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As the new Director at ISC-Amman, I have enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of this school’s community. One of the pillars of our school is the SABIS Student Life Organization® (SLO®), that has ensured my time here has been action-packed and eventful from the very first days of school.

The SLO® Department at ISC-Amman is an amazing organization that is run by our students. This term, the SLO® has taken on many responsibilities and duties with the aim of making student life at school more enjoyable and harmonious on an academic, emotional, and social level.

From welcoming new staff and students to organizing a Student Ambassador Program, the SLO® is putting in the work and the results are evident in the positive and welcoming culture they’ve developed at school. At the beginning of the school year, I witnessed the SLO® welcome old and new students to school as well as provide support and valuable insight to new students, and even guidance to parents throughout selling week.

As the term progressed, the SLO® became even more active. They organized an Activity Program during lunch break, with a special program for the younger students hosted by students in grades 7 and 8 three days a week. Watching the engagement of the grades 1 to 3 students is remarkable as is the performance of the older students running the activities, these students demonstrated outstanding leadership and organizational skills.

I continually saw the Outreach prefects buzzing around the campus handing out birthday cards, motivational treats, and recognition awards as well as presenting the teaching staff with potted plants in recognition of International Teachers Day.

The SLO® Sports & Health Department has also been busy with yet another successful SLO® activity, the Fall Football Tournament. The support and dedication the prefects demonstrated was well received and highly appreciated. I personally look forward to continued sports events throughout the school year.

Academically, especially with end of term exams, I witnessed the support our students have been provided with by the SLO® Academic and Discipline Departments. These two department often work in parallel to each other and provide support to struggling students in both areas. The work these prefects were doing provided the students with the confidence that someone was ready and waiting to help them succeed.

In closing, I would like to thank the SLO® for their dedication and support to the school and to their fellow students. I encourage all students to join the SLO® for a rich and rewarding experience that will stay with them long after school.

Dr. Brian Johnson
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Academic Department

Shadow Teachers® Day

The SLO® Academic Department, and in full coordination with the Academic Quality Controllers (AQCs), arranged a full day in which all the classes were taught by Shadow Teachers®. It was a small token of appreciation to all the teaching staff who were asked, on that day, to take a short rest, sit down, and watch their lessons being taught by Shadow Teachers®. It was also a great opportunity for the Shadow Teachers® to demonstrate their teaching skills, subject knowledge, and ability to present and talk in front of their peers.

Good Luck in the CAT Exams

The SLO® Outreach Department prefects worked together for days to prepare good-luck pencils for our Grade 1 students before they sit for their first Continuous Assessment Tests (CATs) during week 6. It was a simple demonstration of teamwork and combined efforts as the prefects worked together to prepare 200 pencils with greeting cards for the little ones.

SLO® Outreach prefects had been working for days to prepare a special gift of appreciation to all ISC-Amman teachers on World Teacher’s Day. Tens of prefects helped prepare over 130 flowerpots and distribute them to our teachers and administrative staff members in an atmosphere full of joy and celebration. In addition to the flowerpots, and thanks to Augmented Reality technology, we prepared a special video message to our teachers that was linked to the greeting cards in the pots. Great job!
Grade 5 Learn Communication Skills

In an attempt to enhance our students’ positive communication skills in an interactive way, they were divided into groups and encouraged to tackle different aspects of communication. They shared their ideas on how to communicate positively with their surroundings and how to enhance their communication skills. Following the group discussions, they played a game that required them to put their thoughts on communication into action. They enjoyed their time playing in teams and coordinating together as one to win the given challenge, while learning how to communicate.

Peer Tutoring

The SLO® Academic Department provides academic support to all the students in the form of peer tutoring (one-to-one, or one-to-many) for all subject matters taught at school. This support is not limited to exam questions or to exam failures but is comprehensive and could also be extended to students who are passing all their exams but need more help and assistance in certain areas.
In order to develop health and fitness while having fun at the same time, the Sports and Health prefects organized a football league for grades 4 to 9. Teams of 8 players competed to determine the champions. Overseeing the games are prefects who are maintaining discipline, prefects who are refereeing, and prefects who are keeping score and updating the scoreboard. In the end, Team 5C won the elementary school division league after winning 5 out of the 6 games they played. Team 7A were the champions of the middle school division after winning 5 out of the 6 games they played.

Congratulations to all the participating teams, and most importantly, the dedicated Sports and Health prefects who were devoted to making those leagues a great success.
ISC-Amman Football League

More than 80 students joined the ISC-Amman Football League and were distributed among 8 teams, according to their age group. Each team had two practices a week, and on Fridays all teams competed against each other. The assigned team coaches brought out the best in the players. On the final day, a closing ceremony took place in the supportive presence of many parents. Trophies and certificates were distributed.
ISC-Amman Swimming League

The P.E. Department at school organized Swimming Training Courses for KG1 to Grade 7 students, starting from September 23. Seventy students took part and were distributed into groups according to their age and level. Through 10 sessions, participants learned swimming skills. At the end of the course, all participants received certificates and medals.


Other Activities

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It’s good to be back! Students’ excitement for the new academic year was evident on the first day of school. They couldn’t wait to reunite with their school friends and see their teachers again. The SLO® Outreach Department started the school year with a blast. On the first day of school, SLO® prefects, with their “smiley face” vests, took pictures of friends greeting one another after three months of summer vacation. They captured those special moments and spread joy and smiles among students and staff. What a great and happy way to begin the year! SLO® Activities prefects prepared a set of games that the students enjoyed during the year’s first SLO® periods. The aim of those games was to get new students to blend with the returning ones, and to encourage students to meet SLO® prefects and learn about how to be a productive member of the school community by joining the SLO® team.
Middle School and High School Field Days

The SLO® Activities Department started the year with a “splash” of fun. During the 3rd week of school, the department planned a field day for middle school and high school students. These daring students were divided into teams and enjoyed an hour of bubble football and soap football games. The laughter and fun filled the air. The evening was concluded with a delicious meal and some music. A big thanks to all the SLO® prefects who put this event together. It was, once again, a great success!
SLO® Job Fair

During the second week of the academic year, Deputy Head prefects and Senior prefects from all SLO® Departments did a fantastic job preparing and promoting for this year’s SLO® Job Fair: the recruitment days on which students volunteer to become SLO® prefects and take responsibility of productive SLO® jobs around the school.

Tens of students from grades 4 and above signed up for tutoring duties through the Academic Department or monitoring duties through the Discipline Department. The recruitment was so successful that many of the posts were filled on the first day of the campaign. Well done to all the prefects that helped make this term’s Job Fair a great success!
School Bag Drive

“It’s not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.” - Mother Teresa

ISC-Amman students shared the joy of starting the new academic year with children in the community by giving away over 100 new school bags to underprivileged children. Social Responsibility Department prefects paid a visit to an orphanage in West Amman and met with the children. It just took them a few seconds until they started playing, singing, and laughing together before handing out the new bags. You could tell that the initiative was a great success from the look of joy and happiness on the faces of the children as they received their new school bags!
“Be a Hero! Not a Bully!” Bullying Prevention Campaign

SLO® Bullying Prevention prefects prepared and delivered tens of bullying-prevention presentations to students in all grades and levels to raise awareness on how to prevent bullying. Each prefect picked and presented as a superhero from the comic books to help deliver the message in a fun and appealing way. The message was: “Helping prevent bullying is a heroic act that deserves to be appreciated and recognized!” In their presentations, prefects taught their peers how to recognize bullying when they see it, how to refuse it in any shape or form, and how to report it to school officials.
**Fitness Meets Fun**

“Be active, be healthy, be happy.”

Because a healthy body equals a healthy brain, students in Grade 1 took part in fitness fun activities during their SLO® period on Tuesday, November 13, 2018. Organized and arranged by our amazing SLO® team, Grade 1 students played together, competed, and challenged each other and themselves.

Each station was designed to encourage students to work hard, push themselves further, and be part of a team. The school Gym was filled with the laughter and cheers of the participating students. It was great seeing our older students guide our younger ones. Thank you SLO®. We are looking forward to our next event.
Learning about Responsibility

“The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence.” - Denis Waitley

Every month, students highlight a value that helps develop their characters. In October, our topic was responsibility. Our grade 1 and 2 students discussed responsibility during their advising lessons. Students learned the importance of being responsible and how their responsibilities would change over time. Students also gave examples of their daily responsibilities at home and in school, in which they concluded that being responsible for their actions was just as important as being responsible for their words. As a result, our students are being more responsible for their belongings, duties, and tasks. We couldn’t be more proud, well done to grades 1 and 2 students.

Let’s Go Fly a Kite

After going through the different advising topics for Term 1, most of which focused on teamwork, responsibility, helping others, and of course having fun, Grade 4 students were given the opportunity to take those well learnt lessons into the real world.

To celebrate, we went to our school’s field with our beautiful kites. The students had the chance to work as a team to get the kites ready and up in the air. Each student was responsible for their kite and made sure they were flying. In order to get the kites in the air, they had to help each other get the kites to take off.

Once in the air, students had so much fun, running, flying, and prancing through the filed, the air was filled with beautiful, colorful kites, and happy students laughing and enjoying their day.
You Got a Friend in Me

“There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than true friendship.” - Thomas Aquinas

Making friends and building friendships are important aspects of life. Consequently, friendship was chosen by the 1A building as the value of the month of September. This value was highlighted to students throughout the month. Our grade 1 and 2 students enjoyed learning about true friendship and the importance of being a good friend through class discussions, making projects, telling stories, and singing friendship songs together. The 1A building was also decorated in celebration of friendship month where students bonded with old friends, got to meet new friends, and started their journey in making lifelong friendships.

Student Life Training Conference - Athens 2018

Every summer, the SLO® holds an annual Student Life Training Conference (SLTC) that brings together selected prefects from SABIS® schools around the world. This year, 96 prefects (including 3 prefects from ISC-Amman) were chosen to attend the 9-day conference held in Athens, Greece. From July 9-18, 2018, students, along with 32 Student Life Coordinators, participated in a program designed to equip them with the necessary knowledge and skills to enable them to improve the SLO® and their schools and make a positive impact in the lives of students and their communities. They took part in workshops and brainstorming sessions on how they could enhance their SLO®. They also learned about the importance of cooperation, communication, leadership, and accountability through presentations and team-building activities.
Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards - Jordan

We are delighted to congratulate our ISC-Amman students on their academic achievements in the June 2018 Cambridge examination series (highest number of awards in Jordan, including the only “Top in World” award in Jordan). The Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards recognize the exceptional performance of learners around the world. The awards reflect the talent and hard work of learners, and acknowledge the dedication and commitment of students, teachers, and parents. As a member of SABIS®, ISC-Amman provides students with a high-quality education that gives them an edge in college and beyond. It implements the SABIS® Educational System™, a comprehensive proprietary program that includes all the tools needed to equip students for success.

Ghusoun Kajjoun
Top In World
Cambridge International AS Level
Mathematics
Top In Jordan
Cambridge International AS Level
Chemistry and physics
Best Across FOUR
Cambridge International AS Level
(First place)

Rakan Al-Majali
Best Across Three
Cambridge International A Level
(First place)
Top In Jordan
Cambridge International A Level
Chemistry

Noorullhuda Al-Jewari
Top In Jordan
Cambridge IGCSE
First Language Arabic

Samir Shamieh
Top In Jordan
Cambridge IGCSE
Biology, physics and Chemistry

Futoon Kajjoun
Best Across Four
Cambridge International AS Level
(Third place)

Bandar Assaf
Best Across Four
Cambridge International AS Level
(Second place)
Our KG Department

The KG department understands well how emotions impact our attention, memory, and learning, our ability to build relationships with others, and our physical and mental health. Developing emotional intelligence will enable our students to manage emotions effectively and avoid being derailed. It is well known that: “Children with higher emotional intelligence are better able to pay attention, are more engaged in school, have more positive relationships, and are more empathic.”

That is why emotional intelligence is being taught and practiced with our KG students. This month, we worked on independence and decision-making. Our students learned the importance of valuing their own opinion while listening to and respecting opinions of others through games and activities. Debate, Show & Tell, and learning how to tie their shoe laces are only examples of independence and decision making activities.

Eating healthy is also a wise decision that our KG students are practicing weekly as they experience different types of healthy foods and vegetables.
Lower School Student Life Period

The Lower School Department is a foundational department in which students’ involvement in SLO® at an early age helps in setting the tone and interest in school at an early age. Moreover, younger students are eager to help and get involved and it is imperative to tap into their energy and potential to teach them about values, ethics, morality, and proper behavior at a very early age.

Lower School Prefects from grades 7 and 8 help organize fun activities for students in primary school during their SLO® Period. There is a variety of activities offered to the students such as football, dodgeball, play area group games, movie time, board games, and more!
The clubs’ sub-department is a very active sub-department within the SLO®. Prefects in this sub-department aim to provide to the rest of the student body with clubs that are beneficial and entertaining, that provide students with added knowledge, and that will add to the students’ overall education. Most clubs are held during the SLO® Period, among the most popular of those clubs are the LEGO Club, MUN Club, Jigsaw Puzzle Club, and Documentary Club.
Student Attends Medical Internship at Cambridge University

During the summer, Omar Shaka’a (Class of 2019) attended a medical internship at Cambridge University. Here’s what he wrote about his experience:

“I travelled to the UK to attend a medical internship at Cambridge known as the Cambridge Immerse Program, during which I enjoyed two of the best weeks of my life, full of learning and excitement. I attended multiple sessions that put me in the place of a physician, it tested my decision making and improved the way I think. I also immersed myself in practical lessons that taught me the art of suturing to hold body tissues together after an injury. During the course, I also met many new people and made new friends whom I can’t possibly forget. I participated in events such as punting, bubble football, lunch with other colleges, water sports, and the Cambridge Immerse Talent Show. The talent show was my favorite memory from the whole trip because I was able to arm wrestle and beat all the students that I had to face, and just hearing the cheers from the crowd watching made it a worthy trip that was filled with happiness, laughter, and knowledge: priceless.”