

**January 2019, Newsletter**

Dear Parents/Carers,

The New Year kick started with a number of effective practices getting implemented and we thank you dear parents for supporting us in the same.

**School Invocation Song**

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high  
 Where knowledge is free  
 Where the world has been broken up into fragments  
 By narrow domestic walls  
 Where words come out from depth of truth  
 Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards  
 perfection  
 Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way  
 Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit  
 Where the mind is led forward by thee  
 Into ever-widening thought and action  
 Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country  
 awake.

Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore

We were proud hosts to visitors from the corporate who could meet the parent body and ensure that this relationship gets even stronger as we move forward in this journey. The school had a facelift and our students are really happy about these additions especially our library area.

**CARDINALS**

**Emails/Address Updates**

Please can you ensure that the school has your up to date email address. We send our regular emails with updates and important information.

**Sickness/Leave Note**

Please can you inform the school if your child will be absent by 9:00am. If your child has sickness and/or diarrhea they need to be clear for 48 hours before returning to school.

**Awards and Accolades**

If your child has won any awards outside of the school, please share the news with the home room teacher. We will celebrate the achievements during the school assemblies.

~ February 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Working Saturday
3	4 World Cancer Day	5	6	7 Sports Day Rehearsals – Madras race club	8 Indus Sports Day Madras race club	9
10	11 Assembly	12	13 –	14	15	16 Working Saturday
17	18 Assembly	19	20 World Day of Social Justice -	21 International Mother Language Day	22	23
24	25 Assembly	26	27	28		

Our parents were equally happy about the measures we took to ensure the stair case safety procedures and safety nets in the first floor.

**Home Work Schedule**

As a part of the learning process, we must provide ample opportunity for children to develop their skills, reinforce learnt concepts and enrich their understanding. We also believe that through homework, not only is the child benefited, but parents will be more informed about their ward's learning processes and the curriculum demands. This will also help in furthering the liaison between the teachers and parents.

S. No.	Grade	Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1.	Nursery		Sound Work /Tracing- Third term onwards		Sound Work/Tracing- Third term onwards		
2.	Reception		Sound Work		Math	Tracing	
3.	PP1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eng.- ORT Reading Book</li> <li>Spelling List- (Third term onwards)</li> </ul>	Math	Eng.- ORT Reading Book	Math	Eng.- ORT Reading Book
4.	PP2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eng.- ORT Reading Book</li> <li>Spelling List</li> </ul>		Eng.- ORT Reading Book		Eng.- ORT Reading Book
5.	G1- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang- Once a week		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eng.- ORT Reading Book</li> <li>Grammar</li> <li>Spelling List</li> </ul>	Math	ORT Reading Book	Math	ORT Reading Book
6.	G2 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang- Once a week		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eng. -ORT Reading Book</li> <li>Grammar</li> <li>Spelling List</li> </ul>	Math	Novel Study	Math	ORT Reading Book
7.	G3 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lang- Once a week		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reading programme books (Book to be issued for reading over the week)</li> <li>Grammar</li> <li>Spelling List</li> </ul>	Math	Novel Study	Math	English writing genre

For grades 1,2 &3 Second language home work will be shared once a week.

2nd language homework will be sent out on the second day of the week that the child has 2nd language and it has to be submitted in the following 2nd language class. This will differ grade wise.

#### **Guidelines and information for parents:**

##### **Parents are encouraged to:**

- Ask their child about what the child is studying in school
- Ask them to show homework assignments
- Assist their child in organizing homework materials
- Help their child formulate a plan for completing homework
- Provide an appropriate space for their child to do homework

##### **Parents may if they wish...**

- Help their child interpret assignment directions
- Read aloud required reading to their child
- Give practice quizzes
- Help to brain storm ideas
- Praise their child

##### **Parents should not:**

- Attempt to teach their child concepts or skills that the child is unfamiliar with
- Complete assignments for their child
- Allow their child to sacrifice sleep to complete homework

##### **Homework Plan**

Although we have a format/ plan we are expected to follow for homework, there is some amount of flexibility allowed in the event a teacher feels a concept needs more reinforcement.

- No UOI online research will be given as homework.
- All worksheets will have the homework and submission date mentioned.
- Any homework which has not been completed properly will be sent back home to be redone.
- Assessments in Math, Eng. and UOI will be shared on a weekly basis (Friday)
- Spelling test notebook will be sent on Monday after the test for children to revise any words they have misspelt.
- If a child is absent, the missed homework will be given to the child when he comes to school and is expected to complete it within 2 days of being back at school.
- The homework will be corrected however not graded. For PYP peer correction strategies may be Implemented. Flip teaching strategies may be implemented in the PYP.

## We are excited about:

- Our Sports Day!
- International Day Celebrations

### International Day Celebrations

Dear Parent,

Indus International Primary School, Chennai will be observing the following International Days, in the month of February. Please find the details below.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> February, World Cancer Day

##### “I Am – I Will”

Towards creating the general awareness about healthy life style and healthy eating, the following activities have been planned.

1. All students and staff will be wearing the badges supporting the cause.
2. Primary year students will be conducting the, “I am and I will” Well Being Survey.

#### 20<sup>th</sup> February, World Day of Social Justice

One of the key 21<sup>st</sup> century skills is, “Tolerance”. We at the Indus International School, Chennai are coming dressed in rainbow colours to reflect the spirit of Tolerance. Insightful activities will be conducted by the teachers to help students understand the spirit of Tolerance.

Pre- Nursery	Nursery	Reception	PP 1	PP2	G1	G2
Violet	Indigo	Blue	Green	Yellow	Orange	Red

Interesting Read: To our book worm parents, “This is Our House” makes a great library addition.

#### This is our house by, “Michael Rosen”

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wf\\_n6yjr9T0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wf_n6yjr9T0)

#### 21<sup>st</sup> February, International Mother Language Day

Towards celebrating languages, we have planned short activities for our students:

Pre- Nursery	Nursery	Reception	PP 1	PP2	G1	G2
Mom and me will greet in class in mother language.	Mom and me will recite short rhymes for the class.	Mom and me will tell a short story in mother language.	Mom and me will read a short story in mother language in class and explain meaning.	Students will recite poems in mother language.	Students will speak in their mother language for 1min and explain the meaning.	Students will speak in their mother language for 1min and explain the meaning.

#### Living the Indus value this new year,

At Home You Can:

- **Discuss why it is important to stay healthy?**
- **What is “Tolerance”?**

As always, if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to speak to myself or another member of the staff, we will be happy to help!

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Warm Regards,

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## Food Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 Snack: Fruit Salad & Milk
				Lunch: Ghee rice Chicken stew Chilli Paneer
4 Snack: Banana & Milk	5 Snack: Papaya & Milk	6 Snack: Cantaloupe & Milk	7 No School Sports Day Rehearsal	8 No School Sports Day
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