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The Alumni Office at Aitchison College develops, promotes and manages programmes for our alumni to keep them connected with the College and one another. The office also coordinates with ACOBA and different College departments to generate maximum alumni engagement and support.

ALUMNUS IN FOCUS

Sarmad Sultan Khoosat



PC: Abdullah Harris

Sarmad Sultan Khoosat is a renowned actor, television director and screenwriter. He is the son of veteran artist Irfan Khoosat. In 2016, he was awarded the prestigious Pride of Performance award for his remarkable contribution to the industry.

Sarmad gained prominence in the mid-90s for his role in the popular sitcom Shashlik. In 2007, he began his career as a writer and director. His directorial venture Humsafar was a nationwide hit and became one of the most successful serials in the history of Pakistani drama. Some of his other much appreciated directorial work includes TV serials Sheher-e-Zaat and Akhri Station. Sarmad earned international acclaim for his directorial film 'Manto' in which he also played the lead role. Another feather in his cap was his recent 24-hour live performance in the docudrama 'No Time to Sleep', where he played the role of 'Prisoner Z', a death row inmate waiting to be executed.

"We sometimes tend to take for granted the contribution that our friends make to our lives. I made some fantastic friends at Aitchison. These were friends whom I looked up to and who greatly contributed to what I was to become. Along with my teachers, these friends made a huge impact."

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AITCHISONIANS (2017-2018) ADMITTED TO TOP WORLD UNIVERSITIES



We congratulate our boys (2017-2018) on remarkable early offers to Harvard, Stanford, Brown, Cornell and Dartmouth universities.

Not only is this great credit to the boys themselves (Nosher Ali Khan, Syed Murtaza Hasan, Hisham Amir Syed, and Mustafa Faran Baig) but to our Headmistress Ms. Amina Kamran, teaching staff and Guidance Counselor Mr. Jamal Hussain who have been instrumental in making this possible.

Aitchison with the introduction of AS Levels, its own SAT Centre and superb in-house counseling ensures excellent support for boys to gain admission to top universities in the world. We will receive news of the UK offers later in the year.

CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

On top of enrolments in top universities, our boys were awarded with excellent grades in Cambridge Assessment June 2018 Examination Results. The following results demonstrate that Aitchison is performing at an elite level academically.

Muhammad Talha Riaz topped in the world in Law.

Muhammad Talha Riaz
Award: Top in the world (A Level)
Subject: Law

Irtaza Waseem
Award: Best across 3 (AS Level)
Place: First place in Punjab

Sahibzada Mayed Ali Khan
Award: Best across 3 (AS Level)
Place: Third place in Punjab

Ahmad Mujtaba Aamir
Award: Best across 5 (AS Level)
Place: Second place in Punjab

Muhammad Huzaifa Ali
Award: Best across 8 (O Level)
Place: Second place in Punjab

Syed Mustafa Haroon
Award: Best across 9 (O Level)
Place: First place in Punjab

Muhammad Abdullah Khurram
Award: Best across 9 (O Level)
Place: Second place in Punjab

We all join in congratulating these outstanding young men.

ARCHIVES UPDATE – CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

As part of the new archives' extension at Aitchison College, we are planning to feature a 'Teachers' Wall' to remember and honour our incredible teachers. We request all Old Boys to help us take this forward.

We invite you to contribute articles, memorabilia and photographs for teachers who have made a special mark on your life. The teachers should have served the College for a period of at least 10 years.

We also wish to pay tribute to the late alumni of Aitchison College who left us at a young age. To this end, we invite you to share with us in writing your own fond memories of these alumni. You might like to share your views about them or any inspiring stories. These tokens of sentimental value shall be showcased in the Archives Display Centre, signifying our love and devotion for these Old Boys.

For submission of articles/photographs or to arrange a meeting, please email us on either of the following email addresses:

alumni@aitchison.edu.pk

hr@aitchison.edu.pk

Please call on 111-363-063 (Ext. 427 / 281) if you have any queries.

GUEST SPEAKER SESSION WITH DR. KAMRAN MIRZA



Former Head Boy and Rivaz Medalist, Dr. Kamran Mirza visited the College on 7th November, 2018 for a guest speaker session with H1 boys. Kamran is working as Assistant Professor, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine & Medical Education, among other roles, at Loyola University's School of Medicine.

Dr. Mirza recalled his school days with great affection and shared with the boys his academic and professional journey beyond Aitchison. He motivated the boys to find their passion and to remain resilient in the face of setbacks.



ADJUNCT FACULTY ENRICHES EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE AT AITCHISON COLLEGE

Our Adjunct Faculty comprising Old Aitchisonians from esteemed universities continues to regularly deliver metacognition lectures for A1 and A2 boys.

The metacognition programme contributes to our ideal of an education versed in the liberal arts, the natural sciences, social sciences, and an appreciation of the breadth and interconnectedness of knowledge. It provides students with a much broader exposure to knowledge that may not be in their specific curricula.

LIFE SKILLS		Omar Khayyam Sheikh Class of 1982 BA Columbia University	Identity & Control. Personality Models. Mission Statements. Personal Management. Spirituality. Things to read, to watch and to think about.
BIG HISTORY: 6,000 Years of History		Salman Akhtar Class of 1984 BS/MS MIT	What is History? Comparing civilizations across 6,000 years. What were the turning points of History?
Democracy, Islam & Legitimacy: The Pakistan Experience		Salman Akram Raja Class of 1984 BA Cambridge LLM Harvard	What has been Pakistan's experience with democracy and Islam? Where does our state find its legitimacy?
Mind & Machine		Asim Ioan Class of 1984 BS UET PhD USC	What is Machine Learning? Why does it matter? How does it work?
The Global Economy: Finance & Management		Nadeem Babar Class of 1981 BS Columbia MS Stanford	What is the Global Economy? How do you manage to finance a business in today's interconnected world?
Physics: From the Very Big to the Very Small		Salman Akhtar Class of 1984 BS/MS MIT	Origins of the Universe. Physics of the Very Big: Relativity. Physics of the Very Small: Quantum Physics.
Can Computers Fall in Love?		Irfan Chaudhry Class of 1988 BS, MS, PhD MIT	What are the limits of Computers? What are easy, difficult and impossible tasks for computers?
Challenges & Opportunities in Entrepreneurship		Omar Saeed Class of 1987 BA Brown MBA Harvard	Case studies of successful and unsuccessful entrepreneurs. Traits of successful entrepreneurs.
The Scientific Method		Nauman Zaffar Class of 1985 BS/MS Univ. Pennsylvania	What is Science? Scientific Evolution and Process. What it is, where it is used, who uses it and how does it affect our lives.
The Next Economic Revolution		Nadeem Babar Class of 1981 BS Columbia MS Stanford	The global economy was radically transformed by the Agricultural Revolution, The Industrial Revolution, and the Communication Revolution successively. What should we expect next? And why does it matter to us?

CROSS COUNTRY RACE

Cross Country Race of Present and Old Boys (Walter A. Robinson Challenge Cup 2018) was held on November 29, 2018 at Aitchison College. The event saw active participation from Old Boys and present Aitchisonians who were cheered on by College students as they ran along the 9.5 km track.

The Walter A. Robinson Challenge Cup was awarded to first placed schoolboy, Noshir Ali Khan of Kelly House. Muhammad Rafai Babar finished the race second while Mir Ali Nawaz Khan Jakhrani came in third position.

The Old Boys participated in three different age groups; U-35, 36-45 and 46-55. Medallions were awarded for winners of each category (first three positions). In the U-35 category, Kamil Salman Chima won first position, while Taimur Khawaja and Asad Mushtaq finished second and third respectively. In the 36-45 age group, Faisal Zaman Khan finished the race first, followed by Fahd Muhammad Noon and Ahsan Muhammad Saleh Mirza who finished second and third respectively. In the 46-55 age group, Dr. Asif Bashir won first position, Nisar Zaman Khan finished second while Omar Saeed came in third position. The W.A. Robinson Challenge Cup is named after the first Principal of Aitchison College, Walter Robinson. It was introduced in 2016 by College Principal Mr. Michael Thomson to breathe new life into sports at Aitchison and to reconnect the Old Boys with their College.



PRE-1960 LEAVERS' LUNCH

The College organised a Pre-1960 Leavers' Lunch for its most senior alumni on 1st December, 2018. It was a special occasion where Old Boys from classes up to 1960 gathered to reconnect and reminisce over lunch on a beautiful winter's day in the Principal's Garden. College Principal Mr. Michael Thomson welcomed the Old Boys to their school. He informed them about major College developments and highlighted important projects being implemented with support from the Old Boys.

Several prominent alumni attended the event including Sardar Zulfikar Ali Khan Khosa, Mian Afzal Hayat, Syed Muhammad Mohsin, Mr. Khalid Amir Khan, Mr. Mueen Afzal, Mian Ijaz Ul Hassan and Mr. Munir Monnoo.

President ACOBA Mr. Shahjahan Ayub graced the occasion, along with Mr. Usman Haq (Vice President) and Syed Hur Riahi Gardezi (Joint Secretary). Dr. Andrew Treharne (Vice Principal Aitchison College), Mrs. Amina Kamran (Headmistress Senior School) and Mr. Khalid Noon (Bursar) were also present on the occasion.

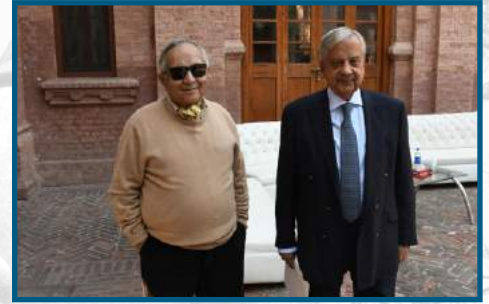
The Old Boys were also given a tour of the Old Building, where they saw renovation efforts already underway for the conservation and preservation of Aitchison's most iconic building.



ALUMNI COLLEGE TOURS

Classes: 1961 – 1975

Date: 24th November, 2018



Classes: 1961 – 1975
Date: 22nd December, 2018



IBTESAM UL HAQ MAKES PAKISTAN U 19 CRICKET TEAM



We recently welcomed back Old Boy Ibtesam Ul Haq, who has been selected in the Pakistan U 19 Cricket Team.

It was a special occasion to host the National Junior Team in our match against the Maldives National XI.

Ibtesam played a delightful innings in chasing a relatively low target after the Pakistan bowlers ripped through the Maldives top order.

Mr. Thomson (himself an U 19 Australian player in 1974) was honoured to be seated among future stars of the game.

ALUMNI IN FEDERAL/PROVINCIAL CABINETS



Imran Khan
(1960 – 1969)
Prime Minister of Pakistan



Shah Mahmood Qureshi
(1963 – 1975)
Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs



Pervez Khattak
(1962 – 1969)
Federal Minister for Defence



Khushro Bukhtiar
(1975 – 1988)
Federal Minister for Planning,
Development and Reform



Omar Ayub Khan
(1987 – 1988)
Federal Minister for Power



Hashim Jawan Bakht
(1986 – 1997)
Minister for Finance, Punjab



Mohammad Mohsin Khan Leghari
(1970 – 1981)
Minister for Irrigation, Punjab



Raja Yasir Humayun Sarfraz
(1979 – 1991)
Provincial Minister for Higher
Education/Tourism, Punjab



Murad Raas
(1979 – 1987)
Minister for School Education,
Punjab



Sardar Muhammad Asif Nakai
(1973 – 1975)
Provincial Minister for
Communication and Work,
Punjab



Mir Shabbir Ali Bijarani
(1987 – 1990)
Minister for Mines & Mineral



Muhammad Hashim Dogar
(1974 – 1985)
Minister for Population



Muhammad Jahanzaib Khan Khichi
(1979 – 1991)
Minister for Transport, Punjab



Muhammad Hammad Azhar
(1987 – 1998)
Minister of State for Revenue



Malik Nauman Ahmad Langrial
(1974 – 1982)
Minister for Agriculture, Punjab

The following Old Boys are also serving as Ministers, in addition to the above list of ministers earlier published in the August issue of the newsletter.

We offer our apologies for any errors or omission in this newsletter. Please report errors to:

alumniofficer@aitchison.edu.pk

OBITUARIES

Remembering Ahmed Shujaan



Passing of Malik Nasir Khan

Old Boy and former Pakistani hockey player Malik Nasir Khan passed away in Peshawar on Friday 9th November, 2018.

The late Malik Nasir Khan joined Aitchison College in 1964 and left the College after his Intermediate Examination in 1977. At Aitchison College, he was awarded a full College Blazer for his excellent performance in Hockey, Football and Athletics. He was a College Prefect and was recipient of the Victor-Ludorum Cup for being the best sportsman of Godley House (1976). He represented Pakistan in the Junior Olympics and played a key role in Pakistan's victory in the 1979 edition of the Junior Hockey World Cup. He was given the title of 'Golden Stick' for his brilliant performance. He excelled in all sports and is remembered as a gifted sportsman. He started his political career by taking part in Local Bodies Elections and served as Member of District Council Bannu in 1983 and 1987. He was elected as a Member of NWFP Assembly in 1988 and 1993. He served in the NWFP Cabinet as Minister for Sports, Tourism and Culture.

He was later elected as a member of National Assembly in 1997.



Ahmed Shujaan Gondal, one of the most talented boys to have studied and played at Aitchison College, unfortunately passed away on Tuesday 25th September, 2018.

The tragic news of Ahmed's passing left the College in mourning. Head Boy 2013, Captain of Cricket and later admitted to Harvard University are some of his remarkable achievements. Loved and respected by all, he was a boy looked up to from all quarters. He was a young man with the brightest of futures and great deeds ahead of him. During the week following his death, the flag flew at half-mast and Friday assembly held a minute's silence in respect. The 1st XI dedicated their match and win against the Pakistan Women's Cricket team the next day to Ahmed. All boys stood beneath his name on the honour board before the match to hear of his achievements. Our Junior Swimming Carnival also recognized him in its opening prayer. The Ahmed Shujan Challenge Cup for best all-rounder in cricket was introduced in his honour. Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to his family and especially his brother Seljuk (Deputy Head Boy 2017-18 and also admitted to Harvard).

May his soul rest in peace.



Passing of Sardar Wahid Bukhsh Khan Bhayo

Prominent political leader and tribal head of the Bhayo community in Shikarpur, Sardar Wahid Bukhsh Khan Bhayo passed away on Thursday, 13th December, 2018 at the age of 65.

He attended Aitchison College from 1965 to 1973. At Aitchison, the former Godleyite received house colour in Football, as well as the Ranbir Shamsher Jung Art Prize for the best artist in the College.

Bhayo was a senior leader of the Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) and remained a member of its Central Executive Committee. He also served as a member of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh.

Submissions:

If you would like to submit an obituary, please send it by email to alumniofficer@aitchison.edu.pk. You may also send in a print copy to: Alumni Office, Aitchison College, Shahr-e-Quaid-e-Azam, Lahore 54000 Pakistan.

What's New with You?

We invite you to share with us your achievements or any upcoming alumni events to be included in the next issue of the 'Old Boys' Bulletin'.

UPCOMING EVENTS



TENT PEGGING COMPETITION

Old Boys vs. College Team Tent Pegging Competition will be held in March 2019 at Aitchison College, Lahore. All interested to compete can get themselves registered with the Riding Department (Tel: 042-111 363063 ext-275)

All old boys with their rides are welcome to participate.



FOUNDERS' DAY 2019

This year, the Founders' Day events will be held from 8th – 10th March, 2019. The Academic Prize Distribution will be held on 9th March, while the Main Founders' Day (Sports) will be held on 10th March.

Process for getting invites:

Old Boys planning to attend the Main Founders' Day may fill out the registration form at <https://goo.gl/forms/UJpHVFWIgKxRYxk42> by 3rd March, 2019

The Alumni Office will dispatch invitation cards to registered alumni.

Note: Registrations must be received by 3rd March, 2019.

Contact:

Email: alumniofficer@aitchison.edu.pk
Tel: 111-363-063 Ext. 427 or Ext. 431



ALUMNI COLLEGE TOURS

Old Boys are welcomed to visit the College on specific dates for an organised tour of the College campus. These tours a great opportunity to revive precious memories and relive the Aitchison camaraderie.

Further details including registration process will be shared closer to the event and will be available on the College Website www.aitchison.edu.pk

and the Alumni Office Facebook page
www.facebook.com/aitchisonalumni

Classes	Date
1986-1990	19-01-2019
1991-1995	09-02-2019
1996-2000	16-03-2019
2001-2005	13-04-2019
2006-2018	04-05-2019

MAKING A GIFT

The Old Building Fund

Our donation drive for the Old Building has so far raised 36 million rupees and we thank all those who came to the rescue. Donations are still welcome and needed. The anticipated total cost of the project is now estimated to be 80 million rupees.

This is a masterful, ambitious and time consuming project to return the Old Building to its former glory. The end result will ensure that it stands strong and tall for another century.

Old Boy architect Raees Faheem has been overseeing the entire project and the Board subcommittee has been receiving regular updates.

Much work has been completed in the restoration of the Old Building. All the rooves have been replaced and the balconies upstairs are close to complete. Internal rooms off the Main Hall are now receiving new but original-styled floor tiles. In the Main Hall the plaster of paris has been repaired or expertly replaced. Honourboards are being redone in black and gold. The Hall of Honour has been restored with its two anterrooms looking superb. The building's external walls and features have been 80% cleaned. Upstairs there is still wall work to do, but walking through the Old Building is now a magnificent and uplifting experience.

We still require 40 million rupees to finish everything and maintain a small working fund for any future restoration needs. This building is Aitchison.

Old Building Donors

We would like to thank the following donors for their kind contributions to the Old Building Fund.

- Syed Babar Ali
- Syed Mohammad Mohsin
- Mrs. Sitwat Mohsin
- Mr. Nauman Ahmed Khan
- Mr. Adnan Ahmed Khan
- Mr. Abdul Razak Dawood
- Syed Aslam Mehdi
- Mr. Yousuf Abdullah (Sapphire Group)
- Mr. Bilal Rashid
- Mr. Atif Aslam Bajwa
- Mr. Yawar Shah
- Syed Shehryar Ali
- Mr. Asfandiyar Qureshi
- Mr. Shahzad Husain
- Mr. Khalid Yacob
- Syed Mohammed Hussain
- Syed Muhammad Kamal
- Syed Zahir Hassan Bokhari
- Mr. Hasan Abdullah
- Mr. Qais Rahman
- Mr. Kabir Omar
- Mr. Aitzaz Ahsan
- Mr. Adnan Asad
- Mr. Iftikhar H. Shirazi
- Plus, donors who have chosen to remain anonymous

Our Goal
Rs. 80M



Rs. 36M



Student Bursaries

Financial constraints should not become a hurdle in the completion of a boy's education at Aitchison College. To this end, we wish to establish a Bursary Fund to help students in need. Bursaries are extremely important for extending the life-changing experience of an Aitchison education to boys (including new enrolments) from diverse and often remote backgrounds. By contributing to our Bursary Fund, you are helping some of the brightest young minds in the country. A bursary can be arranged individually or among a group of old boy donors. The Principal notes that "bursaries will be applied to help boys from outside the Punjab and who come from areas either remote or poor. Aitchison has a role to play here."

The Sports Master Plan

The Board of Governors has approved the Sporting Master Plan and formed a committee for the purpose of implementing one of the largest projects since our foundation. The project will bring about massive change in the quality of our sporting facilities. Naming rights will be considered. You may fund any of the following Sports Projects at the College:

- Jafar Memorial Hockey Pitch - The College commences its self-funded artificial hockey turf at the Jafar Pavilion pitch in April, 2019. Expressions of Interest have been called for in the tendering process.
- New Tennis Centre
- Diving Pool at Senior Swimming and modernized pool with electronic touch pads and results board
- Multi-Purpose Gymnasium
- New Basketball Court - Our new Basketball Court will be built in March 2019 courtesy of the generosity of the Dawood Family.

Bequests

A bequest can provide support for strengthening the College into the future. To continue our legacy and to build the base for future achievements, we look to our alumni community for support. By naming Aitchison as the beneficiary of a portion of your estate, or of particular assets in your estate, you will be making a consequential contribution to the future of the College. A bequest left to Aitchison College can be either named or made anonymously. It can be made in a variety of ways to reflect a person's particular wishes. Bequests in support of Aitchison College should be left ideally for use at the College's own discretion, for these will help the College meet its most pressing needs. Bequests will not be applied to running costs, salaries or other operating expenses, but in support of specific areas of the College's operation such as libraries, bursaries, building projects or other areas of specific interest.

Donor Recognition

We are grateful to all our donors and partners for their support. We show our appreciation by inviting them to College events and special luncheons. All donors are sent an acknowledgement letter by the Principal. Their names / company logos are also published in the Aitchison College alumni newsletter and on the College website.

- We thank Old Boy Mr. Adnan Asad for his donation of 100,000 USD to the Old Building Fund. This is the single greatest donation made to the Old Building Fund thus far and we acknowledge Adnan's extremely generous spirit of giving back to his old school.
- We thank Old Boy Mr. Shahzad Hussain for his donation to the construction of the structure encasing the electronic score board in the Main Cricket Ground.
- The installation of the electronic scoreboard was made possible by the enthusiasm and generosity of ACOBA.
- We also thank Mr. Zubair Khaliq, CEO Multiline Engineering Company and Old Aitchisonian Mr. Faraz Khalid Shaikh,

How to Donate

Online Donation: Our online payment system is now operational which makes donations a simple procedure through the College website. If you would like to make a donation online, please visit <https://aitchison.edu.pk/d-one.php>

Cheque/Bank Draft: Please send your bank drafts or cheques (Payee: Principal Aitchison College) to the: Bursar, Aitchison College, Shahrah-e-Quaid-e-Azam, Lahore – 54000.

Bank Transfer: You can also make a donation through bank transfer. Please email us for details.

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