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FLAG DAY at AAESS by: Raghad

There was another amazing day at AAESS, on Sunday, the 3rd of November. Students celebrated Flag Day. At 11:00 am they raised their flags to celebrate. It was such a beautiful sight! Flag Day is the day when we honour the UAE Flag which was designed by Abdulla Mohammed Al Maainah. The flag consists of four colours; red, green, white and black. They all have different meanings. Red represents bravery and strength, while green represents joy, optimism and also the country's ever growing prosperity and growth. White represents peace. Black represents strength of mind. It was a great Flag Day at AAESS. Students had lots of fun doing Emirati activities. It was really great raising our flags and singing the national anthem. I hope you had an amazing Flag Day!



My thoughts on Flag Day by: Clara

Flag Day was amazing this year! It was a great experience. Flag Day was on Sunday 3rd of November. We all stood for the National Anthem proudly waving our flags. AAESS students wore all the colours of the flag; red, green, white and black. How awesome!



House Captains by :Yasmeen

Do you know much about the House Captains? Well, what they do is count up all the house points students in Primary have collected and add them together to see which House has won the House Point Trophy. They also give away house points to students who show good behaviour, responsibility, and many other values. With the house points you get, you can collect them and then buy wonderful items like candy, pens, pencil-cases, toys and lots more at the house point shop that the House Captains organize at the end of every term. Each year Mr. T (a Year 4 teacher) helps to pick new House Captains. You're probably wondering how to become a House Captain. Well, first you have to be in Year 6. Then you need to make a speech about why you would be a good House Captain and why people should vote for you.

There are four Houses at our school. The Siger, Stinnes, Cousteau, and Armstrong. If you work hard, show respect, kindness, resilience and empathy, maybe someday you can become a House Captain!



Your 2019-20 House Captains

TEACHER FEATURE

Interview with Ms. Mitchell

by: Shafak

Do you like your job so far?

I do. It has been a great learning experience, and I hope it will continue to be that.

Why did you choose to work at AAESS?

I've always wanted to work abroad, and this opportunity came up.

Do you like the personalities of your co-workers?

I do...yes. I've met some really lovely people who have got great personalities.

Do you have fun teaching?

I do. I have lots of fun teaching. I really enjoy working with children, so it's great for me.

Is it hard to teach your class?

It's not now, but at the beginning it was a little tricky because they didn't know me, and I didn't know them. But now we've gotten to know each other a lot better, and it's a lot easier.

If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?

That's a good question. If I weren't a teacher I would probably be in the entertainment industry doing events like parties and things like that.

Were you anxious on your first day at AAESS?

I was a little bit because I didn't know my class, and it was a new school as well. But that soon disappeared.

How did you find out about our school?

I was looking at a job website in the UK and I came across it. I did some research and found out that they had jobs available.

What is your favourite subject to teach?

I like teaching art, science and if I can, music but it can be tricky sometimes to fit all that in!

Interview with Mr. Douglas

by: Fayyaz

When and how did you learn about AAESS?

I learned about AAESS in 2012 when I moved to the UAE. I found it when I was doing some research about good schools to teach at in Al Ain.

What do your students think about you?...For real?

Hmmm....I think they think I'm nice, and that I like to have fun, but also that I'm a little bit strict.

What is your favourite subject? When you were young, and now?

Probably when I was young it would have been PE, I used to love going to play sports, but now it's probably science. I love doing science. It's cool and a lot of fun!

How is cricket club going?

Cricket club is good. We have a lot of people who are coming now which is great. They are all learning a lot. It will be better when the weather really cools off.

If you weren't a teacher what do you think you would be?

Obviously a model!

How long have you lived in the UAE?

This is my 8th year....I've been here awhile!

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I normally like to spend time with my family. We go to the ice rink, and my daughter will ice skate.

Did you have jitters on your first day of teaching?

I don't think so. I think I was really looking forward to being in a new country and meeting all the new kids.

What do you like doing in class?

I like reading to the children out loud, and I like teaching English.

Is there anything else you would like to say to our readers?

I am really enjoying seeing the changes that have been made over the last few years....since Mr. Thomas came actually. The school is looking really good and I hope it continues!

Community Spotlight: Sonagi Restaurant

by: Thinon and Tima

You may have tried many types of food from many different countries, but have you ever tried food from Korea? You may not know it, but there is a new Korean restaurant right here in Al Ain Mall called, **Sonagi!** The restaurant was opened by the family of a student from AAESS named Ye-Eun. If you don't know Ye-Eun she is a secondary student who also happens to be Head Girl. She also had a starring role in the AAESS production of "Grease" last year.

Why open a Korean restaurant in Al Ain you may wonder? Well have you ever seen a Korean restaurant in Al Ain, or anywhere else in the UAE? Most likely not, so imagine a cool new restaurant with delicious new food!

What exactly is Korean food? Well they sell chicken, beef, noodles, rice, soup, and of course Kimchi. When we interviewed Ye-Eun she told us that when her mom first opened the restaurant it was REALLY busy, but really enjoyable because the customers were nice and happy.



Ye-Eun helps her mom in the restaurant by serving when she is not busy with her school work. She doesn't get paid for her work because as she said "we're family, and I don't need the money." Her favourite part of being a server is seeing customers react to her mom's food by saying things like "WOW! This is amazing" or "This is REALLY good!"

Ye-Eun said that learning to be a server was hard because she had never done anything like it before. You might ponder "Who came up with all the recipes? Well it was Ye-Eun's mom. That's right, the food, the sauces, everything is all straight from the house to the restaurant. They are all traditional family recipes.

Ye-Eun wants our school community to know that Sonagi is a small family restaurant that makes real Korean food, and they would love to see more

people from AAESS coming in! If you would like to visit the restaurant and try some Korean food for yourself, you can go to the food court on the 1st floor in Al Ain Mall.



Year 4 Boys Football by: Asnaa, Shaza, and Avantika

If you are in Year 4, you might already know all about this. A few weeks ago AAESS students from Year 4 played in a football tournament. They competed with Manor Hall, Brighton College, and Al Ain Academy. They beat Al Ain Academy and Brighton College, but sadly lost to Manor Hall.

In Mr. Tiago's words, "The boys played the football matches with honesty and sportsmanship. The games were fair and didn't have any yellow cards!" Mr. Tiago said that the football ECAs only started in the middle of October, so he chose the best players based on last year's matches.

Each team had seven players. The tactics for our school were to play three defenders, two midfielders, one striker, and one goalkeeper. It was clear that if the boys got more practice they would play even better in the future. Now the boys have ECAs with Mr. Josh every Wednesday, so they will be better prepared for their next match.

In Mr. Tiago's opinion the games were not easy. They scored a lot of goals (five in total) and worked hard to win. They won the first match 1-0, and the second match 2-0. They also scored two goals in their loss to Manor Hall. Mr. Tiago is hopeful they will win their next match, but he cares more if the boys go home happy with smiles on their faces.

Mr. Tiago loves being a PE teacher at AAESS, (our great school) and finds the children here a pleasure to teach. We wish all the sports teams at AAESS continued success!



Tribune Staff Reflections

The rules of the school are simple, but you really have to follow them! The first rule is very important and that is to be kind to others. AAESS students should also tell the truth and be respectful.

-Nour

This school has made me into a better person. Every single day of my 8 years in this school have been amazing!

-Shaza

We have been learning about anti-bullying. We all wore odd socks instead of our normal school socks to show that we're all different but all the same in a special way.

-Fayyaz

Ever since I joined AAESS I have enjoyed every single day of school! When I was absent, I wished I was at school. Now in 2019 I'm in Year 6 and I appreciate being at this school!

-Avantika

AAESS Featured Author

This year we will periodically feature samples of writing submitted by students throughout the school. The following piece is the introduction paragraph to a wishing story written by Nouran in Mr. Sack's class. If you would like to see your writing featured in an upcoming issue of the Tribune, please submit it to your teacher, and ask them to pass it on to Mr. T.

Once the plucky Queen Elizabeth The First lived in a crumbling, grim castle in blood-curdling Tudor England. As she walked down the dingy road and passed the diminutive shops, she glanced at the marvellous monuments that her ancestors had built. Oh how she longed for a tower all would envy; rich or poor, to be named after her.

Did you know that AAESS is turning 40?! If there is something you'd like to say about the school's anniversary, please write it down along with your name and class, and drop it off in Mr. T's room. We will choose our favourite messages to include in the next issue of The Tribune.



**The AAESS Primary
Tribune Staff
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Fayyaz 4C

Laila 5A

Nour 5B

Shafak 5B

Yasmeen 5C

Halla 5C

Raghad 5c

Clara 5C

Tima 5C

Thinon 6B

Shaza 6C

Asnaa 6C

Avantika 6C

Staff Editor: Mr. T

RIDDLE ANSWER: A candle

FUN PAGE BY: LAILA

RESTAURANT WORDSEARCH

RIDDLE



Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

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| DESSERT | KIMCHI | SPOON |
| DRINK | LAP | SUJEONGGWA |
| FOOD | MANDU | WATER |
| FORK | NAPKIN | |
| ICECREAM | PLATE | |
| JUICE | SPAGHETTI | |

**WHAT GETS
SMALLER AS IT
GETS OLDER AND
WHEN IT IS YOUNG
IT IS VERY TALL?**

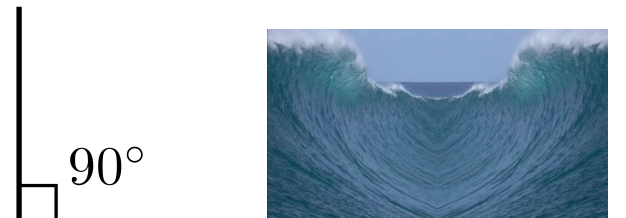


Why is a corner so hot ?

Because it's 90 degrees!

How do oceans say hello?

They wave!



Where do fish keep their money?

In the river bank!



House Points by: Halla



As we all know the trophy was lost then surprisingly was found which means the challenges are back on to try your best to win house points for your team. House Captains finally were chosen and badges handed out. It's the start of a new year, so get your school spirit on and your team might win! Our new House Captains are: **Cousteau:** Lama, Raghav and Zayed. **Armstrong:** Reem , Nour and Maya. **Stinnes:** Omar, Afnan and Hadil. And last but not least **Thesiger:** Shaza ,Lina and Ahmed. We also have Yazan who is the **Keeper of the Cup.** You don't want to know how excited they are!