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From the Head of Education

As we come to the end of the academic year, here is a reflection on some of our achievements.

We started 2016 with an in school IB workshop on "Making The PYP Happen" conducted by Ms Subbalakshmi Bulusu an IB workshop leader, from Hyderabad, India. Participants were invited from the American International School Dhaka and the Australian International School to attend the training program with our teachers.

Congratulations to our first batch of 12 Yellow Birds who received their first badge from Bangladesh Girl Guide Association.

We will be enhancing our CIE IGCSE and A Level programs in the next academic year by introducing English Literature in Grade IX and Visual Art Grade XI.

12 teachers have been trained through IB led workshops to teach IBDP subjects when we start the IBDP programme in July 2017. Under guidance from Dr. Anita George, our DP Coordinator, these teachers have completed the first draft of the courses they will teach in preparation for IBDP authorization.

We would like to congratulate Fabia Masud of Grade VIII, who has been selected to attend the Salem Summer School in Germany this year! I hope she enjoys the program.

I would like to thank all the parents, teachers and students who supported and participated in the Grade V PYP Exhibition which is the culmination of all the learning in the Primary School. It was a memorable event for the Primary School.

The Awards and Graduation Ceremony was held on 11th June 2016 to celebrate the successful completion of the journey of the PYP students in Primary School and our Grade XII students. I wish the Grade XII students good luck as they start life in universities of their choice.

From the next academic year, we would like to communicate with Parents via email, as we find that Parents do not always get the letters and information we send through students. Parents are requested to please facilitate the process by updating their information with the secretaries of the respective buildings.

We hope to see our students back in school on 17th July, 2016 for the beginning of the new academic year 2016 – 17.

Eid Mubarak!

Fatima Husein
HOE

Photo of Special Awardees along with dignitaries at the Awards and Graduation Ceremony 2015-2016.





In April grade v students started their exhibition under the theme how the world works. Different groups have taken different issues and explored in different places for in depth learning.

Primary School



The exhibition group went on a field trip to gather information on energy.



Selecting Math Master through Rapid Fire Round in the Math Week.



Students worked on the theme; Math in environment, in real life situation, and in Art. The enthusiastic learners showed excellent understanding of Math concepts by making models.



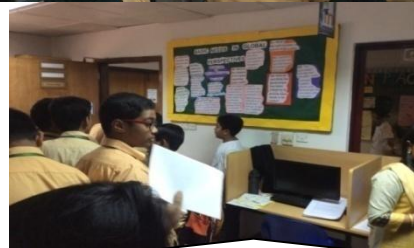
Students had a Pitha Utshab and Food display to present the culture and heritage of our country.



To accept all kinds of diversity with positive attitude and live in harmony with all, students of Grade III B arranged a presentation on Pluralism.



Amidst lots of hard work, teachers got the opportunity to enjoy the essence of village life with fresh and delicious food and folk songs in Jolo Jongoler Kabbo .



To exchange views and share ideas, grade V students visited ISD and AISD PYP Exhibition. ISD also came to AKSD for PYP exhibition.

Secondary School



From 20th to 26th December 2015, 29 students and 3 supervising teachers of AKSD went to Malaysia as part of the DEA program-Adventurous Journey. During the visit they have visited UCSI University, KDU University, First City University and attended the Winter Camp in the forest site. Students were engaged with hands on activities in the University lab for Cooking, Art & Illustration, Game development, Computer programming, Painting, Film making, Scientific experiments and for the campus tour. In the camping site they have participated in hiking, trekking, fixing the tent and exploration of the beauty of Genting Highland.



From 28th to 31st December 2015, the Adventurous Journey of the DEA program took place at Base Camp, Gazipur. 25 students and 3 supervising teachers successfully completed the Base Camp activities as part of DEA programme requirements. Samin Sharar Nafi achieved the best Camper award for overall performance



From 25th January to 7th February AKS Cup Volleyball Tournament- 2016 took place in AKSD Secondary School field. 14 teams played in approximately 29 matches in two categories. Grade- 12 Boys' and Girls' team became Champion of the tournament and Grade- 11 Boys' and Girls' team became Runners-up of the tournament.

Secondary School

Unit Display



Grades VI-VIII students and Teachers organized a Unit Display of their teaching and learning on 28th of April, 2016. It was a thorough reflection of the learning the students acquired in the second half of the academic year.

Awards and Graduation Ceremony

The Graduation Ceremony of grade V and XII students of 2015-2016 was held at Dhaka Regency on 11th June 2016 along with acknowledging students for special talents. Long Service awards were given to Teachers and Staff who have been in AKSD for 10, 15 and 25 years. This time a special award was given by AKDN to Shahera Islam of grade XII for outstanding achievement.



Chief Guest: Her Excellency Yasoja Gunasekera, High Commissioner of Sri Lanka in Bangladesh

Special guest: Mr. Munir M. Merali, AKDN Resident Diplomatic Representative



Certificates are being given to Primary School students



PYP Graduates