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# **ASM Warriors' Weekly**

### 19 Oct 2020

Mon 19 Oct	Tue 20 Oct	Wed 21 Oct	Thu 22 Oct	Fri 23 Oct
Day 1		Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Gradebook Closes; 9.55am-10.05am GMeet Assembly	PTCs 8.30am-4.00pm NO CLASSES	Shortened Day (45min lessons; pick-up 12.35pm); 4.00pm AP Exam Registration Deadline; 1.30 - 4.00pm PTCs continue	PTO Meeting 5.30pm-6.30pm Scary Story Contest Deadline (23.59pm)	Halloween Costume Competition & Scarecrow Competition; Midterm Reports distributed via email

### Monday Oct 19 9:55am - 10:05am Upper School Assembly

Google Meet link: <a href="https://meet.google.com/tsd-amom-nit">https://meet.google.com/tsd-amom-nit</a> 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.

## Parent Teacher Conferences Tues Oct 20th (8.30am - 4.00pm) & Wed Oct 21st (1.30 - 4.00pm)

PTCs provide both parents and teachers a great opportunity to connect to review a student's progress and to plan for further social, emotional and academic growth. Please take the time to meet with your child's teachers. Upper School students are also encouraged to attend with their parents. Please sign up for conferences here: <a href="https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/ASM">https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/ASM</a> Deadline for registration: 12:00 noon Monday, Oct 19. Google Meet Links for each Upper School Teacher will be emailed on Monday to all parents. Please access the link at the date/time of your scheduled conference. For example, if you have a conference with the Math teacher at 2:00PM, please click on the Math teacher's Google Meet link at 2:00PM. If the teacher does not admit you to the meeting, please try again. Special area teachers will be available in their virtual rooms to speak with you on a "first come, first serve" basis. If you try to access the meeting and do not get admitted, the teacher must already be on a call. Please try at a later time. If you run into technical problems and cannot connect with your child's teacher, please contact us for instant technical support: Email: <a href="helpdesk@asm.ac.ma">helpdesk@asm.ac.ma</a> Phone: 0524 32 98 60 Ext. 1012

### Modified Schedule on Wednesday, October 21st

**Block 1** - 8:45am - 9:30am

Transition - 9:30am - 9:45am

**Block 2** - 9:45am - 10:30am

Recess - 10:30am - 10:50am

**Block 3** - 10:50am - 11:35am

Transition - 11:35am - 11:50am

**Block 4** - 11:50am - 12:35pm

Student Dismissal - 12:35pm - 12:50pm

### 4pm Tues Oct 21 - AP Exam Registration Deadline

Grades 10 - 12 Students, please complete the Google Form <a href="https://forms.gle/rHtvS5aYquWwZDHG7">https://forms.gle/rHtvS5aYquWwZDHG7</a> to register for the College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Exams. The electronic order form must be completed and submitted and all fees submitted (\$125 per exam) to Ms Atika by 4pm on Tuesday 21st October 2020. The 2021 AP Exams will be administered over two weeks: May 3rd - 7th & May 10th - 14th 2021. Given this year's unusual circumstances, AP will waive the \$40 cancellation or unused exam fee so all students can register with confidence this fall. A late order fee of \$40 per exam (in addition to base exam fee) will be applied for any orders after 4pm on Tuesday 21st October 2020 and before March 12, 2021.

#### **Basketball Court - Closed this week**

The Basketball Court will be **closed** during recess/lunch this week. It is vital that all students adhere to ASM's Community Pledge - no physical contact with others; min. 1.5 meters distance with a mask; min. 2 meters distance without a mask; no sharing equipment touched with hands. The situation will be reviewed after mid term break.

### Mid Term Break Monday Oct 26 - Friday Oct 30... NO CLASSES!

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### Student Council Announcement: HALLOWEEN WEEK!

Throughout the next week we will be celebrating Halloween with the following events...

### • Scary Story Contest!

 To participate, write a scary story of at least 180 words and a maximum of 500 words and email it to <u>yasmine.chemmaa@asm.ma</u> by 23:59 p.m Thursday 22nd. The winning story will be published in the next ASM Warriors Weekly. The winner will be announced and given a prize the Monday we get back from mid term break.

### • <u>Scarecrow Competition!</u>

On Friday Oct 23rd during the advisory periods, there will be a scarecrow competition where each advisory class will dress up a scarecrow. Make sure to bring any materials and clothes to dress up your scarecrow skeleton. The class with the scariest, most creative scarecrow wins the competition! Please note: all entries should be suitable for a K-12 school audience. The winners will be announced by the end of the day and the prize will be given during the week after mid term break.

#### • Costume Competition!

On Friday Oct 23rd we will be having a costume competition for all of Middle School and High School. Everyone should come to school dressed up and/or made-up for Halloween. Please note: all costumes should be suitable for K-12 school - no toy weapons permitted; costumes should comply with the basics of the ASM Dress Code and "show good judgment, self-respect, and respect for others" (ASM Student & Parent Handbook). The categories are funniest, scariest, and most creative. This year, there will also be a category for the teachers! If you are a distance learner and would like to participate in the competition, be sure to email a picture of yourself in your costume to <a href="mailto:yasmine.chemmaa@asm.ma">yasmine.chemmaa@asm.ma</a> on Friday 23rd by 11:45 a.m. The winners will be announced by the end of Friday Oct 23rd!

HAVE A SPOOKY WEEK! - Student Council

## History of Halloween

### By: Aahd Arnous (G10)

Halloween has finally arrived and there is a lot to look forward to! From brainstorming spooky outfits to carving pumpkins and eating all the fabulous Halloween treats. But have you ever wondered what the origins of Halloween are?

Halloween is a holiday celebrated each year on October 31, and Halloween 2020 will occur on Saturday, October 31. The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as a time to honor all saints. Soon, All Saints Day incorporated some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before was known as All Hallows Eve, and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween evolved into a day of activities like trick-or-treating, carving jack-o-lanterns, festive gatherings, donning costumes and eating treats.

Halloween originated in Europe but during the 19th century immigrants took it to North America, where it spread in popularity and evolved in many ways. According to tradition, the spirits of the dead were able to come back to life to harm people and crops in the physical world. People tried to appease the restless spirits on Halloween, and these practices led to many of today's Halloween traditions. For example, people used to wear costumes of monsters, ghosts, and devils to scare away the harmful spirits.

The celebration in the United States has spread to other countries throughout the world as a fun and commercial event. Today many people celebrate Halloween with costumes and candy, without knowing the history of the traditions. In addition, some organizations including UNICEF use the same concept of trick-or-treat to ask for money for fundraising to be used to help people in need around the world.



## Photo Memories (Week 6)

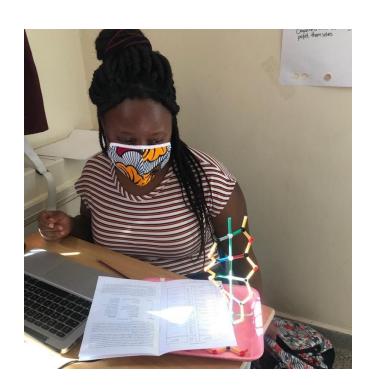
G10 Science - Building DNA Models...





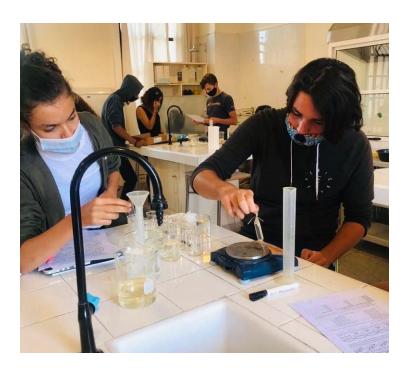






G11-12 Science - Diffusion & Osmosis Lab...









G9 Music- Using software to compose music...



### G11 College Counsel- Concordia University (Canada) virtual 'visit'...

