

# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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## 'BUILDING BRIDGES OF TOLERANCE'

Date : Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019

To : Parents of students from Year One - A-Level - OCTOBER 2019 UPDATES

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary's Catholic High School, Dubai. We would like to share some important information with you'll and also keep you posted about some upcoming events and local competitions .

**GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR THE CLASS OF 2019:** The Graduation Ceremony for the class of 2019 has been scheduled for Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 5:00 pm. Kindly check the school website [www.stmarysdubai.com](http://www.stmarysdubai.com) for an important notice regarding the Graduation Ceremony as well as the rehearsal for students scheduled for Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019. All timings and other details are in that notice and attendance at the rehearsal is compulsory.

**PINK DAY AT SMCHS, DUBAI - THURSDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019:** The St. Mary's family will be celebrating 'Pink Day' at school in support of Brave Women especially Mothers who have overcome many obstacles in their lives and continue to live with grace and dignity, on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019. All children are invited to come to school in their 'happiest shades of pink' . A reminder to our young ladies to come modestly dressed. Please check the coloured clothes dress code on the school website.

**YEAR SIX IPLSC EXAMINATIONS** : All parents of year six students kindly be informed that students of year six will be sitting their IPLSC Board Examinations in MAY 2020 in English Language, Math and Science. We will be updating you on these exams through the year.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP TIMINGS** : All parents are asked to take note that the uniform shop in school will be open from Sunday through Thursday from 7:00 am until 9:00am only and on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am only.

**CLINIC UPDATES:** We are sending out an important request to all parents to kindly **NOT** send any medication with your child to school. Students **MUST** not carry or share medicines while at school. However, if your child is on a course of antibiotics, then kindly write a note to the doctor in the diary and send a copy of the prescription as well. **CHILDREN WHO ARE SICK MUST NOT BE SENT TO SCHOOL.**

**REGISTRATION FOR BOARD EXAMINATIONS AND PAYMENT OF BOARD EXAMINATION FEES -YEARS SIX, ELEVEN AND THIRTEEN:** Students will be receiving the registration forms for the London Board Examinations of May-June 2020 by tomorrow. Kindly fill them out very carefully and make the payment for the same before the deadline.

**DUBAI FITNESS CHALLENGE :** The Dubai Fitness Challenge is back and we would be very happy if you as parents could download the app and be part of our St. Mary's Group. You will first need to download the Dubai Fitness Challenge App and then register with your details. Please use the link to register and join as part of the St. Mary's Family Group. Instructions for joining the school group will be available on the school website [www.stmarysdubai.com](http://www.stmarysdubai.com) as well as the SIMS PARENT APP.

With a view to helping students get more physically active as part of the 30x30 Dubai Fitness Challenge, KHDA has provided some opportunities with local government institutions to engage children in some specialised fitness training.

Our school has tied up with the Dubai Police Officer Club at Al Jaddaf for the first week of the Fitness Challenge. We will arrange to take children to the venue and bring them back to school. Following is the schedule for the same:

**ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR THEIR FULL SPORTS UNIFORM ON THE DAYS SCHEDULED FOR THEIR CLASSES.**

Sunday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October : 7:45 AM TO 8:40 AM	YEAR 7 B/ C/ F
Monday, 21 <sup>st</sup> October : 7:45 AM TO 8:40 AM	YEAR 7 A//D/E
Tuesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> October : 7:45 AM TO 8:40 AM	YEAR 8 B/ C/ F
Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October : 7:45 AM TO 8:40 AM	YEAR 8 A/D/E
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October : 7:45 AM TO 8:40 AM	YEAR 9 B/C/F

**APPOINTMENTS WITH TEACHERS:** We would like to remind all parents that if you wish to meet a particular teacher kindly make an appointment by calling the reception or sending a note to the teacher in the diary requesting the same. It is not possible for teachers to meet with parents without a prior appointment.

**SCHOOL GATES OPEN AT 6:20 AM:** All Parents are reminded that the school gates open only at 6:20 am and you are requested to kindly make a careful note of it. We have observed especially outside GATE NO. 5 that some parents and other private transport operators have been dropping children on the road and children are sitting on the pavement and running on the road. This is very unsafe and we would request you to kindly make sure that no child is left outside before 6:20 am. We have also observed some children being dropped well before 6:00 am which is again unsafe and not in the best interests of the children. Please ensure that children are dropped to school at a reasonable time.

**UNIVERSITY FAIR VISITS :** A reminder to parents of students in years 10-13 that we have two University fairs : UAE Universities on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 and Canadian Universities on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

We will keep you updated on all further events. Thank you for your continued support and collaboration.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Paul Asir Joseph  
( Principal )

