

Arab Episcopal School

Home of Peace Education



Ahlan wa sahlan - Welcome

After a two-month summer vacation, classes are back in session; we are refreshed and set for a new school year. This school year brings many new teachers, students, volunteers, and new opportunities to educate and encourage our students. Every morning before the school bell rings, we begin the day by singing the Jordanian national anthem and do morning exercises to awaken the students for a new day of study. Mrs. Sabah then welcomes the students and prepares them for the day ahead.



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Decorating for the new school year

Teachers and our volunteers from Germany, Julia and Alisa took part in decorating the school for the new academic year. Decorations included writing student names on balls and teddy bears, decorating classroom doors and stairway, and painting the school grounds.



Supporting people of disabilities

Teachers attended a lecture at the AES in collaboration with the Holy Land Institute for the Deaf, about supporting people with disabilities and how as a community we can bring further awareness. Teachers also attended another conference held by the Ministry of social development, Ministry of health and the Higher Council for the Affairs of People with Disabilities with support from USAID organization. This conference was held on August 28th, before the start of school. It helped to promote and discuss the rights of disabled people and how to support them. We are glad that we had this opportunity to learn more and gain insight for this new school year.



Preparations for the new school year

First week back

We were excited to welcome our students back to school on September 1st. We took lots of photos and students were given delicious snacks to celebrate their first week back. Teachers also played games with their students to create a fun environment as they begin a regular routine schedule. We look forward to a successful and blessed school year!

Sports Day

Students were able to enjoy sports day where they played many games, enjoyed lots of snacks and had their face painted. Sports day was split into two days, the first day for the younger students and the second day for the older students. Many students wanted spider man, butterflies, hearts, tigers and cat face painting! It was a wonderful afternoon to celebrate the first few weeks back in a school routine. We thank all the teachers and volunteers involved in making this day happen!



We Welcome...

- 256 students back to school
- 39 low vision and blind student
- 43 teachers and workers- three are blind, one is low vision
- New teachers who joined us this year:
Miss. Ruba Al-Omari, Miss. Nisreen Abu Kuhail, Miss. Arwa Thabet, Miss Safa'a Bakkar and Miss Ghadeer Haddad
- Three new volunteers (from left to right):
Alisa and Julia from Germany, and Emily from Canada



Teacher's Training

Like last year, the school participated in a training workshop on thinking, reasoning skills and promotion within the Jordan's schools. Teachers also discussed ways to improve students' learning experience through various workshops. Dr. Edward Obeid led this training at the Queen Academy Rania Teacher's Academy We give our thanks and appreciation to Dr. Edward for this wonderful training.



News from Kindergarten

Kindergarten class

There are two groups in Kindergarten, KG 1 and KG 2. There are 16 students in KG 1, taught by Miss. Renate and Julia. There is one blind and one low vision student in KG 1. In KG 2 there are 30 students, taught by Miss. Khawla and Miss. Hadeel, with two blind students. This year there was also smart board installed for Kindergarten teaching. This will help create a more interactive learning and teaching experience for both our students and teachers. Miss. Hadeel also uses puppets to tell stories, which the children love! For their hard work, they are given popcorn.



Practicing Hygiene

To As part of our mission of peace, grades two through six have been learning about staying healthy and clean. Twice a week, after students finish their lunch, they will brush their teeth to have good dental hygiene.

Giving and Thanking

At our school, we continue to teach and lead children by example in how to take care of those in need. All our students have been collecting food to give to seniors when they visit the senior home in Amman. We hope these values instilled in them will continue throughout their lives in caring and loving those who are less fortunate.





Parents Day

Parents Day took place on September 24th where parents of Kindergarten and Grade one students attended. Parents were able to listen to the importance of cognitive skills at this age and how to best support their children's learning. We thank each and every parent for attending and to get to know our school and teachers more.

Student Award Night

Every year there is a student award night where we celebrate students' achievements. This year, it took place on September 10th. Decorations were put up and music was played! The parents were also invited to take part in this celebration. Students walk onto the stage and gifts and certificates were presented to them. Many photos were taken to remember the event! At the end of the night, *knafeh* was served



Eid al-Adha Holiday

Students were off school during the week long Eid al-Adha holiday in Jordan. This is a Muslim holiday where celebration and feasting takes place with families. Before the students were on holiday, they learned about love and respect for each other. Students were also treated to snacks such as cookies and chocolate bars.



Trip to Germany

Reverend Samir Esaid and Mrs. Sabah Zurikat travelled to Germany to visit many churches and schools. The purpose of these yearly trips is to update the supporters about the school and raise financial support for AES. It is through the generosity of churches and schools that help AES continue to support students and those who are disabled. We are thankful for those who continue to walk alongside the vision of our school!



*Search me, God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.
See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.
Psalm 139: 23-24*

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