

One World International School Newsletter



Message from the Head of School

The event for next week will be the final of our OWIS Talent Show! Parents are welcome to attend and provide an audience for our talented students!

Your child will be bringing home a language form with this newsletter. Please complete this and return it to us by the end of next week. The data from these forms will be used to help us shape our Language Policy in school, in line with becoming an IB authorised PYP school. It will also provide valuable information to help us understand your child's individual learning needs and shape our school curriculum programs.

Teacher Run Clubs

Many thanks to our teachers who are running our after school clubs for this term.

Netball: Ms Atkinson



IT: Mr Lake



Art: Ms Bayross and Ms Ong (Many thanks to parent volunteers too!)



Grade 2

Grade 2 conducted a presentation for parents on Wednesday. They had finished their Unit of Inquiry which was all about children's rights and responsibilities. Their inquiries had led to interesting and informative presentations.



Grade 3

Grade 3 conducted a survey on healthy choices. They developed a number of questions to ask based on the areas of Health and Fitness we have covered in our unit. Students then went around the school asking teachers, staff members and students questions on their healthy choices. Once the information was gathered we put it onto a 'spreadsheet'. Students were able to see how the data they had collected was represented on different graphs.





Calendar Dates	
Friday 30 th September	OWIS Got Talent Finalists Performance - 1:45pm in the Auditorium
Tuesday 11 th October	Morning Tea (PYP) - 8:45am in the Library
Thursday 13 th / Friday 14 th October	School Photographs
Monday 17 th October	United Nations Day Event
Wednesday 19 th October	Deepavali Celebrations Last day of Term 1 for students Middle School Reports go home
Thursday 20 th / Friday 21 st October	Staff Inset Days
Monday 31 st October	Term 2 Begins

Admissions News

If you have siblings not yet attending school or friends who are interested in placing their children at OWIS, please ask them to contact our Admissions Officer as soon as possible.

We now have waitlists for new families interested in our Prep and Grade 1

classes, so with our mission to retain small class sizes, our places are becoming limited! Please note that if you are thinking of applying for a place in Prep next year, it is important you should consider placing your child in EC2 this year – otherwise we cannot guarantee there will be places available.

Our new Units of Inquiry from Deputy Head/ PYP Co-ordinator Mrs Alyson Rees

This week has seen students in from Prep to Grade Five busy carrying out final assessments and reflecting on their first units of inquiry of this year. We start new Units of Inquiry on Monday. These will lead to students’ inquiries into a wide range of ideas.

During next week, class teachers will be putting information on the class websites about these Units of Inquiry (UOIs) and the upcoming Maths and Literacy focus. Early years classes will be starting their new units on the 21st of November.

We’ve received some very positive feedback about the class websites. Please continue to let us have your thoughts and ideas. If you would like more information about what a Unit of Inquiry is and how it fits into PYP learning, please feel free to contact me at deputyhead@owis.org

Middle School Curriculum News

We are pleased with the successful start of our new middle school. Next week we will be hosting a visitor from Cambridge International Examinations Centre as part of an Inspection process in order for us to become a CIE school centre.

News from the Finance Office

Please be reminded that final payment for fees is now always the end of each month with 3rd payment final date due next week on September 30th 2011.

Those families who have outstanding fees to pay will be notified of this in writing at the start of the week. Please avoid this written notice!

Contact Mr Anand, or Mr Hadi in the finance office if you have any queries or concerns regarding payment of fees.

GENTLE REMINDERS

Do not forget to check out the class websites which include information about events, homework and learning in each of our classes as well as more general information on the curriculum.

If your child has an appointment during school time and you need to collect them early, please report to the office. We will then bring your child to you at the reception.

If your child is late for school please take them to the office so that their attendance can be noted. We will then walk them to their class.

We have a selection of items in the lost and found box in the office, water bottles and baseball caps. Please do check the box in case your child is missing any of the above items.

