

Friday 11th August 2023

Dear Parents,

It is almost the start of the new 2023/2024 academic year and my staff team and I can't wait to see you and your children all back in school late August.

In order to provide at least two weeks' notice I write this letter to inform you of a number of important details:

1. Uniforms
2. Student equipment
3. Start of school
4. Events Calendar

Further down this email is more information about school uniforms and attached is information about school supplies/equipment.

Most of our school uniforms will arrive by Monday 21st August and in order to achieve a much smoother and easier transition for your children into school, and to ensure better organisation, I have staggered our pupils start dates.

From Monday 28th August you will be able to collect your child(rens) school uniform from the school reception area. If you have yet to pay for the school uniform or any questions about school uniform, please contact our admin team on: communications@eistunis.org or call us on 25904904.

The cost of the uniform is 150 TND. The cost of the sportswear is 150 TND.

We will provide:

- EIST uniform - 2 x short sleeved polo shirts + 2 long-sleeved polo shirts
- EIST Sports Kit - Totebags + hummel outfit + decathlon outfit

You should provide:

- Trousers/shorts/skirt – navy blue or black and must be smart.
- Skirts should be of a modest length.
- School shoes should be black leather for boys and girls.
- Sports shoes/trainers for physical education (PE) only.
- Sports shoes/trainers must not have any studs.
- For children who cannot tie their laces, please provide shoes and sports shoes with Velcro.

SCHOOL START DATES

- On **Monday August 28th nursery, reception and year 1** children will be expected in school at 7:45am but will finish at 12 noon. Parents of children in nursery, reception and year 1 can collect their child(rens) school uniform from 12 noon.

- **Tuesday 29th nursery, reception, Years 1, 2 and 3** will be expected in school at 7:45am and will finish at 12 noon. Parents of children in years 2 and 3 can collect their child(rens) school uniform from 12 noon.
- **Wednesday 30th nursery, reception and years 1 to 6** will be expected in school at 7:45am and will finish at 12 noon. Parents of children in years 4, 5 and 6 can collect their child(rens) school uniform from 12 noon.
- **Thursday August 31st and Friday September 1st all students** will be expected in school at 7:45am and will leave at 15:00. Parents of children in years 7, 8 and 9 can collect their child(rens) school uniform from 12 noon on Thursday 31st August.

On **Friday September 1st** we shall have a Welcome Assembly which we invite parents to attend.

Between 12 noon and 15:00 hours in the afternoons Monday 28th to Thursday 31st August textbooks, school supplies and school uniforms can be collected by parents. We will have some of our team in the reception area to meet you. Please parents only collect your child(rens) uniform on the arrange date and time.

Parents, please ensure that your child's school equipment and uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name and class and placed in a single bag or box.

Our normal school programme will start on Monday 4th September 2023. School hours are between 7:45 and 15:00 hours (when after school activities/clubs start Monday 11th September those children attending will finish at 16:00).

The teachers will NOT be using the textbooks in the week - Monday August 28th to Friday September 1st. During this week the children will take part in activities to get to know their new teacher and classmates. We will start to use the textbooks from week 2 - Monday 4th September 2023.

During the week Monday 28th August to Friday 1st September pupils can wear their own clothes to school if they wish. The wearing of school uniform is COMPULSORY from week 2, starting Monday 4th September. Wearing of school sportswear during all PE lessons is also compulsory.

All tuition fees and optional fees must be paid by August 25th. School Transport and Daycare will begin on Monday 4th September. A programme for the activities will be sent out at the beginning of the second week of term. We would like to inform you that any pupil left at school beyond 3:15 pm will switch to the paid daycare system (10 dt per afternoon). Although we prefer that Daycare is booked on an annual basis, you can book it for single days if space is available. The cost of this is 10dt per afternoon.

SCHOOL EVENTS CALENDAR

Please see attached the events calendar for the academic year 2023/2024. Please place this in a prominent and visible location in your home as a visible reminder of to you of important monthly events and dates.



I would like to state that we wish to work closely with our parents this academic year and invite you into school on a Friday afternoon to share our celebration assemblies. It is important that we recognise and celebrate our pupils' successes and during the Friday assembly certain children from each class will be awarded certificates in recognition of their hard work and endeavour.

We sincerely look forward to working with you this academic year and believe that through trusting, respectful and communicative relationships we will create an excellent foundation for your children's success.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phillip Birch".

Mr Phillip Birch
Headteacher

EIST Assembly and Events Calendar 2023/2024

School Holidays	Responsible Person/Class/Year group
School Events	
Assembles	

AUGUST 2023			
Mon 21 st August to Fri 25 th August	Staff Induction Week		All staff
Mon 28 th August 2023 – Fri 1 st September	1 st Week of Term 1		Staggered start each year group

SEPTEMBER 2023			
Fri 1 st September		Welcome Assembly	Mr Birch – parents welcome
Mon 4 th September – Fri 8 th September	ASSESSMENT WEEK (BASELINE)		Year 1 to 9
Fri 8 th September	Responsible – Value of the month	Assembly	Mr Birch
Fri 15 th September		House Assembly – Star of the Week	All teachers
Sat 16 th September	Open Day		Mr Birch, Miss Rihab & Admissions
Fri 22 nd September		Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 29 th September		Assembly – Star of the Week Student & Staff September birthdays	
Sat 30 th September	Open Day		Mr Birch, Miss Rihab & Admissions
Wed 27 th September	School (Public) Holiday		

OCTOBER 2023			
Thu 5 th October	World Teachers Day		
Fri 6 th October	Engaged – Value of the month	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 13 th October	Year 6 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 6 class teacher & students
Sat 14 th October	Open Day		Mr Birch, Miss Rihab & Admissions
Sun 15 th October	Evacuation Day		
Wed 18 th – 19 th October	Prophet Birthday		
Fri 20 th October	Year 5 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week Student and staff October birthdays	Year 5 class teacher & students
Mon 23 rd October - 3 rd November	School Holiday		
Sat 28 th October	Open Day		Mr Birch, Miss Rihab & Admissions

NOVEMBER 2023

Mon 6 th November	School starts / Welcome Back		
Fri 10 th November	Confidence – Value of the month	Welcome Back Assembly	Mr Birch
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th November	Anti-bullying Week		
Fri 17 th November	Anti-bullying Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week	Mr Birch?
Mon 20 th November	World Children’s Day		
Fri 24 th November	Year 4 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week Student & staff November birthdays	Year 4 class teacher & students

DECEMBER 2023

Fri 1 st December	Year 3 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 3 class teacher & students
Mon 4 th December – Fri 8 th December	ASSESSMENT WEEK		
Fri 8 th December	Reflective – Value of the month Assessment Week	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 15 th Dec	End of term 1	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Mon 18 th December – Fri 22 nd December	Parent Teacher Conferences (PTCs)		All teachers
Fri 22 nd December	<u>Term 1 House Points Awards</u> <u>End of term reports out</u>	Assembly – House Points Awards Student & staff December birthdays	
Fri 22 nd December – Fri 5 th January 2024	School Holiday	Christmas	

JANUARY 2024

Mon 8 th January (Spring Term)	Start of term 2 / School starts	Welcome Back / New Year Assembly	Mr Birch
Fri 12 th January	Innovative – Value of the month	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 19 th January	Year 2 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 2 class teacher & students
Wed 24 th Jan	Compliments Day		
Fri 26 th January	Years 7 / 8 / 9 Our Learning Assembly	Assembly – Star of the Week Student & staff January birthdays	Years 7, 8 & 9 Class teachers
Mon 29 th January – Fri 2 nd Feb	Science Week		

FEBRUARY 2024

Fri 2 nd February	Well-being – Looking after ourselves and others	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 9 th February		Assembly – Star of the Week	
Fri 16 th February	Random Acts of Kindness Day	Assembly – Star of the Week	
Wed 21 st February	Mother Language Day	Fun activities / Traditional Dress	Students come in own country national dress
Thu 22 nd February	World Thinking Day		
Fri 23 rd February		Assembly – Star of the Week Student & staff February birthdays	
Mon 26 th February – 8 th March	School Holiday		

MARCH 2024

Mon 11 th March	School starts		
Fri 15 th March		Assembly – Star of the Week	
Wed 20 th March	School (Public) Holiday	Independence Day	
Fri 22 nd March	International Day of Maths	Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 6 class teacher & students
Mon 25 th March - Fri 29 th March	ASSESSMENT WEEK		
Fri 29 th March		Assembly / Student & staff March birthdays	

APRIL 2024

Tue 2 nd April	International Children's Book Day		English teacher / primary teachers
Wed 3 rd April	Sports Day		PE Teacher / Invite families
Fri 5 th April		Sports Day Assembly	PE Teacher / Mr Birch
Tue 9 th April – 12 th April	School (Public) Holiday		
Mon 15 th April	School starts / Welcome Back	Welcome back Assembly	Mr Birch
Mon 15 th April – Fri 19 th April	Parent Teacher Conferences (PTCs)		All teachers
Fri 19 th April	End of term reports	House Points Award Assembly	Mr Birch
Mon 22 nd April (Summer Term)	Start of Term 3		
Mon 22 nd April – Fri 26 th April	Book Week		English teacher / Librarian / Miss Hayley
Fri 26 th April		Assembly – Star of the Week Student & staff April birthdays	Year 5 class teacher & students

MAY 2024

Wed 1 st May	Public Holiday	Labour Day	
Mon 29 th April – 10 th May	School Holiday		
Mon 13 th May	School starts		
Wed 15 th May	International Day of Families		Invite families into school
Fri 17 th May	Value - Caring Community	Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 4 class teacher & students
Mon 20 th May to Fri 24 th May	Mental Health Awareness Week		
Fri 24 th May		Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 3 class teacher & students
Fri 31 st May		Assembly – Star of the Week Student & staff May birthdays	Year 2 class teacher & students

JUNE 2024

Fri 7 th June		Assembly – Star of the Week	Year 1 class teacher & students
Mon 10 th June – Fri 14 th June	ASSESSMENT WEEK		All students
Fri 14 th June		Assembly – Star of the Week	Years 7, 8 & 9 Assembly
Sun 16 th - Mon 17 th June	Public Holiday	Eid	
Mon 17 th December – Fri 21 st December	Parent Teacher Conferences (PTCs)		All teachers
Tue 18 th June	School starts		
Fri 21 st June	End of Term 3 / End of Year assembly	Celebration Assembly / House Points Award / Student Awards Student & staff June birthdays	All staff team Parents welcome into school
Fri 28 th June	Last day of school / End of school reports		All teachers
Fri 28 th June	Summer school holiday begins		Everyone! – maybe!

NURSERY SUPPLY LIST

Dear Parents,

These are the things your child will need in Nursery:

- A school bag (EIST bags are available for purchase in school)
- A small snack bag
- A library bag - big enough to protect library books
- A refillable water bottle
- A change of clothes for emergencies (labelled in a plastic bag which will be sent home each half-term).
- A small pillow and a sheet or blanket - these will be sent home each Friday for washing and should be returned to school on a Monday morning
- A glue stick - to be replaced half-termly
- Pack of A4 paper
- 2 packs of blank drawing sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 2 packs of drawing coloured sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 2 lined exercise books – can be obtained from Carrefour. A photo is attached.
- 2 (1 cm) square books for numeracy
- 1 pack of white clay
- 3 triangular writing pencils
- 1 pack of coloured pencils (12)
- 6 glue sticks

Arabic

- Pack of A4 paper
- A4 document file - 80 pages
- 1 large exercise book - 196 pages 24*32 big squares
- Poetry exercise book
- 2 Copy books - plastic cover (Red). A photo is attached.



French

- 2 portfolios
- Les petits loustics
Textbooks used, supplied by the school.

NB. PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S BELONGING.

RECEPTION SUPPLY LIST

Dear Parents,

These are the things your child will need in Nursery:

- A school bag (EIST bags are available for purchase in school)
- A small snack bag
- A library bag - big enough to protect library books
- A refillable water bottle
- A change of clothes for emergencies (labelled in a plastic bag which will be sent home each half-term).
- A small pillow and a sheet or blanket - these will be sent home each Friday for washing and should be returned to school on a Monday morning
- A glue stick - to be replaced half-termly
- Pack of A4 paper
- 2 packs of blank drawing sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 2 packs of drawing coloured sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 2 lined exercise books – can be obtained from Carrefour. A photo is attached.
- 2 (1 cm) square books for numeracy
- 1 pack of white clay
- 3 triangular writing pencils
- 1 pack of coloured pencils (12)
- 6 glue sticks

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YEAR 1 TO 6 SUPPLY LIST

Dear Parents

These are the things your child will need in Year 6:

- A school bag (EIST bags are available for purchase in school)
- A small snack bag.
- A library bag - big enough to protect library books.
- A refillable water bottle.
- Pack of A4 Paper
- 1 packs of blank drawing sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 1 packs of drawing coloured sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 8 lined exercise books – can be obtained from Carrefour. A photo is attached.



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- Pack of A4 paper
- A4 document file - 80 pages
- 1 large exercise book - 196 pages 24*32 big squares
- Poetry exercise book
- 1 lined exercise books – can be obtained from Carrefour. A photo is attached.

French

- - 2 large blue notebooks 24*32, large squares
- -1 small 300-page blue notebook, large squares, no spiral binding

Textbooks used:

- Advanced groups: Espace mots , learners + activities book
- Beginners: Les loustics, learners + activity book

Other items to be replaced as needed:

- A glue stick.
- 3 writing pencils
- 1 small whiteboard
- 1 whiteboard pen
- 1 whiteboard eraser
- A set of 12 coloured pencils
- 1 pack of felt tip pens.
- A palette of watercolours - minimum 10 colours
- 1 pack of white clay
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 packs of wipes
- 1 recent photo ID (with student's name on back)

NB. PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILDS BELONGINGS.

YEARS 7 TO 9 SUPPLY LIST

Dear Parents,

These are the things your child will need in Year 9:

- A school bag (EIST bags are available for purchase in school)
- A small snack bag.
- A library bag - big enough to protect library books.
- A refillable water bottle.
- A 30 cm ruler
- A geometry set (protractor, compass, set squares)
- A scientific calculator
- Pack of A4 Paper
- 2 packs of blank drawing sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 2 packs of drawing coloured sheets (24x32, 150g, Canson type)
- 8 Lined exercise books – can be purchased at Carrefour. A photo is attached.



Arabic

- Pack of A4 paper
- A4 document file - 80 pages
- 1 large exercise book - 196 pages 24*32 big squares
- Poetry exercise book
- 2 Copy books - plastic cover (Red). A photo is attached

French

- 2 large blue exercise books, 24 x 32 cm, large squares
- Adosphere book + activity book
- Textbooks used, supplied by the school.

Other items to be replaced as needed:

- A glue stick.
- 3 writing pencils.
- An eraser.
- A pencil sharpener.
- 1 small whiteboard
- 1 whiteboard pen
- 1 whiteboard eraser
- A set of 12 coloured pencils
- 1 pack of felt tip pens.
- A palette of watercolours - minimum 10 colours
- 1 pack of white clay
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 packs of wipes
- 1 recent photo ID (with student's name on back)