

## A WARM WELCOME TO AISB MIDDLE SCHOOL!

AISB Middle School Office phone number: 06-26-556-000

TO: Families of **NEW** AISB Middle School Students  
FROM: Paul Ducharme, Middle School Principal  
DATE: June 24, 2009  
SUBJECT: **Orientation to the 2009/2010 School Year**

Welcome to AISB Middle School! We look forward to seeing you as part of our orientation Program. Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, we will host our Middle School Orientation Program from 8:00 – 12:20 p.m. All new parents and students will be together to learn about our Middle School Program. Transportation and school lunch representatives will be available to you as well. We look forward to meeting you and answering your questions before the first day of school.

### ESL/Language Placement Tests

#### When: 8:00 – 10:20

##### \*English as a Second Language (ESL) Testing and World Language Placement Testing:

*New (potential ESL) students living in Budapest prior to August 10 who have not taken an English language placement test must make a test appointment with the Admissions Office prior to the week of August 10-14. Parents may contact the Admissions Officer, Ms Gabi Thomas, at 06 26 556 000 or admissions@nk.aisb.hu to make the appointment. The ESL placement test will also be administered to new students (unable to come the previous week) on Orientation Day, Tuesday, August 18 at 8:00 a.m.*

Those students that do not require ESL placement testing will take a World Language assessment. Student options include French, German, or Spanish, though these options are subject to change.

### New Student / Parent Middle School Orientation Day

When:	Tuesday, August 18 <sup>th</sup>
10:00 – 10:25	Welcome Breakfast in the Middle School Foyer.
10:30 – 10:50 a.m.	Meeting for all new MS Students and their Parents in the NK Theatre
10:50 – 11:20 a.m.	Grade Level Introduction and Course Selection (Mr. Ducharme, Ms. Wein, and Mr. Lavoie).
11:20 – 11:50 a.m.	<b>New Parents:</b> Coffee-Chat for new Parents with M.S. Principal and Team Leader Teachers in the cafeteria.
11:20 – 12:10 p.m.	<b>New Students:</b> Ice-breaker, tour, and snack break for new M.S. Students with the M.S. Counselor and some current AISB MS students.
12:10 – 12:20	All students and parents meet back in the cafeteria.

### First Day of School (grades 6 – 8)

When: Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 8:30 a.m.  
Where: Middle School Homerooms

The first day of school, Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, will be a full day. Middle School students will report to their Homerooms at 8:30 a.m. Dismissal will be at 3:30 p.m. **Homeroom class lists will be posted in the ground floor lobby indicating students' Homeroom teachers and room numbers.**

Students may come to school by bus (please make prior arrangements with **Sargent Bus Services** in August), or parents may bring children to school. If you choose to bring your child to school, we request that you drop him or her at the lobby or theatre door and not visit with teachers at that time. Teachers need to give their full attention to their students during those first hours of school. We thank you for your consideration and cooperation.

For those unable to make bus arrangements prior to the first day of school, **bus transportation representatives** will be available in the main entrance of the school all morning on August 24 to meet with parents.

The **Parent School Association (PSA)** graciously sponsors a coffee/tea/informational meeting in the cafeteria the first week we return to school. The date will be announced prior to the start of school.

Please see the reverse side of this memo for **school supplies information** for new students.

## SUPPLIES INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Below is a suggested list of general supplies that students in grades 6, 7 and 8 often need during the school year. It is not meant to be a comprehensive list, as individual subject teachers may have special requirements for their particular courses.

Most items listed can be found at the large stores carrying school supplies, i.e., Auchan, Cora, Tesco. Once the year begins, teachers will identify any special supply requirements for individual subjects.

assignment book (provided by the school and required for use)  
large metal-ring binder with dividers (grades 7&8)  
extra subject dividers for the binder (grades 7&8)  
loose-leaf paper suitable for use with or without binders  
5 small journals [A5] (grade 6)  
blue and black pens  
pencils  
erasers  
colored pencils  
colored markers  
colored highlighter set  
30 cm ruler (grades 6&8)  
scissors (grades 6&8)  
hole punch (grades 6&8)  
glue stick  
protractor  
compass  
basic calculator (grade 6)  
USB 1 GB (Grade 8)

**Math calculators for grades 7 and 8:** It is recommended that a scientific calculator (Sin, Cos and Tan Keys) be purchased. You can get good local models (TI, Casio, Sharp) for about 2000-5000 HUF.

**Physical Education:** indoor sport shoes, athletic shorts, T-shirt, sport socks (white), sweatshirt, and sweatpants or warm-up suit for outside during cooler weather. Please note that physical education clothes cannot be the same clothes students wear to other classes.