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Aiming to develop “the ability to approach learning

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Swimming classes were resumed last year. This year, we held it in May, before the weather got too hot. This year again, we were able to use the swimming pool at the nearby Al Ghazali School.

Starting this school year, the Ministry of Education has issued a regulation that the number of students allowed to swim at one time must be less than 25. Therefore, all students were separated into three groups by grade level, and swimming classes were held from 8:30 a.m. on an hourly rotation schedule. On the first day of swimming class, the administrative manager of Al Ghazali School said to me, “I think I do not have to limit the number of people using the pool, because the children at the Japanese school listen to their teacher's guide, follow their turns, and swim class safely. Please come and see how wonderful the Japanese school students are learning. I heard that he told the Ministry of Education official, “Please come and see how wonderful the students at the Japanese school are learning. “The manager was impressed by the swimming class of our students in the last school year.



By the time one group had completed its one-hour study period, two groups had begun getting ready at poolside; from 8:30 to 11:30, the three groups efficiently rotated through the swimming class. The administrative manager was even more impressed with this year's learning than he saw last year. He said “The learning system this year is fantastic, they are using the pool efficiently. This is because of the teacher's planning and the students' following the teacher's instructions. But even more impressive are the students who are enthusiastic about what they are learning. Everyone has a great beginning and ending manners.”

At the swimming pool, one of the teachers was assisting a crawl hand stroke with his hand. Another teacher was helping the students to master the timing of the breaststroke and hold their breath with his hand. A swimming coach who was watching this kind of instruction said, “Good coaching. All Japanese teachers can coach swimming? That is great.” Al Ghazali School has a strong swimming program, and in one of this year's swimming competitions, the school won first, second, and third places, and was awarded as an excellent school. The swimming coach was amazed at the swimming instruction, with every teacher leading and assisting by example.



By renting the pool, it seems like a good opportunity for everyone to see not only our students' attitude toward learning, listening, and group behavior, but also the Japanese-style education. In the educational guideline, one of the qualities and abilities that we aim to develop is “the ability to approach learning, humanity, etc.” The “ability to approach learning and humanity” means the ability to relate to society and the world, and to lead a better life, including the ability to influence others with what one has learned. The ability to express themselves, to be active, to never give up, and to be creative are also included in this “ability approach learning. We hope that students who will live in a society where globalization is further accelerating will continue to refine the “approach to learning” that they have acquired so far, and further enhance these qualities and abilities.

【Schedule for June & July】



This year we started activities of vertical groups with G6 as leader. Activities are held on Wednesday lunch breaks. The activities are planned around the leader.



Children from G1 to G9 gather at each of the vertical groups to eat their lunches. Afterwards, it is time to continue the activities!

	June	July
1	Sat	Mon Term-end Exam①
2	Sun Eiken	Tue Term-end Exam②
3	Mon Sports Class	Wed
4	Tue	Thu Student Committee
5	Wed Evacuation Drill	Fri
6	Thu Student Committee Swimming Lesson	Sat
7	Fri	Sun Islamic New Year Eiken 2nd Stage
8	Sat	Mon
9	Sun	Tue G5-9 Proficiency Test
10	Mon Sports Class	Wed Committee Meeting②
11	Tue Dental & Medical Check	Thu
12	Wed Committee Meeting	Fri
13	Thu	Sat
14	Fri	Sun
15	Sat Eid Holiday Kanji Kentei	Mon Parent-Teacher Meeting
16	Sun Eid Holiday	Tue
17	Mon Eid Holiday	Wed
18	Tue Eid Holiday	Thu
19	Wed Eid Holiday	Fri Closing Ceremony
20	Thu	Sat
21	Fri Open Class Hyakunin Isshu Tournament	Sun
22	Sat	Mon Summer Holiday Summer Lesson
23	Sun	Tue Summer Lesson
24	Mon Sports Class	Wed Summer Lesson
25	Tue	Thu
26	Wed Swimming Lesson	Fri
27	Thu	Sat
28	Fri	Sun
29	Sat	Mon
30	Sun	Tue
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