

Friday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear Parents,

A big thank you to all of you who came along this morning for the Primary School Forum, here is a brief summary of our discussions and a few other pieces of information for you.

### **Upcoming Events and Happenings**

#### **Math week November 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>**

Next week is math week in the Primary School. A range of mathematical activities will be provided for the students to connect with, and demonstrate their understandings. We will be looking at connections between math and all areas of learning, including music, art PE and computer coding. It's going to be a fun filled week for the students. Friday will be a dress up/casual day for students where they need to wear and represent a math concept. Please don't worry about this, it's a homework activity that the students can manage themselves.

#### **Diwali Tuesday November 17<sup>th</sup>**

We will be celebrating this colourful holiday on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> of November. Our Indian community will provide some wonderful activities for the children to celebrate. If you have Indian costume at home please feel free to wear it, this is not a requirement, but if you have a costume please feel free to wear it.

#### **Holiday Gift Giving.**

Our annual holiday gift giving will take place again this year, we will be working with the same organizations as in the past to provide holiday gifts for those less fortunate than ourselves. We have already received some requests so will be presenting these to you on the tree in the very near future. More information and dates to follow soon.

#### **Student Wellbeing Programmes.**

Over the next few weeks Ms. Alex will be talking to the students about body safety, helping them to develop an understanding and awareness of how to stay safe. She will also work with them to explain our anti-bullying policy and procedures, at a level that will be understandable for the students. She will use stories and VDOs to promote discussion and further the students' understanding in both these areas and has provided additional information and resources on her [blog](#). Ms. Alex will also offer some "Coffee and Chat" sessions to discuss these programmes further for interested parents.

#### **Upcoming Parent workshops**

Thank you for your ideas and thoughts about upcoming parent workshops. We will try to accommodate as many of your ideas as we can, feel free to let us know your interests and areas of the programme you would like to know more about.

#### **Currently we have planned:**

- Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am - "All about PYP" for Grade School Parents - hosted by Ms. Cassie, Ms. June & Mr. Gerry at Auditorium
- Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am - "All About PYP" for Early Years Parents - hosted by Ms. Cassie, Ms. June & Mr. Gerry at Auditorium
- Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am - *Parent Forum* hosted by Ms. June and Mr. Gerry at Auditorium

We also have ICT workshops planned for the New Year too, If you have any other ideas please let us know. Additional information about workshops and forums can be found on the [PYP Community Blog](#).

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask. Have a wonderful weekend.

Warm regards,



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