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From Elizabeth's Desk

This week began with a very special experience for 3, G3 AISF students and two of our staff members. A beautiful bird came to visit us. Mr Tejan had to climb up on the sideboard behind Mr Joseph's desk to gently catch the bird in the curtain and Mr Christopher helped to hold it carefully so the students could see before we released it out of the window unharmed





"A bird does not sing because it has an answer, it sings because it has a song." — Maya Angelou.

Another highlight for me this week has been the display of Middle and High School Art from Ms Hawa-Jane Bangura's class. Please enjoy the pictures below.











HAPPY WINTER HOLIDAYS from Elementary ART (below)



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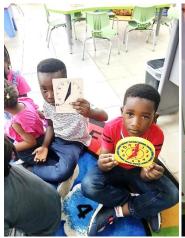
This week all of our Math lessons were practical. We learnt about the importance of time, made our own clocks and learnt how to tell time to the hour. We also learnt about the word capacity.

Capacity is the amount something can hold. During our water play, we used capacity to describe when our cups and containers were full, half full and empty.

For Social Studies we learnt about the Nativity story and why many people celebrate Christmas.

In Science we learnt about the offspring names of different animals.

Sadly, we say goodbye to Daryn who is moving to Ghana. We will miss you so much Daryn! You have been a great friend, learning mentor and student. We wish you all the best for the future!





















Grade 1-2

It has been an eventful week. We started the week by finally harvesting our lettuce and learning how to make a healthy appetizer. We also had an excellent presentation from Daniel, who showed us how circuits work to turn a fan on and play music. We also wish everyone a happy holiday and hope to see you all in the new year.











Grade 3-4

This week, our Grade 3 and 4 students wrapped up their volcano projects, and our classroom came alive with a variety of eruptions! It was an exciting and memorable way to end the week.

We wish you all a fantastic holiday season and look forward to seeing you in January 2025!



Grade 5-8 (Math and Science)

This week in middle school Math, grade 8 completed their unit on transformations, similarity and angle relationships. They wrapped up with a unit assessment. Grade 7 concluded their unit on adding and subtracting rational numbers. Grade 6 completed their lesson on adding, subtracting and multiplying multi- digit decimals. Grade 5 took a mid unit assessment on place value.

Grades 7 and 8 began learning about the digestive, respiratory and nervous systems in Science. Grades 5 and 6 presented their Matter projects.









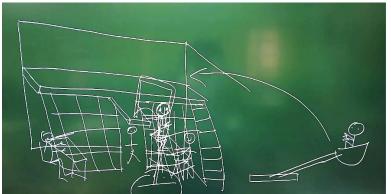


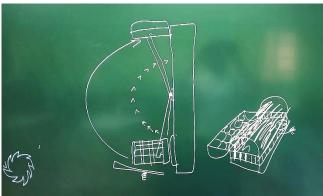


Grade 5-8 (English and Social Studies)

This week in social studies the grade 5/6 class learned about the 4 Civilizations of Mesopotamia, while the grade 7/8 class learned about Ancient Rome's transition from a Republic to an Empire. While in ELA students completed their second diagnostic to measure their progress. We also spent some time thinking about different ways to reorganize the classroom, changes we could make to the school grounds, and our relationship to apples;)











High School

Week 15 and end of term. Exam week for high schools. Break is deserved.





Coding (Grade 3-4)

On Friday, December 6, 2024, parents of Grade 3-4 students joined us for a special showcase of their children's Scratch coding projects. The students proudly presented their cat flying games, where players guided a cat to collect cheesy puffs while avoiding obstacles. Parents had the opportunity to see creativity and problem-solving skills on display and even got to play the games themselves. The event was filled with excitement and laughter. It was a fun and memorable experience for everyone involved!





















Winter Awards Day



LOOKING AHEAD



Monday 6 January 2025	School Reopens WELCOME BACK!
Friday 10th January	Welcome back and Welcome to new parents and students
	Assembly. Details tbc
Tuesday 14th January	PTO meeting 5:30pm
Wednesday 15th January	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Wednesday 29 January	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Wednesday 29 January	Entrepreneurship FAIR
Monday 3 February	Black History Month BLACK HISTORY MONTH
Tuesday 4 February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 7 February	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Wednesday 12 February	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Friday 14 February	PTO Movie Night
Monday17-Friday 21 February	PTC week (details to be confirmed)
Tuesday 18 February	Sierra Leone Armed Forces Day: School Closed
Wednesday 26 February	Event: GUMMBAY
Wednesday 26 February	BOARD MEETING 5pm

Saturday 1 March	Ramadan begins (tbc)
Monday 3 March	WORLD BOOK WEEK
Monday 3 – 7 March	Visit from American International School Monrovia
Wednesday 5 March	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Thursday 6 March	Community Art Event (Details to be confirmed)
Monday 10 March	International Women's Day SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 13 March	End of Trimester 2/ Final fee payments due
Friday 14 March	PI Day
Wednesday 26 March	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Friday 28 March	Last Day of After School Activities
Monday 31 March	No After School Activities. [Eid al-fitr tbc]
Tuesday 1 April	READ-A-THON (Details to be confirmed)
Friday 11 April	Last Day of School: Noon Dismissal: Reports to Parents
Tuesday 22 April	School Opens
Wednesday 23 April	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Monday 28 April	Sierra Leone Independence Day: SCHOOL CLOSED
Thursday 1 May	Labor Day: SCHOOL CLOSED
Saturday 3 May	SAT EXAMS AT SCHOOL
Monday 5 – Friday 9 May	Teacher Appreciation Week
Wednesday 7 May	Science Fair (Details to be confirmed)

Monday 12- Friday 16 May	MAP TESTING
Wednesday 14 May	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Wednesday 14 May	BOARD MEETING 5pm
Monday 19 – Friday 23 May	MAP TESTING
Wednesday 21 May	BAZAAR
	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 5pm
Wednesday 21 May	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Wednesday 4 June	GRADUATION 11am
Monday 9 June	Eid al-Hadha SCHOOL CLOSED tbc
Tuesday 10 June	No after School Activities
Wednesday 11 June	BOARD MEETING 5pm
Monday 16 June	Early Bird INVOICES to be sent out for 25-26
Wednesday 18 June	MSA Planning Team Meeting 3pm
	G5-G8 Math & Science Classroom
Friday 20 June	Last Day of School:
	Noon Dismissal
Monday 1 September 2025	School Reopens for Students

