



THE ABA WEEKLY



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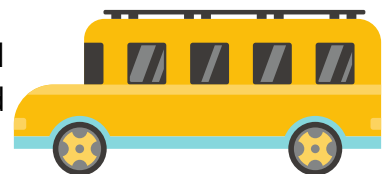
Click here to take a look
at the incredible year
that was...



SCHOOL UPDATES

BUS SERVICES

From August 2022, the Spinneys car park at Madinat Al Sultan Qaboos will be the new bus stop instead of the old campus at Al Khuwair.



Departs Spinneys MQ at 7:10 am
Arrives at ABA Al Irfan Campus at 7:30 am

Departs ABA Al Irfan Campus at 2:45 pm
Arrives at Spinneys MQ at 3:10 pm

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for this service

You may still send in requests for using our bus service from your specific destination by filling in this survey.

UNIFORMS

[Click here](#) to visit our parent information webpage for details regarding uniforms and school schedule for the next academic year.

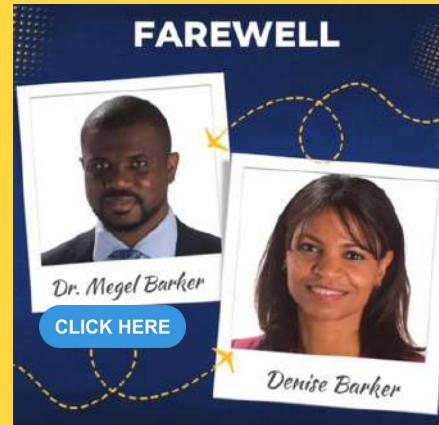


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FAREWELL

To our awesome faculty members who are moving on, we will truly miss you. We are grateful for all the amazing learning experiences you have brought to the ABA community, and we wish you the very best ahead.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

What an amazingly fun last week at the Elementary School!

Teachers played dodgeball with the students, and we all enjoyed a super summer splash as well. The FC Art Exhibition opened on Sunday, which saw many excited parents and visitors throughout the week.



We had our final assembly on Wednesday where we said farewell to our leaving students and teachers, and every class held a party to celebrate the end of the year together.

TEACHERS VS STUDENTS





Elementary Splash Day



Seesaw Digital Portfolios



- At the end of each school year we suggest downloading your child's Seesaw digital portfolio in order to save a copy of their work for your own records.
- The download folder could be quite large depending on how many videos, audio files and images your child has put onto Seesaw, so please make sure you give yourself some time to complete the downloading process.

Here are the steps to complete it: How families and students can download an archive of work

Backing up work and other data on iPads

- For all children with iPads, please ensure any important data - photos, videos, work saved on the device - is saved to either another device, the child's school Google Drive, or iCloud.

For children leaving ABA, please see these steps **to transfer any work and data** from their school Google account to a new account or device

Removing the school-provided Apple ID

- If your child is leaving ABA or,
- If your child is in Grade 5 and moving to the Middle School

Please contact iwhite@abaoman.org to arrange the iPad to be erased of all data, apps and settings in order to **create a new Apple ID**, or to use an existing one.

If you are already using a family Apple ID then there is no need to contact the school for this process.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

It has been a week full of exciting events for the Middle School students. With a special morning breakfast, we said goodbye to our Grade 8's and wished them all the very best of luck in High School, or onward to their next destination.

On Monday evening, the MS disco was an absolute hit. Middle School's sure got some groovy moves!



There were football finals in the gym and we ended the week with advisory gatherings, and an assembly where we said a fond farewell to Dr. Barker. We wish him all success in his new position as Head of TASIS, London. The Middle School has been incredibly fortunate to have had you steering the ship.



To everyone involved with Middle School, thank you for an amazing year and we hope you have a super summer holiday.



ABA ARTS



The Arts team is excited to announce that next year's Middle & High School Musical will be **"We Will Rock You"**. All students from grades 5-11 have received an audition pack. Auditions will be the second week back after the summer break. Rock On!

MS ARTS UNLEASHED : A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Missed the show? Click here to watch our very talented Middle school performers. →

» 07.06.22

» 08.06.22

HIGH SCHOOL



It has been a really busy final week in the High School. Students have been engaged in a variety of different experiences and tasks designed to help prepare them for the next stage of their High School education and to bring them together as a High School community, with each Grade presenting to the Grade level below. As always ABA students participated with energy, rigour, great ideas and good humour.

GRADE 9

Grade 9 visited the Grade 10 Work Experience presentation where Grade 10 students shared their reflections on a busy work experience week. Grade 9 have completed interdisciplinary units with English and PHE and brought their courses to a close.



GRADE 10

Grade 10 worked on work experience presentations and shared their positive reflections, whilst engaging in pathway planning. They have also been having an active introduction to their IB Diploma Core Courses with a variety of induction tasks. Ms Sam Cole, our new DP Coordinator for 2022/23 created a busy programme, exploring the Core elements of the DP and further developing our students' Approaches To Learning skills, which are so important to success in their final two years. Students have been introduced by the Coordinators to Extended Essay (EE), CAS, and research skills as well as the Theory of Knowledge (ToK) course.

GRADE 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK



Would I recommend it?

- Yes, absolutely
- The doctor I was shadowing was really nice
- Even though it was dentistry and not medicine, it still gave me a good understanding of what a career in medicine might be like
- I learned a lot during the week
- Be prepared for long hours though

What I Did Each Day:



The feedback from the employers who hosted out students was nothing but positive - well done, Grade 10!



GRADE 11

Grade 11 had their first 'in- person' Theory of Knowledge exhibition which was well-attended by students and parents. Their level of knowledge, critical thinking and epistemological understanding was incredible to hear so eloquently expressed. Many thanks to Mr. 'Shay' and his team for making this such a success. They have also had a busy week with their Group 4 (Science) Project and Extended Essay writing.



END OF YEAR ASSEMBLY

Thank you to our new High School Student Council for planning and putting together the HS Final Assembly.



FROM THE UNIVERSITY COUNSELOR

MAKING THE MOST OF THE SUMMER

The summer is finally here - time to rest, recharge and reconnect with loved ones. Setting aside time to invest in your personal development and planning for the future is also highly recommended. Here are some ideas for you:

Suggested Summer Activities from the University Guidance Office

A great way to **extend your learning** and **make an impression** on your university application is to showcase how you have used your spare time and what you have gained from the experiences.

Use your **SUMMER** time wisely

All Students

- Catch up on your reading!
- Explore virtual and in-person summer programmes.
- Visit university campuses if you can.
- Take an online course (including MOOCs on Unifrog).
- Engage in further career exploration.
- Learn a new skill or start a project.
- Support or initiate a cause that benefits others.

Grade 9

- Continue researching different careers (using Unifrog).
- Speak to family members about their professions.
- Set targets for increasing attainment levels.

Grade 10

- Read IB guides for courses you will be taking next year.
- Continue to research study destinations.
- Continue to read about fields of interest.
- Get more work experience if you can.


Grade 11

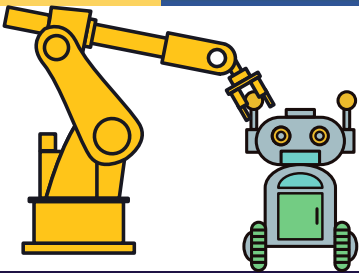
- Finalise your university application list on Unifrog
- Check programme entry requirements with care.
- Register to sit and practice for required tests (eg. UCAT, BMAT, LNAT, SAT).
- Take your English proficiency test (if required).
- Complete the first draft of your Personal Statement, CommonApp essay or Letter of Motivation.

Grade 12

- Request the submission of any further official documents.
- Finalise visa application steps (if needed).
- Connect with the international office at your university.
- Check arrangements for the start of the Fall Semester.
- Start reading ahead in preparation the courses you will take.

Good Luck





Interested in taking robotics classes over the summer break?

[Click here for more information.](#) 

ABA ATHLETICS

There is much to reflect on as we complete the year. It wasn't the year in sports we wanted but it was still much improved than the previous year, with 100's of students able to be active and enjoy activities and athletic programs all year long here . We were the only school who facilitated and safely led these, so a huge well done to all involved in supporting and making these events happen in a challenging year.



The silver lining in the last few weeks was that inter school games are back in Muscat and these will be full-on the next school year within all schools in our league. In the final MS basketball game with BSM this week, we also recorded the first victory in three years to signal that the Vipers are back!

We can therefore be not only excited for the summer break ahead , but we should also be very motivated at the prospect of the new school year as it will be incredibly normal. That means hosting games and traveling, playing and cheering, and on the new campus, it is going to be absolutely amazing.

Over the summer please check passports are not expiring in 2023 if your child is anticipating making one of the many HS travel teams. Purchase the necessary trainers, boots, shin guards, swimsuits and accessories and enjoy the vacation while also keeping your children moving and excited for what undoubtedly will be, the best year in memory for everyone coming up.

Well done Vipers, travel well and see you back at Al Irfan soon!

ABA AQUATICS



Summer Splash

CLICK HERE

ABA Aquatics

Learn To Swim

Join us for 1 week,
2 or all 3 weeks!

June 19 to 23
June 26 to 30
July 3 to 7

Safe swimming for children (3.5 to 12 years)
at the best Aquatics Centre in Muscat, ABA Al Irfan

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VIPERS BOOSTER CLUB



Cooling off one last time for this school year! Thank you all who came to the Ice Frenzy! A cool day for the students, a hot one for the VBC. But the smiles and laughter made it all the better! And last but not least: Thank You ABA community, for your continuous support towards the Vipers Booster Club. All funds raised at VBC events go support the students. And we are looking forward to an exciting school year 2022/23. But for now, we wish you all a fantastic summer holiday, near and far, with family and friends. To the families leaving ABA: all the very best to you and your families on your next chapter!



PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION



The PTA wishes the ABA Community a refreshing summer break!

Click here to read the PTA annual report



PTA ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022



ABA LINGO

Very exciting news!

We are expanding our after school Language provision and have therefore rebranded our programme! It is now called **ABA Lingo** as we will be offering a new **Foreign Language Programme (FLP)** which will run alongside our current **Mother Language Programme (MLP)**. We are currently updating our website to be ready at the beginning of the new school year.



Both the MLP and FLP programmes will be run by the ABA Lingo coordinator, Ms Anjalee Paratian.

In the meantime, if you want to register your child in those programmes, please click [here](#) for the MLP and [here](#) for the FLP

We are also delighted to announce our collaboration with the CFO (Centre Franco-Omanais) and the French Embassy. ABA will now be hosting the DELF exam as well as French courses (part of our new FLP programme) which will be run by the CFO at ABA.

Message from Benoît Juppy, the certification manager at the CFO:

'The French Omani Centre (CFO) is very happy to formalise its collaboration with ABA Oman International School. The DELF scolaire agreement signed between ABA and the Embassy of France in Oman will allow the organisation of official French language exams for ABA students. In order to prepare students for these exams, French courses will also be launched next September as part of the Foreign Language Programme and of the collaboration between ABA and CFO.'



To celebrate our collaboration, the CFO is offering a 10% discount to all ABA students for their summer camps. Please see the flyer [here](#)

If you have any queries, please do contact us at abalingo@abaoman.org

We wish you a great summer and look forward to seeing as many of you in our programmes next September.





ABA AROUND THE WORLD

ABA is a melting pot of various cultures and ethnicities, uniting individuals all over the globe. We are an international community representing over 60 student and staff nationalities. Students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni - no matter where you are in the world, you carry ABA's name with pride and collectively we make ABA the truly international experience that it is.

Are you traveling this summer? Take ABA with you:) Click on the image and upload a picture marking your location on the map. Let's connect to our global ABA community!

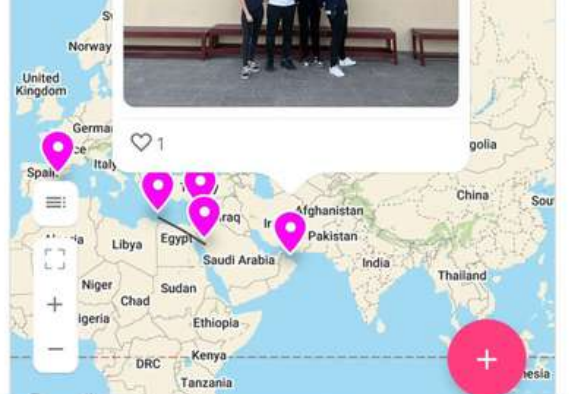
*Remember to include your name and the hashtag **#WeAreABA**

[CLICK HERE](#)



Dear ABA community, click on the 'plus' icon and leave a picture, message or video showing us where you are in the world! Let us know your connection to ABA in the description. Remember to include your name and Use the hashtag - **#WeAreABA**

ABA Oman International School - Al Irfan Campus, Muscat



SCHOOL'S OUT FOR
Summer

Have a
wonderful
Summer Break
ABA Community!