

# **MONA PREPARATORY SCHOOL**



# STAY CONNECTED: A GUIDE FOR NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS & PARENTS

**ACADEMIC YEAR: 2025-2026** 

**THEME: "Rooted in Values, Reaching for Excellence"** 

#### **Welcome to Mona Preparatory School!**

A warm welcome to all new and returning students and their parents/guardians! As we prepare to begin another exciting school year, we kindly ask that you review the important information below.

# **START OF SCHOOL YEAR**

The 2025–2026 academic year begins on **Monday, September 8, 2025**. School starts promptly at **8:00 a.m.** daily. Please take note of arrival and dismissal times:

Class	Arrival Time	Dismissal Time
K1	7:45 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
K2	7:45 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
К3	7:30 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
Grade 1	7:30 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
Grades 2 – 6	7:30 a.m.	2:30 p.m.*

<sup>\*</sup>Classes dismiss at 2:00 p.m. for all students on Wednesdays.

Please collect students promptly at dismissal, unless they are involved in extracurricular activities or enrolled in After Care.

#### **SCHOOL FEES**

The annual school fee is structured as follows:

Term	Amount Payable
Christmas	\$179,000 + \$1,500 (PTA Dues) + \$500 (Personal Accident
Term	Insurance)
<b>Easter Term</b>	\$179,000
<b>Summer Term</b>	\$179,000

Note: PTA dues and insurance are applicable for the Christmas Term only.

#### **SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT METHODS**

1. Bank Transfer/Deposit

Bank: National Commercial Bank

Branch: Matilda's Corner

o Account Number: 37-1030018

Account Type: Chequing

2. NCB Online Bill Payment (NCB customers only)

Category: Education

Payee: Mona Preparatory School

Voucher #: Student's first initial and surname

3. At the Bursar's Office using Credit/Debit cards

**Send proof of payment** to <a href="mailto:monaprepbursary@gmail.com">monaprepbursary@gmail.com</a> — please include your child's full name and grade in the subject line.

#### **SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT PLAN**

We understand that times are challenging and are committed to supporting families in need. Flexible payment plans are available - please contact the **Bursary Department** for assistance. Let us work together to keep your child's education on track.

#### **CLASS PASS**

A **Class Pass** is required for the child to be admitted to the class. The class pass indicates your child's grade and teacher.

- The pass is issued by the Bursary once proof of payment is received
- The pass can be collected physically from the Bursary
- The pass is required for Book Collection and Meet & Greet/Consultation days

#### **BOOK COLLECTION, MEET & GREET / CONSULTATION DAYS**

**Dates:** Thursday, August 28 and Friday, August 29, 2025

**② Time:** 8:00 a.m. − 3:00 p.m.

**P Venue:** Classrooms

- Bring **labelled books and stationery** (ream of paper is optional)
- Complete and bring the **Student Data Form** (available on the website www.monaprep.edu.jm
- Use the opportunity to meet and consult with your child's class teacher
- The Student Data Form helps us keep contact information current.

# **ORIENTATION (NEW STUDENTS & PARENTS ONLY)**

**Date:** Friday, August 29, 2025

② **Time:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (parents and students)

 $\bigcirc$  **Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (students will go to their respective classes to

the teachers)

▶ Venue: Ishmael Robertson Hall

Please pack snacks, lunch, and sufficient water for your child.

# **TIMETABLES & CURRICULUM GUIDES**

These will be available in the **week of September 8, 2025** via your child's class teacher.

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Activities will begin in the week of September 8, 2025

- The activities list and registration form are available on the website (www.monaprep.edu.jm)
- Return the completed forms to your child's teacher after payment is made at the Bursar's Office.
- Be sure to check whether the activity coordinator has a WhatsApp group, and join it to stay informed of any updates.

# **AFTERCARE PROGRAMME**

Aftercare begins the week of **September 8, 2025.** Payment for the service should be done at the **Bursar's Office** 

① Time: 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**S** Cost: \$1,300 per day or \$6,000 per week

#### **STUDENT PICK-UP & DROP-OFF**

# 1. Timely Pick-Up

Students who are **not** participating in extra-curricular activities or **not** registered in **After Care** must be picked up **promptly at dismissal time** (see dismissal schedule above).

#### 2. Classroom Access

Parents/guardians **are not permitted inside classrooms**. However, you may accompany your child **to the classroom entrance**, where they will be received by their teacher(s).

# 3. No Congregating

Parents/guardians are asked to **refrain from gathering** in the **quadrangle**, **corridors**, or on **staircases** to prevent congestion and ensure a smooth flow of movement.

# 4. Sign-In/Out - Kindergarten 1 to Grade 1

All students in Kindergarten 1 to Grade 1 must be **signed in at drop-off** and **signed out at pick-up** using the **log book** located at the entrance of the classroom.

#### **CLASSROOM LOCATIONS**

- **Grade 3:** Relocated to 225 Old Hope Road (to the right of the campus)
- **Grade 4:** First floor (corridor by Vice Principal's office)
- **Grade 5:** Second floor (above Grade 4)
- **Extracurricular Room:** Former Grade 2 Miller Room at 225 Old Hope Road (used for Strings, Robotics & Coding further details are on the extracurricular listing)

#### **HEALTH PROTOCOLS**

If your child is unwell or showing symptoms of illness, please keep them at home to help prevent the spread of sickness and ensure quicker recovery.

#### **DRESS CODE**

- **Students:** Uniforms are available in the Book Room (contact the Bursary)
- Parents/Guardians: Must be appropriately dressed when on school grounds
- Uniform guidelines are available on the website (www.monaprep.edu.jm)

#### **CANTEEN SERVICES**

The Canteen is run by **Express Canteen Services Ltd.** via QMall Online System (further details available on the website <a href="www.monaprep.edu.jm">www.monaprep.edu.jm</a>). Login credentials for new parents will be shared during the **week September 8, 2025**.

#### **BOOK ROOM HOURS**

# **Regular School Term:**

- Mondays & Wednesdays: 7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
- Fridays: 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

# **CLASS REPRESENTATIVES**

- Selected by the class teacher (no volunteering required)
- Current reps will remain in place until Friday, September 12, 2025
- New reps will receive a role description and expectations

#### COMMUNICATION

We are committed to clear and timely communication (copy of the communication plan is available on the website <a href="https://www.monaprep.edu.jm">www.monaprep.edu.jm</a>). You may contact us via:

**Email:** iserve@monaprep.edu.jm

**C Phone:** 876-927-2222 | 876-927-1507 | 876-927-1041 | 876-618-0855
★ Important: Always check your junk/spam folders. Please add our email to

your "safe senders list".

#### **DATA PROTECTION**

Mona Prep is fully compliant with the **Data Protection Act 2020**, which came into effect on **December 1, 2023**. The policy was developed in partnership with the PTA and a certified consultant. A copy of the policy is available on the website (<a href="https://www.monaprep.edu.jm">www.monaprep.edu.jm</a>)

#### **OUR CORE VALUES**

#### **Mission Statement**

We provide a holistic educational environment, characterized by Christian values and an engaging home/school partnership that seeks to develop the full potential of each student. We provide the foundation for each student to make a meaningful contribution to society.

#### **Vision Statement**

Our Vision is to be providers of world class early childhood and primary education and to be seen as engaged in a partnership with our children, parents and staff in shaping a competitive workforce for Jamaica, the Caribbean and the International Community.

#### **Parent Values**

- Commitment to the Mona Preparatory School Mission and acceptance of the School's Code of Conduct
- Active engagement in their child's educational, emotional and physical maturation
- Respect and consideration for staff, students and each other
- Participation in and support of the School's activities
- Meeting of their financial obligations to the School

#### **Student Values**

- Confidence in their ability to be the best they can be in everything they do
- Lack of vanity and self-importance
- Healthy concept of self
- Honesty & reliability
- Willingness to be of service to each other and members of their community
- Tolerance of persons and ideas that appear to be different or unusual
- Enthusiasm to acquire new knowledge and share that knowledge

#### **Teacher Values**

- Dedication to their careers at Mona Preparatory School to achieving the School's Mission
- Trained, congenial professionals who keep improving through continuous training
- Provision of a nurturing environment for each student, one that is open, honest and supportive
- Exemplars of the student values and commitment to inculcating them in each student

Here's to a fantastic year ahead! We appreciate your continued cooperation and look forward to a successful academic journey together. Please visit our website <a href="https://www.monaprep.edu.jm">www.monaprep.edu.jm</a> and familiarise yourself with our full list of policies.

# 2024/2025 Year in Review (Achievements)

#### **Football**

- Henriques Cup Champions
- Alberga Cup Runner-Up (final decided by penalties)
- Top-performing team in the league:
  - 105 goals scored
  - Only 5 goals conceded
- International Competition:
  - Semifinalists at Inter Miami Dreams Cup in Florida
  - Represented Jamaica with excellence
- All Prep All-Star Team:
  - 6 players selected **most of any school**
  - Two students recognised as **Double All-Stars**

#### Netball

- 1<sup>st</sup> place in the JISA Under-12 Netball Champions Back-to-back wins!
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place at an international Netball tournament in Florida

#### Chess

- **Tied for 1st place** National Chess Championship (U12 Absolute)
- Top 10 finishes in multiple age categories
- **5th place out of 50 teams** at the Scholastic Team Chess Championship

# **Swimming**

- Strong presence with 70 swimmers across all 4 national swim meets
- ASAJ Swim Meet Girls placed 1<sup>st</sup> and Boys 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Mayberry Swim Meet Girls placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and Boys 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Multiple individual and relay medals
- Burger King/YMCA Meet winner of the **Vibez Spirit Trophy** & cash prize
- ASAJ Prep/Nestle Swim Meet Girls placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and Boys 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **High Point Trophy** winner (3 meets in the 7–8 age group)
- Alumni-turned-coaches and managers leading the team with pride

#### Track & Field

- Ricky Martin Invitational:
  - Gold, Silver & Bronze in multiple events
  - Strong relay and jump performances
- Gibson McCook Relays:
  - Top 5 placement significant experience gained

# Mona Invitational Track Meet:

- Hosted over 1,000 athletes
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall
- Multiple gold, silver, and bronze medals in sprints, relays, long jump, and high jump

# JISA Inter Prep Championship

The school placed 3<sup>rd</sup> and won 10 medals (3 gold, 6 silver and 1 bronze)

# **Gymnastics**

- **Team Champions** Nishida's Regional Gymnastics Championship
- Individual Medals in floor, bar, and vault routines
- Awards for Top Scorer and Perfect 10

## Performing & Visual Arts – JCDC Competitions

- Music:
  - 3 Gold, 5 Silver, 4 Bronze
  - 2 National Trophies
- Dance:
  - 2 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze
- Speech:
  - 13 Silver, 6 Bronze, 4 Merit
- Drumming & Guitar:
  - Multiple medals across categories
- Top Awards:
  - Overall winner in Music & Performing Arts (Kingston & St. Andrew)
- Special Invitation:
  - Choir invited to the 2026 World Championships of Performing Arts in Hollywood

# **STEM & Innovation**

- Bebras Challenge:
  - Top 12 national placements
- Kangaroo Math Competition:
  - Top 12 placements in Benjamin category

- Code Jamaica:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> overall nationally (among 99 ranked schools)

# **Quiz Competitions**

- TVJ's Junior Schools' Challenge Quiz:

  3<sup>rd</sup> Place finish in a highly competitive national season
- TPDco Quiz Competition
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place awardees

# **Grade 6 Primary Exit Profile (PEP)**

**97%** of the students achieved proficient (P) or highly proficient (HP) in all subject areas - this means, we had only 2 students in the "developing" (D) stage of learning for the 2025 grade 6 cohort.

Thank you to all students, coaches, teachers, parents, alumni, and supporters for your continued excellence and dedication.

# Here's to another year of brilliance!