

SPOTS



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MONTH AT A GLANCE (K-12 All School Event; PS = Primary School; ES = Elementary School; MS = Middle School; HS = High School; DAAPA; MESAC/EAC)

Welcome to the SPOTS calendar. We encourage parents to check weekly as occasionally dates or times may change.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	WEEKEND
MARCH 2015					
22 PS/ES Day 4 MS/HS Day 5	23 PS/ES Day 5 MS/HS Day 6	24 PS/ES Day 6 MS/HS Day 7	25 PS/ES Day 7 MS/HS Day 8	26 PS/ES Day 8 MS/HS Day 1	27 28
PS Week of the Arts (March 15-25) / ES Art Show (March 15-25)					
HS Charitable Drives (March 15-23)			JV/Var Badminton v ASD @ ASD 3pm leave	Spring Break begins at 12:00. All students dismissed at noon. MS MOGA Madness	
Senior Cap and Gown Photos	DAAPA ES speaker event - Dr. Saliha Afridi from Lighthouse Arabia "Third Culture Kids" No spaces remaining				
JV Badminton vs ASD @ ASD 3:30 p.m. leave	Grade 8 Pizza/Donut Sale 11:00 am – 1:30 pm				
Var Badminton vs ASD @ DAA 4:00 p.m. start	JV/Var Badminton v UAS @ DAA 4pm start				
U14 Track & Field @ ASD 3:00 p.m. leave					
VB Baseball v GAA @ DLL 3pm leave					
APRIL 2015					
<i>Spring Break - Thursday, March 26th at 12:00 - Saturday, April 11th. Classes resume Sunday, April 12th.</i>					
12 PS/ES Day 9 MS/HS Day 2	13 PS/ES Day 10 MS/HS Day 3	14 PS/ES Day 1 MS/HS Day 4	15 PS/ES Day 2 MS/HS Day 5	16 PS/ES Day 3 MS/HS Day 6	17 18
Classes resume at 7:45 a.m.				DAAPA Bingo Night	EAC JV Bdmntn vs ACS EAC Var Bdmntn vs UAS
19 PS/ES Day 4 MS/HS Day 7	20 PS/ES Day 5 MS/HS Day 8	21 PS/ES Day 6 MS/HS Day 1	22 PS/ES Day 7 MS/HS Day 2	23 PS/ES Day 8 MS/HS Day 3	24 25
			Var/JV Badminton - ABA Oman / Var/JV Track and Field - ASDoha JV Soft/Baseball - ACS Abu Dhabi / Var Soft/Baseball - DAA (at Dubai Little League)		
PS Innovation Week (April 19th to 23rd)					
			PS Maker's Day for Earth Day	DAAPA PS Movie Night	
26 PS/ES Day 4 MS/HS Day 7	27 PS/ES Day 5 MS/HS Day 8	28 PS/ES Day 6 MS/HS Day 1	29 PS/ES Day 7 MS/HS Day 2	30 PS/ES Day 8 MS/HS Day 3	1 2
			ES Musical Production Aladdin Jr.	ES Musical Production Aladdin Jr.	

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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE

Dear DAA Families,

What a fabulous week at DAA! First, thank you to the parents who came out to meet with teachers to discuss their children's progress during parent-teacher conferences. Your support for your children is so fundamental to DAA's recipe for success. The home-school connection matters a great deal, and I hope your opportunities to meet with your children's teachers were positive and productive.

As I walked around the PS/ES building this week, I was struck by how fantastic everything looks. Doors are decorated beautifully and displays really exhibit some of the great things students are learning. It's just a pleasure to walk around the school and to soak it all in. I'd like to say thank you to all of the fantastic teachers, room parents, and students who have given the school a very special feel. The same applies to the MS and HS, where students are also exhibiting their work. The IB Art Exhibit was tremendous, as usual, and I would like to congratulate those students and Miss Yon Smith on all of their hard work. Well done!

Also, a quick update on our proposed 2015-16 school calendar. As I mentioned two weeks ago, we are currently in a holding pattern regarding next year's calendar as we wait for KHDA to issue its stamp of approval. All schools across Dubai are very much in the same boat. The dates I shared with you two weeks ago appear solid, but I cannot confirm this until we receive final KHDA approval. I do appreciate your patience and apologize for this delay, as I know your summer plans are influenced by it. Again, I anticipate sharing an official calendar with you soon, and I greatly appreciate your patience.



For several days this week, members of DAA's leadership team and I had the opportunity to attend the Global Education and Skills Forum (GESF), which was held here in Dubai. GESF is an effort to bring together leaders from the public, private, and social sectors to address education's greatest challenges. The Varkey Foundation, GEMS Education, Dubai Cares, Mashreq Bank, Microsoft, Parthenon, All Prints, and Western Union all play major roles in sponsoring the event. Keynote speakers at GESF included former US President Bill Clinton, former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair, and a host of other influential leaders and thinkers from around the world. DAA received the honor of hosting two former heads of state - former President Luis Alberto Lacalle of Uruguay (left, bottom) and former Prime Minister Hamadi Jebali of Tunisia (left, top). Many DAA students from all divisions were involved in Mr. Lacalle and Mr. Jebali's visit, including all of our students from those two countries! Our student-leaders greeted them, our MS band played the UAE national anthem, our PS students sang a fabulous welcome song, our MS students talked about their WWW adventures, our HS IB Art students talked about their fabulous work while IB Music colleagues provided music to set

the atmosphere, and groups of students engaged with the two former leaders in question-and-answer sessions about international-mindedness, democracy, leadership, education, and a few other meaningful topics. Mr. Lacalle and Mr. Jebali couldn't stop talking about how terrific DAA's students are. Well done! The students involved definitely made us very, very proud.



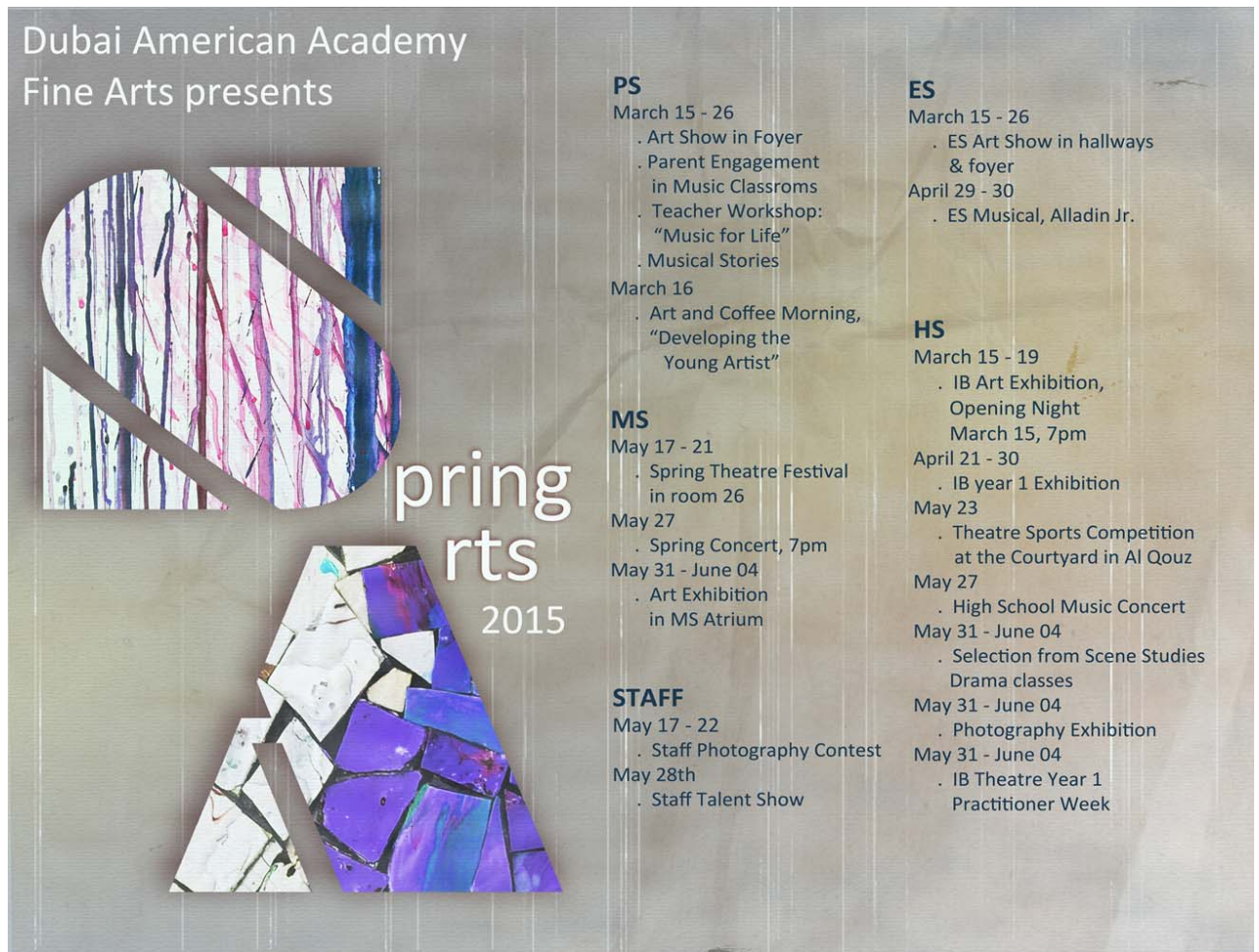
The climax of GESF was probably the announcement of the Global Teaching Prize, which is a one million dollar award from the Varkey Foundation that will be given annually from this point forward to one inspirational and innovative teacher. The first recipient of this award was Nancie Atwell, who is from Maine, USA. Mrs. Atwell has been teaching and writing since the early 1970s and has had an enormous impact on reading-writing workshop pedagogy. She definitely had a major impact on my career when I started teaching in the late 1980s. Her book [In the Middle](#) was a must-read for any teacher trying to improve their practice and Mrs. Atwell continues to teach to this day.

I will close my message in this edition of SPOTS with a challenge that Mr. Sunny Varkey, the founder of GEMS, issued at the end of GESF. Mr. Varkey would like teachers, students, and parents to tweet about the teacher who was their greatest inspiration. Mr. Varkey wants brilliant teachers to be recognized and for the profession to receive the respect it deserves.

We move into the final stretch of the year after a well-deserved spring holiday. Thank you for your continued support!

Kind Regards,
Jim Hardin, Superintendent / CEO

Dubai American Academy
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Spring Arts 2015

PS
March 15 - 26
· Art Show in Foyer
· Parent Engagement in Music Classrooms
· Teacher Workshop: "Music for Life"
· Musical Stories

March 16
· Art and Coffee Morning, "Developing the Young Artist"

MS
May 17 - 21
· Spring Theatre Festival in room 26
May 27
· Spring Concert, 7pm
May 31 - June 04
· Art Exhibition in MS Atrium

STAFF
May 17 - 22
· Staff Photography Contest
May 28th
· Staff Talent Show

ES
March 15 - 26
· ES Art Show in hallways & foyer
April 29 - 30
· ES Musical, Alladin Jr.

HS
March 15 - 19
· IB Art Exhibition, Opening Night
March 15, 7pm
April 21 - 30
· IB year 1 Exhibition
May 23
· Theatre Sports Competition at the Courtyard in Al Quoz
May 27
· High School Music Concert
May 31 - June 04
· Selection from Scene Studies Drama classes
May 31 - June 04
· Photography Exhibition
May 31 - June 04
· IB Theatre Year 1 Practitioner Week

E-Sports Spring Camp at DAA

E-Sports will be offering a multi-sports activity camp at Dubai American Academy. The Camp will take place from the 29th March – 9th April 2015. Children between the ages of 4-14 years will have lots of fun and stay active with mini-tennis, basketball, dodge ball, football, Arts & Crafts and swimming sessions.

Camp timings: Drop off 08:30 | Start 09:00| Finish 13:30| Pick Up 13:30-13:45
What to bring: Swimming gear, Towel, Water bottle, Snack and Lunch Everyday
To Register visit our website www.esportsuae.com/page/camp-information

We look forward to welcoming you!
E-Sports Camp Team

Lost and Found

Are you missing a water bottle, sweater, uniform? We have many items in the Lost and Found which would love to return to their proper homes.

Lost and found items are currently on display in the Foyer for Primary and Elementary School. Middle and High School lost and found items are in their designated areas. Please be sure to check for personal items before Spring Break as items will be donated to an approved charity during the holiday.

Thank you,
DAA Admin



DAAPA NEWS

DAAPA (DAA Parents Association) is an active parent association dedicated to enriching the lives of DAA students and community, promoting cooperation between DAA parents, staff and administration and spreading the "culture of kindness" that is at the core of DAA's values. All parents/guardians of DAA students are *automatically* members of DAAPA.

DAAPA IN THE PRIMARY/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PS Bingo Night turned out to be a really nice event. The children were eager to help call the numbers, roll the Bingo Ball, tell Knock Knock jokes and of course win the prizes. Right is a list of the winners. We will be placing the winning vouchers in your passbook folders next week, so keep a lookout! We wish to extend a warm Thank You to the moms, dads and students that volunteered to make this event happen and run smoothly. You just rock!!!

Don't forget, there will be one more Bingo Night in April and a new chance to win 4 tickets to Wild Wadi as first prize. Hope we see you then.

Place	Prize	Name	Grade
1st	150 Virgin	Zachary Swartz	1ME
2nd	100 Virgin	Phillip Karschies	3DMC
3rd	50 Borders	Haley Kabbara	KG2TG
1st	150 Virgin	Carlotta Reiter	5KM
2nd	100 Virgin	Aaryan Dawra	KG2TG
3rd	50 Borders	Lucia Valladares	3LN
3rd	50 Borders	Hayden Swartz	3DMC
3rd	50 Borders	Toby Wilcox	2SP
1st	4 Wild Wadi tickets	Ruby Gardner	2MM
2nd	100 Virgin	Ahana Karthikeyan	1LH
2nd	100 Virgin	Hanna Mollenkramer	1MMC
3rd	50 Borders	Samuel Oliver	KG2TG

Upcoming events:

1. Speaker event: **"Third Culture Kids" presented by Lighthouse Arabia**. - This topic has been of overwhelming interest for our ES/PS parents and we hope that we can bring you this topic again this year. Unfortunately, there are no spaces remaining for the talk on Monday, March 23rd. If you have reserved a space and are unable to attend, please let us know so that we might invite another interested parent. **You should have received a confirmation email for your RSVP if you booked your attendance.**
2. ES/PS Bingo Night on April 16th. Come join in the fun at another take at Bingo Night. Event is free for everyone. Wild Wadi tickets for a family of 4 as first prize! and vouchers for Virgin and Borders as 2nd and 3rd prizes.
3. ES/PS Parent Connect Coffee - Special talk on "Life in Transition" coaching by Belen Settembri. Fulfilled and happy parents have a very positive impact on their families, which influences their communities.
4. PS Movie Night - Our last movie night of the year will take place on April 23rd. We will be waiting for you with loads of popcorn and a fun movie to watch.

Volunteer Appreciation Day TBD
 DAAPA 2015-2016 Elections TBD
 Teacher Appreciation Day TBD

DAAPA Update:

The Souk event in January was a tremendous success in number of participants with more than 80 tables/mats used to display all kinds of goodies and bargains. We hope that the coming years bring in more interest both from sellers and buyers.... of course the lemonade will continue to be a big hit with all. The amount of 1,350 Dhs, total raised from the rental space, has been donated by DAAPA on behalf of the students to a GEMS approved charity organization.

RSVP is greatly appreciated to these events as always at stayintouchwithdaaes@gmail.com

DAAPA IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grade 8 Pizza/Donut Sale – Monday, March 23

- **Attention grade 8 parents**, we need your help! On Monday, 23 March from 11:00am-1:30pm grade 8 will be sponsoring a pizza and donut sale as a fundraiser for graduation. Parents, we need your help with the sale, the work is easy and the atmosphere is fun. Please RSVP to: stayintouchwithdaams@gmail.com
- MS and HS students, on March 23rd, support grade 8 students by buying pizza and donuts for 15AED. Sales will be during lunch in the MS and HS hallways.



PRIMARY POINTS (Kindergarten 1 - Grade 2) *Make sure to read the corresponding DAAPA NEWS section of this issue of SPOTS for all the latest Primary School parent sponsored events!*

FROM THE PS PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear PS Parents,

It was wonderful getting to see so many of you this week for both Week of the Arts and for Conferences and that you enjoyed the wonderful PS Art displayed in the foyer. We hope you found this past week informative and helpful as we work together to support your child as learners... and artists! It was also wonderful to get to see so many of you on last Tuesday's BINGO Night. Thanks to DAAPA for doing so much to enrich the experience of our kids!

Below is some follow-up information regarding Week of the Arts and also some information for our upcoming Innovation Week.

Week of the Arts Updates

Coffee Morning: Thanks to all of you who were able to make it as we learned and discussed the benefits of the arts and ways to promote your child as an artist (and they are all artists!). Here is some follow-up information that we hope you find both helpful and informative:

- The benefits of art classes. Here is a link to the PS Art Blog (<http://daapsart.blogspot.com/2015/03/developmental-benefits-of-art.html>) with some really good information on how participation in art helps your child develop as both a person and a learner. There are some interesting, perhaps unexpected, benefits in areas such as decision-making and cultural awareness.
- The Benefits of Music Education. Similar to the article above, this article outlines the short and long-term benefits of participation in music education. The short version-it makes them smarter in many different ways.
https://docs.google.com/a/gemsdaa.net/document/d/1F_QEASiErkl02bcfubBf53M_P9vXkkpDhhGPlqjNT-0/edit
- What Music Should My Child Listen To? Kids love music. This has some nice ideas on how to guide your child's musical interests in an age-appropriate way.
<https://docs.google.com/a/gemsdaa.net/document/d/1G9ji0Zye3L3EO72rZoYfbz52xyEgWgYTnD3I2fZ7Hy0/edit>
- Creating a Musical Home. Includes great ideas for developing a love of music at home and just as importantly, to help you connect with your child.
https://docs.google.com/a/gemsdaa.net/document/d/1oYpEUjILvqw3v_BJc0YBZdsVH9WLLQgvEu2yPrUglaU/edit

Visiting your child's music class: Many of you were already in on Tuesday to visit your child's music classes. For the rest of you, your opportunity to learn with your child in music class is this week. See the PS Music blog for the schedule (just scroll down a bit): <http://psmusicdaa.blogspot.ae/>.

Ask your child...if they were able to participate in our music workshops! Faculty & staff showed off their musical talents for small groups of kids. A big thanks to our special guests who helped lead the workshops: Monica Choung, Meghan MacKinnon, Megan Mulcahey, Hayley Jeans, Natasha Koltypin, & Jeff Quinto (leading our MS musicians). Images included, but go to the music blog for even more.



PRIMARY POINTS, continued

What's Next?

Spring Break! Remember there is a 12pm dismissal this Thursday, March 26th.

Innovation Week (April 19th to 23rd): One of DAA's goals is to help our kids become innovators and in April we will have DAA's first ever Innovation Week. There are two main events that week:

Maker's Day for Earth Day. On Earth Day, (Wednesday, April 22nd) we will have an adjusted schedule and the day will be dedicated to "making" and "problem-solving" by reusing, recycled products. Be looking for more details next week, but know that you will have the opportunity to come at the end of the day when the kids will share their reflections and learning on the day.

Visiting our I.T. classes. Come and see what your child has learned (and created) in our I.T. classes during the week. Go to the I.T. blog to see the schedule for visiting your child's I.T. class: <http://itprimaryew.blogspot.ae/>.

Have a wonderful break and enjoy the extra time with your family. We look forward to a fantastic finish to the school year when we all return!

Warm regards,
The PS Admin Team



ELEMENTARY ESSENTIALS (Grades 3-5) *Make sure to read the corresponding DAAPA NEWS section of this issue of SPOTS for all the latest Elementary School parent sponsored events!*

FROM THE ES PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Thank you for your attendance at parent conferences. Your partnership with us in your child's education is important and we appreciated the opportunity to meet with you. Together with you, we're looking forward to a very successful final trimester.

ES Art Show: The ES Art Show will continue to be on display in our ES hallways for the next week. Please be sure to stop by before 7:45am or after 2:45pm next week to see the great work our students are doing in Art with Ms. Lauren Williams.

ES Musical: There will be an Aladdin rehearsal this Saturday in the ES Conference Room. Rehearsals will also continue every Monday and Wednesday from 3-4 in the PS Music Room. Please check the blog link for more information: <http://aladdinjrdaa.blogspot.ae>. The excitement is growing...be ready to buy your tickets beginning April 19th!

DAAPA Bingo Night: Get ready for DAAPA ES Bingo night on Thursday, April 16th.

Reminder about upcoming Spring Break: Spring break begins at 12pm on Thursday, March 26th. Classes resume on Sunday, April 12th at 7:45am.

Roberta Wiens and Patrick Molloy,
ES Admin Team



MIDDLE SCHOOL MESSAGES (Grades 6-8) *Make sure to read the corresponding DAAPA NEWS section of this issue of SPOTS for all the latest Middle School parent sponsored events!*

FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFICE



WWW Parent Presentation Fair:

Thank you to our parents for coming out to participate in our Week Without Walls Parent Presentation Fair. Our students are always very excited to share their experiences and your continued support is very important to the overall success of the WWW program. We certainly hope your child had a positive experience overall and as we continually assess each facet of our MS program, we value your feedback in areas we may be able to improve. Please know that we are continually striving to develop the community and service component to each of our international and local WWW opportunities, recognizing that this is a critically important part of the program. The planning for next year is already under way!



Parent Student Teacher Conferences:

Thank you to all parents in attendance for our conferences on Wednesday, March 18th and Thursday, March 19th. Our students (and staff) have been working extremely hard since this semester and are more than ready for a much needed Spring Break vacation. We congratulate all students for positive progress and encourage all to continue to put forth best efforts as Semester 2 continues. Outside of our regularly scheduled conference days, please feel free to schedule appointments with individual teachers as appropriate.

MOGA in the Middle! . . .

As part of our holistic approach in the Middle School, our students need a chance to unwind, and have some fun in a team-oriented "MS Color House" atmosphere. With this in mind, our students will participate in a series of activities on Thursday, March 26th for our last 1/2 day of school before the break. Students should wear sunscreen and dress in color house shirts, PE shorts, PE shoes and bring a snack and refillable water bottle. Activities on this day will range from active outdoor activities to Trivia challenges in our auditorium, with students earning points for their color house throughout. The cafeteria will not be accessible to students on this day, so bringing a snack is essential. We look forward to it!

Warm regards,
Andrew Ball and Joan Wiens
MS Admin Team



HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS (Grades 9-12) *Make sure to read the corresponding DAAPA NEWS section of this issue of SPOTS for all the latest High School parent sponsored events!*

FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE

This year, HS Drama in conjunction with The Courtyard Playhouse is starting a new initiative called "Theatresports!" We are looking for ten HS students who are interested in Improvisation to train for 6 weeks (every Monday from 3-4 starting after spring break). At the end of the 6 weeks, the DAA Theatresports' Team will go up against ASD, JESS and three other Dubai Schools in a friendly and supportive manner. The gala will be held at The Courtyard Playhouse Theatre in Al Quoz on May 23.

The sign up, classes and gala are free and are covered by DAA. The training takes place at DAA - an hour a week for six weeks. The program is open to Drama and non-Drama students, but students must attend all 6 training sessions. Students also get a certificate at the end and the gala is open to parents and friends.

Sign up info here: <https://docs.google.com/a/gemsdaa.net/document/d/16Uck-ypfd11a8DRxVMPmcZlmgxnDvGcp3MJXV635T6w/edit>

Have a great week.
HS Admin team

HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S CORNER

There will be two university tours at DAA the week of March 22 – 25. Students can see which schools will be visiting by signing on to Naviance. Both fairs will take place during the morning break in the DAA HS Atrium. The colleges and universities that are schedule to attend are, Lassell College, University of California Riverside, University of Evansville, George Mason University, Hofstra University, Illinois College, Indiana Tech, Indiana University, Purdue University Indianapolis, University of Kansas, LIM College (Laboratory Institute of Merchandising), MCPHS - Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences, University of Michigan Flint, Monroe College, Saint Francis University, University at Buffalo The State University of New York, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Webster University, Western Michigan University, Wilson College, Berkeley College NYC Midtown Location, University of Waterloo, The American University of Paris, University of California Santa Cruz, University of Maryland College Park, Merrimack College, Middle Tennessee State University, University of Missouri St. Louis, University of Portland, Roger Williams University.

We encourage all students to visit these university representatives and speak with them, as many times, these same individuals will be reading your applications when you apply! This is especially important for current Grade 11 students. As junior meetings have started, this is the perfect time to begin researching colleges and universities.

We are now at mid-semester, it is important to remember to work hard and continue to increase your marks. Some ways of achieving higher marks include talking to teachers, asking questions, and getting help when you need it. This is especially true with juniors as this will be the last set of grades that will be seen on transcripts when students apply in November and December.

Also, if you would like to take the SAT in May, you must sign up by April 6th. Sign up using your Collegeboard profile on Collegeboard.org.

DAA High School Counseling Blog:
<https://daahscounselingoffice.wordpress.com/author/daahscounseling/>

Thank you,
DAA HS Counseling Team





ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

EAC

Emirates Athletics Conference

Important Season 3 Dates

EAC	Mar 19/20	Var/JV Track and Field	Abu Dhabi
	Mar 21	VG Softball	ASD hosted by DAA
	Apr 18	JV Badminton	ACS
	Apr 18	Var Badminton	UAS
	May 1	U14 Track and Field	GWA
MESAC	Apr 22-25	Var/JV Badminton	ABA Oman
	Apr 22-25	Var/JV Track and Field	ASDoha
	Apr 22-26	JV Soft/Baseball	ACS Abu Dhabi
	Apr 22-26	Var Soft/Baseball	DAA (at Dubai Little League)

MESAC events

With our final MESAC tournament for this school year fast approaching we are finalising our housing requirements for Varsity Softball and Baseball. Over the next week athletes taking part in the Varsity softball and baseball teams, as well as those from Season 2 Varsity basketball and soccer, will be receiving phone calls to help us confirm housing requirements prior to Spring Break. Please be ready to sign up and open your homes to visiting athletes.

Season 3 Sports and Activities

Some of our Season 3 teams are heading off to EAC competitions this weekend. Varsity and JV Track and Field head to NYU Abu Dhabi Thursday and Friday to take on everyone else, while Varsity Girls Softball play host to 4 other schools at ASD on Saturday. The softballers take on the might of ASD and are looking for a first up win against ASD, while our track and field athletes prepare to go back to back in many divisional championships. Good luck to all athletes competing this weekend.

Over the last few weeks our Track and Field athletes competed at ASD in a day of relays, with athletes fighting for positions on the EAC and MESAC teams. Our JV and Varsity Badminton teams have competed against ASD, UAS and ACS and both groups have been able to walk away with team wins. Badminton teams have a few more matches on their calendar as they prepare for EAC first week back after Spring Break.

With very few teams to compete against in softball and baseball our teams are pushing their competitors and coming away with the occasional win. The teams are showing great improvements we are looking forward to seeing how they go at MESAC in late April.

JEAC and Elementary Sports:

Our JEAC Basketball practices at grades 4 and 5 are underway with their first matches scheduled for after Spring Break. The Grade 6 teams will have a short season starting late April.

Last week a select group of Grade 4/5/6 athletes took part in a GEMS Track and Field Sports Day and came home with 6 individual medals. Well done to all the athletes who took part. Also competing last weekend was our JEAC swim teams at grades 4 and 5 where they took on 7 other schools at ASD. All swimmers came away with great times and performances. Well done.

Spring Break:

Please make sure you check with your coaches for practice times over spring break. They will vary by team.

Upcoming matches:

Sun 22 Mar	U14 Track & Field @ ASD	3pm leave
Sun 22 Mar	VB Baseball v GAA @ DLL	3pm leave
Mon 23 Mar	JV/Var Badminton v UAS @ DAA	4pm start
Wed 25 Mar	JV/Var Badminton v ASD @ ASD	3pm leave

See you trackside,
Miss Jodi O'Reilly, Athletic Director



Learn French, Experience France

Ecole des Roches Summer School 2015

The Most Famous Private School in France



GEMS Education invites parents to an information session about the world class French Summer Language programme at the esteemed international boarding school, Ecole des Roches, now part of the GEMS network of schools.



Venue	Date	Time
GEMS World Academy, AI Barsha South, Dubai	Wed Mar 18 / Apr 29	10:00am 6.30pm
	Sun, Mar 22	10:00am
	Thu Mar 26 / Apr 23	10.00am
	Mon, Apr 20	10:00am
		6.30pm
GEMS Wellington Int'l School, Sheikh Zayed Road Dubai	Tues Mar 17 / Apr 28	10.00am
	Sat Mar 21 / Apr 25	6.30pm
	Wed Mar 25 / Apr 22	10.00am
Dubai American Academy, AI Barsha 1, Dubai	Sun, Mar 22	10.00am
	Thu Mar 26 / Apr 23	10.00am
	Tue, Apr 21	10.00am
GEMS Wellington Academy, AI Khail, Dubai	Tues, Mar 17	10.00 am
	Mon Mar 23 / Apr 20	10.00 am
	Tues, Apr 21	10.00 am
GEMS Wellington Academy, Silicon Oasis, Dubai	Sat Mar 21 / Apr 25	6.30pm
	Wed Mar 25 / Apr 22	10.00am
	Thu Mar 26 / Apr 30	10.00am
	Thu, Mar 19	10:00am
GEMS American Academy, Abu Dhabi, Khalifa City A	Tue Mar 24 / Apr 21	10.00am
	Mon, Apr 27	10:00am

Our Language Summer Camp are dedicated to young people aged 8 to 18 years, coming from all over the world. Dates are from mid June – mid Aug.

What will it cost?

3 weeks: AED 17,400* 5 weeks: AED 27,350*
6 weeks: AED 32,000* 9 weeks: AED 44,050*

*Prices include: tuition, full board, outings, cultural trips, transport, sports, supervision and additional activities. Airfares are not included.

Our linguistic programmes include every week:

20 hours of French lessons, 2 cultural or tourist visits
A wide variety of sports, activities and social events.

To confirm your attendance please call 600 567771 or 9714 395 8494
Or email us at edr@gemseducation.com



We are delighted to announce that GEMS Education will be offering the Ecole des Roches French Summer Programme again this year. There are a limited amount of spaces on offer, giving students the wonderful opportunity to extend their knowledge of the French language in the safe, friendly and beautiful green open space of campus of the Ecole des Roches, which promotes and encourages creativity, sports and learning.

There is a choice of attending a 3, 5, 6 or 9 week programme. To help register your interest please visit <http://www.gemseducation.com/our-schools/ecole-des-roches-summer-programme> or contact Liz Jahanbani either by email edr@gemseducation.com or by telephone 600 56 7771 or 00971 4 395 8494 (Outside UAE).

There will be information sessions regarding the programme held at DAA on March 22nd, March 26th, April 21st and April 23rd.

PRIMARY/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU



	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
MAIN COURSE					
MAIN PROTEIN 1	BAKED CHICKEN BELL PEPPERS & MOZZARELLA	TANDOORI CHICKEN	CHICKEN KEBAB WITH BELL PEPPERS	GRILLED FISH WITH TOMATO ARTICHOKE	EGGPLANT ROLLED FISH W/PROVENCAL SAUCE
VEGETARIAN (1)	EGGPLANT & TOMATO CASSEROLE	PUMPKIN CURRY	ROASTED THREE BEANS	STIR FRY VEGETABLES	CHANA MASALA (Chickpea)
RICE/POTATO/VEGETABLE - VEGETARIAN					
RICE	Mushroom Rice	STEAMED WHITE RICE	VERMICELLI RICE	LEMON RICE	CUMIN RICE
VEGETARIAN (2)	BOILED MARROW & CARROT	GARDEN VEGETABLES	BROCCOLI POLONAISE	FRENCH BEANS SAUTE	SPINACH CHEESE PIE
PASTAS	PASTA - SPAGHETTI	PASTA - TRICOLOUR PENNE	PASTA - BOWTIE	PASTA - TRICOLOUR FUSSILI	PASTA - PENNE
SAUCES	SAUCE CAPRESE	ARABIATTA (V)	CHICKEN MEAT BALL TOMATO SAUCE	SAUCE AMATRCANA	TOMATO ROASTED VEGETABLE SAUCE
	CILANTRO PESTO SAUCE	CARBONARA WITH TURKEY BACON	SPINACH CREAM SAUCE	PARSLEY CREAM SAUCE	MUSHROOM & GREEN PEAS SAUCE
SALAD BAR - PRE PACKED (1=6aed, 2=10aed, 3=14aed)					
VEG SALADS	ROASTED VEGETABLE PASTA SALAD (V)	GREEK SALAD	POTATO, GREEN ONION SALAD	TOMATO, CORN & BELL PEPPER SALAD	CHICK PEA & TOMATO w/CORIANDER (V)
DESSERT	MARBLE CAKE	CRÈME CARAMEL POTS	MANGO MOUSSE POTS	BREAD PUDDING WITH CUSTARD	WHOLE BANANA/ORANGES
YOUR CHOICE OF JUICE					
JUICE	APPLE JUICE	COCKTAIL	MANGO JUICE	APPLE JUICE	ORANGE JUICE
OR MILK					
MILK	MILK-LOW FAT	MILK-LOW FAT	MILK-LOW FAT	MILK-LOW FAT	MILK-LOW FAT
WATER					
WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER	WATER

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MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL MENU



	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
MAIN COURSE					
MAIN PROTEIN 1	BAKED CHICKEN BELL PEPPERS & MOZZARELLA	MEATBALL WITH MINT FLAVOR TOMATO SAUCE	CHICKEN KEBAB WITH BELL PEPPERS	CHICKEN JALFREZI	EGGPLANT ROLLED FISH W/PROVENCAL SAUCE
MAIN PROTEIN 2	CHICKEN TIKKA DRY	CAJUN SPICE CHICKEN WITH COCKTAIL SAUCE	SUMAC CHICKEN	MOUSSAKA ALA GREEK	CHICKEN MARRYLAND WITH BANANA FRITTERS
MAIN PROTEIN 3	FISH ORLY WITH TOMATO SAUCE	TANDOORI CHICKEN	SPINACH & FETA STUFFED CHICKEN	GRILLED FISH WITH TOMATO ARTICHOKE	BUTTER CHICKEN
VEGETARIAN (1)	EGGPLANT & TOMATO CASSEROLE	PUMPKIN CURRY	ROASTED THREE BEANS	STIR FRY VEGETABLES	CHANA MASALA (Chickpea)
RICE/POTATO/VEGETABLE - VEGETARIAN					
RICE	Mushroom Rice	STEAMED WHITE RICE	VERMICELLI RICE	LEMON RICE	CUMIN RICE
POTATOES	GREEK STYLE LEMON POTATO	ITALIAN STYLE CHEESE POTATO	MEXICAN POTATO	ALOO JEERA	DILL POTATO
VEGETARIAN (2)	BOILED MARROW & CARROT	GARDEN VEGETABLES	BROCCOLI POLONAISE	FRENCH BEANS SAUTE	SPINACH CHEESE PIE
LIVE PASTA a la carte station (12aed)					
PASTAS	PASTA - SPAGHETTI	PASTA - TRICOLOUR PENNE	PASTA - BOWTIE	PASTA - TRICOLOUR FUSSILI	PASTA - PENNE
SAUCES	SAUCE CAPRESE	ARABIATTA (V)	CHICKEN MEAT BALL TOMATO SAUCE	SAUCE AMATRCANA	TOMATO ROASTED VEGETABLE SAUCE
	CILANTRO PESTO SAUCE	CARBONARA WITH TURKEY BACON	SPINACH CREAM SAUCE	PARSLEY CREAM SAUCE	MUSHROOM & GREEN PEAS SAUCE
SALAD BAR - PRE PACKED (1=6aed, 2=10aed, 3=14aed)					
PROTIEN SALAD	POTATO BACON SALAD	CHICKEN HAWAIIN SALAD	THAI CHICKEN NOODLES SALAD	CHICKEN SALAD WITH GRAPES	COUSCOUS SALAD
VEG SALADS	ROASTED VEGETABLE PASTA SALAD (V)	GREEK SALAD	POTATO, GREEN ONION SALAD	FATOUCHE SALAD	CALIFORNIA CHICKEN SALAD
	BABAGANOUSH	PEACH SALAD	SWEET POTATO SALAD	TOMATO, CORN & BELL PEPPER SALAD	CHICK PEA & TOMATO w/CORIANDER (V)
SALAD BAR - MAKE YOUR OWN, SMALL PACK (1=6aed, 2=10aed, 3=14aed) - VEGETARIAN					
CONDIMENTS	TOMATO	TOMATO	TOMATO	TOMATO	TOMATO
	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER
	LETTUCE	LETTUCE	LETTUCE	LETTUCE	LETTUCE
	ARABI PICKEL	ARABI PICKEL	ARABI PICKEL	ARABI PICKEL	ARABI PICKEL
	SWEETCORN	SWEETCORN	SWEETCORN	SWEETCORN	SWEETCORN
	SLICED BLACK OLIVES	SLICED BLACK OLIVES	SLICED BLACK OLIVES	SLICED BLACK OLIVES	SLICED BLACK OLIVES
	REDKIDNEY BEANS	REDKIDNEY BEANS	REDKIDNEY BEANS	REDKIDNEY BEANS	REDKIDNEY BEANS
CHICKPEAS	CHICKPEAS	CHICKPEAS	CHICKPEAS	CHICKPEAS	
PANINI & SPECIAL WRAPS (13aed) - CHICKEN					
	PANINI W/ CHICKEN & CHEESE	PANINI W/ CHICKEN & CHEESE	PANINI W/ CHICKEN & CHEESE	PANINI W/ CHICKEN & CHEESE	PANINI W/ CHICKEN & CHEESE
	PANINI BREAD BROWN	PANINI BREAD BROWN	PANINI BREAD BROWN	PANINI BREAD BROWN	PANINI BREAD BROWN
	CHICKEN	CHICKEN	CHICKEN	CHICKEN	CHICKEN
	SLICED CHEESE	SLICED CHEESE	SLICED CHEESE	SLICED CHEESE	SLICED CHEESE
DAILY SPECIALS (13aed)					
	TORTILLA WRAP	TORTILLA WRAP	CHILLI CON CARNE	TORTILLA WRAP	
	CHICKEN FAJITA WRAP	CHICKEN SHAWARMA WRAP	TACOS	CHICKEN QUESADILLA	JACKET POTATO
	REFRIED BEANS	CHEESE - GRATED	CHEESE - GRATED	CHEESE - GRATED	
	CHEESE - GRATED	JALAPENO	LETTUCE	LETTUCE	
	LETTUCE	LETTUCE	TOMATO	TOMATO	
	SLICED PICKLE	SLICED PICKLE	SLICED PICKLE	SLICED PICKLE	
	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	CUCUMBER	
TOMATO	TOMATO	GARLIC SAUCE	GARLIC SAUCE		
SMOOTHIES (10aed)					
	MANGO	MANGO	MANGO	MANGO	MANGO
	STRAWBERRY	STRAWBERRY		STRAWBERRY	STRAWBERRY
	BANANA	BANANA	BANANA	BANANA	BANANA

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