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## **ASM Warriors' Weekly**

14 Dec 2020

Mon 14 Dec	Tue 15 Dec	Wed 16 Dec	Thu 17 Dec	Fri 18 Dec
Day 5	Day 6	DAY 7	Day 1	Day 2
9:00 - 11:00am HS Exams 9.55am-10.05am GMeet Middle School Assembly 1:00 - 3:00pm HS Exams	9:00 - 11:00am <b>HS Exams</b> 1:00 - 3:00pm <b>HS Exams</b>	Shortened Day (50min lessons; pick-up 1.45pm) HS Exam Study Day/Makeup Test Day	9:00 - 11:00am <b>HS Exams</b> 1:00 - 3:00pm <b>HS Exams</b>	Shortened Day (45min lessons; pick-up 12:35pm) HS Exam Makeup Test Day

### **High School Exams**

Semester 1 High School exams will take place this week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Grades 9 - 12 students should:

- remain at home in order to complete the exams online
- refer to the schedule and exam logistics details that have been emailed to them
- join their Grade-specific Exam Google Classroom & Google Meet link at the designated time

If a student is unable to take an exam, they will be required to supply a medical certificate in order to schedule a makeup test on the next available Makeup Test day (Wednesday or Friday).

### Monday 14th Dec 9:55am - 10:05am Middle School Assembly

Google Meet link: <u>https://meet.google.com/tsd-amom-nit</u> DL students enter the Assembly at the designated time (not before) - microphone off, sound on. Teachers will project the assembly for F2F students in their classrooms.

### Health & Safety

It's important that we continue to try to adhere to the ASM Community Pledge. Please continue to: Wear masks in the school building Safe distance from others Wash hands regularly The Basketball Court will be **closed** during recess/lunch to ensure health and safety.

### Friday 18th Dec Shortened Schedule

As in previous years, there will be a shortened schedule on Friday (the last day just before the Winter Break)...

Block 1 8:45am - 9:30am Break 9:30am - 9:45am Block 2 9:45am - 10:30am Break 10:30am - 10:50am Block 3 10:50am - 11:35am Break 11:35am - 11:50am Block 4 11:50am - 12:35pm Student Dismissal and Pick-up 12:35pm

#### **ASM Giving Tree**

A very BIG thank you to Mrs Priti Paul Kadiri (ASM's PTO President) and ASM's PTO for getting everyone in the festive spirit by providing a thoughtful gift to every student, teacher and member of staff in Upper School through their wonderful 'Giving Tree' initiative! Thank you also to the PTO for sponsoring the pizza party rewards for the winning classes of ASM's Food/Clothing Drive!

#### **Giving Tree Competition...**

Guess the number of books that were used to create the Giving Tree! Submit your response using this Google Form: <u>Giving Tree Competition Google Form</u> ONE entry per person! The person with the guess closest to the actual number of books used will be awarded something sweet in January!



Clothing and Food Drive... deadline for donations Tuesday Dec 15th!

# ASM's Food & Clothing Prive

WHEN? NOVEMBER 30TH - DECEMBER 15TH WHO? STUDENT COUNCIL AND OUTREACH. PLEASE GIVE YOUR ITEMS TO YOUR CLASS REPRESENTATIVES. WHERE? THE FOOD AND CLOTHING WILL BE DONATED TO A VILLAGE CALLED AIT SOUKA IN IMLIL, THROUGH THE HELPING HANDS INITIATIVE.

HOW? YOUR CLASS WILL BE SCORED BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF ITEMS BROUGHT IN AND DIVERSITY OF THOSE ITEMS. SCORE SHEET BELOW.

## THE CLASS THAT BRINGS THE MOST ITEMS

## WINS A PIZZA PARTY!

IF YOU ARE PART OF HIGH SCHOOL AND WANT TO HELP OUT BY AIDING US IN THE SANITATION OF THE FOOD THEN EMAIL THE OUTREACH PRESIDENT (UMA JOYSTON-BECHAL) AND WE WILL LET YOU KNOW

WHEN TO COME AND HELP.

Email - uma.joyston@asm.ma

#### POINT SYSTEM



FLOUR PER 1KG = 5 POINTS DRIED LENTILS AND OTHER DRIED BEANS PER 1KG = 3 POINTS CORN OR SUNFLOWER OR OLIVE OIL PER 1L = 2 POINTS RICE PER 1KG = 4 POINTS SUGAR = 3 POINTS CANNED FOOD (BEANS, CORN, TOMATO PASTE, VEGETABLE AND FRUITS...) PER CAN = 5 POINTS PACKAGED YEAST = 3 POINTS COUSCOUS = 4 POINTS EL KEF · SOAP = 1 POINT CLOTHES · ALL ONE POINT (T-SHIRTS HATS PANTS SOCKS JACKETS OR COATS HOODIES OR ZIP UPS SHOES SCARFS NEW MASKS (IN PACKAGING))



Christmas is an annual festival commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ celebrated on December 25 that brings joy. Christmas Day is a public holiday celebrated religiously by a majority of Christians, but as well as culturally by many non-Christians. The traditional Christmas narrative is that when Joseph and Mary arrived in Bethlehem, the inn had no room so they were offered a stable where Jesus Christ was born. Angels proclaimed the news to shepherds who further spread the information.

Despite the unknown date of the birth of Jesus, the church fixed the date as December 25 in the early fourth century. Early Christians connected Jesus to the Sun and Romans marked the winter solstice on December 25.

The modern customs of Christmas include gift giving, completing an Advent calendar, Christmas music and caroling, church services, a special meal, and the display of various Christmas decorations.

The traditional colors of Christmas decorations are red, green, and gold. Red symbolizes the blood of Jesus, which was shed in his crucifixion. Green symbolizes eternal life and the evergreen tree that does not lose its leaves in the winter. Gold is the first color associated with Christmas and it symbolizes royalty

The economic impact of Christmas has grown steadily since gift-giving and many other aspects of the holiday involve a high economic activity.





## A Time for Reflection

By Jessica Abou Zbib

Our first semester has come to an end and I am very proud to say that this has been an amazing semester... we have been learning and improving ourselves despite all the unusual circumstances we have been facing this year. We are so proud of you ASM!

## Semester 1 High School Exams

As we all know, Mid-term exams take place this week and we need to all focus and work hard in order to be proud of our grades at the end of this semester (on January 8th). Ms. Smith has already shared the schedule for the exams so make sure to check that out and if you have any questions, please ask your teachers.

## Thoughtful Reflection...

Traditionally, the New Year is a time to reflect on the past year and to plan for the year ahead. 2020 has certainly been a very different year... one that has been extremely challenging for most people! The fact that we have made it to the end of the year and are able to look back at what has happened seems in itself quite an achievement. However, it's also quite likely that we've all done something this year that we haven't necessarily been proud of or that has enabled us to realize and learn new things. This year, I learned that always trying to be positive and making sure that I'm not hurting anyone would allow me to feel better about myself. Everyone makes mistakes and we should all learn from them. Over the holiday period, take a moment to reflect on everything that has happened this year - the things that went well and the things that didn't go so well. What did you accomplish? What can you be proud of? Was there anything you would like to change? Consider the New Year as an opportunity to move forward and make positive changes!

"Mistakes are a fact of life. It is the response to error that counts." - Nikki Giovanni



## Photo Memories (Week 14)

Group work outdoors...



