

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2022, VOL. 2

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Message from the Principal



Dear Parents,

October was a very busy month at the Senior School! Our students and staff were involved in a number of community events, once again demonstrating the school ethos of 'service'. A big thank you to all staff, students, parents and friends of the AAL for their participation and enthusiasm in ensuring the variety of events were a success!

Georgina Michaelides

Senior School Principal



THIS MONTH

On Blood Donation day, over a quarter of all Year 6 and 7 and a number of staff gave blood. At the charity event at St. Lazaros Garden in Dromolaxia, over 300 students and 30 staff were involved in charity games, clothing sales and live performances in singing and dancing in order to raise money for A.M.E.A. Centre of St. Lazaros and to the Pediatric Oncology unit of the Makarios Hospital.

We also opened our doors to hundreds of potential students and their parents/guardians at our Open Day. It was a pleasure to welcome so many people to come and meet our students and staff, see our facilities and learn more about our excellent academic, pastoral and extra curricular provision.





STEM Academy

The STEM club is one of our most popular extra curricular activities, and covers practical aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. The main objective of this course is to emphasise the importance of STEM education in a technology-driven world. This is achieved by the implementation of a well-structured, inspiring, stimulating, engaging, and challenging course. Students are encouraged to use their imagination to investigate applications of STEM and propose novel solutions to a number of challenging modern-world problems. This year's objective is to build a bridge using sustainable raw materials – we can't wait to see the results!



Celebration 28th October

During a special assembly, all students heard from their classmates and the Greek department regarding the national celebration. We were treated to live music, traditional Greek dancing and a presentation on OXI day.

Sports Club – Staff vs Students

One of the most wonderful aspects of our school community is the strong bonds between staff and students. These relationships are nurtured and valued, and are at the centre of what makes us so successful. This month, some of our Year 7 students played football against our staff. The final score was 7 - 6 and an excellent time was had by all!



The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

– Aristotle, Greek Philosopher.



World Mental Health Day - 10th October 2022

Mental Health is more important now than ever. We continue to be committed to supporting our students' mental health and well being throughout their school careers and not just on one specific day. During mentor time, we have introduced Personal, Social and Health Education sessions in order to support them in many areas of their lives as they grow and develop. We address issues such as healthy relationships and friendships, online safety, positive self image and looking after your physical and mental health.

NOVEMBER 2022

- KEY DATES
- 03 Brotherhood Party
- 04 Excursion Day
- 09 PTE Years 5&7 (3:00-6:30 p.m.)
- 14 Geography Awareness Week
- 22 PTE Years 3&6 (3:00 6:30 p.m.)
- 24 25 School Holiday: Thanksgiving break



3rd World First Club - 14th October 2022

For the last five years the 3rd World 1st club has 'adopted' 50 children from Kenya through the Sophia For Children Foundation. With our money collections, we ensure that these children receive an education, stay in school, receive meals and have medical treatment. Contributing to this, is a life lesson to our students in charity and service to others - their kindness and generosity is instrumental in helping others who are in need. In a recent visit to our school, Ms Marina Shakola, the founder of the Sophia for Children Foundation, stated: "Your school has the most humanitarian heart of any school in Cyprus, and with the biggest contribution". We remain committed to the Foundation and to our efforts in supporting young people and children who are less fortunate. We stand by our motto to grow and to serve!

