



# ARAB EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

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## I Ahlan wa sahan – Welcome

On the 02<sup>nd</sup> of September 2019 the school in Irbid at the AES started again. The kindergarten started 7 days later.

We welcome the Kindergartners and Students, who are back after the long summer holidays, and our 50 newcomers.



But there wasn't just an increase in the number of the students. Also in our pre-school we welcomed four new kids. In total they take care of 12 children there.

Our teacher staff had now three more teachers:

- Miss Hanin
- Miss Safa
- Miss Ranim

Another person we are glad to have here is our new volunteer Marie Ann.



## II Preparations for the new school year

Who hasn't already experienced that a visually appealing environment makes learning easier and let you feel more comfortable. That's what it's about, among other things, in the few days before school starts. The school will be decorated for the new school year to promote exactly this point with the students. Moreover the students shall know that we are looking forward to them. Further more the timetables will be created and orgazizational matters discussed.



## III Protect-ED

The aim of Protect-ED is to provide effective, preventative, and innovative safety education in order to give children things such as critical thinking skills or knowledge to recognize danger. Therefore all teachers of our school took part in a lecture, to educate themselves. Six of our teachers received a certificat at the end.

## IV. Awards for the best

Hard work should be rewarded!

Therefore, the students who had achieved high scores in the final exams received a prize. Family members were also invited. This was followed by music and snacks.



## V. Our new football court

We, teachers and students are very grateful that our new football court is ready. We were able to rent it for the next 15 years, in which it will be used diligently!



## VI Open-Days

Who didn't love that as a child?! Off school! Well, not quite... But at least no lessons. Instead games are played. It took place on 19<sup>th</sup> September. Classes one to six can look forward to these sports days every year anew.



The offers ranged from an air slide to a human kicker to a climbing mountain.

## VII Parents Meeting

As probably also in the USA, the parents in Jordan have the opportunity to have a personal conversation with their children's teachers. Typical topics of conversation are the behavior of the child in class, the level of performance but also questions about examination procedures. In first grade, on the other hand, the parents were given general information such as: What is the mission and vision of the school, or what are the teaching and learning methods in the first years.



### VIII. Thanksgiving

To celebrate Thanksgiving, every class collected longer-lasting food that will be packed in cartons later to send it to needy families.

### IX. Inclusion lecture

At the 28<sup>th</sup> of September Miss Loreen and Hadeel went to the Freir school to tell the students there something about inclusion. They talked, among other things, about blind and visually impaired children, their limitations and which aids and materials they use to get along in school and every day life or to cope with them without difficulty.



### X. Health tests

The first health test this school year was on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. A team of Caritas doctors came to examine all the students. Last year, for example, they taught the children how to brush their teeth properly. This year there were several examinations. This included tooth status, but also visual and hearing abilities. General information was also passed on,

## XI Concert



We were very happy that visitors from Germany came to Jordan again this year. Alexander Blume, his son and two more ladies gave for one week several Benefits Concerts in Jordan to collect donations for the school.

To the delight of the students, they also gave them a taste.

## XII Disguise Day – Today we disguise ourselves!

Of course we don't celebrate Halloween at school. Instead, the so-called Disguise Day is celebrated. For that, the children came to school on Thursday, October 24, partly disguised.

With the exception of the time from 11 to 13 o'clock, the school day ran as usual. Within these two hours there was a program prepared by the teachers where the children were actively involved. The program ended, much to the delight of the students, with music and dance.



### Later we celebrate

For classes seven to ten there was a small meeting on October 31.

For this, food was ordered from McDonalds and games were played.



The knowledge of the students was checked or the attention was tested by the game "Bingo". Of course, music and traditional dancing were not missing.

### XIII Awareness against breast cancer

At the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, a Saturday, doctors came to our school to report about breast cancer and his facts. These included: Prevention, research, remedies and awareness.

Many preparations were made for this day and the special thing about these preparations was: Everything had to be pink.

But not only the decoration was pink. Also the clothes of the students and teachers were white or pink.

As a icing on the cake, everyone received a pink ribbon attached to their clothes - the international symbol pointing out the problem of breast cancer.



### XIV. Green-Day

While we're on colours, let's continue there.

On the so-called "Green day", the children come to school dressed in green.

Furthermore everybody brings a green vegetable or fruit. The day was spend eating and playing games, whereby also the toys had to be green.



To another eventful school year 2019/2020  
and many new experiences!



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