

# FAMILY ADVENTURE DAY

## APPRECIATION



GISU wishes to relay great thanks to all families that spared time out of their busy schedules, drove all the way to join and participate in the Family Adventure day at the Busiika Extreme Park. We are always delighted by your presence for you always make this day superlatively interesting. It is through such excursions that we identify with one another. We will be excited to see you in our upcoming events.

### PTA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



The PTA Executive Committee Members' Meeting will be held tomorrow, Saturday, 25 January 2020 at 10:00 am. Please note that this meeting is only for Executive Committee Members.

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25 JANUARY 2020 | 10:00 AM

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

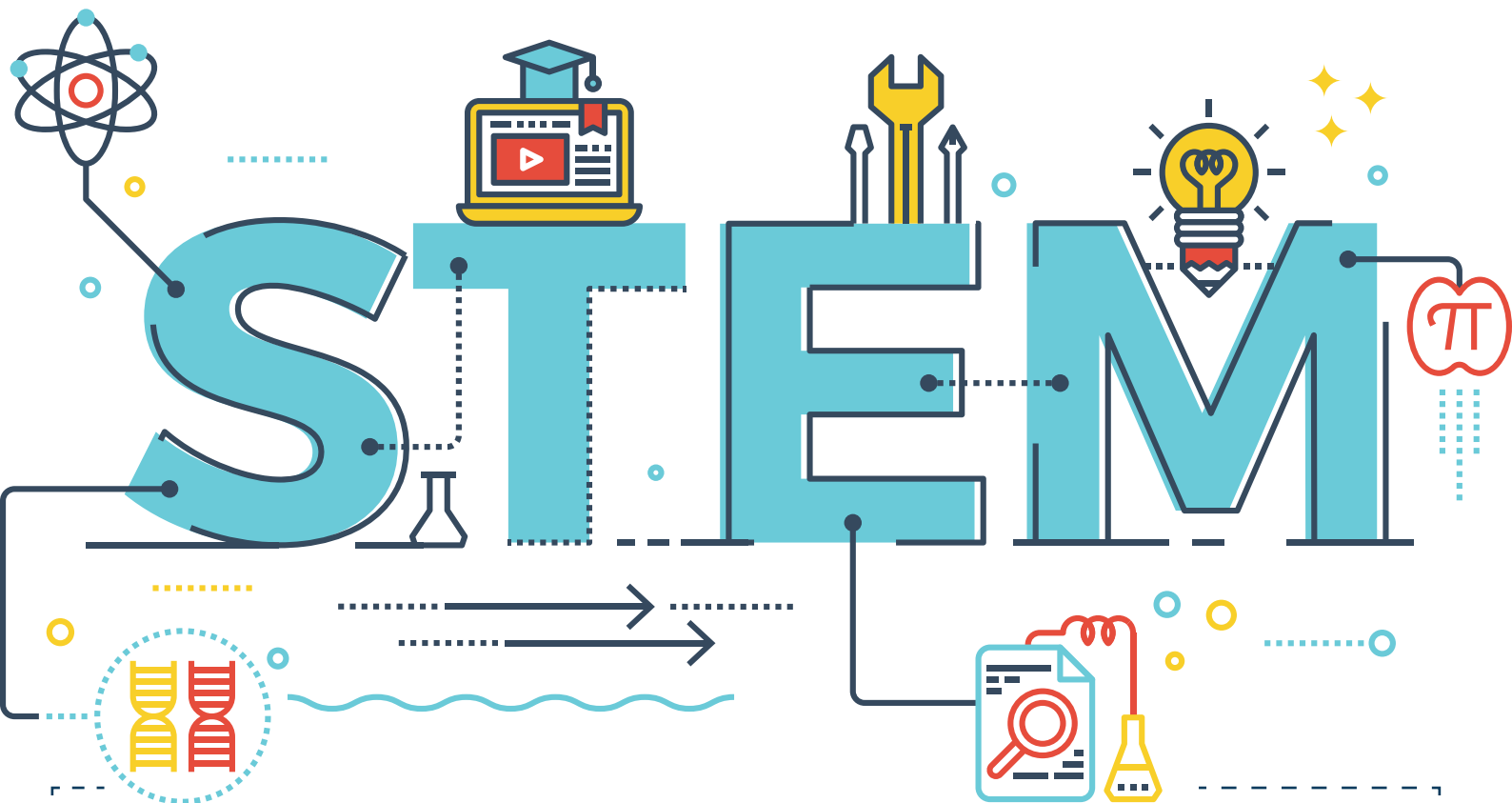
27 - 31 January 2020

## — HOLISTIC EDUCATION WEEK RECAP —



Throughout the week, we have had a great moment of reflection on one of the major elements of the GISU guiding statements: Holistic Education. We are aware that the world awaits students who have more than just good grades. We attach significance to developing every student's intellectual, emotional, social, physical, artistic, creative and spiritual potentials. This has enabled us to develop hundreds of children into well-rounded and successful global citizens who will build a better world for us all. We thank the team of the students from MIT who visited us to give our senior students insights about what it means to join such a great university.

## STEM PROJECT -ENHANCING TEACHING AND LEARNING



Galaxy International School Uganda integrates STEM in teaching and learning. It is vital to connect Mathematics to other subjects, especially Science and Technology. The goal of these activities is to give more sense to conceptual knowledge from the Individual disciplines and to bring education closer to the students' real life and real world. Practical application and linking of the different items of knowledge enables but also requires using methods that are based on learners' activity and engagement. One of the most common is Inquiry-based Education or Inquiry-based Science. Skills like collaboration in finding information, developing soft skills project-based education are progressive approaches and hence are developed at an early age.

Project work is one of the ways of creating situations that encourage learners' creativity through problem-solving. Project work consists of various activities in which students under their teacher's guidance or on their own - also out of school- discover school-subject concepts and principles or learn about the potential of the use of this knowledge outside the specific field. A teacher becomes a facilitator instead of a transmitter. Students' independent inquiry plays a crucial role in the educational process, as we educate to inspire excellence and enable a smooth transition of our students to greater heights.



## ISSAK LEAGUE SEASON TWO (BASKETBALL U20 TEAM)

The International Schools Sports Association

Kampala (ISSAK) league season two has already started. Our secondary basketball and primary football teams played their games and showed great spirit. Congratulations to GISU U20 basketball team. They registered their first win in the first game, against KISU. We are happy to see great improvements in their skill and sportsmanship. We would like to thank our dear parents for their continuous support.



## MOCK EXAMS - CHECKPOINT

A photograph of a notepad with the handwritten text "Are you ready for exam?" and a pencil.

We greatly thank the parents who responded positively to our call to pay the Cambridge Examination fees. We kindly request the few parents who did not manage to beat the deadline for the payment of the examination fees due to reasons beyond their control to do so as soon as possible in order to avoid payment of late registration fees in the Second phase registration also known as late registration. The registration process of the candidates is in progress.

The secondary mid-term 2 exams will begin on 30 January 2020 and end on 7 February 2020.

The primary mid-term 2 exams will run from 28 January 2020 to 31 January 2020. The mid-term exams will only be done by non-candidate classes. Lessons will continue in candidate classes (Year 9, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13) so as to enable the teachers complete their syllabi. However, the teachers in the candidate classes will give their mid-term assessments at their

convenient time before the mock exams which will run from 19-27 March 2020.

We have sent the declaration forms to the parents/guardians of the Primary Checkpoint candidates (Year 6 candidates) and the candidates in other candidate classes registering for Cambridge exams for the first time at Galaxy International School Uganda. Kindly ensure that the order of names, the spelling of names and the date of birth are correct and return the forms by the deadline shown on the form. This is to avoid any further payments to Cambridge International for any amendments to the names and date of birth after the deadline for the submission of the entries. As usual, we kindly request all the parents/guardians amidst their busy schedules to join hands with us to continue encouraging the learners and motivate them to concentrate on their learning.



## CHINESE NEW YEAR MESSAGE 22 JANUARY 2020

Galaxy International School  
Uganda would like to wish our  
families and friends from China  
and the world over a Happy  
Chinese New Year! (xīn nián kuài  
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# ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

During the school years, bullying is one of the most common expressions of violence in the peer context. It's defined as 'aggressive, intentional acts carried out by a group or an individual repeatedly and overtime against a victim who cannot easily defend him- or herself.

Victimization is associated with a number of internalizing problems such as depression, anxiety and low self-esteem. Research shows that students who are bullied miss more school and show signs of poor school achievement, report higher loneliness and poorer health.

As GISU we know that Bullying takes on different forms and it's our mandate to protect our students. Next week is a time for us as a school to create more awareness about bullying and students will be engaging in different activities. As Parents you are encouraged to hold discussions with the students about bullying and the different forms it takes as well as the detrimental effects it has on them as perpetrators or victims.

