Dear Parents,

- **Academic progress of IAK**

  Please join me in congratulating our year 12 AS students and their teachers for achieving the highest number of A-C grades in the history of the school for their January AS Edexcel Examinations. They nearly doubled the number of A-C grades from this time last year. Well done to all involved. This is an encouraging development and I am sure the progress will continue.

  Some students are still reliant on external tutors, which is a culture we need to break and an area in which the school needs to work on. We are hoping that overtime we can convince parents and students that there is no need to seek tutors from outside the school.

  Over the next 3-5 years we are looking forward to a higher percentage of students who have critical thinking skills which are currently being developed by the great work Primary teachers are doing with the IPC.

- **Last day of the second term: March 28th**

  Interim reports will be distributed on March 28th and we will have an early finish for our students.

  Foundation will finish at 10:00 am  
  Primary and Secondary will finish at 11:00 am  
  Please collect your children at in time, buses will be arranged accordingly

- **Reception students pneumococcal vaccination: April 9th**

  A doctor from the Ministry of Health will administer pneumococcal vaccinations to those students who have returned their consent forms. Please contact Ms. Inas or one of our nurses if you have any questions

- **From the calendar**

  April 7th: Teacher only day – Students should not come to school on this day
  April 8th: All students return to school  
  April 11th: Parent/teacher meetings 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

  As usual we have invited Al Batra Bookshop to come to the school on Wednesday 10th April and Thursday 11th April
• **Attendance of Year 11 and Year 12 students**

We have noticed a drop in attendance of year 11 and year 12 students over the past couple of weeks, perhaps due to their mock examinations. It is vital that students attend lessons throughout April before they go on study leave on April 28th, as teachers will be going through past examination papers to fully prepare students for their upcoming external examinations. Please ensure that your children attend school throughout April.

• **Next round of After School Activities (Payment deadline is 27th March)**

The next round of After School Activities will start on Sunday 14th April. Please register with the accountant by Wednesday 27th March if you would like your children to participate in any of our activities offered. You will find the list of activities on offer on the website [www.iak.edu.kw](http://www.iak.edu.kw).

• **Registration for next academic year**

Thank you to all those parents who have registered with the accountant for the next academic year, this has really helped us in our planning. We have needed to open extra KG, year 1 and year 2 classes. We are also practically full in years 3, 4 and 5, where we cannot open extra classes. We have started interviewing teachers and ordered extra materials from the UK. Those parents, who have not registered for next year, please do so as soon as you. Unfortunately, after April 30th, we cannot guarantee that your child will have a place at IAK for the academic year 2013-2014.

• **Message of thanks from the teachers and management**

Thank you for the support you have given us this year, together we have achieved very much and the school is becoming stronger because of this. Parents are politely voicing both their concerns and their heartfelt gratitude through our front office. We will continue to address as many requests as possible for the benefit of the school. From all of us at IAK we wish you have a great holiday and look forward to seeing your children back at school on Monday 8th April.

Yours Sincerely

IAK Principal