

Dear Parents,

Greetings!

The third week of school is going well for everyone in EIS. We had our first Club sessions yesterday and noticed that the children had a great time with their peers, participating enthusiastically in the club activities and acquiring new skills. Many things will happen in the next weeks as they progress through their learning adventure.

Kindly note the following important information:

- **Celebrating our beloved elders, our grandparents!**

Grandparents are extremely important to all children. In times of need, we look to them for their knowledge and experience. Their skill and love remain unwavering.

The school will celebrate our beloved grandparents on **Friday, October 11, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** Our teachers and students will lead a program that honours grandparents' exceptional role in our lives, as well as their special bond with their grandchildren.

If your child has a grandparent in the UAE, they are most welcome to attend this function at school. We also invite anyone who are unable to attend the event in person to tune in and participate online through live streaming. The link to the online streaming will be released shortly.

To ensure that sufficient accommodations are in place, we must conduct an early count of possible participants. Please sign up at <https://forms.gle/zKsRMdZRJUEhH5wE6> for the **Grandparents' Day** event.

Our grandparents will be in for a wonderful treat that they should not miss. Games, prizes, surprises, and good food. It will undoubtedly be a wonderful day filled with love, laughter, and great memories!

- **KG Friday Timings**

We respectfully request that **parents/guardians of children using their transport strictly adhere** to the **after-school pick-up times on Fridays**. Dispersal time for KG is 11:45 AM, and we anticipate that own transport students depart the school grounds no later than 12 NN.

- **School Bus Drop-Off**

It has been noted that some parents/caregivers do not arrive promptly to pick up their children during bus drop-off times. This has resulted in significant delays and longer journey times for our buses. The bus supervisor will only wait up to two minutes. If no parent/carer arrives during the given waiting time, the child will be taken back to the school.

We want your strict cooperation in this matter.

- **Arabic Reading Program (Grades 1- 8)**

The credentials (username & password) to the Arabic Reading Program, an online resource, are stuck in your child's Arabic notebook. More information will be shared in the class by the Arabic teachers.

- **Updated Store Timings**

Please be informed that starting from Monday, 16th September 2024, AJ store hours will be as follows:

- Monday to Thursday: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM
- Friday: 7:30 AM to 11:00 AM

- **Update on School Attendance and Leave Guidelines (ADEK eSIS)**

ADEK has launched and implemented a new attendance system on eSIS Beta. The school will mark a student's absence with an absence reason. It is required to upload the parent letter or sick leave certificate to the system each time an absence is marked for a student which will be subject to review and approval by ADEK.

In light of this, we ask our parents to send leave notices by email only to [sa@eisalain.com](mailto:sa@eisalain.com). For illnesses lasting more than two days, a sick leave certificate must be presented to the school. Please see the attached file, ***Absence Reasons.pdf*** for information on various absent types on eSIS.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Each unauthorised absence will result in an ADEK SMS notification to the parent's registered mobile number. The system enhancement on eSIS is intended to improve student punctuality and attendance reporting across Abu Dhabi's schools.

Your compliance in this regard is highly appreciated.

The **Discovery Trail/Enquiry Trail for Term 1 – Week 4** is attached to this email.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

**Excel International School**