



THE MCNAIR WAAG

OCTOBER 3 – 7, 2022

Monday Oct 3	Tuesday Oct 4	Wednesday Oct 5	Thursday Oct 6	Friday Oct 7
Day 1	Day 2 (Flex)	Day 1 Collaboration Day (late start 9:55am) <i>World Teacher's Day</i> <i>Yom Kippur (Judaism)</i> <i>Dassehra (Hinduism)</i>	Day 2 (Flex)	Day 1 <i>Mawlid-al-Nabi (7-8) (Islam)</i>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

School Photo

School photos were completed on Wednesday Sep 28. All students received a card with a personalized QR code for photo viewing on Oct 3. Please visit https://artona.com/student_requests/digit_code for viewing and to order photos.

Yom Kippur (Oct 5 – Judaism)

Yom Kippur—the Day of Atonement—is considered the most important holiday in the Jewish faith. It marks the culmination of the 10 Days of Awe, a period of introspection and repentance that follows Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year. According to tradition, it is on Yom Kippur that God decides each person's fate, so Jews are encouraged to make amends and ask forgiveness for sins committed during the past year. The holiday is observed with a 25-hour fast and a special religious service.

Dassehra (Oct 5 – Hinduism)

Dassehra or Vijayadashami marks the triumph of Rama, an avatar of Vishnu, over the 10-headed demon king Ravana, who abducted Rama's wife, Sita. The festival's name is derived from the Sanskrit words dasa ("ten") and hara ("defeat"). Symbolizing the victory of good over evil, Dussehra is celebrated on the 10th day of the month of Ashvina, Dussehra coincides with the culmination of the nine-day Navratri festival and with the tenth day of the Durga Puja festival. For many, it marks the beginning of preparation for Diwali, which occurs 20 days after Dassehra.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Oct 10	Thanksgiving Day (school closed)
Oct 14	Interim Reports Emailed Home
Oct 20-23	Leadership Conference
Oct 20	PAC Meeting (7pm – Virtual)
Oct 21	Pro-D Day (school closed)
Oct 26	School Photo Retakes
Oct 28	Haunted House
Oct 31	Halloween

Mawlid-al-Nabi (Oct 7-8 – Islam)

Mawlid al-Nabi, Arabic for the "birthday of the prophet", marks the anniversary of the Prophet Muhammad's birth. Some Muslims commemorate the event because of his significance in Islam. The faithful believe that the Quran, God's final testament to mankind, was revealed to the prophet, and that he was the most important messenger sent to humanity. Those marking the event will attend special meals, often held at mosques with other members of the community, and spend the day reflecting on the teachings of the prophet.

PAC Meeting (Oct 20)

The next PAC Meeting will be held virtually on Zoom on Thursday **Oct 20th at 7:00pm**. New parents and guardians are welcome to join.

Meeting Link: [Click Here](#)

Meeting ID: **882 8018 6114** Passcode: **096317**

IMPORTANT LINKS:

[MyEd Portal Login Info](#)
[Newsletter](#)
[Career Centre Information](#)

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