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IB Newsletter - Alexander Mackenzie High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Hope this newsletter finds you well. We wish you and your family a great year in 2024!

 First semester is coming to an end soon. Here is some information about the exams at the end of semester 1.

| Period | Exam Date | Start Time |
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| 1 | January 25,2024 | 8:30 AM |
| 2 | January 26, 2024 | 8:30 AM |
| 3 | January 29, 2024 | 8:30 AM |
| 4 | January 30, 2024 | 8:30 AM |
| 5 | January 31, 2024 | 8:30 AM |

This is a general schedule for the exams. Please note that:

- There are no regular classes during exam periods. In other words students will only need to show up during the exam time for the course.
 - Not all courses have final summative during the exam period.
- Some courses may have final summatives before the exam period outlined above.
- ⇒ Check with your child and the course teacher if you are unsure.

Your child should arrive at your exam at least 10 minutes prior to the start of your exam. They should also go to the washroom before your exam as well as we would like to limit disruption during this time.

Thursday, February 1 (Exam Review in the morning) - modified schedule

Students can review the exams and final marks with teachers in the classroom during the exam review morning.

| Period 1 Semester 1 class (Exam review) - 8:35 am - 9:12 am; | Break 9:12 AM - 9:17 AM | | |
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| Period 2 Semester 1 class (Exam Review) - 9:17AM - 9:55 AM; | Break 9:55 AM - 10:00 AM | | |
| Period 3 Semester 1 class (Exam Review) - 10:00 AM - 10:37AM; | Break 10:37AM-10:42AM | | |
| Period 4 Semester 1 class (Exam Review) - 10:42 AM - 11:20 AM; | Break 11:20 AM - 11:25 AM | | |
| Period 5 semester 1 class (Exam review) - 11:25 AM - 12:02 PM | | | |
| LUNCH 12:02 PM- 1:10 PM | | | |

1:10 PM- 3: 10 PM - Teachers are available to support students(i.e. individual consultation with students/parents **as needed**, credit salvaging where deemed appropriate course selection consultation/support for the next level of study, etc)

- We understand students may experience some stress due to the upcoming exams. In order to support our students in the preparatory program, student leaders from the IB council are going to host a lunch and learn event on January 12 during the lunch period for our Gr. 9 and 10 students. During this event, pizza lunch will be provided and students can interact with teachers and senior IB students and ask any questions about our program or learn about tips and strategies for exam preparation.
- For DP students (Gr. 11 and 12), here is the schedule for the 2024 MAY EXAM published by IB.
 https://www.ibo.org/globalassets/new-structure/programmes/dp/pdfs/may-2024-examination-schedule-exam-en.pdf
- For DP 1 (Gr. 11) students, they will have to write:
 - Mathematics Analysis and Approaches SL Paper 1 and 2.
 - Physics / Biology SL Paper 1, 2 and 3
- For DP2 (Gr. 12) students: they will have to write:
 - English A literature HL Paper 1 and 2
 - o History HL Paper 1, 2 and 3
 - Chemistry HL Paper 1, 2 and 3
 - o French B SL Paper 1 and 2
- If you are parents of DP candidates, please mark these important dates. Exams will also take place at AMHS. Time is to be confirmed. The exam dates are set by IB and they can not be changed.

Thank you for your attention and continued support of the IB Programme at AMHS. If there are any specific questions about the IB program, please contact us directly.

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