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**SPECIAL
POINTS
OF IN-
TEREST:**

Assalaamualaikum,

GIVE YOURSELF PRAISE

Why do we find it so hard to praise ourselves when we achieve something?

It doesn't seem to matter whether our accomplishments are small or sensational.

Giving ourselves a pat on the back for a job well done, can be the emotional equivalent of climbing Mt. Everest!

Perhaps you were trained to be modest; perhaps, you were told you were hopeless and didn't learn to believe in yourself. Perhaps your past achievements were simply ignored by parents, peers or mentors. Or, maybe you've simply given up on expecting accolades. We often freely praise others for their achievements yet withhold it from ourselves. self-praise is important – more important than praise from others.

Others are not always dependable. But, you can always count on yourself.

Today, begin your journey of self-commendation. Praise yourself for each achievement, however insignificant you may think it is. Watch yourself achieving as you go about your day. And give yourself a pat on the back – you deserve it .

Source Jane Powell.

Happy holidays and keep safe! Editor Mrs F Amod

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK.....MRS NADIA MOTARA

Alhumdullilah we have reached the end of an eventful, productive term!

Things seem to be moving ahead at a fairly good pace – I am grateful to all my staff for their help, support and co-operation. Being a teacher today is not an easy task. It is heart-warming to see teachers at APAX going the extra mile to nurture and support learners. A huge thank you to Fazela Amod and Zainab

Gharieb- our school administrators – they carry out their duties with professionalism and love...thank you! I would also like to thank Mr Ebrahim , Mualim Zardad and Mrs Haffejee – the incredible team work on SMT level has resulted in systems and structures being put into place. To the many parents who have offered their support, phoned to say “thank you” and even just offered a wave or a friendly smile...Jazakallah! Your involvement and positive energy makes this job so much more worthwhile.

I would like to wish all staff , learners and parents a restful, warm winter break. Ramadaan Mubarak to everyone and to those parents who are braving the winter to go away on holiday, please travel safely and take special care. I look forward to sharing an exciting third term with all of you!

REPORTS

Reports will be issued to all learners on Thursday, 20th June. Attached to the report will be a **Report Reply Slip**. Please acknowledge receipt of your child's report by completing the reply slip and sending it back to school on Friday 21st. Should there be any area/s of concern, make an appointment to see the teacher concerned in the new term.

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From the principal's desk (continued)

STAFF NEWS

We would like to congratulate Radiyya Wadvalla on her appointment as Head of Department in the Intersen Phase (Grades 4-8). She now joins the School Management Team and we are looking forward to working with her in this new position. There will be a slight adjustment to the timetable for Grade 4 – Ms Motara will now teach Mathematics in order to afford Ms Wadvalla the necessary administrative time she requires. We also welcome Ms Kausar Rangila to our staff. She will take over Mr Timol's subjects as he will be co-ordinating all IT related activities at Campus 1 and Campus 2. (Nadia I didn't mention specific grades– PLEASE AMEND AS YOU SEE FIT)

THANK YOU

The Board of Management and PTA for their continued support and encouragement
Yasmeen Gangat for her kind donation of tea sets for both campuses

Shakeera Ebrahim for her kind donation of tea, coffee, milk and sugar for staff

Shoyeb Manjra for his assistance in designing our report templates

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO HONOUR OUR U11/ U13 SOCCER TEAMS

We had a special assembly on Friday, 14th to honour our soccer teams . We are really proud of them as they not only showed their excellent ball skills on the soccer field but they represented us in true APAX style – their behaviour was commendable! We would like to thank all the parents who attended our assembly.



SCHOOL TIMES DURING RAMADAAN

School will dismiss at 14h30 on Campus 2 during the month of Ramadaan. Foundation Phase learners will finish at 14h00. School will be closed from 5th – 9th August. We will re-open on 12th August. 5th and 6th are official school days. These days will be worked in on 30th October and 5th December.

FORMAL ASSESSMENT TASKS

Foundation Phase teachers have already sent Formal Tasks home for parents to sign. Intersen Phase teachers will send these home in the new term. The purpose of sending tasks home is for parents to be aware of learner achievement, to make a note of areas of improvement and also to keep parents informed of the progress made by learners.

HIFZ HOLIDAY PRPROGRAMME

A reminder that Hifz will continue as scheduled during the school holidays. Please ensure that your son is punctual. Hifz starts at 07h30 and finishes at 10h00. During the month of Ramadaan Hifz boys will be dismissed at 15h00.

DROP EVERYTHING AND READ (DEAR)

We have decided to introduce a DEAR period at the end of each day during the month of Ramadan. All learners will be required to carry their Quraans during this time. From 14h00 to 14h30 every day we will...**DROP EVERYTHING AND READ**. This will apply to all

LATECOMING

Our monitoring system at the gates has worked well. Muallim Zardad and Eesa Sader (Peer Mentor) have done a superb job. As from next term, the school gates will be locked at 07h30 and late comers will only be allowed in after the morning line-up has finished (07h40).

UPDATE ON SALE/USE OF SISHA STICKS

We were disappointed at the behaviour of some of our senior learners in the recent Sisha Stick saga. We have investigated the matter thoroughly and will meet with the learners concerned and their parents early in the new term. Children have to learn that there are consequences for their behaviour- in this regard I want to appeal to parents to assist us in ensuring that the disciplinary measures taken against these learners be executed consistently. We need to support each other in the interests of our children. As a school, we have decided to:

- Review our Life Skills curriculum to address these and other related issues

- Invite outside speakers to address assemblies

- Continue to talk about bullying as this has, once again, come to the fore

- Address teenage issues like peer pressure, making choices, drug abuse, building healthy relationships etc.

- Spend time mediating the Code of Conduct so that all learners are aware of rules and regulations at APAX

POLICIES

We have completed our policies on Admissions, Anti-Bullying, Homework, Hifz and Health and Safety. These policies will be posted on our website shortly. We are in the process of reviewing our Learners Code of Conduct. Please note that we will conform and abide by all National and Provincial Education Policies until ours have been approved.

SPEECH CONTEST

We will be having our Annual Speech Contest next term. We have decided that this year, only the Grade 4-8 learners will enter on a competitive basis. We encourage you to use the holidays to think about topics and to start preparing speeches. The Foundation Phase learners will all get a chance to deliver their speeches at school but will not compete against each other. Parents will be invited to attend these presentations at school.

EXCURSIONS

Foundation Phase learners visited Dursotts Cannery this term. Our learners and educators found it to be an amazing learning experience. On 19th June, our Intersen learners braved the cold to showcase their physical strength and skill at Jozi X. It was a fun-filled day for both staff and learners

JOZI X



