



# Blyth Academy Newsletter

## November 16, 2017

### Announcements

- **Report cards** are set to go home on November 22.
- Senior high school Desert Camping Trip, November 16-17.
- Junior high school Desert Camping Trip, November 23-24.
- Wednesday, November 15 **Pizza day** for elementary students.
- Thursday, November 16 **Pizza day** for Junior and Senior students.
- If you are **not planning to return to school in semester 2**, Please inform school administration. We have students waiting to register
- November 28, **student/teacher/parent interviews**. 1-3 PM and 4-6 PM. **Please call to make appointments**
- Dedicated Blyth phone number for Zaks 30087294, Zaks will answer or return you calls, they will respond to 'What's app' as well. Students who can be in uniform will be asked to leave classes starting Sunday.
- **After school activities Nov. 27 cancelled**
- Those signed up for **tennis** on Tuesday's tennis will continue for a few more sessions
- **Calendar change** – last day of school June 14. Grade 10-12 will have classes on Tues. until 2:10pm to make up instructional time. Grade 12's will be exempt from diploma exams in June with the **exception of Part A in ELA and Social Studies.**

### **Transportation – School Bussing**

**We have had a number of requests to consider a price adjustment to Blyth bussing to the AJ's. Starting Jan. we will offer bus service to the AJ's for 399QR/month. We will continue to have monitors on the bus and will sell seats until the buses are full. Those families who have paid our previous fee we will receive an adjustment. Please book through Ms. Beena in finance.**

# Congratulations

to those students who received academic awards today!

## Class Notes compiled by Grade 11 ELA

### Grade 2:

Field trip to Katara was a blast! Students went to the Dhow Festival and learned about dhows. They learned the history behind the dhows and know how to build them! Meanwhile, students worked on their Bucket filler project. The bucket filler teaches them about kindness and well-being. Anytime when someone is not kind, their buckets lose their special liquid, which makes their buckets sad!



### Grade 3:

Here is a photo of the Grade 3 class wearing their cat masks from Art class with Mr. Nigel.



### Grade 4:

The Grade Fours have started a new Math unit on "Time and Measurement." They are enjoying practicing different ways of telling time and using interactive games on the smartboard to develop their numerical skills.



### Grade 5

Grade 5 had a busy, busy week doing all kinds of experiential learning. 3 huge and wonderful things that went on in our magical learning zones this week.  
#Grade 5A's very own Cultural Day  
#Saleh's Birthday Celebration

## # Katara Qatar History Field Trip



### Grade 6:

In this week the grade sixes are excited for a field trip out to the Dhow Festival this coming Thursday; as well as prepping for two upcoming tests in science and mathematics.

Earlier on the students played a game in math to demonstrate probability. The goal of the game is



to roll a die and try to get a prime number! Students learned about probability, percentages and mathematical calculations in a fun and interactive environment.

### Junior High:

This week in English class, grades 7, 8, and 9 are all trying to get in as much last minute work done as possible because their portfolios are due this Thursday. The portfolios will consist of journal entries, essays, poems and letters that they have done.

The grade 7's are getting either quotes from the books they're reading (7A-Holes//7B-Sounders) or questions, also based on the book, and analyzing them in their journal entries. To get them prepared for essay writing, the class, as a whole, is taking turns giving their input on how to construct a 'compare and contrast' essay. Then they have to write a rough draft of the essay, have it peer edited, and then re-checked by Ms. Whyte. After all this practice they've had on essay writing, they should be ready to write their own essays. Their task (7A) was to pick a character from the book, *Holes*, and compare it to themselves in essay format. An illustration of the character with labels is also required.

Grade 8B finished up expository and persuasive essay writing and is now working on shape poems. The idea behind their shape poems came from the book they're reading, *Walk Two Moons*.

The grade 9's have been assigned a project based on the book they're reading, *Outsiders*. They have two choices, they can either do a timeline of the events of a character's life or a poster board based on the character's identity. For their portfolios, they have to write a personal reflection of an event that changed their lives.

In Math class, grades 7 and 8 completed their midterms and are now working on ratios (7) and percentages (8). Grade 9's are reviewing for their midterms on Thursday. Wish them the best of luck!

**CLUBS:**

Blyth Teachers and Coaching staff have been working hard to create competitive matches and tournaments for our burgeoning varsity sports programs. Our senior football and chess teams have already had matches, and we are developing our senior girls and middle school basketball teams are looking to do the same in the near future. Follow this space to keep up with all the Blyth Bears sporting action. Additional matches have been planned for the coming weeks.

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**Still more below**



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**CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS**

**It's time to get ready!**

# ALADDIN- A Musical Spectacular



**Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>  
@ 5:45pm**

**Where: College of the North Atlantic-Qatar-  
Dr. Latifa Al Houty Auditorium**

**Families are welcome to attend!**