



# FALCON FLASH

September 7, 2017

## SEPTEMBER

- 13** Back-to-School for Parents  
@ AISA 5:45-7:00 PM
- 21** Muharrem – No school  
Islamic New Year

## OCTOBER

- 1** Achoura – no school
- 19** International Day
- 31** Halloween – Early dismissal

## NOVEMBER

- 1 & 2** Revolution Day – No school



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, IS BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT. THIS IS A TYPICAL EVENT THAT TAKES PLACE IN AMERICAN SCHOOLS IN THE FIRST WEEKS OF SCHOOL.

IT'S DESIGNED SO THAT PARENTS CAN MEET THE TEACHERS AND GET AN OVERVIEW OF THEIR CHILDREN'S DAY, THEIR PROGRAM, TEACHER EXPECTATIONS, AND HOW PARENTS CAN HELP AT HOME.

THIS IS NOT A TIME TO TALK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN'S ACADEMIC PROGRESS. IT'S TOO SOON! BUT DON'T WORRY...TEACHERS WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS EVENING IS FOR **PARENTS ONLY**, BECAUSE EVERYONE WILL BE BUSY AND THERE WILL BE NO ONE TO SUPERVISE THE CHILDREN.

- 5:50 – 6:10** Kinder – Grade 2 in classrooms
- 6:15 - 6:35** Assembly in front garden
- 6:40 - 7:00** Grades 3-6 in classrooms

IF YOU HAVE NO CHILDREN IN KINDER-GRADE 2, YOU ARE WELCOME TO ARRIVE AT 6:15PM. PARENTS WITH CHILDREN ONLY IN KG-2 ARE ALSO WELCOME TO DEPART AFTER THE ASSEMBLY.

ALL SPECIALIST TEACHERS WILL BE MAKING BRIEF PRESENTATIONS AT THE ASSEMBLY.

WE HAVE PLANNED THIS EVENING TO ACCOMMODATE YOUR BUSY SCHEDULES AND TO NOT KEEP YOU AWAY FROM YOUR CHILDREN FOR TOO LONG, *SO WE VERY KINDLY ASK THAT YOU PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME.*



**WE APPRECIATE OUR PARENTS!**





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## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (ASA) ROTATION #1

The school provides activities for students after school. Activities are on designated MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS from 2:50 to 3:50 PM. The schedule for our first rotation is listed below. Parents are also warmly invited to volunteer to lead an activity. If you are interested, please contact the office.

Activities will vary with each rotation and are also designed to be age-appropriate. Students in Kindergarten are often already very tired at the end of the day, but if they have older siblings, there will be a suitable activity provided for them. As school closes daily at 4:00 PM, we also kindly ask you to collect students on time.

### ROTATION #1

September 25 & 27

October 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18

## Safety & Security

AISA takes the safety of your children very seriously. Besides creating our procedures, we are very grateful to the U.S. Embassy Regional Security Office (RSO), which continuously guides us.

In addition, the RSO was instrumental in helping us secure a grant that allowed us to add the anti-climb structures on the front and back walls and to build a more secure safe-haven in our former garage. They also help keep our guards up-to-date.

We continuously evaluate our procedures, but we look to YOU to help us. **PLEASE make sure you read our Parent-Student Handbook.** We are a small school, so it is tempting not to take expectations seriously, but our students deserve our vigilance.

### Please help us by:

1. Wearing your badge
2. Keeping emergency forms up-to-date
3. Making sure we know who is collecting your children
4. Notifying us in advance if you plan to bring a guest or visiting family member with you. (Our guards rotate and may not recognize a non-parent without a badge.)
5. Going directly to your cars when you leave the gate. You are very welcome to socialize on campus, but do take your children to the car immediately when you depart. Cars speed down our narrow street and we only have two guards on duty, so parents and drivers absolutely need to be extra vigilant. Thank you for your support!



## International Day is October 19<sup>th</sup>

*After students left last June, our team reviewed our first year and decided that International Day was one of our more meaningful all-school activities. Parents were extremely involved and students learned so much about other cultures.*

*Because it's such a good time for all of us to get to know each other, and because UN Day is October 24<sup>th</sup>, we are scheduling it earlier.*

*So, stay tuned for more information very soon on how you can participate. One of the very valuable qualities of our wonderful school is being so multi-cultural. This is a GREAT time for us to celebrate being citizens of the world!*