



MAY—JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER

We would like to extend to our families and students all the very best over the upcoming summer months.

Please note the following dates

- Last Day of School for Grade 12 Students—Monday May 21st, 2018
 Last Day for students in Kindergarten to Grade 11—Thursday June 7th, 2018
 Summer School—August 6 to August 27, 2018
 First Day of School for all students—Sunday September 2nd, 2018

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

School hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. until Wednesday May 16th.

Please note that the first day of Ramadan will be a holiday

May 17th to May 30th—Ramadan Hours— school will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m.

May 21st—Last school day for Grade 12 students

June 3rd to June 7th—Due to exams school will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 10:45 a.m.

June 7th—is the last day of school for students in KG to Grade 11

September 2nd—First day of school for the 2018-2019 academic year

School Events and Hours for May / June 2018

- School hours will be from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. until Wednesday May 16th.
- May 9th—Food Drive
- May 17th to May 30th—Ramadan Hours— school will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m.
- May 21st—Annual Show—Elementary grade 3 and grade 4
- May 21st—Last school day for Grade 12 students
- May 22nd—Annual Show—Elementary grade 1 and grade 2
- May 23rd—Annual Show—Elementary grade 5
- May 24th—Science Fair—All Stages—grade 3 to grade 11—this is not an open event
- June 3rd to June 7th—Due to exams school will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 10:45 a.m. Exams for students in grade 3 to grade 11 will take place during this week.
- June 6th—Pre K/ KG - Annual Show
- June 7th—KG 2—Annual Show and Kindergarten Graduation
- June 7th—is the last day of school for KG to Grade 11 students
- June 9th—Grade 12 Graduation
- June 27th and June 28th—School Reports will be distributed
- September 2nd—First day of school for the 2018 -2019 academic year

Grade 12—Schedule of Events

Grade 12 exams will begin on May 7th and will conclude on May 10th. Due to the Senior Prom, grade 12 students will not be required to attend school on May 13th and 14th. From May 15th to May 21st grade 12 students will be completing work on their senior project. The senior exit project represents 30 % of the mark for all subjects. It is of great importance that all grade 12 students participate in this final academic activity. Failure to participate could have a large negative effect on an individual's final GPA. In addition to working on the senior pro-

ject during May 15th to May 21st, grade 12 students will be receiving additional lessons to assist in their final Ministry Arabic Exams. *Beginning May 21st classes are concluded for grade 12 students.* The senior graduation will take place on June 9th, 2018.

Ramadan Food Drive

Over the next two weeks DAIS will be conducting a food drive. All donations will be provided to the Cairo Food Bank. This year we will not be receiving food donations. We are asking our school families to send a donation of money that will be used to purchase a box of food. Each box has a value of 120 L.E.. This process will ensure the Food Bank receives a variety of food items that can be distributed across several boxes. Money received will be used to purchase food. This food then will be packed in boxes provided by food bank. To avoid storage and packing space challenges, the middle school / High



School family donations will have a separate packing and distribution date from Elementary contributions. Middle School and High School Donations will be packed and delivered on May 14th. Elementary contributions will be packed and delivered on May 28th.

Ramadan Decorations—Grade 7 and Grade 8 (Assigned by Ms. Hoda Zaki)

One of the projects that our grade 7 and 8 students were given to complete by May 10th, 2018 was a Ramadan Decoration created from recyclable material. This project will be graded and used within their social studies assessment for this term. Students will be setting up a booth in our school court yard and selling their creations. The sale will run from May 13th to May 15th.

Video Conferencing with Students Around the World—(Coordinated by Ms. Heba Ayoub)

Throughout this academic year students from grade 10,11 and 12 have been participating in video conferencing with 'peers' from other countries. Our students have been in sharing ideas concerning culture and education with students from around the world. The following students have received a certificate and have been recognized by Generation Global Activities for their high contributions to the discussions that took place in this year's conferences— Dimah Nader; Holly- Ruth Keylada; Jamila Ihab ; Jenna Tekkali; Salama Arafa ;Galal Essam; Mohamed Hany; Mohamed El Rafei; Marwa Tamer; Nahar Tokatli; Nour El Hoda Mohamed ; Youssef Samer; Youssef Yasser; Hesham Khammash; Farida Yasser; Yasmine Ahmed;Yasmine Hesham; Jasmine Ihab

Model United Nations—Grade 11 and Grade 12 (Assigned by Ms. Rania Elhabashy)

On May 15th grade 11 and grade 12 students will be participating in a United Nations exercise. Two groups will be created. Each group will be researching topics related to real work areas of crisis. This day long exercise will have one group focusing on Economic / Social world issues. Areas of study to be examined in this group will be violence against woman, child labor and refugees. The second group will focus on world security. One primary topic will be examined, the use and controls of nuclear energy. The day will be lead by our grade 12 students. Students in grade 11 will compose various countries being represented on the two councils. Each council will have thirty students participating in the activity. The exercise will be assessed and the results of the assessment will be applied to the social studies mark for term four. Areas to be assessed include evidence of research, organization of ideas, debating skills and the degree of viability of resolution created.

Elementary Annual Show - May 21st Grades 3 & 4, May 22nd Grades 1 & 2, May 23rd Grade 5.

This year's show will be held in DOVER's Auditorium. The students have received their scripts over the past few weeks and are asked to learn their lines as part of their Home Reading requirements. Students will also be given an opportunity to rehearse their individual lines during class time. It is very important students attend each day prior to the Annual Show. Teachers must have their students present to be able to choreograph the class presentation. Frequent student absence from rehearsal will affect the confidence level of your child during the presentation. An invitation and program, with your child's exact times of performances, will be sent home in the mid of May.

Theme -Annual Show content is taken from **The 7 Habits of Happy Kids**. It is a key component of the overall "The Leader in Me" process. The process teaches students the skills needed for academic success in any setting. These skills include critical thinking, goal setting, listening and speaking, self-directed learning, presentation-making and the ability to work in groups. This year our students will bring to life **Sean Covey's book, The 7 Habits of Happy Kids, and Stephen Covey's book, The Leader in Me**. The habits speak to emotions, strengths, friendships, meaning, and accomplishments.

The Leader in Me Process—The process develops the essential life skills and characteristics students need to thrive in the 21st century.

1. **Be Proactive** - Manage feelings and stay optimistic.
2. **Begin with the End in Mind** - Anticipate the good, persist, and be resilient.
3. **Put First Things First** - Prioritize positive choices, plans and accomplishment.
4. **Think Win-Win** - Adopt a growth mindset.
5. **Seek to Understand and Be Understood** - Manage feelings and be empathetic.
6. **Synergize** - Focus on strengths.
7. **Sharpen the Saw** - Take care of self and others and find meaning and purpose.

Kindergarten Annual Show and Graduation

Annual Show—Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten 1 will take place on June 6th.

Annual Show and Graduation—Kindergarten 2 will take place on June 7th

Theme— "**Dover Film Festival**" - Each class will be depicting moments from famous films. The 'clips' of films to be chosen will illustrate positive messages concerning values.

Stage Presentation— Students will be wearing various costumes that depict the film being illustrated on stage. Students will be using drama, dance and songs to bring their presentations to life.

Science Fair— Thursday May 24th, 2018

This year's science fair will take place on May 24th, 2018. This day will not be open to parents, it will be an internal event. Students will be working in groups. During science lab time will be provided to complete the projects. Most of the work should be completed outside of school. Each project will be assessed and the evaluation will be used as the term four project mark. All students from grade 3 to grade 11 will be involved in the project. Please speak to your child about the project.

Dover American International School and Sir Wilfrid Laurier University Working (WLU) Agreement



We are very pleased to announce that DAIS and WLU (located in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada) have signed a two year professional agreement. The agreement will focus on providing ongoing professional development of DAIS teaching staff members, research concerning educational issues specifically those related to international education and the receiving of Canadian Teacher Candidates in Training. Other professional activities will also include the networking with other international schools outside of Egypt. This agreement is viewed as the first stage of an ongoing professional relationship with the university. A university representative will be making a presentation to our school community concerning this agreement in August 2018.