

Tuesday, May 5, 2009

As the end of the school year is quickly approaching, I would like to remind you of some important events which are coming up soon:

- **International Spring Fair** Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- **Musical Play "We Will Rock You"** Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7.00 p.m.  
Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6.00 p.m.  
Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2.00 p.m.
- **Meeting for 10<sup>th</sup> grade parents** Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.
- **Meeting for 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents** Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.

Much has been accomplished this year, and I would like to remind you of some important changes.

Reflecting increasing growth, Mr. Christopher Pulford M.A. (Oxon) has been appointed Middle School Principal, taking effect in September. He will be working closely with Mr. Tragas and Dr. Thanopoulou to ensure that the Middle School continues to develop smoothly and effectively.

Ms. Vanessa Vassileiou has been appointed Kindergarten Coordinator at Melina's Junior Kindergarten, also from September, and will be working closely with Mrs. Barry and Mrs. Bear, thus ensuring continuity and consistency within the kindergarten programme.

Next year, each Middle School classroom will have a 'Cleverboard', electronic board, while the High School will have access to four boards in various parts of the school. Teachers will be given intensive training in June so that they can truly take advantage of these technological marvels. By this time next year, we expect all classrooms in Middle and High School to be fully equipped with the boards, thus leading us even further along the road to becoming a true 21<sup>st</sup> century school.

All 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will be entering the IB Programme this year with the option of either sitting for the Diploma or the Certificate exams, thus improving their chances of entering high quality universities and colleges in Greece and abroad. In the Middle School, we are fine-tuning the curriculum to improve on an already excellent programme.

Improvements in the physical plant will include the painting of the entire north side of the building, the extension of the canteen to allow seating of more students during lunch and breaks and the remodeling of the restrooms on the first and second floors.

I would like to extend special thanks to the Parents in Action group for the bleachers that they have installed at the side of the multipurpose courts and wish them the best of luck for the International Day. Also special thanks are due to Mrs. Benakopoulou, the mother of Stavros in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, who has been tireless in applying her green thumb to beautifying the entrance to the Primary School and the front verandah.

Finally, I would like to wish all our I.B. 12<sup>th</sup> graders who are sitting for their final exams, the best of luck and hope that their efforts will be rewarded. The Graduation ceremony will be held at the Politeia Tennis Club on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June.



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