



International Community School (ICS)

24.06.09

Year 2008-2009, Issue 35

- School ends at 12pm next Thursday, July 2nd.
- Year 6 production of Goldilocks and the 3 Bears— Tuesday June 30th.
- Primary Reports due out tomorrow (25th June).
- Secondary Reports due out Wednesday, July 1st.

After School Arabic
The last day for after-school Arabic will be Monday 29th June. Children will return home on the earlier bus from the 30th.

Inside this issue:

Primary News	1
Lost Property	1
PSA News	2
Activity News	2
Secondary News	3
After School Arabic	3
Classifieds	4
Coaches Summer Camp	5



Wednesday's Newsletter



Primary News

I'm just about to set off to the Dead Sea to join all the children from Years 1 and 2 for their end of year treat. There was great excitement as pupils and staff departed at 8am to spend the day in the pool at the Dead Sea Spa Hotel.

Year 6 Production

Year 6 pupils are very busy rehearsing for their production of Goldilocks and the Three Bears (Roald Dahl's version) which will be performed next week for parents on Tuesday 30th June. Parents will be given further details by the class teachers.

Primary Reports

End of year reports will be sent home with pupils on Thursday. I think you'll agree that they give a detailed picture of your child's achievements this year however if you would like to discuss any aspect of the report then please contact us, via the communication book, to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher.

Thursday, July 2

School finishes for all students at 12pm on Thursday. Buses will run early—ensure someone is home to meet children. If your child is normally picked, please make sure you come for them at 12 noon.

- Sue Hill

Primary School Uniform

Please can I remind all parents returning to ICS in September that our Primary School uniform consists of navy skirt, shorts or trousers. If you are buying uniform for your children over the summer vacation please note no jeans or black trousers next year!

- Gill Tyrer

Lost Property

There are lots of lost items in the nurse's office - beyond uniforms we have hats, bags, shoes, watches, USB flash drives, etc - please come and claim your property. These items will be displayed in the foyer next week. At the end of term, any items left will be donated to charity.

Lost

Locket lost at Lindes leaving party in the swimming pool on the 13th June. If found please contact Gudrun: 0777 241257

PSA News

THE END OF AN ERA AND THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ONE

Last Thursday the 18th June we held the end of year barbecue for the last time at the old ICS site, and boy did we go out with a bang, quite literally! The 'bang' being a great fireworks display at the end of the evening.

On all counts, this year's barbecue was a huge success, due in no small part to all who attended and joined in the fun. On behalf of the PSA Committee I would like to thank you all for your great support. As for myself, I would like to personally thank the following people, without whom the evening wouldn't have happened:

- Mrs. Lorraine Karmi for arranging all the entertainment, which was enjoyed by children aged 1-99!
- Mrs. Edwina Issa for her organization of the wonderful talent show, which impressed one and all.
- Mr. Burhan and his men for their staunch hard work setting up beforehand, help during the evening, and cleaning up afterwards.
- All the volunteers who manned the gate and various stalls, and the art class for designing the tickets and posters.

I hope you all enjoyed the evening as much as we did, and look forward to seeing you again next year, at the new site.

If you can help us improve on this with any suggestions or comments, please contact me, we welcome your input.

For all those who will not be with us next year, we wish you the best of luck and take with you fond memories. We will miss you!

Andre Peridakis, Chairman, PSA

Activity News

Talent search completed. Very well done to the finalists from the combined secondary and Year 6 talent search, you made an effort at the end of term!

- 1st Zein Oweis
- 2nd Aya & Mazeen Al Khatib
- 3rd Denisia Stavropoulos and Kelsey Lane

Well done to all who took part, the winners received cups at the BBQ and were joined by:

- 4th Place Beat Freaks (Bronte, Marie, Jasmin and Mira)
- 5th Place Ryan Pears

All gave a great display of talent!

Reminder

Its easy to slacken the pace at this time of year but can I please remind all students who take part in a club. All the adults who lead, coach or assist in your clubs are doing this for you. We should respect all of them at all times and be equally respectful of rooms and facilities which we use on these special days.

Clubs

Many clubs are over but some who were hindered by various holidays or trips are continuing next week. If you have any query in this respect contact me on e.issa@ics-amman.edu.jo

BBO Off Campus Club

Thank you to those who performed on Sunday in their 'in house' event. More to come! It was a treat to see 'High School Musical' done in Classical Ballet!

Thank you Miss Arabiya and the students who made their first attempts at choreography, you all were great! Oh and to Mrs Issa for being our technician.
Ballet info: Miss Arabiya 0777 212626

- Edwina Issa

Secondary News

Year 9 Diving Trip to Aqaba

The Year 9 residential trip to Aqaba was a great success. The instructors were excellent, the students had great fun and all of them passed the Junior Padi Diving Certificate diving to depths of 12 metres. They can't wait for their next trip.

Exams, Reports and Parents Afternoon

Parents afternoon is today. Reports are due out next Wednesday. They will be issued in the usual hard copy form. If you need an electronic one instead, please let Hazel know. Next year we have decided to hold the Summer Term parents afternoon a few weeks before the exams so that staff can provide pre-exam advice. This year the exams were one week later than last year, but we will try to have the internal ones one week later still next year. This will create a problem with Year 9 SATs, which are supposed to be held earlier rather than later, but we will make suitable plans for these.

Year 6 Induction

Yesterday we held a meeting for the parents of children in Year 6, led largely by Lee Beresford, the Key Stage 3 Coordinator. I hope your questions and concerns were fully addressed. Tomorrow, our existing Year 6s will have their taster day, for which we have a programme of sample lessons laid on as well as talks by myself and Lee Beresford.

Please can I remind Year 6 parents that we are gradually tightening up on the Secondary uniform, and we will be insisting next year that the children not only wear the school regulation polo shirts and fleeces but also the trousers sold through the school with the logo on and **not trousers bought from other suppliers**. There are shorts available as well as long trousers. These will be in two designs for girls and there is also the option of a skirt for girls if they wish.

- David Price

Reminder - Locker Keys

Please can we remind all secondary students that locker keys should be returned to the Finance Office before the end of term. If you don't return your key – you will not get your 5JD refund.

End of School Day - Year 2009/2010

In response to the query from parents at the transition meeting, the school day for secondary will be the same next school year as this.

Key Stage 4 & 5 News

Yr 10 Work Experience

Work experience is well under way and is a huge success thus far! I am truly pleased with the placements and it is gratifying to see our objectives being met. A huge thanks to Ms. Tanjeer for all her help and much appreciation to all in the international community who have helped to make Work Experience 2009 such a triumph.

Yr 12 News

Yr 13 has begun in earnest. A big thanks to our students and parents who have shown commitment and support in coming back to prepare for YR 13. This is invaluable as it gives our students the best foothold to achievement next year. Students will leave for the summer with 'the big picture' of what lies ahead, work to prepare for next term and the confidence of knowing that they have already begun preparation for success at the end of YR 13. Classes continue for all until Thursday 2nd when we break for the holiday.

Thanks to all parents in Years 10, 11 & 12 for your support this Year. I look forward to handing over the reins of Key Stage 4 to the new member of staff next year and to concentrating my time and effort on Key Stage 5 at the new centre in Um Al Bassatin. I can't wait!!

- C Murphy Key Stage 4 & 5 Coordinator

After School Arabic

This is to inform you that the last for After School Arabic this year will be on **Monday 29th June 2009**. I wish all the students leaving the ICS all the best in their next move and I hope to see remaining ones in Arabic classes next year. I wish you a lovely summer holiday.

- Ra'ed Ramahi, Head of Arabic

Classifieds

Toy Sale

Childs Fork and Spoon Set (unused)	3 JD
Dominoes	1 ½ JD
Lassie, Spongebob computer games (each)	3 JD
Diary (new)	2 ½ JD
Spider Ball (toy spider in a plastic ball – New)	3 JD
Car book with wheels	2 JD
Beautiful 'Katie and Tom' book	4 JD
Hand & ear that 'grow' in water (each)	1 JD
Skating Barbie doll	1 ½ JD
1 st Term at Malory Towers – book, new	2 ½ JD
Happy Feet tiny light	½ JD
Ornament	½ JD

Please call Maryam (after 7.00 pm) 4392174

Learn to Speak French tape 3 CDs and book	10 JD
DVDs Bee Move & Valiant (Arabic) (each)	1 JD
Beaded child's bracelets – new	
- set of 4 pink and set of 4 purple (per box)	2 ½ JD
Proper sunglasses (Barbie)	2 JD
2 x beautiful China dolls (each)	7 JD
Many Barbie dolls in good condition (each)	2 JD
Barbie dress up fridge magnets	
- (2 sets approx 20 pieces in each) (set)	1 ½ JD
Shelley dolls – selection (each)	1 ½ JD
Shelley dolls kitchen	2 JD
Shelley dolls bathroom & doll	4 JD
Baby Born Mini world	
Beautiful open out wardrobe with many	
- accessories for Shelley dolls	6 JD
Mini house and animals	1 ½ JD
Beautiful large open fronted dolls house	
- Complete with furniture and legoland play people	
- excellent condition	26 JD
Legoland motor cruiser and legoland play people	
- excellent condition	8 JD

Please call Yasmin (after 7.00 pm) 4392174

Car For Sale

Opel Omega

2004 model. Purchased brand new in 2005.

Leather Interior 47,593 km; 8,600 JD

Available immediately

Contact: Carrie Strine, 079 9801492: after 2nd July

Mazen, 079, 9416669

For Sale

1 baby seat	30 JD
1 baby seat	20 JD
1 baby car seat	20 JD
1 stroller	15 JD
1 stroller	30 JD
1 changing station furniture	100 JD

Please contact Angela: 0777 640407

Looking for work (cleaning, cooking, babysitting)

Karuna is a lovely Sri Lankan lady who is available for work mid July. She has worked with our family for two years. If interested call Jennifer at 079-5697564 (after 3pm please)

Need Help With Maths?

Having Difficulties?

Summer Revision

for all ages

Including IGCSE and

A-Level (C1,C2,C3,C4,M1,M2)

For more information, contact Faisal **0795201271**

Looking for a childminder?

We recommend Jane Bessa, who is fantastic – totally reliable and kind and great with children. Available full-time and live out. Contact 0777 883904

Accommodation to Rent in Khalda

One fully furnished 3 bedroom apartment (200 metres) and in very good condition – 8,000 JD per annum.

One beautiful unfurnished 3 bedroom (200 metres) to rent in excellent condition – 6,500 JD per annum.

For further information, please telephone 079 5234552


Domestic help for cleaning available (day time)

Longtime experience in Jordan with foreign families, English speaking, references upon request. Contact Rani Amaratunga 079 5692118

Available Now:

ITEMS	Price (jds)
1) 3 x toy shelves (the types used in classrooms & at children's height)	150
2) Wooden TV stand	20
3) Onkyo stereo set – includes amplifier, cd player and tape deck	80
4) Kids yellow book shelf	30
5) Wooden Activity table	30
6) Christmas tree	10
7) Sit and Stand stroller, can be adapted to fit different types of car seats	40
8) Ipod speakers	25
9) Outdoor toys--roller coaster, kitchen set & toys, little balls (been out in the sun)	25
10) Table fan	10
11) Britax car seat (for children six months and above)	40
Items Available week of July 7	
1) Jeep Cherokee, model yr. 2000- champagne color	7,000 or best offer
2) Wooden Garden Furniture	30
3) Heavy Duty Printer	
4) Car seats- Britax & booster seat	20
5) Vacuum cleaner (Works great-uses 110v)	40
6) Pots and some plates/cups	30
7) Girl's bicycle –for children up to 5yrs	15
8) Combo food processor with various attachments	30
9) New satellite dish and older showtime box	

For more information and viewing please contact Sharon: 079 929 5851



Last Chance - Coaches' Summer Camp 2009

Dear Parents,

In follow up to last week, due to fees being demanded by the Khalda ICS campus' landlord, we need to know exact numbers of children for the summer camp to proceed. **Please register your interest by Thursday, June 25!**

To remind you of details presented last week:

- For 6 weeks starting July 5th - August 13th 2009 (though children can do 4 or 6 weeks)
- 5 days a week (Sunday - Thursday).

We are planning a variety of activities; exact details can be requested through the email below. The Summer Camp is open for children aged 5-13. There is no requirement that they be ICS students, so all are welcomed!

To assist us with this process, we require that you register your interest by Monday, June 22. To register, please follow these steps:

1. eMail coachsummercamp@yahoo.com;
2. Fill in the application form that will be sent via return message;
3. Complete the application and send back to coachsummercamp@yahoo.com by June 22;
4. Within two days, you will receive a confirmation email with the registration day and application/s number/s.

If you cannot meet the June 22 deadline, but are interested, please contact Coach Mohammed a.s.a.p.

The registration fees for this summer are as follows:

Weeks	Registration fee	Bus fee (morning and afternoon)
4 weeks (5 th -30 th July)	250 JDs	50 JDs
6 weeks (5 th July - 13 th August)	350 JDs	70 JDs
Any 3 weeks or less	70 JDs per week	10 JDs

If you have any further concerns please contact **Coach Mohammed** on the above Email or Mobile +962 (0) 79 904 7 104

All best wishes and lets work together to make another amazing summer for our children

N.B. Please note that the Coaches' Summer Camp 2009 is organised by Coach Mohammed, and is independent of the International Community School (ICS). The ICS takes no responsibility for any incident or accident which may occur as a result of the Summer Camp. **All participants will be covered by accident insurance taken out by the organisers of the Summer Camp.**

- Mohammed Awwad
Coaches' Summer Camp 2009

Mrs Nasser's Charity Collection

Yes, it's that time of year again when the weather is becoming hotter and people are leaving the country and are sorting out their cupboards. Twice a year I organise a collection for charity and I am looking for the following please: adult clothing and shoes, children's clothing, shoes, books, toys, lunchboxes, water flasks and school bags.

All items should be in good clean condition please. I will place large boxes in the foyer to collect all of your unwanted items and these will be distributed. Many thanks in advance for your support.

- Julie Nasser