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A Message from the Chairman

The extraordinary and inspirational Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam once said, "You have to dream before your dreams can come true." A long cherished dream was fulfilled when we moved our premises to the present one in Tubli. The Asian School proudly stands today as a beautiful structure off the Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Highway. Our journey here has not been easy. There were great hurdles, several of them. We were able to overcome them by the grace of God and the strength given by our parents and well wishers and the difficulties we faced have served only to make success sweeter.

Felicitations on our new campus and the amenities provided have not stopped pouring in. However, of all the new facilities present at our new campus, the acquisition of such a beautiful and modern multi-purpose auditorium with a 2600 plus seating capacity is what brings me great pride. The absence of such a facility was deeply felt over the past years, especially when we had to conduct assemblies during the summer and organise cultural programmes. I am certain that this magnificent structure will now motivate our teachers and students to take advantage of it and organise not just cultural programmes, sports and games but also use it to provide a healthy platform for interschool interaction.

"To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often." said Winston Churchill. I am sure that all of you will agree that we live in a time of rapid change; change that is often not predictable, and not always positive. The best way to manage change, whether positive or negative is to anticipate it and prepare for it. On the basis of my experience with development as an observer and a practitioner that now spans more than forty five years, I have come to the conclusion that there is no greater form of preparation for change than education. It has been a year of changes for us at The Asian School. We introduced our new school uniform this month and much positive feedback has been received on the same. A new campus and new uniform have strengthened our constant resolve to build and nurture a community of thinking, compassionate world citizens, who are committed to living with responsibility, learning with enthusiasm and balancing a strong work ethos with a sense of play. We endeavour to teach our children to re-define success more realistically; that is, not by the absence of failures in life but by overcoming them.

Education is evolving so rapidly. It is no longer confined to the classroom-student-teacher formula and it has become more about taking learning out into the real world. To this end, we constantly try to employ new initiatives in terms of teaching methodologies and the best practices from the world's renowned institutions. Our academic and non academic results stand testimony to the success stories that the faculty and the management have worked towards over the years.

As much as we rejoice at our being able to finally provide our children with a modern purpose built campus with several new facilities, we refuse to grow complacent. We do not wish to rest on past laurels, but to pursue on with renewed vigour. A new beginning brings with it new hopes and new dreams. There is a strong spirit behind all our endeavours that makes this campus brimming with immense possibilities and ideas. Today, as we grow from strength to strength, we continue to seek your support and your blessings in our quest towards excellence.

Joseph Thomas M.A., B.Ed.
Chairman



From the Principal's Desk



It's no longer the whining school boy crawling to school, as the great bard Shakespeare puts it. School too has come a long way from the 3 Rs to the knowledge era. School children await the return to school after vacations, to hone an assortment of skills; understand life and learn values. Education today is for the head, heart and hands.

Education flourishes outside the school as well. The great outdoors beckon all of us. It was an enthusiastic and excited lot of students

that left school on the 30th June 2015 as majority of the students along with their families had planned to visit their native land and other destinations. It was a change of routine. These trips could be very educative: observation and learning as a result of hands-on exposure. 'What we learn with pleasure, we never forget', says Alfred Mercier. Many students have explored other countries, thus being exposed to a variety of cultures and lifestyles of a different kind. Such situations help educate and usher thought provoking ideas.

Teachers and the taught have been energized with the bounties of the just concluded summer break. Hence we look forward to a period of excellence. The Asian School has much to offer from its repository of ideas. It strives to create an environment where each and every student is showered with the attention necessary to achieve individual success. Creativity and innovation are at the heart of teaching and learning. After all education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to develop the world.

Molly Treasa Mammen
Principal

Education: The Play Way

"Education is not what the teacher gives: education is a natural process spontaneously carried out by human individual. It is acquired not by listening to words, but by experiences upon the environment", says Maria Montessori. "Play is work to the child". This is a common saying that is emitted from the lips of caregivers and teachers. Children love to play and it is their natural instinct. 'Play is 'the purest and the most spiritual base for the child's development both physically and mentally. Children learn best through first-hand exposure. The purpose of play, active learning is to motivate, stimulate and support kids in their development of skills, concepts, communication and concentration. While playing games the environment is relaxed and makes learning interesting and fun. The teacher facilitates the child to act for himself, will for himself, think for himself; this is the Art of those who aspire to serve the spirit.

Today's education supports the Montessori Method as the most appropriate for primary students. In keeping with this principle The Asian School has adopted the Play Way activity to sow the root of knowledge in the prime of life. Thus you find our students in a happy environment conducive to learning. The play area too at school has been a great attraction beckoning the young ones to school. It is indeed a pretty sight to see the blooming cherubs at play!

Mrs. Elizabeth Sadan
Vice-Principal



MOULD YOUR LIFE

The key to success is not so much as what you do but what you feel about your deeds.

As we take flight, it is possible that we may not know where we move to, but the miracle is in the unfolding of the wings of fire within. One may not know that as long as you do not spread your wings. The wings will carry you when you spread it.

This edition of the 'Campus News' displays the evolution of The Asian School Bahrain, from its inception; how it bloomed through different spaces, time, culture, values, well wishers, pupils and educators who travelled through the path of success.

The moments of struggle, within and out in providing access to quality education during the last thirty two years through the threshold of hope make The Asian School a happy hunting ground for all who look for a better future. The Asian School in Bahrain directs its stakeholders to the road less travelled by and has become a reality. The experienced and innovative educators work hard to liberate creativity of its students and thereby conveying the message 'Mould Your Life'.

Antony Xavier M
Vice-Principal
Editor

Inauguration by Honorable Minister of Education, H.E. Dr. Majid bin Ali Al Nuaimi



His Excellency cuts the inaugural ribbon



Lighting of the lamp



Memento presented to the Honorable Minister by Mr. Gigi Sebastian, the Administrative Director



A walkthrough of the campus



Inspection of the campus



Torch bearers in the field of education



School band welcomes all

A plethora of facilities at our new campus



Kids Play Area



Multipurpose Auditorium



Physics Laboratory



Biology Laboratory



Chemistry Laboratory



Computer Laboratory



Table Tennis



Indoor Basketball Court



Football Ground



Tennis Court



Basketball Court



Indoor Badminton



Kindergarten Classroom



Smart Classroom



First Aid Room



Library



Music Room



Open Stage



Canteen



Hall



Conference Room



School Bus Parking



Counseling Cell for the Primary Section



Student Counseling Cell for the High school

Dynamic Luminaries of Our Society Motivate Us



Students share a few precious moments with Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam



A visit with HE Mr. Alok Kumar Sinha, Ambassador of India to Bahrain



Discussions with H.E. Dr. Abdul-Ghani Saleh Al-Showaikh, Undersecretary for Private and Continuous Education



Special speaker at the Motivation Camp Mr. TM. Ahmed Rizwi, Area Governor receiving memento from Mr. Job Thomas



Fr. Gasper talks to the students about value education



Dr. Terry O' Brien's discourse with the staff and students



Dr. Brahmra, Art of Living, Bahrain Chapter, interacts with the students



Rev. Fr. Isac B Prakash, Psychologist receives memento from the Director Mrs. Elizabeth Joseph

INSPIRED BY EXCELLENCE A TRIBUTE TO LATE DR. A. P. J. ABDUL KALAM



**Green Olympiad
International Exam**



**ISB International Quiz Competition 2nd
prize winners**
Netra Vasudevan, Kripa Anne Tharakan, Misbah Khan



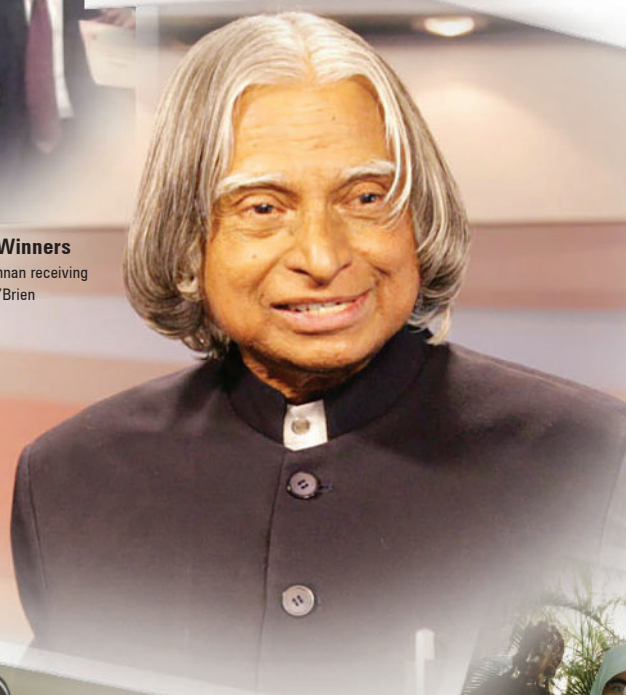
Winners of NMS Inter School Science Quiz
Naeema Muhammad, Nathan Job Antony, Fatima Nissar



Little Champ Quiz Winners
Kapil R.K. and Sona Unnikrishnan receiving
trophy from Terry O'Brien



Kalashromani - 2015
Sona Unnikrishnan



**Country Winner of the International
Exam Green Olympiad**
Kripa Anne Tharakan



**Spectra Inter School Drawing
Competition Winners**
Sravya Sajja, Sreya M.V, Niharika Naveen Nair
Mia Mariam Alex



APG School ECHOES Speech Contest Winners
Bhavana Jain, Vishnupriya Biju Kumar



Sasthra Prathibha Naeema Muhammad's visit to BrahMos



Sasthra Prathibha Team



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Marking a New Beginning



Invoking blessings



First assembly of the year



Chairman addresses the students



Chairman with the school leaders



School Council lights the lamp



'Go Green' initiative by HSBC and the Art of Living Foundation



'Go Green' exhibition

Liberating Creativity - Talent Fest 2015 – 2016



Fancy Dress Competition for the Toddlers



A wonderful message expressed through a mime



Talents abound as the students show their competence!



Entertaining the audience immensely with their flair





Aren't they gorgeous?



A powerhouse of talents gathered together

CREATIVE CORNER



Amogh Anil Salian
X - A



Amanda Grace Paul
X - E



Reema Reymond
X - E



Ashton Reymond Castelino
IX - C



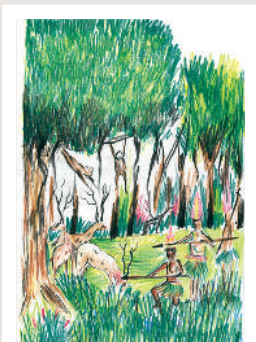
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VII - A



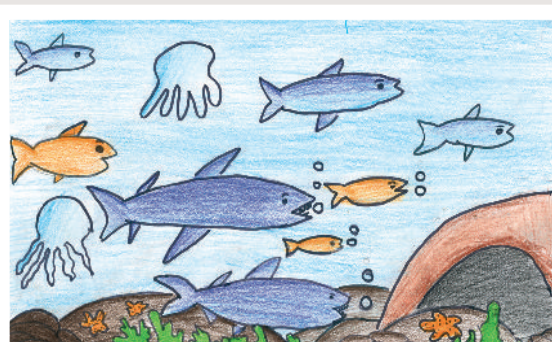
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VI - F



Anjitha
V - E



Niharika Ram
VIII - C



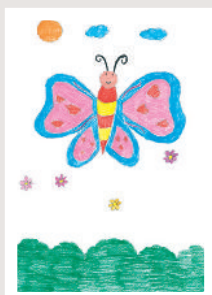
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IV - B



Sreya Meleveetil
III - A



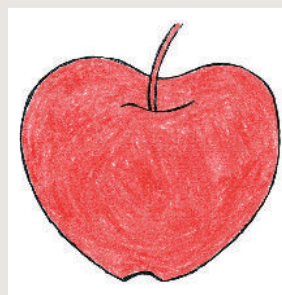
Simran Sreejith
II - H



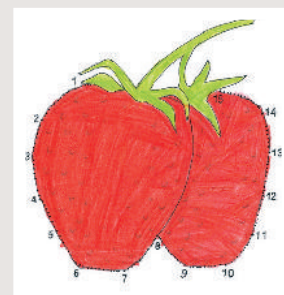
Rosenia Antony
II - G



Laiha Thettayil Sathar
I - J



Alanna Fatima D'souza
LKG - J



Shauryaa Sreejith
HKG - K

Events Galore



Teacher's Day Celebrations



'Book Week' Competition Winners with the Chairman



National Level Basketball Match held at Tirupati on 29.11.2014



Winners of Basket ball team at the Cluster level and selected for National Level in India



Kunal competes at the CBSE Cluster Chess Match



The Asian School at 'Your FM' Quiz Competition



Adieu for Class X 2014 - 2015 Batch



Students' Day out at Lost Paradise theme park

International Yoga Day Celebrations



Students assembled for yoga session



Yoga Display



Mrs. Shilpa Abhayankar and her team from the Art of Living Bahrain chapter, highlighted the need for yoga and meditation



Staff participates in a yoga class taken by Hatha Yoga Instructor Ms. Mary Justine Todd

Bahrain National Day Celebrations



Students celebrate Bahrain National Day with great aplomb



Celebrating with the community



Ms. Sakina addresses the school

OUR PRIDE AND JOY CBSE STD. X 2014-15 BOARD EXAM TOPPERS



Anish Varghese



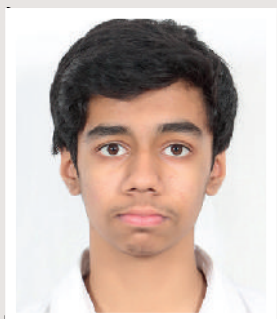
Anjo Bob Anil



Dian Liz Abraham



Harrel Thachil Tomy



Hrushikesh Jeevan Shanware



Karthik Sai Krishnan



Kripa Anne Tharakan



Misbah Khan



Mohammad Fouad
Mubasshir Khan



Nikitha Narendra



Sharon Maria Mathew



Vandhana Richa Chacko

Creative Writing

FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is a gift for our lives,
Showered from Heaven above.
We need someone to take care of us,
As we trudge along life's path.

They wipe our tears when we cry,
And they tell us not to lie.
Friendship is like a cloud,
Showering love and blessings on us.

True friendship changes our lives,
And they vary much in form.
To a husband, a friend is his wife,
To a child, a friend is his mother.

We feel safe and secure,
Under the shadow of true friendship.
Never let go, of a true friend,
For he, an angel in disguise may be.

Shivani Ganesh X – A

DREAMS

I close my eyes, and start to drift
Into deep slumber as I slip.
A blast of colours, pattern and flowers
Knights on horses, queens in castles.

Fire breathing dragons, legendary creatures
Start to come alive as I wonder:
Should I be a mermaid or fairy with wings
Or a queen in a castle with diamonds and rings.

I can dance with the flamingos, swim with the fish.
I can be a rock star, or a superhero with wings.
Nothing is impossible in a dream,
You can be yourself with inner-peace.

Adonna M. Shibu IX – A

NEW UNIFORM SPECIFICATIONS

PINAFORE

The color of the pinafore will be the approved brown color. The zip on the back of the pinafore should run from the top of the pinafore till the cut where the box pleats start. The box pleats should start from the bust area of the pinafore. This should be 1 - 1.5 inches below the underarm cut (for the shirt sleeve) of the pinafore for grades I – V and 1.5 - 2 inches for grades VI – X.

Box Pleats size: Measure the breadth of the pinafore from side to side. Divide this into 3 parts. The size of each box pleat will be one part, thus the size of the 2 box pleats will be 2 parts. The third part will be split as the 2 gaps between each box pleat and the side. The same should be followed for the 2 box pleats on the back of the uniform.

The school logo will be placed on the left side chest area of the pinafore just below the shoulder strap. The center of the logo crest should be below and in line with the inner edge of the shoulder strap and should be centered in the bust area of the pinafore. The logo crest should be 1.5 inches from the bottom edge of the shoulder strap.

There should be a loop to hold the sash in place on the right side of the pinafore. The loop should have a press button fastener on the bottom while the top end of the loop should be stitched to the pinafore. The sash will be worn around the lower end of the waist of the child so the loop needs to be positioned accordingly. The knot and loose ends of the sash should fall on the left side. The pinafore will have a pocket on the right side just below the sash hook. The length of the pinafore should be till just below the knee of the child. The depth (back fold) of the box pleat should be 1.5 inches for students of grades I to V and 2 inches for students of grades VI to X. This applies to the box pleats in the front and the back.

HEADSCARVES:

Headscarves can be white or black

BELT:

Only black leather belts will be allowed.

SASH

The color of the sash is brown, same as the pant and pinafore, with black stripes. Sash has to be worn by students of grades I to X. LKG and HKG children do not need to wear a sash. The width of each stripe on the sash should be 0.5 inches. The gap between 2 stripes on the sash should be 1.5 inches. The sash should have a slant cut at both ends (same slant angle at both ends).

First stripe should start 1.5 inches from the bottom of the broad end of the sash and parallel to the slant cut of the sash. Stripes on the sash should run from top right to bottom left. The sash should be long enough so that the broad end of the sash falls till the knee of the child and the narrow end of the sash falls halfway between the knot and the knee.

The broad end of the sash should be 2 inches.
The narrow end of the sash should be 1 inch.
The rest of the sash will be 2 inches wide.

SHIRT

The color of the shirt will be white.
The school logo will be placed on the left pocket of the shirt for boys.
There should be no school logo on the shirt for girls.
Shirts may have long or short sleeves.

PANT

The color of the pant will be the approved brown color. Elastic pants will be allowed only for students of classes LKG to Std V. Students of grades VI to X will NOT be allowed to wear elastic pants.

The pants can be flat fronts or have 1 or 2 pleats.

SWEATER/CARDIGAN: Sweaters or cardigans should be black.

TIE

The color of the tie will be brown, same as the pant and pinafore, with black stripes. Stripes on the tie should run from top right to bottom left. Stripes on the tie should be parallel to base slant of the tie. First stripe should start from the bottom of the tie 1.5 inches from the base. The width of each stripe on the tie and sash should be 0.5 inches. The gap between 2 stripes on the tie should be 1.5 inches. The bottom width of the tie should be 2.5 inches (for smaller length ties), 2.75 inches (for medium length ties) and 3 inches (for longer length ties). Velcro ties will be allowed for students of grades I to V. LKG and HKG children do not need to wear ties. Grade VI to X students will need to wear full length ties. The material used for the tie should be of the approved material.

LEGGINGS/TIGHTS:

Leggings/tights should be worn by all girls and should be black or white.

SHOES:

Only black leather shoes will be allowed for boys and girls.

SOCKS:

Only white socks will be allowed for boys and girls. The socks should not have any other design or color on them.

LOGO

Jacket Logo

The size of the logo should be such that the gap between the 2 points of the crest is 2 inches. The breadth will be as per aspect ratio.

Shirt and Pinafore Logo

The size of the logo should be such that the gap between the 2 points of the crest is 1.5 inches. The breadth will be as per aspect ratio.

JACKET

The color of the jacket will be black with a sheen. The school logo will be placed on the left jacket pocket on the chest of the jacket/blazer for both boys and girls. The chest pocket with the logo should have rounded edges at the bottom corners. Jacket/Blazer will be worn by students of the VIII, IX and X grades. The jacket should have 2 buttons. There should be 1 cut (fin) in the middle of base of the jacket at the back. The bottom edges on the front base of the jacket should be rounded and NOT square.





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