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Director's Message:

Dear Parents,



Yesterday it was reported on the Guineenews.org website that recent optimism in Guinea due to its new leadership was leading to the return of many expatriates who had previously left the country. This coincided with the visit of one of our parents who announced the probable return of his family next week, and thus the return of four of our old students. Any time one of our students returns it is indeed a time for celebration and we obviously are excited about our continued resurgence.

Today we are sending report cards out for the first semester, which we hope will give a solid indication of your child's progress through this rather interrupted school semester. Following on from the release of these reports we will be having our regular parent/teacher conferences in the coming weeks whereby parents can learn more about their child's performance thus far. Parents will also have the chance to speak firsthand about their progress while also addressing any concerns that you may have with your child's teachers. While the date for parent/teacher meetings will be finalized in the coming days, parents are always welcome to schedule a meeting with teachers sooner or at a date that is more convenient. As we have reiterated on numerous occasions the success of our students is based on a partnership between the school and home and the chance to meet face to face is obviously a vital way of keeping this partnership strong.

Whereas it has been a difficult year in many respects I would like to pay tribute to both our students and teachers who managed to maintain our high academic standards despite the numerous distractions in Guinea this school year. Not only was our school population able to adapt in response to political troubles, we also managed to catch up on a great deal of time lost and will continue to do so till the end of the year.

Thanks goes out also to Mr. Pratt who led the school during my absence last week. While it was an adventure travelling to another school in Africa, it is always nice to touch back down in Conakry. While I was away interviewing for a position for next year our School Board was also paving the way to recruit my replacement in the coming weeks. Having seen the resumes of the candidates interested in the Director's position for 2010/2011 and onwards, I can assure our school community that we have some excellent candidates for the position and the school can look forward to a wonderful future.

Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Greg Hughes

Director

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AISC Dates to Remember

Date	Time	Activity/Location
February 7, 2010		Prophet Mohammed Birthday (TBC)
April 3 – 10, 2010		Mid Term Break
May 1, 2010		Labor Day
May 25, 2010		Africa Day
June 18, 2010		Rescheduled Last Day of School



HAPPY GECKO BIRTHDAY



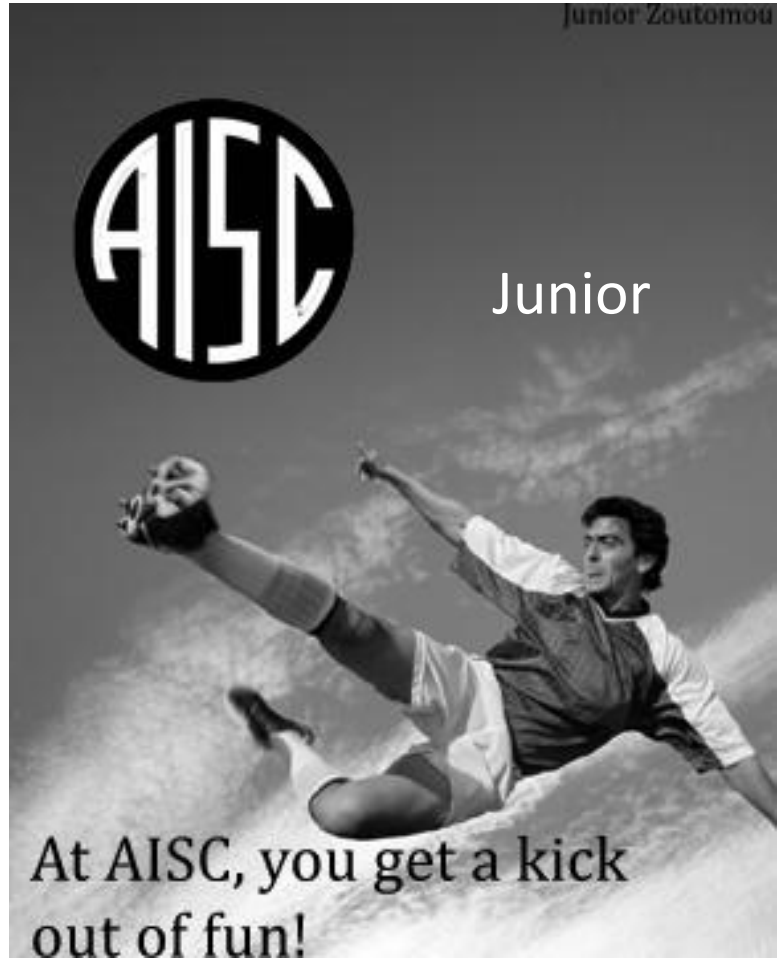
Birthdays This Month: **JANUARY**

- Aisya Mohammed Abdullhi Grade 8 5th
- Antoine Lucic Grade 11 9th
- Binta Balde Grade 9 18th
- Mr. Sam George-Pratt Teacher 28th

AISC MISSION STATEMENT

The American International School of Conakry is a community of learners engaging in discovery and invention, reflection and problems solving. We teach an International curriculum using diverse teaching methods so our international student body will be lifelong learners with the knowledge, creativity, ethical values, and sense of worth necessary to flourish in a rapidly changing global society.

Contribution from Grades 6-8 : Adobe Photoshop Activities



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