



DECEMBER NEWS

Message from the Principal



Dear Parents,

As the year comes to a close, I would like to thank you for your continued support of our school this semester. As always, it has been an absolute pleasure to lead such a loving and good spirited school community. As we all bounce back from the effects of the pandemic, we are very proud of the achievements of our students, the way that they have made use of all the opportunities that have been offered to them and the ongoing enthusiasm and energy they give to their studies, clubs and the wider school community. I also give thanks to our teachers and support staff for their dedication and hard work this semester and wish students, staff and all members of the Senior School family the very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Georgina Michaelides
Senior School Principal

THIS MONTH

This month our students and staff were once again involved in community projects, embodying the spirit of Christmas through acts of kindness and charity. Our Year 6 students, alongside the family of Nikolas Theodotou and the "One Dream One Wish" foundation, raised funds during an event organised in memory of their beloved classmate. One of our teachers, Mr Andrew Michael, decorated his home for Christmas and opened his doors to the local community to raise money for "One Dream One Wish" foundation as well as bringing a bit of Christmas spirit to his neighbourhood and all those who visited, he also raised over €2000. The Seek for Greek club organised a party to support the 'Room for Hope' day centre for victims of human trafficking and their children. Our visitors got to meet Father Christmas over lunch and play at our Junior school. The 3rd World First Club also joined in the Christmas spirit of charity, making bracelets as part of the Chain of Love event for the Sophia Foundation which raised money for children in Kenya.



Christmas Concert

This month we were ecstatic to see the return of our annual Carol Service after a long break due to the pandemic. Students of all ages delighted us with modern and traditional Christmas songs, musical performances and dancing. As always, our talented students shone and the hard work and creativity of our staff really paid off. It was a wonderful evening!

Top Class Show

As is the tradition, on the last day before the Christmas break our Year 7 students entertained and delighted the Upper School with a performance of the Top Class show, having performed to their parents the evening before. The show is written and produced by the students and some of their teachers and incorporates comedy sketches, video, song and dance. They had their teachers and peers in stitches, showcasing their humour, wit and theatrical skills. Congratulations to all students involved for a truly unique performance!



District Maths Competition

Our students performed exceptionally well in the Larnaca District Maths Competition, once again highlighting our high standards of Academic Excellence. We received 1st place awards in Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 from Liangxun Yu, Andreas Konstantinou and Haoxing Ma, 2nd place in Year 4 for Pantelis Demetriou and 3rd place in Year 1 and Year 2 for Marios Michael and Nicolas Neokleous. Evangelos Hadjidemetriou, Alexandra Christoforu (Year 3), Nicolas Papaevripides, Christos Michailas (Year 4) and Raphael Stylianou (Year 6) all achieved in the Top 10 for their age group. A big congratulations to all our competing mathematicians for an excellent performance!

"Never stop learning, because life never stops teaching".

-Kirill Korshikov, Entrepreneur



Visit from the President of the House of Representatives, Mrs Annita Demetriou

We were honoured to welcome Mrs Annita Demetriou, President of the House of Representatives to visit our school by invitation of the Business Club. Her visit was in celebration of Human Rights Day on 10th December, and she gave an inspiring speech on equality, social responsibility and the importance of protecting human rights for all. The audience were left feeling incredibly moved by her passionate and relevant words and we look forward to welcoming her again soon.



JANUARY 2022

KEY DATES

- 09 - Return to school for all students
- 25 - PTE Year 1 - 7
- 30 - Education Day: School Holiday
- 31 - Year 3 & 5 Options Evenings and Education fair

MUN trip to the Presidential Palace

Our MUN Club were kindly invited to the Presidential Palace by the President Dr Christos Theodoulou and the members of the Council of the United Nations Association to celebrate the United Nations Day and Human Rights Day. Students had the opportunity to hear from the Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Ioannis Kasoulides, watch an excellent cultural programme and speak with a number of interesting and inspiring guests during the reception that followed.

Dale Carnegie: Generation Next

This year's cohort of Dale Carnegie Generation Next participants graduated from the programme this month. Working alongside their programme facilitators Mr Dinos and Mrs Stella, and with the support of Mr Savvas Hadjihambi, students learnt skills in communication, teamwork and attitude management. As part of their graduation, each participant gave a speech in front of their parents, teachers and peers, displaying their newfound confidence and public speaking skills. Congratulations to all those who took part! We look forward to running the programme again next year.

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