



Asmara International Community School **“The NEWS to KNOW”** **06 November 2009**

Asmara International Community School serves the international community by providing a rigorous English language academic program of excellence, emphasizing individual discipline, personal integrity and respect for others.

CALENDAR NOTES:

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| 06 November | 1 st Quarter Report Cards Issued |
| 07 November | 10:00 - 12:00 Pumpkin Patch (Sponsored by PTO) (<i>Children up through grade 5 should be accompanied by an adult</i>) |
| 12 November | 8:00 Coffee Hour 12:00 Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| 13 November | 8:15 Elementary Assembly 12:00 Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences |
| 19 November | 13:00 Board of Governors Meeting, Director’s Office 14:45 PTO Meeting |
| 27 November | No School Eid al-Adha Holiday |

After School Activities

Just a gentle reminder for those of you who have not yet paid for after school activities. The payment is due if your child has been attending the activity. If you have not paid yet, please do so as soon as possible.

Report Cards

Report cards for the First Quarter are being distributed today. Teachers have commented on student work during this first part of the academic year. Please read the report carefully and return one copy signed to the homeroom teacher.

Parent/ Teacher Conferences

Next Thursday and Friday, students will be dismissed at 12:00. From 13:00 to 16:00, teachers will be in their classrooms for 15 minute conferences. Please sign up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board to the left of the main entrance. Should you not be able to sign up, please do feel free to come and wait for an opening with the teachers you wish to see. Elementary school

students should not plan on joining their parents at conferences. If we could achieve 80% parent attendance, that would indicate significant participation. More than that would show that we are truly working together as a school community for the benefit of our students.

Pumpkin Patch, 7 November

Separate notices have gone out regarding the PTO sponsored Pumpkin Patch tomorrow from 10:00 – 12:00. Come join us for a great time.

Board Meeting, 19 November at 13:00

The next meeting of the Board of Governors is on 19 November at 13:00 in the Director's Office. Any member of the Association is welcome to attend. Please contact me in advance if there is a particular question or topic you would like to have considered.

Association General Meeting, 25 November at 18:30

This year A.I.C.S will be having an Association Meeting in the Fall and the Spring. All parents and/or guardians of children enrolled at the school are voting members of the Association and are encouraged to attend. The meeting is being held to:

- Introduce all Faculty
- Introduce the Board of Governors
- Provide an overview of the A.I.C.S. financial status
- Review the mission of A.I.C.S
- Articulate the academic goals of A.I.C.S
- Solidify the A.I.C.S sense of community

I truly hope you will be able to join us.

Jack F. Shepherd Jr.
Director