

PTA ACTIVITIES' SUMMARY
School Year 2017-2018

Dear ABQIS Parents,

This report summarizes the main activities and achievements of PTA during the academic year 2017/2018. Following are activities divided according to the subcommittees.

PTA Educational & Student Affairs Subcommittee

1. Educational and student affairs subcommittee members are Ms. Naila, Ms. Yassar, Ms. Syedah Wajiha and Ms. Marwa.
2. **Semester one:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. Met with primary head and discussed issues such as assessments' details on the portal, checkpoint for grade 6, mental math practice and availability of external reviewer.
 - b. Met with secondary head discussed the preparation of students to take checkpoint exams and international exams through practicing old exam papers. Also, assessment 40%-60% was discussed and availability of external reviewer.
3. **Semester two:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. During January, the PTA Education and other subcommittees met with the school principal, primary and secondary heads and discussed the first semester's grade statistics.
 - b. An evening event was organized by the Head of PTA to meet parents and introduce the PTA subcommittees to them. Moreover, an educational lecture was given by Ms. Naila (Head of education subcommittee).
 - c. There were two main meetings with primary and secondary head and key staff to discuss parents' feedback and future school educational plans.
 - d. At the closure of school, all PTA subcommittees met with school management to give them feedback and discuss challenges faced by the PTA.

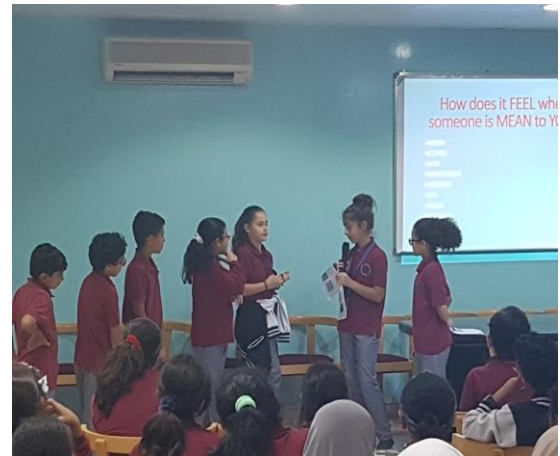
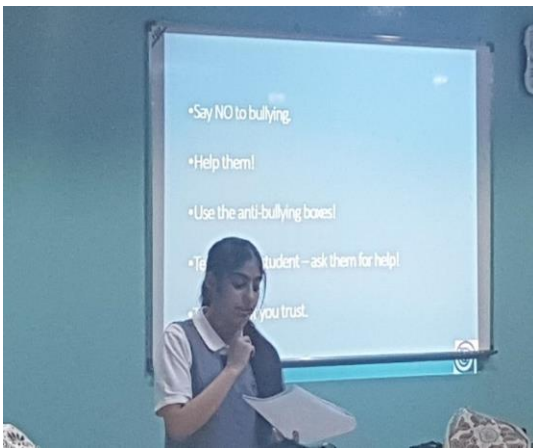


PTA Health, Safety & Environment Subcommittee

1. Health, Safety & Environment Subcommittee members are Ms. Una Amin, Mr. Mehdi Jaffer and Mr. Hassan Abdul Azziz.
2. **Semester one:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. Cafeteria and toilet inspection: issues related to the cleanliness of the cafeteria were discussed and suggestions were given.
 - b. Type and quality of food served: issues related to the type and quality of food were discussed and subcommittee member (Mr. Hassan) suggested to change the type of ingredients used in preparing the food and the menu served to the students.
 - c. Road safety and parking problems: subcommittee members (Ms. Una and Mr. Mehdi) suggested ways to solve the road safety issues and parking areas such as using waste area as a temporary solution and traffic management plan.
 - d. Starting antibullying campaign through presentations at weekly assemblies, posters, reporting boxes, and a play.
3. **Semester two:** at the start of the year, our health and safety sub-committee decided to focus on 4 key areas.
 - a. **Road Safety:** The contractor working on the Mall of Oman, SP-CCC JV, did us the great favor of levelling the waste area to the side of the school to offer more parking space.



- b. **Bullying:** Anti-Bullying presentations, poster competition, reporting system were arranged by the subcommittee members. They have started a series of Anti-Bullying presentations to send the clear message to all students that Bullying is Unacceptable in any form. These are delivered during the weekly Assemblies. The feedback from the children has been extremely positive. The program will be extended to Grades 1-4 in the new school year 2018-2019.



- c. ***Emergency Response:*** The Civil Defense are prepared to develop closer links with the school not just for emergency preparedness but also to host school trips and careers presentation. They have visited the school to review the schools' emergency response. The relationship has been further cemented and the intention before the summer break is two-fold:
- They will attend an emergency drill to give us feedback on our capability to deal with an emergency.
 - They will invite our students to visit their premises and understand the vital role that they play in the community.

d. ***Cafeteria Quality and Hygiene:***

- A meeting was held at the end of April 2018 with the Director in charge of Socat. All the comments on the breakfast and lunch were discussed. Some recommendations by us and by some parents had been taken.
- The cafeteria is visited from time to time and it is noted that there is an improvement in performance and some remarks made to them.
- It was agreed to modify some foods and add some food at breakfast next year

e. ***Bathrooms and Wash areas:***

- The bathrooms and the wash areas are inspected from time to time.
- It was agreed with the school maintenance department to remove the main outer door of the bathrooms block for senior boys to increase visibility in the area.
- It was directed to add a paper holder inside some washing areas because it was located in a location outside the block.

PTA Social Subcommittee

1. Social Subcommittee members are Mr. Hatem, Ms. Kamni, and Ms. Syedah Wajiha.
2. **Semester one:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. The subcommittee members met with school staff and suggested different ways to connect the school with the communit.
3. **Semester two:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. An awareness session was organized for KG 1 and KG 2 students. Speaker was invited from Oman Road Safety association. Students were educated on the importance of car seat and being buckled up while traveling along with dangers of using mobile phones while driving so that they can ask their parents not to use them. It was an interactive session and videos were shown to students for better clarity to students.



PTA Programs, Activities & Events Subcommittee

1. Programs, Activities & Events Subcommittee members are Ms. Yassar, Ms. Seham and Ms. Kamni.
2. **Semester one:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. A meeting was held with the school to discuss National day arrangements



- b. KG events and activities were discussed with Head of KG.
- c. House competitions and after school activities were also discussed with the school.
- d. The members suggested to activate PTA webpage on the portal.

3. **Semester two:** the subcommittee members performed the following:
 - a. The members met with school staff several times to discuss sports day.
 - b. The subcommittee organized a dental care session for KG1,2 students presented by Dr. Shahed Al-Momar from Intensive care clinic.



- c. A meeting was held with Mr. Mohammed Nassar to discuss parents' feedback and comments regarding after school activities and school trips.
- d. Helped in organizing the International day for charity with Mr. Mohammed Nasaar the head of Activities and G12 students.



- e. A meeting was held with Ms. Hanan the head of KG to discuss Mother day celebration and KG Music concert and costumes.
- f. The subcommittee organized a First Aid session for the secondary students with the help of star care hospital doctors.



- g. A meeting was held with the school to discuss Music concerts program, songs, costumes, sound system, the venue, and letter to be sent to the parents.



On behalf of the PTA Board, I wish you an enjoyable holiday and looking forward to work with you in the next academic year.

Sincerely,

Marwa Al Kalbani

Head of PTA