



To: ASFG Community
From: Janet Heinze
Re: June Newsletter

This past Saturday 80 seniors, many of which have been at the school since early childhood, departed from ASFG during our high school graduation ceremony. It is always an exceptionally rewarding day for students, parents and staff alike when we send off our graduates well prepared for the future. A special note of thanks to Mr. Daniel Keller, Consul General of the United States of America, Lic. Carlos Wolstein, President of the ASFG Board of Directors, Dr. Moises Hernandez, President of the ASFG Alumni Association, Mrs. Betty Van Der Kaaij, President of the Parent's Association, Mr. David McGrath, High School Principal and our senior speakers, Valedictorian, Murat Naim Dagli Tovar, and Salutatorian, Eun Ji Lee Wang for their participation in the ceremony. Please join me in congratulating all of our graduating seniors and their families.

Eighth grade promotion will be on Wednesday, June 23 at 1:00pm in the auditorium and 4th grade graduation will be on Tuesday, June 22 at 12:00pm in the auditorium.

The school year is quickly coming to a close. These past two weeks I have been privileged to attend a variety of student presentations that made me so aware of what ASFG offers our students. The early childhood mini olympics, the elementary choir concert, the 4th grade Folklorama presentations, the 7th grade debates, the 8th grade film festival, the Advanced Placement reading night, the senior project presentations, the National Honor Society induction ceremony, the final Jazzberry concert, Ms. Anita's farewell concert, and the Haiti Relief concert organized by our high schools students, all attested to the developed skills and unique characteristics and talents of our students. In each presentation the students excelled as confident performers, constructive and pro-active community leaders, creative problem solvers, and skillful speakers and writers. Congratulations to our students! A special thanks to our active Parent Association this year for providing constant support for all of our school activities. A special recognition for the leadership of Mrs. Betty Van Der Kaaij, Parent Association President, and her wonderful team for their dedication to the school.

As you know each year some of our staff members leave to teach in other countries or to return to their home countries. This is the nature of all international schools and international teachers. On behalf of the ASFG Board of Directors and the entire ASFG community we extend our heartfelt appreciation for their contribution to our students and school. Our new teachers for next year begin arriving this month.

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All sections, as well as the Language Institute, have prepared summer school programs for this vacation period. Please view the homepage of our web site or contact your section offices for more information. There is a program for everyone! The PE & Sports Department is offering a **free** sports camp for students going into grades 1st -6th. Sign up in the PE office. Summer assignment information for all returning and new ASFG students is also available on our web page: www.asfg.mx

Because of our international teaching staff we adjust the ASFG school calendar to meet international school expectations. **Classes will resume on Monday, August 16, 2010 for elementary, middle school and high school. Early childhood will begin a week later because of SEP staff development. Early Childhood will begin classes on Monday, August 23, 2010.** Please check the ASFG web site during the summer for the beginning week schedule as different sections and different grades return to classes on distinct days and times.

We have a new PE & sports uniform for next year. This will only be obligatory for ASOMEX participants next year. Students will have one year to transition into the new uniforms. Students, staff, and parents all participated in some way with the designing of the new uniform. I am confident you will appreciate the new look and material. The new uniforms will be on sale beginning June 28 in the Undo Skin store located in Plaza Bonita local 27-D and on campus from August 17-25 and from September 1-8, 2010.

The 2010-2011 parent/student handbook will be available on-line July 1, 2010. There are new policies and procedures that you should be familiar with. Please read through the manual before classes begin with your child/children so that all guidelines are well-known and understood by all. It also gives you a good overview of what the school offers its students and families.

Once again thank you for your continued confidence in ASFG to provide your children with an exceptional educational experience. Our goal is to prepare your child to be a purposeful learner, a critical and creative thinker, an effective communicator, and a community contributor. Enjoy a well deserved rest in the company of your family and friends. Travel safe and see you in August.

Respectfully,

Ms. Janet Heinze
Director General