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The Clavis Chronicle

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Dear Clavis Community,

There is a lot happening at Clavis over the coming weeks. After school extracurricular activities started this week and it's great to see so many students participating and taking advantage of them.

Year 6 have started their PYP Exhibition, one of the culminating activities for all students in the PYP. This is an independent Unit of Inquiry done in small groups that is student-led under the supervision of their teacher and with the guidance of a mentor. We will update you with more information in the next Chronicle, along with when everyone will be able see the final projects.

In this issue you will find information about the Scholastic Book Club. Your child will be bringing home a pamphlet today, though some went out yesterday. We apologise for the confusion of sending them early with the accompanying information. That information is here (p. 2) and included in the email with this Chronicle.

Student learning is created from many different sources, not just your child's teachers. This week we had many different teachers on campus to support learning. Please read all about our guests on pages 4 and 5.

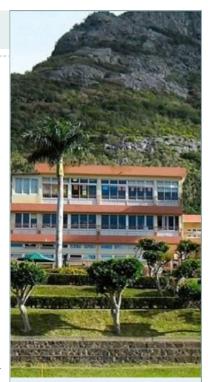
As a final request for your help, parents are reminded that they are responsible for informing bus drivers if their child(ren) will not be going home on the bus because their child(ren) were picked up earlier or they had an activity after school. When drivers are not informed, not only are buses leaving late waiting for that child but there is a lot of anxious worrying trying to ensure that this child is not missing. Tell your driver if your child is not going home on their bus.

All the best,

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WHAT'S COMING UP?

- 4 October (Tues): Sports Day (normal school hours)
- 5 October (Wed): National school holiday for World Teacher Day
- 6-7 October (Thu-Fri): School holiday for mid-term break
- **24 October (Mon)**: National holiday for Diwali
- **26 October (Wed)**: Student-Led Conference with parents
- 2 November (Wed): National holiday for Arrival of Indentured Labourers
- 18 November (Fri): End of Term 3, last day of the school year

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT IS HAPPENING AT CLAVIS?





Sports Day information and schedules will be going home in the next Chronicle on 23 September. The event will take place on Tuesday 4 October and will involve all students from all year levels participating in athletics, games, and fun competitions. Parents will be welcome to cheer on their children and colour team; however, because of parking limitations, parents should only be there during their child's event and awards time.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB IS BACK!

We are happy to announce that our Scholastic Online Book club is up and running!

What are Scholastic Book clubs?

The Scholastic Book Clubs offer you fantastic books for your child—all carefully chosen for their quality, guaran-





teed kid-appeal, and their age-appropriate content and reading levels. Scholastic offers the lowest prices available, and shipping and handling are free. We only pay for duty. Also, for every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards that will be used to buy a variety of FREE books to support learning at CIPS.

What should I order?

The Library team has put a list of recommendations that you can find here with book recommendations for your child's age and grade level. Please have a look. You can also contact our Librarians for help and guidance.

How do I order?

When you are ready, go to https://world-schools.scholastic.co.uk/clavis/digital-book-club to browse the latest books and order online. You can also use the pamphlet your child will be bringing home today.

How do I pay?

At the end of your order, you will pay using your credit card. When paying for your order, you will have to confirm your child's name, class and school to ensure you are on the correct platform.

When will I receive my order? Where should I collect it?

We usually expect a delivery approximately 4 weeks after the closing date of the book club. So this time, the orders should arrive early November 2022 in plenty of time for summer reading. The books will be delivered and sorted at school. They will then be delivered to your child's classroom, or if it is a surprise gift, you can let us know so we can contact you directly.

Do I have to pay for delivery fees?

No, the delivery is free; however, when you are paying online, your total will include a small fee for duty purposes in Mauritius. This fee represents 5% of your order.

Please see the pamphlet being sent home with your child on Friday, along with the digital Scholastic communication that was sent along with this week's Chronicle. If you have any questions, please speak to Ms Virginie Autrey (virginie.autrey@cips.me).



THE CLAVIS STUDENT CORNER

With so many amazing accomplishments by our students every week, it's hard to choose one or two in particular to share! It is great to see and acknowledge work being done in the classrooms, but our students get involved in many things outside of the classroom and outside of the school.

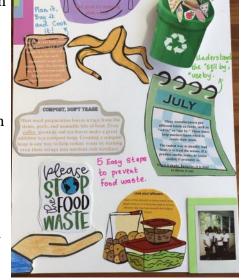
Environmental Competition Winners

Earlier this year, the Ministry of Education approved and promoted a competition among all Mauritian schools to raise awareness about how we cultivate, consume, and waste food. The campaign was through Cité Zen, a programme sponsored and organised by Vivo Energy Mauritius. The "Reporterres en herbe" competition is part of an approach to raise awareness of our food economy and how we can alter production and consumption of food that is more respectful of nature and our environment.

A small group of Year 5 students lead by Ms Carole Silvio wanted to take on the challenge. The children first started an inquiry into the subject and re-



searched information on food usage around the world. They then focused on Mauritius. The students organized their research on food wastage and presented



it as an informative poster to raise awareness. They tried to show the problems with food waste, the impact for our environment, and share ideas for how we can reduce waste and use food more responsibly.

The group did a great job. So great, in fact, that their work was selected as the best in all of Zone 2 schools! For the students' prize, the school will receive an aquaponics system installed at Clavis to grow our own plants

and food. Congratulations to Jameel, Mathieu, Alysa, Alexis, and Saskia for a well-deserved win, and thank you to Ms Carole for leading the student action!

National Cross-Country Running Competition Awards

Our Year 5 group was not the only ones to win something. Recently, two of our Year 4 students had some wonderful success in the Mauritius Athletics Association Vital Cross-Country League. The league held numerous competitive events during this year and, during their final race, our students, Victor Collard and



Ayaan Mounien, both had top 10 results. More impressive than this is that both boys were in the top 10 overall standings out of 28 participates at the end of the season; however, a special congratulations goes to Victor Collard who finished first in most of his races and won the 2022 U10 Vital Cross Country League. Well done Victor and all the students who took part!



VISITING EDUCATORS

It is great when we can find opportunities that extend learning outside of the classroom. Quite often, we can provide learning experiences out of school on field trips that allow students to connect their learning to real-world situations and activities. These additional opportunities to learning are invaluable and can have very positive impacts on their understandings and learning connections. However, it is equally rewarding when we can bring learning experiences to the school instead!

Year 5

This week, Year 5 had the opportunity to unpack their Unit of Inquiry, Advertisements, further with a few knowledgeable visitors. Our Central Idea is: 'Advertising has the power to influence our thinking and behaviour', and Lines of Inquiry, Different types of advertising (Form) and Impact of advertising on individuals

and their response to it (Perspective). The children created questions that they wanted to ask our visitors in connection to our unit.

Nazeem and Lalita Junggee shared their experience and expertise through their advertising company, the costs of different types of advertising and how they create advertisements to suit their specific clients depending on the product or service. Maneesha Madhou gave us insight into how she uses advertising for her real estate agency and, one of her employees shared the way in which he creates the advertisements for the business using his graphic design background and skills, how advertising can influence society and how it connects to various things we do. We also had Nadjah Abbasakoor connect us with her brother's digital marketing company, where they showed us different ways to create a successful advertisement and why different elements matter.

All of our visitors explained the different types of advertising that work for them or their clients, how important it is for their business and how the advertising process works. The children were extremely engaged and were curious to find out more throughout the visit. Our visitors were so impressed with how much knowledge the children had and are already thinking about job prospects for our future advertising experts. We cannot wait to see the ways in which the children will use this new knowledge to implement their action component as well as deepen their inquiry further. Thank you to all of our visitors this week!





Early Years

This week there were a few guest educators who were supporting and participating in the students' learning. In the Early Years we welcomed Mr Khan, who is doing several sessions with the students over the course of several weeks. Students have been collecting reusable and recycled materials to turn into sound producing musical instruments. Mr Khan also brought in a wide range of materials for the students to build things.

Read more about Mr Khan when he was featured in this international article by CNN:

https://edition.cnn.com/2021/02/12/africa/mauritius-upcycling-music-kan-spc-intl/index.html

VISITING EDUCATORS (CONTINUED...)



Year 1 & Year 2

Visiting experts and educators do not need to be adults. On Monday, we were fortunate to have a group of students from Le Bocage visit and teach our Year 1 and Year 2 classes all about bullying. The students created a presentation and went through what bullying means, how it can have devastating effects on people, and ways that we can protect ourselves and others. The group did a wonderful job sharing the information and interacting with our students. Our thanks go out to Keaira, Amy, Yalva, Siya, Jiya, and Summayah for a job well done!

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