



The Islander

September 7, 2018

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Upcoming Events



September 10

After School Activities Begin

September 12

Grade 5 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

September 19

Grade 4 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

September 20

Elementary Curriculum Night, 6:00-8:00 pm

September 21

High School Student Council Retreat

September 26

Grade 3 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

September 27

Performance Exchange Show and Workshops

October 1

No School

Cyprus Independence Day

October 2-19

MAP Testing for Grades 2-10

October 3

Grade 2 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

October 4

AISC Swimming Races

Grades 1-5 from 8:30-12:00 pm

Annual School Report and Parent Social at 6:00 pm

October 10

PSAT Test Grades 10-11

Grade 1 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

October 11-12

No School

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

October 11-16

CAS Trip to Edinburgh

October 17

Grade KG3/4 Parent Coffee Morning, Library

October 24

No School, Staff PD Day

Buses and Lunch Menu



Buses for the Week of September 10, 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3:05 pm, 4:05 pm	3:05 pm, 4:05 pm	2:05 pm, 3:05 pm, 4:05 pm	3:05 pm, 4:05 pm	3:05 pm, 4:05 pm

Lunch Menu

MONDAY 10	TUESDAY 11	WEDNESDAY 12	THURSDAY 13	FRIDAY 14
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Middle & High School

Meatballs (Chicken or Pork) Veggie Balls Pilaf Black Eyed Beans with Greens Yoghurt Village Salad Coleslaw Water	Chicken Gyros Potato Wedges Stuffed Vegetables Vegetarian Tzatziki, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Cabbage Fruit Water	Oven Macaroni Vegetarian Spaghetti Carbonara Lentils with Carrots and Celery Green Salad Corn and Bean Salad Fruit Water	Tacos (Beef) Fresh Beans with Potato, Celery, Carrots Tabouli Tomato, Cucumber, Pepper Salad Fruit Water	Salad Bar Toasted Sandwiches Fruit Water
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Elementary School

Meatballs (Chicken or Pork) Veggie Balls Pilaf Yoghurt Village Salad Water	Chicken in Pitta Potato Wedges Carrots, Cherry Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Cabbage Fruit Water	Spaghetti Bolognese (Beef) Spaghetti and Cheese Green Salad Corn and Bean Salad Fruit Water	Fish Croquettes Baked Potatoes Pasta Salad Zucchini Bread Water	Farfalle and Cheese Broccoli Pancakes Water
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News from the Leadership Team



Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year!

As I begin my 10th and final year at AISC, I want to share what a privilege it has been to lead this school community over the years. Our positive, welcoming and healthy community culture is at the heart of this school; it is what makes our school great. The concept of culture is very important to the healthy organization of a school. The AISC culture is one that is based on decency, integrity, honesty, fairness and an international-minded attitude. It is a place where children feel a sense of ownership and belonging, and where families can feel accepted for their own beliefs, while respecting other viewpoints and principles. This is a school culture that not only embraces differences, but views them as strengths. By doing this, we set a tone filled with peace for all of our students. As a staff, we set our own goal this year to continue to build a positive learning culture where we are focusing on positive word choice with students, embracing the take care of yourself, take care of each other and take care of this place - principle. We are also applying a "presume competence" principle for all of our students and teaching them the importance of competence over compliance. Building **Student Agency** – the ability to own one's learning, and be a life-long learner – remains at the centre of all we do. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a great year ahead!

Please be reminded, that we are starting all Grade 1-Grade 12 After School Activities on Monday September 10th! This is a slight change from September 17th. And, this is true for all divisions of the school – elementary, middle and high school.

Please continue to check Get Alma for all important dates. The Alma calendar is constantly updated with changes each week.

We look forward to partnering with all of you this year!

Best, Michelle Kleiss

Upcoming Parent Coffee Morning Schedule

The Parent Coffee meeting time is an informal meeting with grade level parents to discuss various topics pertaining to their child's program at AISC. The first set of Coffee Mornings are communicated below.

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| ➤ Wednesday September 12 | Grade 5 (in the Library) |
| ➤ Wednesday September 19 | Grade 4 (in the Library) |
| ➤ Wednesday September 26 | Grade 3 (in the Library) |
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| ➤ Wednesday October 3 | Grade 2 (in the Library) |
| ➤ Wednesday October 10 | Grade 1 (in the Library) |
| ➤ Wednesday October 17 | Grade KG3/4/5 (in the Library) |

2017-18 MIDDLE SCHOOL Honor Roll Recipients

Quarter 4

HONORS

Grade 6

Enaam	Al-Kathiri
Trinity	Begbie
Armando	Carrea
Anna	Gilardi
Konstantinos	Savvides
Isabelle	van Vliet
Adam	Wassef

Grade 7

Muna	Al-Kathiry
Theodoros	Clerides
Farouk	Hamaima
Theodora	Lordou
Maya	Shrem
Vasilis	Stavrides

Grade 8

Joanna	Blaedow
Avishag	Darrin
Suzannah	Galea
Kasra	Mulot
Omer	Sagiv
Marcus	Vermehren
Petr	Zhukov

HIGH HONORS

Grade 6

Ekaterini	Christodoulides
Arseniy	Isaev
Lisa	Jaarsma
Tomer	Merchav
Biruk	Negatu
Athina	Pirillou
Jordyn	Sooley
David	Taweel

Grade 7

Romi	Aharoni
Almog	Eliahu
Sofia	Kostrikis
Aryan	Kullung
Micaela	Luster
Tehut	Negatu
Anna	Osmolovskaya
Noga	Brochstein

Grade 8

Aliya	Abyanova
Siya	Bhardwaj
Mathias	Brosenbauer
Theoni	Constantinou
Semeli	Georgiou
Daria	Gusarova
Christopher	Keeling Jr
Angela	Lyman
Irene	Tatsi
Evgeniya	Vannik



2017-18 HIGH SCHOOL Honor Roll Recipients Quarter 4

HONORS

Grade 9

Charalampos	Bakirtzis
Chiara	Gilardi
Markos	Ktorides
Evyatar	Levi
Makoto	Nakamura
Theodora	Tatsi

Grade 10

Aidan	Blaedow
Sotiris	Miltiadis

Grade 11

Mohammed	Alkandari
Nicolas	Constantinou
Mikas	Dalheimer
Saskia	Galea
John	Jornlin
Aleksei	Lazic
Michael	Tzevelekos
Daniel	Merchav

Grade 12

Lora	Hristova
Anastasia	Semaan
Marianna-Olivia	Lordos
Georgios	Theocharous
Eugell	Gokcekus
Nicolas	Psaroudis
Alina	Zaripova

HIGH HONORS

Grade 9

Nadav	Brochstein
Ioanna	Christodoulides
Anna	Karpasitis
Kidus	Paulos Negatu
Maria-Katholiki	Tzevelekos

Grade 10

Maria	Katsama
Mikoto	Nakamura
Anastasis	Tavropoulos

Grade 11

Elli	Clerides
Mandalena	Miltiadis
Chenxin	Shen

Grade 12

Ilyas	Abyanov
Aman	Kumar
Callisto	Musyck
Amit	Sagiv

HONOR ROLL STUDENTS



IB/AD Office

All of our Juniors, Seniors and IB/AD teachers are participating in an overnight retreat.



Elementary, Middle and High School Counselling Offices

Stay tuned next week for news from our School Counselors.

Activities & Service Learning



After-School Activities

After school activities begin on Monday, September 10th. Students who have returned their sign-up form may participate in the after school activity program. After two weeks, students are no longer allowed to add or change an activity.

After School Activity Reminders:

- Participation in the after-school activity program is a privilege that is extended to all students with good academic standing who fulfil their role as positive members of their team, group and our school community.
- After-school activities are for students in Grades 1-12.
- Students must abide by all AISC Rules and Requirements.
- Students need to commit to the activities chosen. Students with unexcused absences from activities may be dropped by the coach/sponsor.
- After-school busing is only for students participating in an organized activity. Students may not just "hang out" with their friends to socialize.
- Students may not leave the school campus and return at a later time to take the bus.

The After-School Activity Program

AISC encourages students to participate in the After-School Activity program. AISC believes that the activity program must be in harmony with and support the mission of the school. Hence, our activity program assumes an educational role designed to aid in the total development of students at AISC. We believe the activity program makes a significant and worthwhile contribution to the educational goals of the school by providing individual learning experiences appropriate to the students' interests, needs and abilities. In the fall, winter, and spring, a list of activities is published and students may choose which activities they wish to join. Most activities are held on our campus and are always supervised by our teachers and adult sponsors.


Eligibility Requirements

All students who would like to participate in an AISC after-school activity, team, club, or event must be willing to accept the guidelines and regulations which govern the after-school activity program. Listed below are rules that all students in after-school activities must adhere to.

1. When traveling, or when participating in on-island events, students are representing AISC. All AISC Behavioral Expectations are to be followed at all times.
2. All students are expected to attend all practices/rehearsals/meetings unless specifically excused by the teacher sponsor. Students absent from school may not play or practice on that day.
3. Students will be held financially responsible for all damages, lost, or misplaced equipment, supplies and uniforms. Students may also face serious disciplinary action if vandalism or negligence is the cause of damages.
4. All students must maintain a positive attitude and maintain an acceptable academic standard.
5. All participants are expected to give 100% effort, both physically and mentally, during all sessions. Attendance, attitude, behavior, and academics are all factors when deciding traveling and participation on teams, clubs and events.

Footwork = Freedom
 Grip = Choice
 Drives = Wishes
 Timing = Results

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For Private Lessons Info
 Please call Mr.Misha Martinov
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Nurse

Welcome

I want to welcome all students and parents to our community. Our faculty is dedicated to creating a safe environment for all students and their families. Feel free to speak to me about your concerns. Don't hesitate to ask questions and seek advice on any health-related issues

Stay tuned to this space where you will find health related topics

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 School Nurse
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PASNET

PASNET Mission: *The mission of the Parent and Student Network (PASNET) is to organize and implement school events and projects that are consistent with the School's Guiding Statements. School events and projects are created to generate a spirit of community involvement, to foster an appreciation for cultural diversity, to offer opportunities and activities for parents, teachers and students to interact with one another, get involved and volunteer with the goal to enrich the lives of all members of the school community.*

What to be a PASNET Classroom Parent?

Class Parents are nominated at the start of the school year and serve as representatives to each class. Their role is to:

- Serve as a communication link between parents and the PASNET and the School to ensure events and activities are communicated to all parents
- Seek volunteer parents to support various events, and classroom activities and needs
- to be of help to the teacher (e.g.: as a chaperone for field trips, to help recruit other parent volunteers etc., to help with decorations)
- Welcome new parents in the class into the school
- Share information as needed

What does PASNET do/organize/lead?

- Halloween Festival
- International Day Food Festival Support
- Class Parent Representative
- Communications (Facebook/Newsletter)
- Annual Fundraising and Marketing Projects
- Service Projects
- Social Event Coordination
- Gently Used Uniform Recycle Shop
- Ecology Club
- Assisting other After School Clubs at AISC
- Mamanet Mother's Volleyball Team

A Volunteer Form is being sent out with the Islander – so please consider signing up for a small or large project, to either participate or lead! You can either print and fill out and send into Ms. Christina Chari at reception, or your classroom teacher. Or, you can download the word.doc and fill it in electronically, and email it into cchari@aisc.ac.cy

We are looking for a parent who would like to be a “Chairperson” to lead the PASNET – let us know if you are interested!

AISC Guiding Statements

AISC Mission Statement

The American International School in Cyprus inspires students to become enthusiastic life-long learners who value integrity, cultural diversity, and the pursuit of excellence. Using an American and International Curriculum, our qualified professionals work with the school community to prepare students to be creative, critical thinkers, and socially responsible world citizens.

AISC Belief Statements

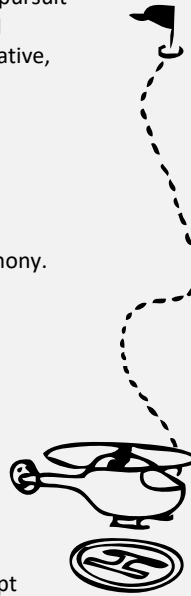
We believe that:

- Everyone must be valued as a unique individual.
- Everyone deserves an education, which respects his or her differences.
- Understanding and appreciation of diversity are critical to peace and harmony.
- The development of all aspects of the individual is essential.
- Critical thinking and problem solving are vital in a changing world.
- Participation in activities and service learning fosters a sense of self-worth, community, and school ethos.
- Technology must be an integral part of the education process.
- Learning must be a life-long process for everyone.
- Everyone is entitled to have his/her opinion heard and considered.
- Everyone has a right to safety, love, and learning.

AISC Statement of International-mindedness

An internationally minded student seeks to understand, appreciate and accept others' diversity, culture, and opinions, even if they disagree, while keeping in mind that people have different perspectives.

- As an internationally minded student, you are constantly seeking to evolve your understanding of other peoples' opinions and cultures.
- As an internationally minded student, you can respect someone's opinion while not accepting it as your own.
- As an internationally minded student, your opinion should not violate another person's human rights.



AISC Graduate Profile:

Life Long Learner

AISC graduates are inquisitive, reflective and have a desire to be lifelong learners. They communicate effectively for a variety of purposes and are technologically literate for the 21st century. They are open to a variety of esthetic experiences and continue to develop an appreciation for the arts.

Pursuit of Excellence

AISC graduates are self-directed learners who prioritize in order to meet high academic standards. They demonstrate skills in both collaboration and leadership, and are willing to take risks and seek new experiences. They are confident and responsible in making appropriate life choices.

Critical/Creative Thinker

AISC graduates are critical thinkers who evaluate information and use conclusions to guide their behavior for a common good. As creative thinkers, they are innovative and focused on exploring ideas and generating possibilities when problem solving.

Cultural Diversity

AISC graduates demonstrate an appreciation for cultural differences and understand the need for flexibility, sensitivity and adaptability. They have acquired a high level of competency in at least one foreign language.

Integrity

AISC graduates understand the importance of integrity and accountability, and are positive thinkers. They use their knowledge ethically, advocating universal values such as honesty, integrity, reciprocity, and compassion.

Socially Responsible World Citizens

AISC graduates are aware of the global nature of many current social, economic and environmental issues and make positive contributions to society.

AISC HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY

The following rights apply to **all persons—students and staff** who have the responsibility to **create a caring school environment** where each individual is valued. The creation of this human rights policy serves to support the **rich diversity** and overall mission of our school.

- 1 The right to develop one's own personality and individuality (so long as it does not interfere with the rights of others) without disrespectful criticism or pressure from cliques and peers.
- 2 Freedom from physical abuse and from mental abuse such as name calling, threats, intimidations, or harassment.
- 3 Freedom from being set apart or mocked because of national origin and accent, race, gender, religion, culture, social class, intelligence, sexuality, physical strength, handicap, size, features, friendship groups, age, etc...
- 4 The right of privacy and freedom from being harassed in the academic, social and athletic spaces within and to and from school. This right extends to freedom from cyber-bullying that impacts individuals within the school environment.
- 5 The right to an education; teachers should be free to teach and students should be free to learn without being interrupted by inconsiderate, unruly, or disrespectful students.
- 6 The right to formulate and communicate opinions supported by careful thought and reasoning. Remaining open-minded to diverse thought, students and teachers will respectfully challenge different viewpoints.
- 7 The right to a comfortable school environment where personal and school property are respected.

Annual Calendar



AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL IN CYPRUS

Inspiring students to become lifelong learners

An IB World School, AISC is fully accredited by Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges, USA, and Council of International Schools, the Netherlands

Academic Calendar 2018-2019 (180 Days)

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
AUGUST				1	2	3	4	
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
	26	27	28	29	30	31		Week 1
SEPTEMBER							1	Week 1
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Week 2
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Week 1
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Week 2
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	Week 1
	30							
OCTOBER		1	2	3	4	5	6	Week 2
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Week 1
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Week 2
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Week 1
	28	29	30	31				Week 2
NOVEMBER					1	2	3	Week 2
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Week 1
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Week 2
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Week 1
	25	26	27	28	29	30		Week 2
DECEMBER							1	Week 2
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Week 1
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Week 2
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Week 1
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
	30	31						
JANUARY								
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Week 2
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Week 1
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Week 2
	27	28	29	30	31			Week 1
FEBRUARY							1	Week 1
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Week 2
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Week 1
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Week 2
	24	25	26	27	28			Week 1
MARCH							1	Week 1
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Week 2
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Week 1
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Week 2
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Week 1
	31							
APRIL								
		1	2	3	4	5	6	Week 2
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Week 1
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Week 2
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MAY								
				1	2	3	4	Week 2
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Week 1
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Week 2
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Week 1
	26	27	28	29	30	31		Week 2
JUNE								
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	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Week 1
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Week 2
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Week 1
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
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- Aug. 20-21 New Teachers' Orientation
 - Aug. 22-28 Returning Teacher Planning Days
 - Aug. 29 Orientation Day for New Families & Open House for Returning Families
 - Aug. 30 First Day of Classes for all Students
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- Sept. 17 After School Activities Begin
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- Oct. 1 No School – Cyprus Independence Day
 - Oct. 10 PSAT Testing Day for Grade 10 & 11
 - Oct. 11 Parent\Student\Teacher Conferences
 - Oct. 12 Parent\Student\Teacher Conferences
 - Oct. 24 Staff PD Day (No Classes)
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- Nov. 2 End of 1st Quarter (45 Days)
 - Nov. 5 Quarter 2 Begins
 - Nov. 22-23 U.S. Thanksgiving Holiday (No Classes)
 - Nov. 30 University Application Deadline Date
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- Dec. 3-7 No Tutoring/After School Activities
 - Dec. 21-Jan 8 Winter Holiday Break (No Classes)
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- Jan. 7-8 Staff PD Days (No Classes)
 - Jan. 9 School Resumes
 - Jan. 21-25 High School Exams
 - Jan. 25 End of 2nd Quarter (45 days)
 - Jan. 28 Beginning of Second Semester & Quarter 3 Begins
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- Mar. 7-8 Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
 - Mar. 11 Green Monday Holiday (No Classes)
 - Mar. 11-15 No After School Activities/No Tutoring
 - Mar. 25 No School, Greek Independence Day
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- April 1 No School, EOKA Day
 - April 3 End of 3rd Quarter (45 days)
 - April 4 Beginning of 4th Quarter
 - April 22-May 3 Cypriot Easter Break (No Classes)
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- May 1-25 IB/AD Exams
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- June 7 Last Day of After-School Activities
 - June 10-14 High School Exams
 - June 17 Cataclismos Day (No Classes)
 - June 20 Last Day of School (End of 4th Quarter – 45 days)
 - June 20 Moving Up Ceremonies Elementary/Middle School
 - June 21 Last Teacher Work Day

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