

Secondary School

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Dear Parents,

CIS/NEASC Accreditation Preliminary Visit

As you may have read in the November Newsletter which was sent to you on the 30th of November, the Board of Governors have given approval for the school to seek joint accreditation by the Council of International Schools and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. This accreditation is similar to the process we went through when we were seeking COBIS Accreditation. Although every area of the operation of the school will be looked at in considerable detail, the focus of this process will be Teaching and Learning. The process involves a two year self-study of the school and all stakeholders, the Chairman, the Board, the School Leadership, Faculty, Parents, Ancillary Staff and Students will be involved.

The process has already started, there are several reports which need to be written during the next two to three weeks prior to us undergoing a Preliminary Inspection in February. The Chairman, Mr. Sezen, the Members of the Board, myself and the Director of Pre School/Primary, Mr. l'Anson and a committee under the leadership of the Deputy Director of Pre School/Primary, Mrs. Ilhan and comprising of Administrators, Teachers, Parents and Students are currently working on the required preliminary reports.

The Preliminary Inspection will take place on the 14th, 15th and 16th of February, 2011. The 16th will be reserved for a whole day workshop during which the full accreditation process will be explained to the Board, the Faculty and a representative of the PTA. This is a requirement of the accreditation process. This means that the 16th of February will be a non-school day for our students. Thursday and Friday, the 17th and 18th are school holidays so students will only be in school for Monday and Tuesday the 14th and 15th of February during that week.

I hope that you understand the reason for this unscheduled holiday for your children and that we will have your full support during the accreditation process.

Yours faithfully,

William Bradley

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