



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



Message from the Principal



Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first newsletter of the Academic year! Each month we will be sharing news and updates from the Senior School. We have had a very busy start to the year so far and we're delighted with how our new students are settling in. Our Year 1 students participated in a day of team building this week and made friendships and memories that I'm sure will last a lifetime. As always, please don't hesitate to get in contact should you have any questions or concerns.

Georgina Michaelides,
Senior School Principal

THIS MONTH

This month we were visited by Father Michalis who came to bless our school and wish all staff and students a successful year ahead. We celebrated **European Languages Day** with lots of activities during lessons and breaks on 26th September - it was a wonderful celebration of the diversity of our students and staff. We also celebrated the **International Day of Music** with sounds from around the world played by our Radio club, and live performances from many of our talented school musicians. We also held the elections for the class representatives and the Brotherhood committee. This month we launched the **Extra curricula programme** for the year - please see for this year's booklet. We have over 30 different clubs and activities ranging from Fishing to Radio club, Athletics to Business... there really is something for everyone!





Year 6 Events

In order to help fund the annual Year 6 trip to Greece, we will be holding two events in October that are open to all. On Saturday 8th October there will be a car wash at the school from 9am - 2pm - please bring your cars and support our students.

There will also be a Bingo evening on Friday 14th October - we'd love to see you all there. More information to follow.

Formula 1

You may have seen our Formula 1 Cosmic Racing team in the news or on billboards recently. They won first place in the National competition this year and will be representing Cyprus in Melbourne in 2023. They are currently looking for sponsorship to support them in getting to the final - if you are interested, please become a sponsor and accelerate our students efforts by visiting their website: <https://www.cosmicracing.org/>

Everything is difficult, before it becomes easy.

— Dr. Thomas Fuller, Physician.

Academic Counselling

You will have recently received a newsletter from our counselling team updating you on all the exciting things they will be offering this year. This month alone, our Year 7's attended a presentation on university applications run by our counsellors and a personal statement workshop delivered by the University of Warwick. Our Lower School students and Parents also attended a presentation on the counselling team services. We are delighted to report that all our Year 7 graduates received a place at their first or second choice university and have gone off to study at top universities in Cyprus and across the UK, Europe and around the world. A reminder that if you'd like to make an appointment to see one of the team, please book through our Main Office secretary, Mrs. Athena Michael. Their overall availability ranges from 7:15-15:30 daily at the office, with the possibility of arranging a later Teams appointment, if required.





PTA petition

As you may be aware, graduates of Private Schools in Cyprus do not currently benefit from the same admissions rights as those from Public Schools. The Pancyprian Federation of Private School Parents and Guardians Association have put together a petition to take to the House of Representatives, the Ministry of Education and the Attorney General asking that Public Universities be allowed to admit students with international examinations including A Levels (without depriving any Public School graduate of a position). Our students have excellent academic qualifications, which are widely recognised internationally and yet are often deprived of the right to study at Public Universities in Cyprus. Please check link below and sign the petition. Please also share with friends and family, and on social media in order to ensure the message reaches a wide number of people. The more signatures, the greater the impact of the proposal.

https://www.petitions.net/allow_public_universities_to_admit_students_with_international_examinations

Parking

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Unfortunately we have had a number of issues with the staff car park on Nikodemou Mylona street. We are aware that some parents use the car park to do a loop and drop off/pick up their children - this should not be happening. It is preventing teaching staff from arriving and leaving school, causing significant traffic on the main road and most importantly, is a danger to our students who are trying to walk to the gate. If you are dropping your children off by car, please drop them further down the road, by the Treasury or use the Weir Hall drive through entrance opposite Wagamama's.

We appreciate that like all schools, the roads outside the Academy are busy at the start and end of the day, but the staff car park is not a drop off point.

Thank you for your co-operation!

OCTOBER 2022

KEY DATES

- 10 - World Mental Health
- 19 - Open Day
- 24 - PTE Year 1 (4:00 - 6:30 p.m.)
- 26 - School Holiday for Students
- 27 - School Holiday
- 28 - Public Holiday

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