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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL
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INTERESTING

INFO!

Assalaamualaikum, It is said that winter is a time when people suffer from so called winter blues. But it is interesting to see how many people welcome winter because they see it in a different light. Instead of being down and in active you can be pro active revive your energy in ibadah ,(worship), increase your good deeds, take care of your obligations and earn the pleasure of Allah all at the same time . The Noble Messenger of Allah (Peace be upon him) is reported to have said: **"Winter is the best season for the believer. Its nights are long for him to pray in, and its days are short for him to fast in."** [Hadith-Majma' az-Zawa'id' (3/203)].



Good luck to all our learners for the exams . Remember that your teachers, parents and friends all believe in you. We want you to have a great future in this world and the hereafter. **The Holy Prophet of Allah (S.A.W.) has said: "Atta libul ilm faridhatol kuli muslim."** **"Attainment of knowledge is a must for every Muslim."** Editor Mrs F Amod

From the Principal's Desk...Mrs Nadia Motara

Thank you to all the parents who have popped in to meet and greet me. I have been made to feel very welcome and things are moving ahead at APAX. I would also like to thank my staff for being supportive and for the dedication that they show towards their work. While I acknowledge that we have a long way to go, I would also like to say that there is a strong sense of team prevalent. With this kind of support from teachers and parents, we will be able to move from strength to strength. Good home-school relationships is one of the success factors of a good school – my request to parents is to please observe the following protocol if a problem arises:

The first port of call is the teacher concerned. Write a note or contact that particular teacher via the office with the aim of solving the problem. If unresolved, contact the HOD/Deputy Principal. Your last resort should be to contact the principal.

I would like to wish all our learners well during the forthcoming examinations and trust that parents will ensure that learners are at school on time, properly dressed in their school uniforms.

JUNE EXAMINATION SCHOOL TIMES-PLEASE DIARISE

Exams commence on 3rd and will finish on the 14th June. Please note that school will dismiss at **2 pm daily** and at **11:45 am on Fridays**. Hifz learners will attend classes as soon as they have finished writing their paper for the day. This will ensure that the boys still have the required time for Hifz and will hence also finish at **2pm from Monday to Thurs**. Hifz classes continue on Friday afternoon and Sat mornings as usual.



From the principal’s desk (continued)

Abu Huraira reported: The Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, said, “He has not thanked Allah who has not thanked people.”

Our heartfelt gratitude to the following:

- Campus Motors for the sponsoring of our Soccer Kits
- Mr Gangat – heater for the office
- Mr Zaheer Talia – organising soccer outing – Wits vs AmaZulu
- Elegant Linen and Textiles (Mr Boda) -donation of table cloths for the school.
- PTA – Teacher Appreciation gifts.
- All the learners and parents who brought gifts and had such kind words to say during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Moms and dads who assisted with transport to and from Laudium and those parents who specially came to Laudium to support our U11 and U13 soccer teams.

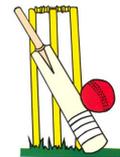
CONGRATULATIONS

Muallim Akhtar – chosen by Jamiat to conduct External Oral Imtihaan at Lenasia Muslim School.

Yusuf Dadoo, our young golf star –playing in the European Championship in Scotland.



Yaseen Motara, of grade 3, was awarded the most promising player award for the Marks Park under 7 A team, at an award ceremony held at the Long Room, Wanderers Cricket Stadium on the 1st of May 2013.



AMS Soccer Festival Our U11 and U13 soccer teams made history by being the first teams to represent the school. Photos will be available on our website



Meet Our New Club Co-Ordinators

In order to balance academics with sport and cultural activities, we have decided to start a number of sub-committees. The co-ordinators of these committees will liaise directly with the PTA reps having the same portfolio. Should there be any parents who have ideas on relevant activities, please do not hesitate to contact the co-ordinator concerned.

Committee/Club	Co-ordinator	Members
Sports and Cultural	Ms Aarefa Vally	MI Akhtar Ali, Mr Sulaiman Timol, Mrs Zubeida Waja, Mrs Radiyya Wadvalla
Eco Club	Msr Amina Moosa	Ms Lutfiyya Yunus
Charity Club	Ms Aamena Gani	Mrs Aaisha Mia, Mrs Zakiyya Hassen
Leadership Development	MI Akhtar Ali	Mrs Amina Moosa, Mrs Radiyya Wadvalla, Mrs Ayesha Coovadia
Literacy Club	Mrs Hajra Manjra	Ms Naeema Jeewa

The 7 Goals for a Productive Day–Surah Fatiha

APAX MEDIA CENTRES

We are pleased to report that our computer rooms are up and running and that the learners are thoroughly enjoying working through the syllabus.



Teacher Appreciation Week

We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week from the 6th–10th May. During this week learners were exposed to the work that teachers do and their invaluable contribution to society. The week ended with a touching assembly prepared by the learners. The Grade 4's rendered a poem and the Grade 5's, 6's, 7's and 8's prepared speeches. The PTA presented beautiful mugs to each teacher and all staff ended the week, not only with a tear in the eye, but with a deep sense of feeling appreciated.

Market Day–Eesa Sader – Grade 8

A Profitable Experience, Alhumdullah on the 16th May 2013, the Grade 7's and 8's were fortunate enough to be part of the first Annual Market Day at APAX. The event was co-ordinated by Muallima Zainub, our EMS teacher with the support of all staff members. It was not only an enjoyable day, but a tremendous learning experience for all of us. Expectations were high and everyone was out to impress. We each had a business partner to work with. After weeks of preparation, planning and advertising, the day we had all been waiting for arrived. With a new feeling of excitement, we all set up shop eagerly awaiting our first customers. We needed to cater for all our customers – our Foundation Phase learners were invited as well so, the goodies on sale ranged from lemonade, toys and cupcakes to brownies and cotton candy. Some stall holders decided to go the route of selling services – there were loads of exciting games that the boys, particularly enjoyed. All in all, the day turned out to be a huge success and, on behalf of all the Grade 7's and 8's I would like to thank our parents, teachers and most importantly our generous customers. We left with our pockets loaded and, our principal, Muallimah Nadia, literally chasing after us to sort out our stall rental to the school first before distributing the profits. (Photos will be available on our website).



AMS Soccer Festival– Muaaz Amod Grade 5b

On Saturday the 25th of May the under 11's and under 13 soccer teams were invited to the AMS soccer festival held at the Central Islamic School in Laudium. We trained really hard to make sure that we got picked for the APAX team. Our soccer kits were really smart. This was one time when getting up early on a Saturday morning was not a problem. The teams had to be at school by 7am as some parents assisted in transporting us to Laudium. We all played to the best of our abilities. We won some and lost some and had lots of fun. On behalf of the APAX soccer teams I would like to thank Mr Ebrahim and Mr Timol for coaching us and giving us the chance to play for the first APAX team.

Uniform Shop Times– At Campus 2, 48 Richmond Avenue

With effect from 1st June uniforms will be sold at the following times ONLY:

Tuesday Mornings: 07:45 – 10:00

Thursday Afternoons: 13h00 – 14:30. A number of parents have been phoning, asking for items to be dispatched to learners before payment is made. Please note that parents must come in themselves to purchase uniform items.

Cake and Candy

The Grade 4's had the opportunity of hosting the schools' first Cake and Candy sale. This was not only a fund raising event but, it also gave the learners an opportunity to price items, work in groups and work with money (calculations). We would like to thank all the Grade 4 parents for contributing so generously – we raised a total of R3 145.00.



Foundation Phase Conference

On Saturday, 25th May Ms Motara and all Foundation Phase teachers attended the Annual NAPTOSA Foundation Phase Conference at WITS. This was an opportunity to network with teachers from around the province, to view what's new in terms of resources and also to attend interactive sessions that focussed directly on Foundation Phase Teaching and Learning. We thoroughly enjoyed the day and came back feeling enriched and enthusiastic about trying out all the new ideas.

OPERATION WINTER WARMTH-APAX AND AL IMDAAD FOUNDATION (AIF) AND DOWLING PRIMARY

Muallimah Aamena Gani. Charity Club Co-ordinator

Undoubtedly the favours and bounties of Almighty Allah upon his bondsmen are countless. We at APAX, have in the last few weeks promoted a blanket drive and another project to assist the learners at Dowling Primary School in Westbury. We are extremely grateful to you the APAX community for assisting in these very noble and successful endeavours.

We raised a remarkable sum of **R23 350.00** for our blanket drive. For our civvies day initiative we collected a substantial amount of food items for Dowling Primary School.

I would like to thank Mrs Safiyya Bobat of the PTA for her assistance in the Dowling Project and Mrs Fazela Amod for initiating the Blanket Drive.

The Messenger (SAW) said “ Charity obliterates sins just as water extinguishes fire”.

Stars of the Month

Isa Nana – Helpfulness and Good Behaviour

Abdullah Dollie – Honesty

Ismail Bakora – Perseverance

Excellent Class Behaviour–Grade 5a



Study Tips...

Encourage your child to draw up a revision time-table

Get learners to rewrite notes to aid memory

Find the right hours – don't let learners study when they are tired – it is better to study early in the day.

Don't Cram!

Different subjects call for different studying – e.g preparing for Mathematics requires the learner to work through examples

Choose good surroundings – make sure study areas are well ventilated, free of excessive noise and clutter.

