

AJICirNo6/AJ/AY 2023-24/June

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Dear Parents,
Greetings!

Our goal at AJ is to work together to provide our students with a rich learning environment. Our vision, is to ALWAYS put kids first! Our belief is that all students can learn. As educators, we need to discover how each child learns in order to differentiate our instruction to support diverse learning styles. In a collaborative effort, we want children to thrive in all ways possible. Our hope is that all children will LOVE school and nurture a learning environment that is positive, safe, warm, caring, as well as a fun place to learn and grow.

Student success is attributed to the partnership and the relationships we build within our community and this is MOST important now more than ever. It truly does take a village and at AJ we value teamwork and collaboration! Education is a joint venture and Team AJ greatly appreciates the support you provide for your children at home and at school to help them meet their learning goals. Without the support of parent contributions through we would not have many of the programs that make AJ so unique and successful.

Although this year looks different than any other year, we are dedicated to providing your child(ren) a memorable, interactive, engaging distance learning experience.

A few things which are a part of the Academic year 2023- 24.

ONLINE RESOURCES

SCIENCE-YARD STICK REPORT- BEE CURIOUS -GRADE- 1 TO 8

- In order to make Science learning enriching and provide joyful experience, AJI primary and middle school has incorporated Yardstick that designs and implements learning Kits& programs for children, engaging their keen, inquisitive and imaginative minds via holistic experiential learning modules.
- Almost all students are able to take part in discussions in lessons to develop confidence in using scientific terms and vocabulary correctly.
- In both the phases, investigation skill of majority of the students has improved to great extent.
- It also helps in developing hypotheses and evaluative skills when linking observations when drawing conclusions.
- It has also helped to Improve critical thinking skills to better evaluate the work of others to provide them with constructive feedback. (Evident in peer assessments)
- Present abstract concepts using different ways such as real-life examples, analogies and visuals, so that teaching appeals to students' different learning styles.
- Use effective questioning, review previous learning and give adequate reflection time to students in their learning in everyday lessons.

ARABIC -ALEF-ARABITS REPORT – Grades 1-9

- Interactive Lessons: Alif offers interactive lessons with multimedia content such as videos, audio recordings, and images to help majority of students learn the Arabic language in a more engaging way.
- Majority of students are able to follow their own personalized learning pathway, produce written texts with a wide range of language structures (i.e., grammatical and lexical)
- Majority of students produce written texts that show very good control of punctuation and spelling.
- Arabits set a personalized target for students and giving them guidelines to enable them to improve their writing skills.

- weekly home work is set from the platform, and other links with Hot questions from other websites like Pinterest, twinkle, to support those who don't have access to login. all that on line resources had the effect of strengthening the students' research and independent learning skills, which led to an improvement in writing, listening and speaking skills).



ENGLISH- KG-Gr 12 LIGHT SAIL READING PLATFORM From Sep 2023.

- Light sail is an online reading platform that aims to improve students' reading skills and promote reading proficiency. The platform offers personalized reading instruction for KG-Grade 12 students that adapts to their individual reading levels, interests, and abilities. With the help of data analytics and artificial intelligence, the platform provides real-time feedback to both students and teachers. This feedback helps teachers tailor their instruction to meet the individual needs of each student, while also allowing students to track their progress and identify areas where additional support may be needed.
- One of the main benefits of Light sail is its comprehensive library of 6000+ engaging and age-appropriate books that students can read on any device. This library includes a mix of fiction and non-fiction titles, as well as books in multiple languages. Students can choose books based on their interests, which makes reading more enjoyable and encourages them to read more frequently. This love of reading can lead to improved self-confidence, increased vocabulary, and better communication skills.
- Using the Light sail reading platform can develop students' Lexile levels and comprehension, which can have a positive impact on academic performance in other subjects. Teachers who use the platform can benefit from real-time feedback and data analytics to monitor student progress and adjust instruction as needed. This data can

also be used to identify trends and patterns in student performance, which can inform school-wide reading initiatives and professional development opportunities for teachers.

AJ RADIO will be the new initiative from Sep -2023.which will help students to enhance their speaking & Leadership skills

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE being offered as the 6thSubject for Gr 10 students: - has been inducted in the time table for Grades 9 and 10.

SPREAD YOUR WINGS INITIATIVE: -skill courses for Middle School students

Alain Juniors in compliance with CBSE has decided to offer students the flexibility of making a vocational choice of a short duration module, of 12 hours for each module, at a stage in their early academic career (either at Class 6, 7 or 8). In this way they will be able to spend relevant time period pursuing this choice as per convenience of school, while benefitting from access to courses that are broader based. This would give them the necessary orientation early on, so that they are able to make a choice at a later stage to pursue Skill courses at Secondary and Senior Secondary level, or choose a higher vocational degree.

In essence this flexibility will keep multiple career possibilities open for each student, instead of the current situation of rigidity once the first choice is made.

Alain Juniors has made the following choice of subjects for its students under its initiative "**Spread your wings**" for Term 1.

New subject modules will be added & informed later for the 2nd Term. We will keep you updated

Skill courses for Grade 6 to 8 has been inducted in the class time table.

- **Design thinking for Grade -8**
- **Financial literacy for Grade-7**
- **Travel and tourism for Grade-6**
- **Mass P.E and life skills – Social Emotional Learning -SEL have been incorporated in the time table.**

Light Bag Policy at AJ has been implemented In accordance with ADEK & CBSE recommendation on reducing the weight of School bags which has an adverse effect on the health of the students.

1. Weight of school bag will be monitored and checked on a regular basis in the school. For this, school will keep a digital weighing machine in the school premises.
2. School bag needs to be light-weight with proper compartments and contain two padded and adjustable straps that can be squarely fit on both the shoulders. Wheeled carriers not to be promoted as it may hurt children while climbing stairs.
3. When more than one textbook for the same subject are prescribed, students should know which of the textbooks is to be used on any particular day. This information should form part of the official school time table and is not to be followed by both students and teachers.
4. Sharing of textbooks among students may be promoted for non-language subjects,.
5. PTMs shall be organized regularly to inform parents about student learning and behavioural progress and spread awareness about the school bag.
6. The school will inform parents of their responsibilities regarding the bag policy to ensure that the bag weight is appropriate before sending students to school.
7. NO Bag days will be organised once a month for all classes, where students will learn through task sheets or BYOD.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

As we move ahead towards achieving maximum parent satisfaction, we are working towards facilitating easy access of procedures to our parents, students as well as staff.

1. Student Leave requests through Zenda app

Kindly be informed that , starting from August 2023 , we will be accepting all leave request through **Zenda application ONLY**.

To know more about the process / apply for leave, you may use the below link:

https://alainjuniors-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/p/prince_immanuel/EcqaFtpll9tJmrmRBKVsPABRtfOWL_KnLDEi5dzjsUxAQ?e=46cVfd

1. Updated Fee Policy

Our faculty has diligently prepared innovative curriculum enhancements, engaging extracurricular activities, and enhanced support systems to cater to the unique needs of each student. We are committed to fostering an environment that nurtures curiosity, creativity, and a lifelong love for learning.

To facilitate this, we have made some changes to our Fee Policy. Please note the following:

- **Re-registration fee:** This fee is part of the tuition fee and helps the school to confirm and reserve places for the continuing/promoted students. It is payable before the start of the new academic year along with the first instalment fee, in the month of April. First instalment includes :
 - Re-registration fee
 - Tuition fee for April
 - MOE books fee
 - Transport fee (if availing transport service)
- To confirm the enrolment for the new academic year, the first instalment must be paid in full **before the first day of school**.

Note: For updated fee policy, please visit the school website

2. Discontinuation of Bank Transfer Mode of Payment

- a. Starting from July 2023, the 'Bank Transfer' mode of payment will no longer be an option for payment, in order to avoid confusion and miscommunication.
- b. If you **have an ADCB bank account**, you can continue paying the school fee through the 'Direct transfer' Option.

You can continue to use the following modes of payment:

- i. **Zenda Application** – an easy-to-use app downloadable on Android/iOS. Instructions are available on our website.
- ii. **Payment at school premises.** We accept cash or Credit Card payments.

3. Office Administration Information during summer break

- **Release of school certificates and other documents**

Since the school office remains closed during the summer break, we request you to apply & collect any official certificate that you may require during the holiday, **before 26th June 2023**.

For official letter request, please visit our school website at www.alainjuniors.com and follow the procedure to fill out the online Official Letter form.

- **Administration office during the summer break**

School office will remain closed during summer vacation from Tuesday 27th June 2023 to Friday 11th August 2023.

For urgent enquiries during the summer vacation, Parent may contact Focal Point Management Consultancy "FPMC" as per the below schedule

Date	Days	Working Time
03/07/2023 to 20/07/2023	Monday to Thursday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm
24/07/2023 to 27/07/2023	Office Closed	
31/07/2023 to 03/08/2023	Monday to Thursday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Note: "FPMC" office remains closed from 24-07-2023 to 27-07-2023

Phone: 03 -7648113

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Location: <https://goo.gl/maps/sg8Ls3LwjRc6mm5x5>

We hope that you will enjoy a wonderful and well-deserved summer break. We also hope that you will come back relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new school year.

We are closed for summer break from 27th June 2023 & will reopen the school for students on Monday, 28th August 2023.

As we embark upon this summer break, let us remember the importance of balance. It is a time for rest, rejuvenation, and cherished moments with loved ones. Allow this break to be an opportunity for children to explore new interests, engage in creative pursuits, and simply be children, free from the rigors of academic life.

We look forward to welcoming you all back in the coming academic year, filled with renewed energy and excitement. Together, let us continue to empower the next generation of thinkers, dreamers, and changemakers, for it is through education that we can truly shape a better world.

Wishing you a joyful and rejuvenating summer!