

Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

It has been a busy few and it is wonderful to see how quickly the children have settled into their learning routines. Throughout each day the school is a hive of activity with exciting learning happening across the school. The teachers are getting to know the children well – as individuals and also as dynamic groups - and so can personalise learning in order that every child is challenged and empowered to reach their goals.

But what does personalised learning actually mean in practice? Tailoring learning to individual needs can take many forms. It can mean grouping students in different ways with different tasks and different expected outcomes. It can mean providing support or extension tasks or asking different kinds of questions. It can mean directing students to produce responses at different levels of sophistication and it can mean the teacher or learning assistant working intensely with a small group or an individual. It is not one approach but rather the aggregation of the hundreds of subtly different interactions that teachers have with children according to their level of attainment and progress. Pushing, prodding, nudging, stretching...slow, subtle, nuanced, a step at a time, working around the class from lesson to lesson. It is not a science or a quick fix but something teachers work away at constantly in every lesson, every week and every school year. If you want to know more about our personalised approach to learning, do speak with your child's teachers - they are the experts.



We are always happy to talk with parents so if you have any concerns or questions about your child's learning or any aspect of school life, please do speak with the class teacher, myself or Ms. Julia. We also encourage you to attend our Parent Workshop sessions where we share our approach to teaching and learning and help parents to understand what, why, and how we nurture children's learning.

We are delighted with the learning progress already being made in school and impressed by the enthusiasm shown by all our curious and learning hungry children.

Thanks for your continued support.

Niki Meehan Principal

End of Day Playground Use

(available until 15:30 each day)

We have lovely playgrounds and are happy for children to use them at the end of the school day at 2pm or 3pm after ECA's. For safety, we insist that children can only remain on the playground when carefully supervised by an adult at all times. We also ask that children only play on the lower playground and do not go to the field, the back playground, the library, or into any classrooms, or take resources from the store rooms. Please respect that there may be an ECA, a staff meeting, classroom cleaning or teaching preparation happening during these times.

Birthdays at School

We recognise that a birthday is a very special day for children, and we will always acknowledge this at school. Within the classroom we will sing "Happy Birthday" and try to make the child feel special on their special day. We are happy for parents to send a small treat to share with their classmates such as a cup cake, individual cake slice, or healthier options such as a fruit cup or fruit skewers but we ask you to avoid any treats made with nuts or nut flour as some children have serious allergies. We would also like to be as eco-friendly as possible so ask you to minimise any packaging and avoid any single use plastics. Please also be reminded that school is not the place to have a party for your child and we will not allow party bags or sweets to be given out at school. If you want to share a gift with the class - maybe you could donate a book to the class library, and we can add a special birthday label and photo i.e. This book was donated to F2 Lions to celebrate Oscar's 5th birthday. Happy Birthday Oscar!

Our Exciting After School Activity Programme on Monday



We are excited for our extensive ECA programme to begin on Monday. We have worked hard to provide children with the activities of their choice and know they are all going to have a great time trying new activities, improving their skills, and making new friends. Please be aware that this year children should be collected directly from their ECA activity room at the end of their activity and children will only be released to their parent or designated carer (bus children will be taken to the bus). A list of ECA locations will be displayed in the lobby before pick-up time so you know where to collect your child. If there are any changes to pick up arrangements, it is important that you inform both Lia and the class teacher no later than 11am (Nursery and Foundation 1) and 12:15 Foundation 2 – Year 6. Please note that children in Nursery or Foundation 1 need to be accompanied to swimming by a parent or carer.

Family Fun Day



We are looking forward to welcoming you all to our Family Fun Day on Saturday 7 September 10:00-13:00. The children will be able to take part in many fun activities and enjoy the playgrounds with their friends while the parents can catch up for a chat. There will be a selection of food vendors selling tasty snacks and drink vendors selling some lovely fresh juices, fresh coconut or coffee. This is a great opportunity for our new families to be welcomed into our community and for children, parents and staff to get to know each other in a relaxed environment. Please also feel free to bring your family and friends. Free entry.

First Aid Training For Year 4



We were a bit worried when the Y.4 children and their furry friends appeared to have been involved in a major accident as they limped out the class with bandaged ankles, arm slings, and dressed wounds. Thankfully, no one was really injured but instead they had just had a fantastic

First Aid course delivered by two of our parents, Dr Marlous and Dr Raph. The children became doctors and medics as they practised on each other and their 'injured' furry friends. They have been learning all about the body, so it was a great experience to learn from real doctors. Thank you Dr Marlous and Dr Raph for sharing your skills with us. And now we are really prepared if there is a real accident!

We Love Music at NAS Jakarta



The children have been loving their music lessons with our new music teacher Mr. Brentan. As a passionate and very experienced music teacher, he is bringing music alive for all the children and challenging them to become musicians and composers. The students have been creating their own rhythms, capturing them on their whiteboards, and then performing them to their peer group audience. It is impressive to see just how musical and creative our young students are!

Diary Dates

2019-2020 Term Dates Calendar

Please see our website for our school's calendar

Learning Overview

Weekly for each class

Class News & School Newsletter

Every two weeks (alternating)

Student Report Issued

Monday 16 December

Parent Workshops

MUSIC: 4 Sept (7:45-8:30) MATHS (FS1-Y1): 11 Sept (7:45-8:30) MATHS (Y2-6): 13 Sept (7:45-8:30) PHONICS (FS2-Y2): 20 Sept (7:45-8:30)

Catch Up & Coffee (Nursery & Foundation 1)

Thursday 26 September (7:45-8:30) Thursday 21 November (7:45-8:30)

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Wednesday 2 & Thursday 3 October (14:45-19:00)

Learning Showcase Week

Wednesday 9 - Friday 11 October (8:00-9:00)

Family Fun Day

Saturday 7 September (10:00-13:00)

JASIS Big Sing Event

Saturday 14 September (at AIS)

JASIS ATHLETICS

Saturday 16 November (hosted at NAS Jakarta)

EYFS Concert

Wednesday 27 November (8:00-9:00)

Primary Concert

Friday 29 November (13:00-14:00)

NAS Jakarta Bazaar

Saturday 7 December





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