



ACORNS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

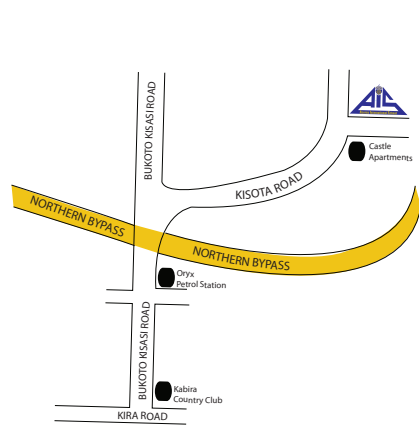
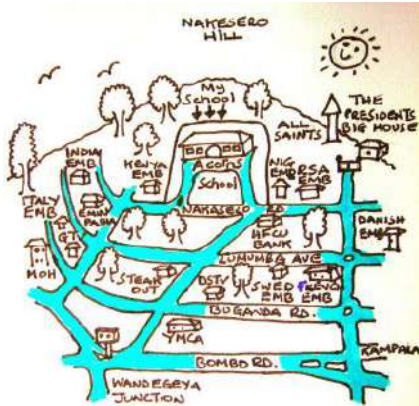


REFLECTIONS

2016 - 2017



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF ACORNS



*Reflecting 20 years of Acorns,
Cherishing the change from Acorns to AIS,
Celebrating love for learning!*

YEARS

Dear AIS Family,

We are so elated on accomplishing 20 years of Acorns and entering into the 21st year at AIS with one of finest buildings in our country, the best education offered and the most loving and caring community that we call the AIS Family!

The world is facing global challenges which require global solutions. These interconnected global challenges call for far-reaching changes in how we think and act for the dignity of fellow human beings. It is not enough for education to produce individuals who can read, write and count. Education must be transformative and bring shared values to life. It must cultivate an active care for the world and for those with whom we share it. Education must also be relevant in answering the big questions of the day. Technological solutions, political regulation or financial instruments alone cannot achieve sustainable development. It requires transforming the way people think and act. Education must fully assume its central role in helping people to forge more just, peaceful, tolerant and inclusive societies. It must give people the understanding, skills and values they need to cooperate in resolving the interconnected challenges of the 21st century.

It is an honour, a privilege and our collective passion to educate and raise young Ladies and Gentlemen, who will become our hope for the future, and ultimately, adults that the world can and will depend on.

The collective community at AIS exposes our pupils to a sound, yet innovative, global curriculum – a curriculum that is imbued with the tone, values and ethos of our village and our community.

The attributes of commitment to life-long learning, caring for environmental sustainability, being multi-lingual, encouragement to be personally responsible, recognizing oneself as global citizen and being pluralists who stay strong to roots whilst celebrating differences are all intrinsically interwoven within the core curriculum and everyday activities at AIS.

Add to this our supportive and committed teachers and staff, parents and pupils and a council for visionary leadership and progressive forward thinking - working desperately hard towards a beautiful, village-like surroundings; modern state of the art facilities - and you have a school that strives to raise and educate balanced, motivated, successful and happy young people.

Together our community is going to raise amazing children! AIS has carved a niche for itself among the cluster of educational institutions in the city and country and will continue to spread its wings far and wide. Each year lays the foundation for ideas and improvement in the year to come. We have had a great year, and the year to come is bound to be a promising and defining one as well.

Ameena Lalani
Chief Executive Officer/Head of School
Acorns International School

1996 - 2000







FLASHBACK TO CELEBRATION OF LEARNING 2015 - 2016



24th June 2016

Celebrating the commitment of AIS teams, the continuous learning of teachers, parenthood, the right foundation and *celebrating students' learning.*



BEGINNING THE JOURNEY TO THE NEW CAMPUS



FOUNDATION LAYING CEREMONY - 26TH JANUARY 2016



A DAY AT AIS - CRÈCHE LADYBUGS



Students: Gift Namutebi, Reyhaan Dewani, Mohamed Yahya Etayari, Umaira Dabwani, Raddison Mugisha, Abdulelah Binmeskin, Aadya Shetty, Aryan Mohamed Arshad Bholim

Teachers: Ms. Vicky & Ms. Rachael

A DAY AT AIS - EC1 BUTTERFLIES



Students: Jinan Ibrahim Shanshoub, Cedrick Johan Matton, Myra Jassani, Kris Bright Kumar, Jayson Pedro Musinguzi, Sherine Farai, Ivannah Wadada, Mays Ellagi, Prosper Ryan Sserwanja, Katherine Latoyah Karungi (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Josephine & Ms. Brenda

A DAY AT AIS - EC2 LIONS

Students:

Jeremiah Mukasa,
Samuel Ayebazibwe,
Rohail Tharani,
Areeb Mohammed,
Chanel Kylie,
Raphael Nyombi,
Janitha Prashant,
Vaidehi Sharma,
Athalie Rina Sanyu
Dhatemwa, Shreyansh
Yadav, Tiyanan Badawi
(not pictured), Anshita
Garg (not pictured),
Teachers: Ms. Ruth
& Ms. Susan



A DAY AT AIS - EC2 LEOPARDS



Students: Shallom Kyle Wapakabulo,
Ayan Parabtani, Bhagat Gali,
Nicholas Yauney, Vaanika Modi,
Tazmeen Tahniya, Ashton Fallon,
Safiya Jiwani, Trevor Daniel Kamau,
Advita Swarnakar (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Elizabeth & Ms. Esther

A DAY AT AIS - RECEPTION PEACOCKS



Students: Promise Bazze Jonathan, Sara Sana Naluzze, Nael Beza, Ethan Kambangu Tshimbila, Arsh Jivani, Ridah Charaniya, Tory Owino, Nadiyah Olinga Mutambo, Kirsten Otim, Manzi Baite, Favour Kimara, Jordan Stephen Ariko, Pascal Ayebare, Maanya Bhatt(not pictured), Iraj Fatima (not pictured), Dkasha Rajesh Nair (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Victoria & Ms. Anthia

A DAY AT AIS -RECEPTION PENGUINS



Students: Eliora Eyram, Arham Ali Pirani, Shana Tetty, Fihary Anjara Niaiko Irin-Drakotoarison, Atnasya Samuel Mamo, Tadiwanushe Mawire, Luosi Wang, Hitham Walid Albasyouni, Yassmina Shaban, Joshua Rugumba, Shane Matthew Jane, Tronellah Kateregga (not pictured), Pravar Patidar (not pictured), Yakob Yoseph (not pictured), Moustapha Badran (not pictured), Ahmad Hteit (not pictured), Anoosha Bharwani (not pictured), Aliana Angelene Dola (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Anisha, Ms. Jane, & Ms. Shallot

A DAY AT AIS - Y1 SUNFLOWERS



Students: Kent Kasanda Ngandu, Aqib Abbas, Grace Ruva Mawire, Kamal Kour, Afsheen Afra, Cheryl Enam Tetty, Abrar Kasule, Ethan Wadada, Grace Ramsey Alema, Nathaniel Kainemura, Korey Albern Nkata, Moses Walugembe Muwanguzi, Anuj Suresh Iyer, Ali Al Hadi Mchaimch, Hashem Al Agha, Arthur Oyuru, Dinith Sunanda, Aashi Siddanmane, Zehra Fathima, Maria Atwine, Sania Siraj, Tanishka Dokwal, Luke Larn-Feni, Giovanni Cantini (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Vivian & Ms. Arianna

A DAY AT AIS - Y1 TULIPS



Students: Abdul Khadir Nsereko, Fatima Minsa, Selin Mohamad Anis Hazimeh, Shiza Minsariya, Charline Hannah Margret Musenze, Samaira Bhudwani, Yagya Patel, Kovidh Barapati, Yahya Hassan, Aliyan Javed Khetani, Adam Shaaban, Elvis Matovu Mukaasa, Kartik Kalla, Avani Badve, Tavish Sabharwal, Arwa Elallagi, Yatharth Chowdhry, Anagh Venacheril Manoj, Brandon Jedidah, Mallella Ganesh Reddy, Karim Mohamad Anis Hazimeh, Aafeif Ali, Ariana Mohamed Arshad Bholim (not pictured), Priyanshi Bhandari (not pictured)

Teachers: Ms. Ipek & Ms. Zaitun

A DAY AT AIS - Y2 GORILLAS



Students: Kayla Mubeezi Omer, Naitik Shah, Zion Asianut Ossiya, Aditya Modi, Noman Tharani, Aadhya Maini, Amy Kisaka, Tyrell Bagunywa Kateregga, Dagmawi Samuel Mamo, Gabrielle Apio Olupot, Sabir Hirani, Shivraj Ghaghada, Stanley Nahurira, Jasmine Yauney, Christianne Nyikyirize, Aurora Hadassa Namawa, Jemimah Kiara Ariko, Kai Aruo, Mathew Kirabo Gitta, Bradley Onuoha, Samarth Bhavsar (not pictured)
Teachers: Ms. Carol & Ms. Megan

A DAY AT AIS - Y2 LEMURS



Students: Laetissa Anne Matton, Liam Riley Mugumya, Nehemiah, Hussein Al Achkar, Aaliya Punjani, Jaedon Kicaber, Graham Caleb Rugumba, Aarini Patel, Lucas Jaden Mugabi, Sulaiman Kamulegeya, Hassan Al Achkar, Reian Vekaria, Odongo Gabriel Olupot, Jahnavi Reddy, Vedansh Yadav, Tyra Aruho, Talia Ahmed, Khayra Nuwe Mutesi, Reuben Nyombi Bazira, Qahirah Kasule, Audrey Byarugaba, Zahraa Al Achkar, Seana Jivani, Abigail Kitami Tumukunde,
Teachers: Ms. Rachelle & Ms. Yasmin

A DAY AT AIS - Y3 OTTERS



Students: Rauf Tharani, Shaurya Oberoi, Mahmood Shanshoub, Amelia Isharaza, Natalie Muigai, Houssein Nasser, Kersey Ntumba Mbiya, Atia Tendo, Turkiah Albasyouni, Aaron Jason Mugabi, Naveed Olinga Mutambo, Fortune Kirabo Komagum, Nuriat Nakamate Nsereko, Patricia Saldanha, Nabeeha Kadhani, Alishba Fatima Morvi, Isreal Lincoln Basweti
Teachers: Ms. Verrah & Ms. Sylvia

A DAY AT AIS - Y3 POLAR BEARS



Students: Amyan Jivani, Darsh Agarwal, Rapheal Jude Arihu Bitarabeho, Rima Shaban, Rishon Karani, Iqra Jassani, Sasha Wando, Ashley Micah Byarugaba, Ian Larn-Feni, Barak Otieno, Fathima Shafza, Nour Shaaban, Glory Tabifor Ketchen, Mishti Maradiaa, Angel Alice Mukisa, Keza Kasya Christiana, Wapnaan Dapoet, Georgina Asianut
Teachers: Mr. Dickson & Ms. Carol

A DAY AT AIS - Y4 PLATINUM



Students: Mohammed Binmeskin, Aine Baite, Laura Merveille Hirwa, Srunitha Paduchuri, Aarush Gupta, Aryan Sorathiya, Royia Elallagi, Akshat Arya Choudhry, Joshua Otim, Jason Desmond Tutu Mboya, Ayaan Patel, Amogh Venacheril Manoj, Craig Loic Nalyaali, Ansh Yajnik, Vajresh Kundurthi, Akshita Dokwal, Shreya Patel, Saffiyah Fathima Syeda, Sonia Maria Kirabo, Kecia Anela Katasi, Nissa Esther Kisa, Nambuya Carmel Wadada, Kimberley Mulungi Omer, Palak Bhandari (not pictured), Aafiya Shamir Hirani (not pictured)

Teachers: Mr. Robert & Ms. Susan

A DAY AT AIS - Y5 WHALES



Students: Siima Kyra Namata Mayanja, Rida Lalani, Faaziya Amin Babwani, Tanmayi Kommareddy, Nityagna Gogulapati, Keerthi Barapati Hassan, Vishwa Modi, Johan Johnson Alappatt, Bashir Binmeskin, Noah Otim, Godwin Prince Alema, Omolola Folahan Ojo, Shauna Daka, Jyodhi Karunya Ramesh, Vibha Rashmi Kumar, Ayaan Dhanani, Miles Twine, Alina Shabuddin, Aziza Elallagi, Carl Nalyaali, Fatumah Nansereko
Teachers: Ms. Charity & Ms. Ruth



Students: Praneetha Patruni, Ahilya Ghorpade, Timothy Trevor Aogan, Sayyedah Kassamali, Batoul Al Achkar, Leen Ahmed, Yolann Mwesigye, Bridget Petronila Amwine Bitarabebo, Alisha Kasmani
Teacher: Ms. Lydia

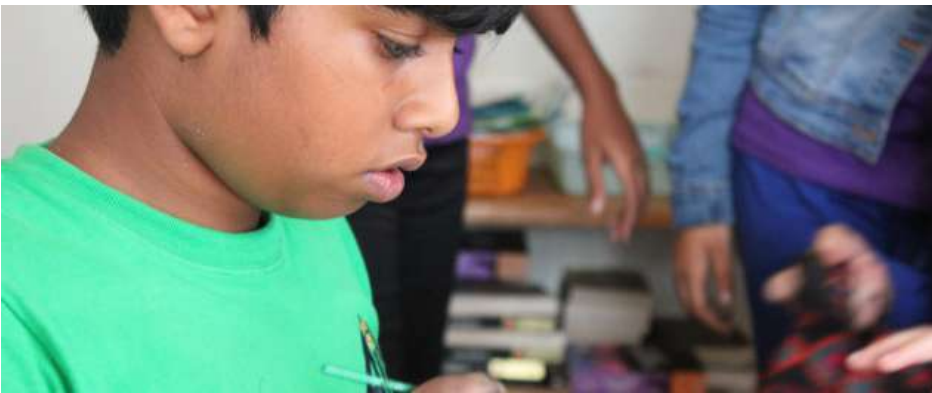
A DAY AT AIS - Y7 INVENTERS



Students: Chris Baguma, Aliumer Kadhani, Ayaan Lalani, Anthony Atukunda, Qadilah Kasule, Fatemaazzahraa Binmeskin, Adesola Olayemi Ojo, Rita Al-Agha, Aya Shanshoub, Medha Rajesh Nair (not pictured)

Homeroom Teacher: Ms. Lorraine

A DAY AT AIS - Y 8 HUMANITARIANS



Students: Olayinka Abisola Ojo, Gracelyn Ruth, Rachel Saleena Veedhi, Aisha Shanshoub, Micah James Mugabi, Shaun Daka, Yash Devani, Kartik Marwaha, Christopher Musenze Junior, Dongnaan Dapoet Jessica
Homeroom Teachers: Ms.Valli

PARENT COMMUNITY



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UN DAY 2016-2017



We celebrated UN Day in March to recognise and promote cultural diversity. Our core value of Pluralism really came out that day as we celebrated different cultures at home and across the globe under the theme

“Peace”.

OCTOBER 2016



PLURALISTS

Behave generously, respectfully and tolerantly towards all other cultures and traditions with mutual respect; embrace the rich diversity of the world while also valuing our own identity



School assemblies are an important aspect of the curriculum. They have potential to nurture and maintain a positive school culture that stresses interpersonal intelligence. Every week, the school community gets together and a class takes the opportunity to share their learning with the unit of enquiry.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES



MULTI-LINGUAL
Recognise the importance of maintaining fluency in our mother tongues and the value of acquiring other languages



SCIENCE WEEK - NOVEMBER 2016



Learners showed off their scientific knowledge with experiments and science projects in this fun filled theme week.

TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Teachers at AIS undergo at least 30 hours of professional development activities each year to upgrade content, deepen knowledge & better pedagogical skills. It is widely viewed as an important means of improving teaching and learning. Our staff is also trained by various international institutions like IBO & ISA.



TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



LIFELONG LEARNER

Discover the joy of learning; acquire the skills to 'learn how to learn'
Promote intellectual endeavour and academic excellence through
Enquiry, problem solving, critical thinking and decision
making

Learners spent Service Week giving back to the community in various ways. Some stayed on campus to clean, paint and freshen up the school while others went out to complete different projects in the larger community.

Students were proud of their commitment and hard work on behalf of others.

SERVICE WEEK



DECEMBER 2016



ENVIRONMENTALISTS

Ensure the environmental sustainability of the school and grounds, community, nation and planet Earth

FIELD TRIPS



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RESPONSIBLE
Inspire and ensure discipline and excellence in all pursuits based upon the spirit of personal responsibility, equity, integrity, mutual respect, compassion and service to others





ECDC FAVOURITES WEEK SEPTEMBER 2016



Early childhood got kick off to a fun start early in Term I with favourites week. They got to express themselves by showing off their favourite toys, foods, colours etc. We had fun in this get-to-know-you week!



ECDC STORY WEEK FEBRUARY 2017

Early Childhood friends had a blast with the story week centred on the classic tale of “The Gingerbread Man”. Themed arts& crafts, numeracy, and language activities were capped off with an all-class role play of the story with each class representing different characters. Our little actors put on a great show!



LANGUAGE WEEK - FEBRUARY 2017



Students celebrated Language Week highlighting the significance of languages like French, Kiswahili, Hindi, Telugu, Arabic & Farsi in today's society. Parents came into classes to read stories to students in various mother tongue languages.

MATHS WEEK - MAY 2017



Maths week was aimed at promoting positive aspects of maths, highlighting its practical use in daily life. Students articulated addition, multiplication, fraction and other components of maths problems and their solutions with ease.

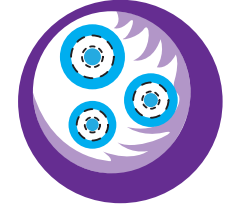


SPORTS DAY

By playing sports, students develop physical skills, make new friends, have fun, learn teamwork, learn about fair play, improve self-esteem and most importantly, stay healthy and balanced. During the celebration of Sports Week, our students participated in various sports activities like swimming, soccer, sack races and many more games, topping off the week with a fun-filled Sports Day.



TEAM
EARTH



TEAM
AIR

TEAM
FIRE



TEAM
WATER



APRIL 2017



SPORTS DAY



Parent competitions yielded the same results as the primary & secondary students' competition!



APRIL 2017



AIS stars shined on stage at the annual school play. This year's play *The Land of Perfection* was written and produced by our very own Ms. Scovia. The underlying plot on the theme of reconciliation was interspersed with exciting performances across various artistic platforms, showcasing our learners' abilities in all dramatic arts. Great job to all our actors.

SCHOOL PLAY



JUNE 2017



EARLY CHILDHOOD GRADUATION



Y6 PYP GRADUATION



First PYP graduates at AIS June 2014 - 2015



Second PYP graduates at AIS June 2015 - 2016



Y6 CLASS OF 2016 - 2017

Y6 PYP EXHIBITION

The PYP exhibition is a time filled with innovation, showcasing of growth and overall celebration of the primary years for our candidate class. The journey started early in the year when we launched ITEM – Inspiring to Empower Mentorship Programme. Through ITEM, Year Six students formed bonds with their chosen mentors and worked towards various projects together leading up to the Exhibition. The students went through a time of self discovery, explored various skills and talents and finally settled on a personal enquiry for their PYP exhibition. The journey has not come to an end; rather we have reached a celebratory stage as learners go on to the next phase of their IB education – MYP.



GLOBAL CITIZENS

Encourage active participation in all aspects of school and home life; recognise the importance of local and global issues; ensure positive integration within the local community, host nation and the world at large.



FIRST DAY AT THE NEW CAMPUS 12th JUNE 2017



LEARNER PROFILE - ENQUIRERS



September 2016 was the month of Enquirers. These Learners were recognised for exploring and developing attitudes of curiosity and creativity.

LEARNER PROFILE - OPEN-MINDED



October 2016 was the month of the “Open-minded”. Learners were recognised for exploring and developing the attitude of appreciation.

LEARNER PROFILE - KNOWLEDGEABLE



In November 2016, Knowledgeable students were recognised for developing attitudes of enthusiasm, independence and confidence in learning.

LEARNER PROFILE - COURAGEOUS



January 2017 was the month of the brave. These Learners explored and developed confidence and commitment, earning themselves a “Courageous” badge.

LEARNER PROFILE - PRINCIPLED



In February 2017 , Outstanding and Budding Principled Learners earned a badge for developing the attitude of integrity.

LEARNER PROFILE - COMMUNICATORS



**March 2017 was the month of communicators.
These Learners explored and developed attitudes
of respect, confidence, integrity and creativity.**

LEARNER PROFILE - BALANCED



Balanced Learners who explored and developed attitudes of co-operation and respect were recognised in the moth of April.

LEARNER PROFILE - THINKERS



May was the month of the “Thinkers”.
These Learners we recognised for exploring
and developing attitudes of creativity and independence.

LEARNER PROFILE - REFLECTIVE



Being the last month of the academic year, June was a time to reflect on the achievements and milestones of the entire year. These learners did a great job with their reflections.

CLASSES OF THE MONTH



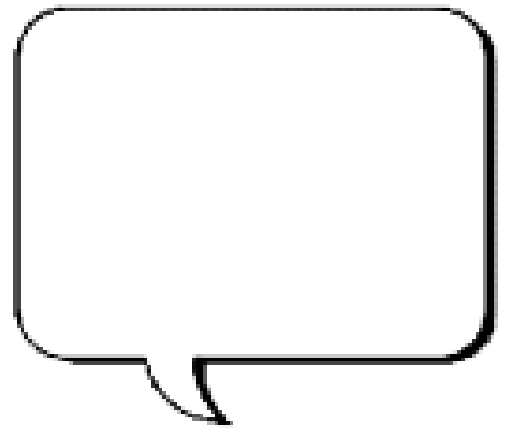
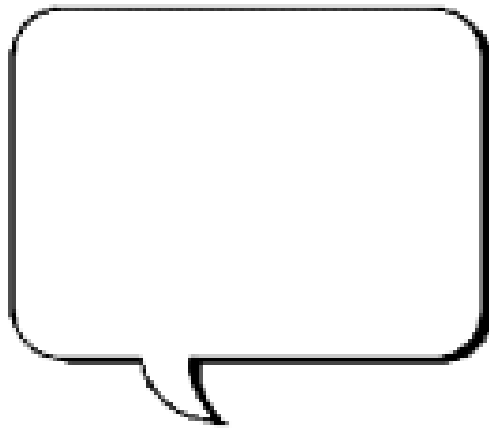
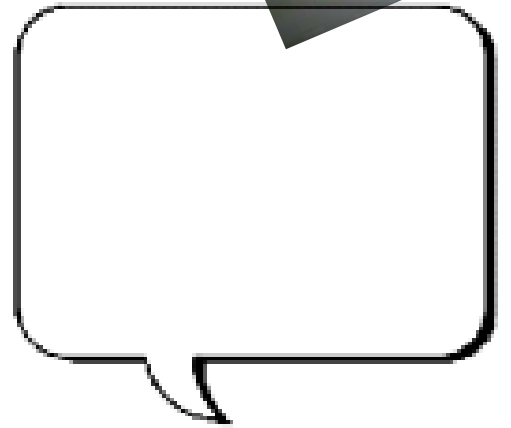
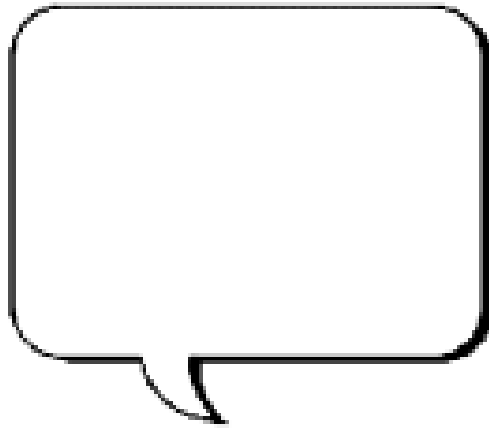
MEET THE AIS STAFF



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Friends
are the family
we Choose for
OURSELVES.



Teachers Autographs

