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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear UCA Parents and Guardians,

With the completion of the second quarter, we find ourselves at the midpoint of the academic year. It's a time to reflect on our students' progress and achievements thus far.

I'm pleased to inform you that quarter two report cards have been issued, providing comprehensive feedback on your child's academic performance. This report marks a crucial time in the year where students who may not be where they aspire to be academically should be encouraged to utilize all available resources and support to catch up and enhance their overall average.

In addition to grades, you may have noticed student performance feedback included in this reporting period. This additional insight provides students with a more comprehensive understanding of their progress and areas for improvement. We believe this holistic approach to evaluation empowers our students to take ownership of their learning journey.

As we move forward into the second half of the academic year, let us continue to work together to support and encourage our students in their academic pursuits. Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding your child's progress, please do not hesitate to reach out to their teachers or the school administration.

Warm regards,

Rola Malaeb
Director

IMPORTANT DATES

January 1 till January 9 Winter Holidays (No School)
January 9 Faculty Professional Development Day
January 26 End of Quarter 2
January 31 Report Card Distribution

HEALTH CLINIC

UCA Health Department would like to bring your attention to an essential matter – January is Thyroid Disease Awareness Month. Early detection and intervention can make a significant difference in managing thyroid-related issues. For this reason, we have prepared a letter for you that includes information about the symptoms of Thyroid Disease. To learn more about this disease, [click HERE](#).

WEATHER CONDITIONS & SCHOOL CLOSURES

Winter has officially arrived, bringing with it a host of challenges. Conditions will include rain, snow, ice on roads, and severe cold weather with temperatures well below freezing.

Please ensure that we have the correct number for SMS NOTIFICATION, one of the means we will use to notify parents about the school status on such bad weather days. As some parents may not be receiving SMS, we will also post updates on our Facebook Page. If you have any doubts about whether there will be school or not, do not hesitate to call the school offices. There will be someone on duty at all times to answer inquiries.

Our top priority is SAFETY FIRST when making decisions. Additionally, if conditions are not safe above 1000-1200 meters, holding school becomes challenging, as a large percentage of students live above this altitude. Managing the curriculum delivery then becomes impossible.



PARENTING DISCIPLINE TIPS

UCA is a proud MAIS member. MAIS provides UCA with a network of trainers and professionals, granting us the privilege of sharing some of the most valuable learning and guidance offered by experts worldwide.

We're excited to bring you insights and tips from these professionals to support you in your journey of nurturing and guiding your children.

[Read Article HERE](#)

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UCA LIBRARY

Embracing this exciting chapter of academic exploration and growth, UCA proudly announces the opening of the doors of its library for its students.

Giving the chance for our students to explore our newly renovated library space, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and a vast collection of resources. In addition, for the purpose of providing a quiet space for study, collaborative work areas, and access to an extensive array of academic materials. Our library aims to inspire a love for reading and learning in every student.

We are delighted to offer book borrowing services, providing our students with the opportunity to borrow books and take full advantage of the resources our library has to offer. Our library's collection is here to support their academic and personal growth.



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MAP GROWTH

At UCA, we believe in moving forward and always looking for new ways to facilitate learning. For this purpose, we would like to inform you that in the upcoming month of February, your child will be participating in the MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA®. This assessment will focus on English and Math and will be conducted on a computer or tablet.

We appreciate your support and look forward to utilizing the valuable information from the MAP Growth assessment to enhance the educational experience for every child at our school. For guidelines, [click HERE](#).

LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICE

At UCA, we believe every child deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential. Our Learning Support Program provides targeted interventions and personalized plans in the crucial early years (K-4), helping our students overcome challenges, build confidence, and thrive in the classroom. The Learning Support team collaborates closely with parents and teachers to create a nurturing, supportive environment where every child feels valued and empowered to reach their full potential.

Early intervention is key! We believe that starting support early can make a world of difference in a child's academic success. Together, we create a supportive community that embraces diversity and ensures every child's academic journey is one of growth and achievement.



GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING SERVICES

Through counseling students are given advice on how to manage and deal with emotional conflicts and personal problems. To address problems that may interfere with students' learning, counselors may take on a range of responsibilities, such as individual or group counseling on academic, career, personal issues, and students' discipline.

Our services involve career guidance, where students get comprehensive advice on careers, courses and jobs that enable them to make a proper and informed choice and understand what they can do after they are done with school. It's important to prepare them for life after school and what to expect in the different fields they might opt for.



INDIAN AMBASSADOR VISIT TO UCA

UCA had the honor of hosting a special visit from the esteemed Indian Ambassador to Lebanon, Sir Md. Noor Rahman Sheikh, along with a team from the embassy. This visit was aligned with the Social Studies curriculum for grades seven and eight.

Our students asked inspiring questions and received a speech from His Excellency, providing insights into India's rich history and heritage. As a gesture of goodwill, the ambassador presented us with some books that will find a special place in our school library.



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