

24th JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Dear parent/Guardian,

It is with great gratitude that I share that today marks the successful conclusion of our **2025/2026 Academic Year**. We thank God for His grace, protection, and faithfulness throughout the year and do not take His blessings for granted.

This has been a year filled with learning, growth, and memorable achievements across all sections of the school. While many significant milestones were realized throughout the academic year, this newsletter highlights the key activities and accomplishments of this term. We hope you enjoy reading about the wonderful experiences that have enriched the learning journey of our students.



Academics

This term, our learners continued to make commendable progress across both the **ACE** and **Pearson Edexcel** programs. Through consistent effort, quality teaching, and a supportive learning environment, they strengthened their academic skills while developing critical thinking, creativity, and confidence. We congratulate all our learners on their achievements and encourage them to remain focused as they continue their educational journey.

I. Transition of grade six (6) of 2026/2027 academic year from ACE to Pearson Edexcel curriculum.

As part of our commitment to providing a seamless international education pathway, we are pleased to announce that the **Grade 6 Class of the 2026/2027 Academic Year** will transition from the **ACE Curriculum** to the **Pearson Edexcel Curriculum**. This marks an exciting milestone, ensuring our learners experience a smooth progression into Year 7 while continuing to receive a world-class education that equips them with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to excel in a global environment.

II. International GCSE/Advanced Subsidiary/Advanced Level Examinations

International GCSE, IAS & IAL Examinations

Etham School successfully presented **20 learners for the International GCSE (IGCSE), 6 learners for the International Advanced Subsidiary (IAS), and 4 learners for the International Advanced Level (IAL)** examinations during the **May-June 2026** examination series. We commend our candidates for their dedication and wish them every success as we eagerly await the release of the results in **August 2026**.

We encourage our IGCSE graduates to secure the limited **Year 12** places available at Etham School. Parents and guardians who know students from other schools who have successfully completed their O-Level/IGCSE studies are also invited to encourage them to apply for admission to our Year 12 programme.

Our Pearson Edexcel A Level programme offers the following subjects: **English Language, Literature in English, Geography, History, Psychology, Accounting, Business, Economics, Information Technology, Computer Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Mathematics**. Kindly note that **Mathematics follows the Pure Mathematics and Statistics pathway**, preparing learners for university programmes in STEM, Business, Economics, Law and related fields.



IGCSE CLASS OF 2026

III. Academic Clinic

This term, Etham School successfully conducted Academic Clinics for all classes, providing a valuable opportunity for parents, teachers, and learners to review academic progress, celebrate achievements, and identify areas requiring additional support. These one-on-one interactions strengthened the partnership between home and school and enabled meaningful discussions on each learner's growth and development.

We sincerely thank all parents and guardians who took the time to attend these important sessions. Your presence, encouragement, and collaboration play a significant role in your child's academic success.

We encourage all parents to continue partnering with the school by participating in activities communicated through the school calendar and term dates, particularly our Academic Clinics. Regular engagement allows us to work together in setting achievable goals, monitoring progress, addressing challenges early, and ensuring that every learner reaches their full potential.

At Etham School, we firmly believe that a strong partnership between parents and teachers is key to nurturing confident, responsible, and high-achieving learners. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to your child's educational journey.

IV. A glimpse of the British curriculum

I would like to warmly welcome all our new parents and provide an overview of the curriculum offered at Etham School.

Our learners begin their educational journey in the **ACE Curriculum**, which is offered from the early years through **Grade 5**. At the completion of Grade 5, learners transition seamlessly to the **Pearson Edexcel British Curriculum**, beginning in **Year 6** and continuing through **Year 13**.

In high school the British Curriculum is organised into three key stages:

- **Key Stage 3:** Year 7 – Year 9
- **Key Stage 4:** Year 10 – Year 11
- **Key Stage 5:** Year 12 – Year 13 (International Advanced Level)

At the end of **Year 11**, learners sit the internationally recognised **International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)** examinations. They then progress to **Year 12 and Year 13**, where they undertake the **International Advanced Subsidiary (IAS)** and **International Advanced Level (IAL)** examinations, qualifications that prepare them for university education worldwide.

While learners may choose to exit after Year 11 to pursue diploma programmes offered by some local institutions, we strongly encourage them to complete **Year 13**. Completing the full A Level programme broadens university options and satisfies the admission requirements of most leading universities in Kenya and around the world.

Upon successful completion of Year 13, our graduates are well prepared to join prestigious universities both locally and internationally. In Kenya, they may enrol in leading institutions such as **Strathmore University, Kabarak University, Daystar University, United States International University–Africa (USIU-Africa), the University of Nairobi**, and many others. They also have the opportunity to pursue higher education abroad, as **Pearson Edexcel qualifications are internationally recognised and highly regarded by universities across the globe**.

At Etham School, we are committed to providing a smooth academic pathway that equips our learners with the knowledge, skills, and globally recognised qualifications they need to succeed in higher education and beyond.

Co-curricular activities

At **Etham School**, we place great value on co-curricular activities because we recognize the vital role they play in nurturing well-rounded learners. Beyond academic excellence, we are committed to developing our students' talents, leadership skills, creativity, teamwork, confidence, and physical well-being.

We offer a wide range of exciting co-curricular activities that cater to diverse interests and abilities. These include **Football, Basketball, Athletics, Photography, Do It Yourself (DIY), Fine Art, Swimming, Taekwondo, Chess, Skating, Coding, Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (AI)**.

Through active participation in these programmes, our learners discover their passions, build lifelong skills, cultivate discipline and resilience, and develop the confidence to excel both in and beyond the classroom. We believe that every child possesses unique talents, and our co-curricular programme provides the ideal platform for them to explore, grow, and achieve their full potential.

Taekwondo Student Graduation



Congratulations to Gesare Chepkoech, Rachel Asanga, and Kiprop Kalya on earning their Yellow Belts! We celebrate this well-deserved achievement and wish them continued success in their journey.

Introduction of career and cultural week.

As part of our commitment to nurturing well-rounded learners, Etham School will dedicate **Week 5 of next term (28th September, 2026 – 2nd October, 2026)** to celebrating Career Awareness and Cultural Diversity Week. This exciting initiative is designed to expose learners to various career opportunities while fostering an appreciation of the diverse cultures that make up our global community.

Throughout the week, learners will participate in themed dress-up activities that encourage creativity, self-expression, and an appreciation of different professions and cultural identities.

Parents are kindly requested to purchase or make available the required attire for their child to participate fully in the week's activities.

We encourage all learners to participate enthusiastically as we celebrate careers, cultures, and diversity. We look forward to an enjoyable and enriching week filled with learning, creativity, and school spirit.

Programme for the Week

Day	Date	Theme	Dress code
1	28 th September 2026	Career day	Dress according to your preferred career or profession.
2	29 th September 2026	Office wear day	Smart office or corporate attire.
3	30 th September 2026	African print day	Wear African print attire (Ankara, Kitenge, Kikoy, or similar).
4	1 st October 2026	Cultural Heritage Day	Dress in traditional attire representing your cultural heritage.
5	2 nd October 2026	Sports day	Wear a sports jersey with black trousers or black pants.

School fees

We sincerely thank you for your continued support and for the timely payment of school fees. Your commitment has greatly contributed to the smooth running of our academic programmes and the provision of quality education for our learners.

As we prepare for the next term, we kindly remind you to ensure that **all outstanding school fees are fully paid before the school reopens**. Fee invoices have already been sent to your registered email addresses. If you have not received your invoice or require any clarification regarding your fee statement, please contact the School Accounts Department, who will be happy to assist you.

To ensure a smooth start to the new term and to avoid any inconvenience to your child, we respectfully request that **all fees be cleared before the first day of school** unless a dispensation has been allowed. Please note that learners with outstanding fee balances may not be permitted to attend classes until the required payments have been made, in accordance with the school's fee policy.

Kindly make your payment through any of the school accounts listed below:

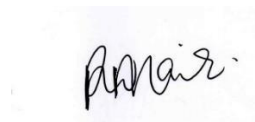
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		Acc Number	0390622001
	KCB	Acc Name	Etham School Limited Fees A/C
		Acc Number	1305718747
M-pesa details	DTB	Paybill	516600
		Acc Number	0140390622001
	KCB	Paybill	522522
		Acc Number	1305718747

Calendar of events for Term 1 2026/2027 Academic Year

Month	Week	Date	Event	Time
SEPTEMBER	1	Tuesday, 1/9/2026	School Opening	8:00am
	5	28/9/2026 - 2/10/2026	Career/ Cultural week	7:50am
OCTOBER	6	5/10/2026 - 8/10/2026	Mid-term examinations	8:00am
	7	13/10/2026 - 20/10/2026	Start of mid-term break	8:00am
	8	Wednesday 21/10/2026	Learners resume from mid-term break Academic clinic for High School (Year 7-13)	8:00am
	8	Monday 26/10/2026	Academic clinic: Kindergarten and Junior School	8:00am
NOVEMBER	12	19/11/2026 - 24/11/2026	End term examinations	8:00am
	13	Friday, 27/11/2026	Graduation ceremony/ Carol service Closing of the school for the December holidays	9:00am 4:00pm

On behalf of the school, I wish you a happy summer holiday.

Yours Faithfully,



Mr. Peter Waiganjo
Principal