketball game vs. BSM @ TAISM

THE WEEK IN PICTURES:



Track & Field vs. the American British Academy (ABA) @ TAISM



JV Girls Soccer game vs. Chouiefat School on Wednesday

HS PAINTING:



Medium: Tempura - This project tests students ability to manipulate values, light and shadow

Artists: Sara Al Zubair (9), Monica Falla (11), Georgia Griffin (11), Yujin Jin (10), Natasha Miller (10), Jessie McLean (9), Randhir Singh (12) & Risa Yamamoto (11).

Picture Credit: Ray Montoya (MS/HS Art Teacher)