



Anglican International School of Jerusalem CHRISTIAN SCHOOL DOCUMENTS

Introduction

The Anglican International School in Jerusalem (AISJ) is run by an independent amutah (charity) registered under the name of the Israel Trust of the Anglican Church (ITAC). ITAC is the Israel arm of CMJ (UK) – the Church's Ministry Among Jewish People.

The school is authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization and by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges, USA. A description of CMJ is contained in the Appendix.

Description

AISJ is a private and non-selective Christian school providing education to students from pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 (ages 3-18).

Statement of Purpose

AISJ is a Christian school. It is rooted in faith in Jesus Christ, which motivates a lifestyle of love, truth, mercy and forgiveness and provides an environment of educational excellence. The school welcomes students of all faiths and of none, and respects the rich diversity of the communities it serves.

Theological Foundation

As an Anglican foundation, the beliefs of AISJ are grounded in the Holy Scriptures and historic creeds of the church. It is therefore a mainstream Christian institution which welcomes people from different theological traditions and denominations.

Aims:

- Providing a context where faith in Jesus Christ is taught about and practised
- Reflecting in action and word the love of God for all people, recognizing that all are made in the image of God
- Delivering curriculum in a holistic framework that promotes the spiritual, moral, social, physical and cultural development of each student
- Seeking to further reconciliation and oppose all forms of racism
- Nurturing in their faith those who are Christians
- Creating an open environment in which all may explore biblical and Christian teaching and tradition

Practices:

Admission

-Students are welcome from all faith backgrounds or none. Admission is granted on the basis that parents sign an Admission Form to indicate that they have read this document and understand the Christian nature of the school and accept its practical implications.

Curriculum

-The curriculum is secular, broad, balanced and consistent with the Statement of Purpose and Aims of the school.

-The school draws on the best from a wide range of sources, religious and secular, in order to support a curriculum appropriate to the needs of international and local students in a Christian school.

-Religious Education is compulsory throughout the school. Whilst respecting people of other faiths, the school places an emphasis on learning about and from the Christian faith. The land and cultures of Israel, and the city of Jerusalem in particular, are invaluable resources in bringing the Bible to life. Students study major world religions including Judaism and Islam. Opportunities to explore the relationship between Judaism and Christianity are positively exploited. Only Christian staff will be responsible for teaching RE.