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# Whole School

## Hari Raya Celebration Day

It was fantastic to see all the learners and staff dress in traditional Malay costumes on Monday. There was a wonderful spread of different Malay food that included satay, chicken rendang and lots of traditional cookies. The MPR was set-up to show different aspects of Malay life and culture, as well as celebrating Hari Raya. The highlight of the day was the lunchtime fashion show, where learners showed their vibrant costumes. The school would like to thank everyone involved especially Ms Hidayah and the Parent Teacher Friends Group.





**Dear Parents,**

With the start of the New Academic Year, Nexus Librarians welcome you for a **“Coffee Morning” on 18th September – 8.45 to 10 AM**. An occasion to meet up and discuss your participation as Parent Library Volunteers. You can help the Nexus Library by volunteering in a number of programs. Take part in this rewarding experience and assist others in your community . We highly appreciate you giving your skills, time and energy freely and with enthusiasm.

We look forward to hearing from you. Best Regards, Nexus Librarians

Please contact **Rashmi Moghe** if you would like to attend - [moghe.r@nexus.edu.my](mailto:moghe.r@nexus.edu.my)

## **Nexus Education Forum (NEF)**

As you may know, the Nexus Education Forum (NEF) was set up to promote discussion and understanding between parents and teachers around the learning experience in our school. This year, we hope to grow in membership and impact and for that reason we invite parents to apply for the position of Forum Ambassador. This role would involve encouraging attendance at our events, as well as consulting with staff on the main concerns and questions that parents would like to discuss. It would not be onerous, but would greatly help our group to grow and reach more participants.

For further information on the forum, please go to <http://bit.ly/nefsite>  
To express your interest or simply find out more, please email [eduforum@nexus.edu.my](mailto:eduforum@nexus.edu.my)

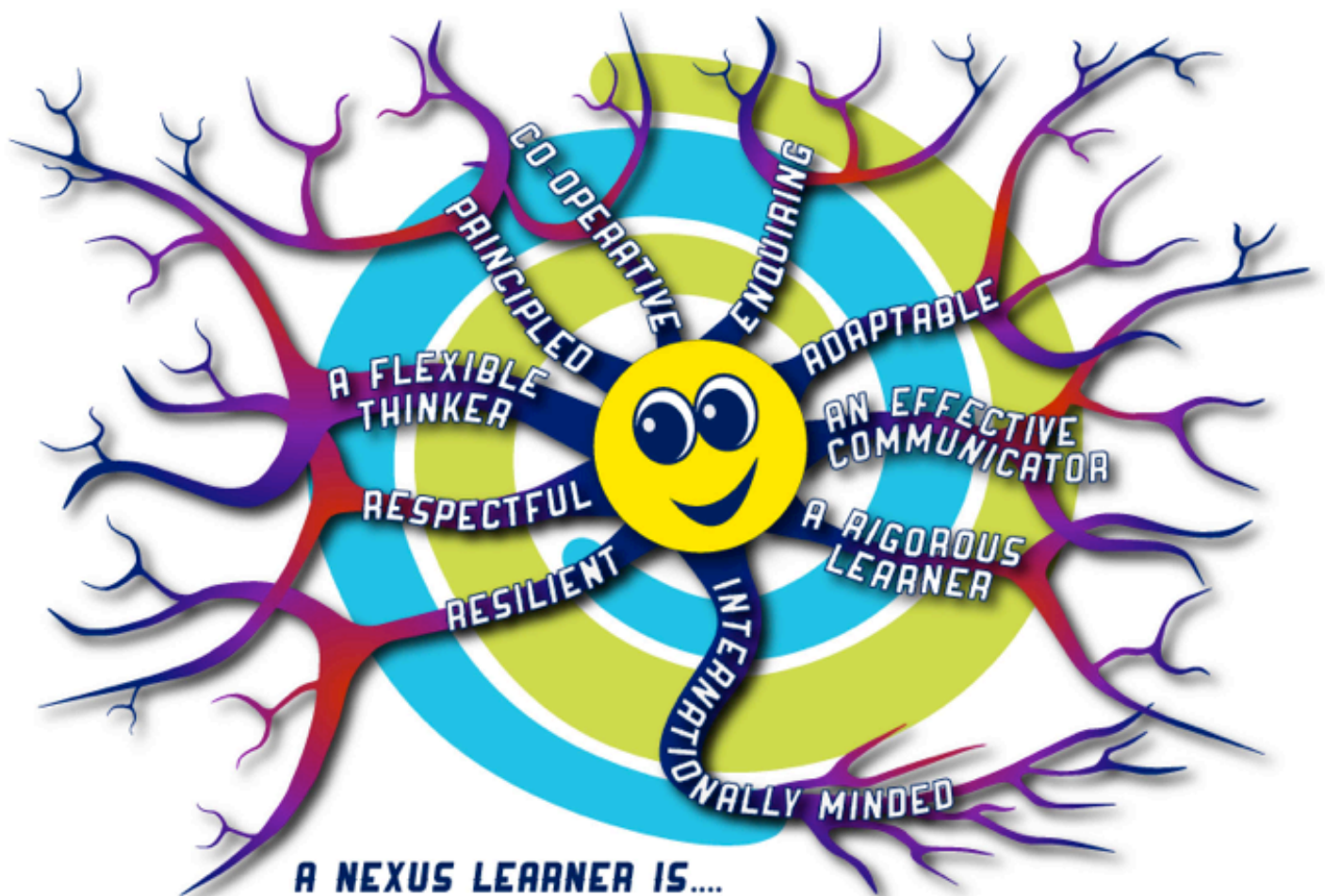
# Primary

## Improved Nexus Neuron

We have improved our Neuron design. The Nexus Neuron illustrates the personal skills and dispositions that we promote and help to develop in our learners. We have recently added that a Nexus Learner is a Rigorous Learner.

This means that a Nexus Learner:

- Enjoys challenging themselves
- Fully engages in all learning experiences
- Always tries their best and takes pride in the presentation of their work
- Has high expectations of themselves and others
- Can be relaxed and yet alert



## Personal Goals in the IPC

This week we have been looking carefully at our Personal Goals. We are preparing to be accredited by IPC in November and as part of our self-review would like to refine our definition of International Mindedness. We would like to hear from all parents about what you think International Mindedness is. Please write your thoughts on the board in the cafeteria or on the Padlet page below:

<http://padlet.com/wall/NISP-International>

## Meet and Greet Coffee Mornings

I hope parents have found the information given at these meetings useful.

There are 3 meetings left:

- Monday - Year 1
- Tuesday - Nursery
- Wednesday - Reception
- Friday - IPC information session for new parents

## Pre-accreditation Visit

Two representatives from the IPC will be visiting the school on September 19th and will want to ask parents for their thoughts too. Please email David – [griffiths.d@nexus.edu.my](mailto:griffiths.d@nexus.edu.my) if you would like to help us out with this. We need to gather a group of about 5 or six together and we will fully brief all volunteers – and offer tea and cake!

## Pre-nursery Class

Please note that children can join our pre-nursery class once they turn 3 years old. Joining at this age enables learners to get a good head start before they join the Nursery class in the following August. We have seen a marked difference between learners who have been in our pre-nursery classes and those who have not. The provision in Early Years is very high quality and is one of the most rapidly expanding areas of the school.

## Mornings in Early Years

After 8.30am we expect all primary learners to be exercising. Whilst this is working well in Milepost 2 and 3, the younger learners are not able to exercise fully due to the space in the early years area being congested with parents. We would like to politely ask that parents leave the Early Years area at 8.30am so that the learners can use the space fully. Parents may wait on the other side of the fence/gate if they wish to watch.



## Year 6 Camp

We hope to get a review of the trip next week in Connect. There have been several updates this week on Facebook and Twitter and we encourage all parents to follow NISP on both of these social media outlets.

 [Nexus International School, Putrajaya](#)

 [@nexusintlschool](#)

# Spotlight on IPC Year 1 Entry Point

**This week saw the entry point for Year 1 and their IPC theme – ‘Who am I?’**

The children co-operated well in order to build a huge rocket that could carry them to a far off imaginary land. Once aboard, they flew through the stars, spun and twirled through space until they reached their destination.

The learners were all fully engaged in using their imagination in order to decide upon a place in which they would land. Through imagining where they will live, who will be there and what it will look like they will learn more about themselves, their family and their cultures by comparing and contrasting. Parents can see the Subject goals that will be covered in the theme by referring to the website below:

<http://www.nexus.edu.my/Learning/Primary/Primary-Curriculum.aspx#year1and2>

Or in the Curriculum letter, which will be given out at the Meet and Greet morning, next week, and posted on the website soon.



# Secondary

## Book List for Year 10 to 13

Please click on the link [here](#) to see the compulsory list of books that need to be purchased for learners in Year 10, 11, 12 & 13. These books can be purchased from the school bookshop next to the main office.

## PE Notices

Welcome back to Nexus and a full sporting calendar for 2013/14. We have lots of exciting fixtures and events coming-up across a wide range of different sports. Please take a look at the fixtures calendar to keep up-to-date on when and where these are taking place. If you would like to be a part of one of the Nexus sports teams, then please attend the CCA in the activity area that you are interested in competing.

[Click here for Calendar](#)

An exciting addition to Nexus PE and CCA this year, is the brand new Sports Science Lab on LEVEL 4. In here you will find lots of hi-tech fitness equipment that you can use during lunch and after-school clubs, to help keep you fit and healthy.

If you are intending to come along to use this facility then please remember to bring a towel, a water bottle and appropriate clothing (PE kit is fine). Speak to a member of the PE Department if you would like more information.

Please find below the weekly timetable.

	7.15 - 8.15 AM	1.05 - 1.40 PM	3.15- 4.30 PM
Monday	Staff Meeting	Mr. Paul	Mr. Kit
Tuesday	Fitness Club (Mr. Martyn)	Mr. Andy	CCA
Wednesday	Mr. Paul	Mr. Kit	Mr. Kit
Thursday	Fitness Club (Mr. Martyn)	Mr. Andy	CCA
Friday		Mr. Kit	

# Boarding House

## First Saturday Trip of the Term

Wet and Wow, they were the first two words I had in my mind when I was told that we were going to a water park village on Saturday. We actually thought that it was going to be full of water slides and everything but they had boats instead. We went there at 1130 on the bus, however, we arrived later than expected as the bus driver didn't know his way and had to ask his friends for direction, nonetheless, we got there safe and sound.



It was just a pit stop, as after we arrived some boats came and took us to their private beach. We had activities like banana-boating, speed-boating and other kinds of water sports which gave all of us an adrenalin rush. Unfortunately, it rained suddenly and our fun was cut short, but still, we had a really great time that was quite inline with my first two words, wet and wow!

By Akihiro (Year 11)



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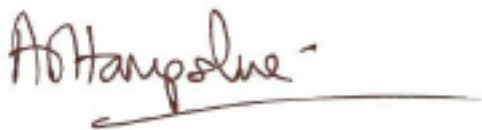
## **New Boarding Charges**

Please be aware that as of the commencement of this academic year, there have been a couple of changes to boarding fees which may be of interest to parents.

1. The fee for Day Boarders has been reduced to RM4000 per term. A Day Boarder joins the other boarders for breakfast and dinner. They can also complete prep in the Boarding House.
2. Occasional Boarders are also welcomed to stay in boarding for one night to several nights depending on their situation. The fee for an Occasional Boarder (overnight) is RM100 per night. The fee for an Occasional Boarder (day) is RM60.

If you have any questions regarding staying in boarding please contact Ms. Mun or Ms. Lina at the boarding front office.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "Alison Hampshire". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a long horizontal stroke.

**Alison Hampshire**

Principal