

Nairobi International School Newsletter

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Dear Parents.

It is with great joy and pleasure that I bring you greetings on behalf of the Students and Staff here at N.I.S. Before going any further, I want to thank each and every one of you for the great trust and faith you placed in us by bringing your children here even before we finished building the school. I can only thank God for all the support and good wishes and say that you will not regret this ever! Just know that you too have been chosen and blessed in making history, by being part of a group of people who pioneered a great institution, that is going to impact the society we live in!

Since we opened school slightly late, there was no time to waste and classes started from the very first day. I never realized that owning a laptop would mean so much to these youngsters and my heart over flows with joy every time I come across students sitting with their laptops, trying to get their work done be it assignments, homework or mere research! Despite the fresh paint smell and dust all around, kids and staff look content and happy. The worst is over and it can only get better from now on.





We start work on the lower side classrooms and Labs next week to be ready by the 20th of October, 2008. Meanwhile the upper side is almost done. The Classrooms , the Prep rooms, the Sick bay, the Computer Lab ,the Art and Design studio, the Music room, the Staff room and the Reception look quite smart and trendy, I must admit. I guess the best part for kids is the pool side dining area- I love to watch them at lunch times from behind my blinds and words fail to express the sense of satisfaction I feel!

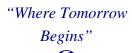
Reflections

We had our first session of 'Reflections' this week Thursday, just before lunch. It was a true eye opener for both students and staff - I hope to continue with these sessions and I am certain it'll do all of us a great deal of good. Do feel free to discuss these sessions with your children as they are meant to play a vital role in determining who they turn out to be!

MS & EA MUN

Our MS & EA MUN clubs started the first week itself with our junior chair trainees going for their sessions to Braeside on Fridays. They were joined by the securataries this week.









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Music

The kids have the benefit of being able to join two clubs and Music seems to be the most popular club and a good number of them can't wait for next term when we will offer the Dance Club! In the absence of a play ground this first month, Aerobics seems like the best option and the kids aren't complaining about it! Rest assured that our fields are getting ready for use after mid-term. Until then the courts, the gym and the pool will have to be fully utilised. Our seniors also went for the Australian Education Fair at Brookhouse on Thursday the 24th, this was to the amazement of many in attendance who didn't know that we had a sizable 'A' level group!

We hope to register our students for the 1st Edexcel exam session in January, which means we need to get centre status before the 25th of October and the process is going on currently. The same with Cambridge and the school will be inspected once we finish with the buildings on the lower side. We had a visit from the Ministry of Education officials who commented- "This is a School on the move" Oh yeah!

Holidays

Our midterm holidays have been shortened on account of us opening late and the need to cover syllabus. It will only be on the 17th and 20th of October and we will resume on the 21st of October. There are a few holidays in between...Idd on the 1st and Moi Day on the 10th of October.

I believe what is truly making the school tick is the wealth of experience of our teaching staff and the positive attitude and open minds of all the inhabitants. This, continued, will take us far.....

Meanwhile, I would like to take this opportunity to thank "Grofin Kenya" for believing in me and in the school, which was merely an idea in my head a year and a half ago - Thank you Fred Kitenge, Rosemary Mulwa, Martha Esiromo and Guido Boysen who helped me make my dream a reality. Special thanks to Ms. Mugo, Mr. Kimotho, Ms. Akatsa, Mr. Gee and Mr. Mwatsahu who held my hand at every hurdle along the way. You guys are the best!

To my students I say - you are the reason I exist - the reason N.I.S. is here and to all who prayed and continue praying to create this special place "Where Tomorrow Begins", I am forever indebted......May the Good Lord bless you and keep you forever in his care!

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Before I sign off, I am pleased to announce that from now on, "NIS News" will bring you the newsletters every month.

Thank you,

With warm regards.

Mrs.Lee.

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