



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

June 8, 2017

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Thank you for a great school year and have a wonderful summer break! Best of luck to all of our departing students and families. We look forward to seeing many of you again in August. The first day of classes is August 20th.

Registration Days for SY 2017-2018:

August 16: New and Returning Student Registration (Last Names A-J)
August 17: New and Returning Student Registration (Last Names K-Z)
9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

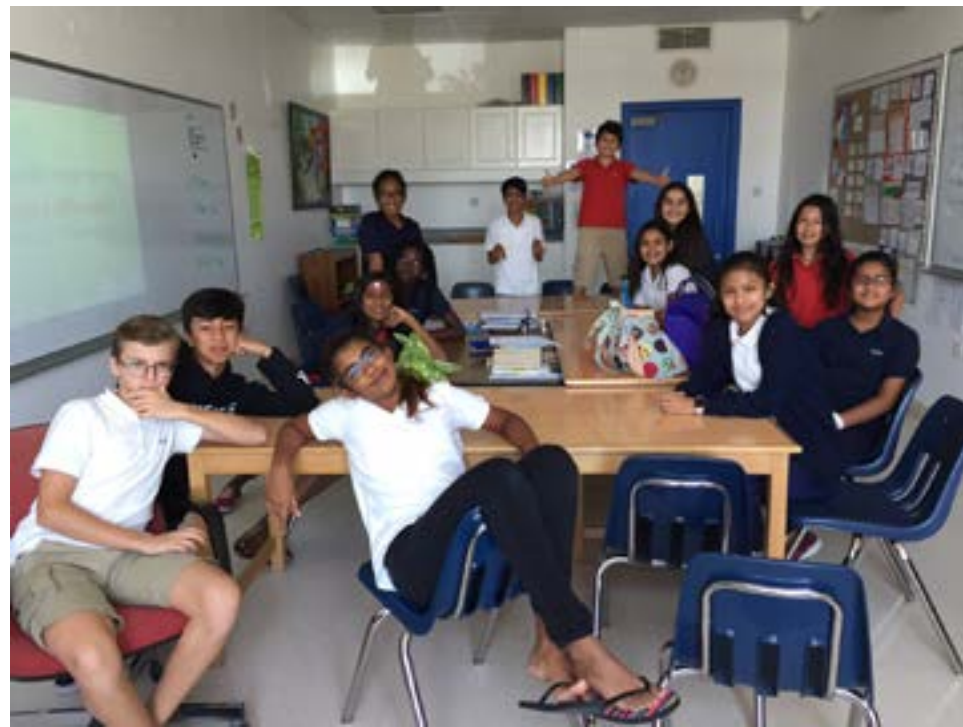


Fun & Busy Last Week of School

Our last week was packed with events. Grade 8 students continued their transition series, hosted a learning fair, enjoyed a pool party and celebrated their MS graduation. One the last day, students engaged in grade level activities, signed yearbooks and gathered for a final assembly in the MSLC.

2017-18 Student Ambassadors

The MS Student Ambassador Program was primarily created to welcome and help new students and families adjust to TAISM. Research on school transition programs supports the efforts of schools in having a team of teachers, counselors, administrators and students working together during the welcoming process. This week, 13 students attended a Student Ambassador training with Mrs. Callaway. This team of student volunteers will be ready for the responsibility of welcoming new families in the fall.



30 Donation Bags

With the Home Base donations and free dress tickets combined, we reached our goal of raising 280 RO for OIG / BEC / GDS staff members. 30 bags were filled with phone cards, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, shaving cream, razors and a personalized thank you card. This event fulfills Student Council's mission to support a TAISM community cause.



Grade 8 Learning Fair and Meet & Greet Grade 9 teachers

This week, Grade 8 students enjoyed their final event in their Transition to High School series. Students gathered in the HS Commons where they were welcomed by Mr. Peterson (HS Principal) and Ms. Kelly (HS Counselor). Then, traveling in their Home Base groups, students rotated through four classrooms where they met High School teachers Mr. Gibney (Science), Mr. Becker and Mr. Yates (Math), Mrs. Gossett (English) and Mr. Spilles (Social Studies).

During the visits, students learned about their teachers and about the class content. Also involved, and guiding students to each rotation, were the warm and welcoming HS Student Ambassadors.

The next day, students hosted a learning fair where they presented projects in Science, Math, Language Arts and Media Lit to their families and peers. Wishing Grade 8 students all the best as they transition to High School!





Au Revoir Madame Mallais!

After 7 years of teaching MS/HS French at TAISM, Ms. Jacqueline Mallais is moving on to South Korea. We wish her all the best in her new school and home.



Are you ready for the TAISM Middle-School BINGO Challenge?

Directions: Read across a row, a column, or diagonally to make a BINGO line. Only one book per criterion (you can't read one book to cross off three spaces, for example).

***Baby** BINGO Challenge: Make a BINGO line of five in a row.

***Big** BINGO Challenge: Make 2 BINGO lines of five in a row. Your lines may intersect at one spot on the board.

***Bigger** BINGO Challenge: Read 3 BINGO lines of five in a row. Lines may intersect.

***Biggest** BINGO Challenge: Read all 24 books!

*Print out and bring your completed BINGO Challenge card to Mr. Callaway at the beginning of next school year to claim your prize!

Contact MS Librarian Ryan Callaway @ callawayr@taism.com with any questions.

Students enjoyed some grade level activities before the final assembly on the last day. They also said thank you to the members of the Student Council.



The festival features Germany's one of the world leading boys choirs, Windsbacher Knabenchor

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Call for Auditions

for the "Oman Children Choir Festival (Feb.2018)"

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2017-18 Calendar available on the TAISM website. [Click HERE](#)

Please have a look at the special notes below:

September 2017

- **Eid Al Adha**
The school will not be in session from Thursday, August 31 through Monday, September 4. These holidays are definite for TAISM, and families shall plan accordingly. Any additional days that may be announced by the Omani Government will also be taken. However, we will not know the decision regarding the exact days until immediately before the Eid Al Adha holiday begins.
- **Islamic New Year**
The school calendar shows this as “lunar” which indicates that the actual date for Islamic New Year will be announced by the Omani Government just prior to the day of the holiday. Therefore, the date of Thursday, September 21 is tentative, and will only be observed as a non-school day if announced by the Omani Government.

November 2017

- **Thanksgiving (America)**
The school will not be in session on Thursday, November 23. This holiday is definite for TAISM.
- **Prophet Mohammed’s Birthday**
The school calendar shows this as “lunar” which indicates that the actual date for Prophet Mohammed’s Birthday will be announced by the Omani Government just prior to the day of the holiday. Therefore, the date of Thursday, November 30 is tentative, and will only be observed as a non-school day if announced by the Omani Government.
- **Oman National Day Holidays**
Normally, two days are scheduled by the Omani Government for National Days, and they occur sometime after the National Day (18th of November). The school will not be in session on the days announced as National Day Holidays. We will inform families once the Omani Government makes its announcement (normally just a few days before the holidays).

December 2017

- **Winter Holiday**
The school will not be in session from Wednesday, December 20 to Thursday, January 4. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 7. This holiday is definite for TAISM.

March 2018

- **Spring Holiday**
The school will not be in session from Thursday, March 29 through Thursday, April 5. Classes will resume on Sunday, April 8. This holiday is definite for TAISM.

April 2018

- **Prophet’s Ascension**
The school calendar shows this as “lunar” which indicates that the actual date for the Prophet’s Ascension holiday will be announced by the Omani Government just prior to the day of the holiday. Therefore, the date of Thursday, April 12, is tentative, and will only be observed as a non-school day if announced by the Omani Government.