Newsletter

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Photos courtesy of ADHD Awareness Day, Student Leadership, Bookfair by Bookopia, Year 2 listening to Secondary School, UAE Flag Day and sports competitions.







That is right. it is almost time for this year's matching pajamas to be revealed. Here is Arthur modelling last years'.

Dear Parents,



Head of Primary's Message



Dubai 30x30 Fitness Challenge Takes Off!

The Dubai 30x30 Fitness Challenge is underway, and the energy levels are fabulous! No doubt many of you have seen the children bouncing to music as our students embrace some extra exercise and good bit of fun. With the cooler weather inviting us outdoors, now is the perfect opportunity to explore activities like hiking, paddle boards or paddle tennis, or a good old fashioned family walk. Embrace the adventure and share your experiences with me - your photos may just be featured in our next newsletter!

Fostering Awareness and Empathy: Diversity Day

In an empowering TED Talk, our Year 3 to 6 students shone a light on ADHD, advocating for awareness and ways to promote support and awareness of their peers. As our second Diversity Day of the year, it was both thought-provoking and inspiring, resonating with students and parents alike, who have since been in touch with the positive impact this has had. These messages of empathy and understanding underscore the importance of positive community contributions. Let's continue to uphold and reinforce these values within our circles.

Reflecting on Parent Teacher Conferences

On Monday, the school's corridors brimmed with the buzz of Parent Teacher Conferences, an invaluable time for families to engage with our staff and delve into the academic and personal growth of your children. I hope the guide provided, along with the dedicated efforts of our staff, facilitated productive and insightful discussions. Remember though, this conference is just one of the many touchpoints we offer throughout the year. We are committed to maintaining open lines of communication, so please know that our doors are always open. Whether it's to address concerns, celebrate successes, or simply to check in, our team of teachers and leaders is here to support.

Lanyards, Lanyards, Lanyards

Many will have noticed that after a few weeks of reminders, we are further enforcing lanyards. You must have your lanyard to be on school premises. Without one, you will either need to wait in a designated area outside of the building or swap your ID card for a temporary one. If you are challenged for not having one, please follow the respect the resulting instructions.



Year 2 Explores Action and Inspiration in the Community

Our Year 2 students are on a quest to learn about role models and the idea of looking up to people. They were thrilled to welcome secondary students who shared their experiences in community action, integrity and doing the right thing. This initiative made me ponder the "shopping trolley litmus test"—the idea of doing the right thing even when no one is watching, like returning a shopping trolley after use. It's a simple yet profound measure of character, one that we hope our students carry with them in all walks of life.

UAE Flag Day Celebrations

In a spirited display of patriotism and unity, our Emirati students, along with student leaders raised the flag and paid homage to the UAE on Flag Day. On this occasion, we also reflect on the meanings behind the colors of the UAE flag: Green symbolizing goodness and the country's agricultural prosperity, White representing peace, Black denoting courage and strength, and Red symbolizing power and sovereignty. These colors are not just a visual identity but narrate the story of the nation's values and aspirations.

Library Exhibition & Booktopia Book Fair

This week also saw our incredible librarian, Ms Desi, the enchanting transformation of our library into an exhibition space that played host to families and book lovers alike. The enthusiasm for literature was palpable as students and parents perused a plethora of titles, fostering our community's love for reading. In collaboration with Booktopia, our corridors became a celebration of stories, knowledge, and imagination, offering children a chance to take home a piece of literary magic. Furthermore, we're delighted to announce that Booktopia will be graciously providing the prizes for our eagerly anticipated writing competition. The winners of this contest will be revealed soon. Stay tuned.

World Science Day

We have taken the decision to move World Science Day to Thursday 16th November. This not only provides a longer day in which to explore and experiment, but also allows some of our community to attend classrooms for some Diwali activities on the 10th. I know there have been a couple of non-uniform days recently that were not communicated in this newsletter, as a busy school this can sometimes events get decided with short run ups, so I appreciate your flexibility with these.

With much of this newsletter relating to the social and community aspect of school life let's ensure that our actions always reflect the integrity and values that we stand for as a DIA community.

Kind regards, Tom Collar





Comm's Corner



YEAR 3

THE ARTS



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STUDENT COUNCIL

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YEAR 5



YEAR 6



NOTICES

- Click for the <u>lanyards order form</u> Kindly contact helpdesk@diadubai.com for any assistance.
- Parents who have expressed a wish to do Diwali activities with children should contact the class teacher for next Friday.
- World Science day moved to the 16th November.







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NOVEMBER



2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
59	30 BOOK FAIR WEEK KG1-YEAR 6. THIS RUNS ALL WEEK UNTIL THE 3RD. BOOK FAIR AT KG1 CAMPUS PRIMARY PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES - NO SCHOOL	31 BOOK FAIR AT KG1 CAMPUS	01	02 DIVERSITY DAY - ADHD AWARENESS	03 LAST DAY FOR BOOK FAIR.	04
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Has your child been taking action out of school?
Then we want to know about it so we can celebrate it on our displays in school... It can be anything from beach cleaning, to helping stray animals...

Please complete the form below:

https://forms.office.com/r/TwFvUcrt0Z



Samar (1D) visited an elephant orphanage on his holiday in Sri Lanka. There he learnt how to care for elephants and even got the chance to feed them.



Maryam (3F) is passionate about keeping our surroundings clean. Here she is collecting plastic found on the beach.



Salma (4A) has been donating much needed supplies to support families in Gaza.



Aviraaj (3A) has been distributing laban to the construction workers near his home.



Nova (3D) has been supporting underprivileged children in Sri Lanka, donating resources and helping to renovate a local primary school.

FREE

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Winter Souk

Thursday December 7th 2023 4pm Onwards

> Dubai International Academy Emirates Hills



Arts & Craft - Books - Toys - Gifts - Clothes - Jewellery Electronics - Sustainable Vendors - Food & Drinks - Music Raffle Draw

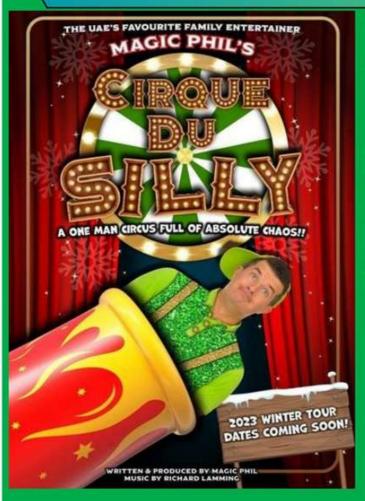
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Cirque Du Silly by Magic Phil Coming to DIA 15th November 2023





CLAIMED TO BE UAE'S NO. 1 CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINER, IT IS A HIT WITH FAMILIES AROUND THE MIDDLE EAST. HE CAN BE SEEN ROUTINELY PERFORMING AT SOME OF DUBAI'S BIGGEST FAMILY BRUNCHES, SHOPPING MALLS, FAMILY EVENTS, SCHOOLS, AND OTHER VENUES, AS WELL AS SELLING OUT THEATRES EVERY CHRISTMAS WITH HIS OWN FESTIVE TOUR.

BEST KNOWN FOR HIS CHILDREN'S RADIO SHOW 'THE LAUGHTER NOON DRIVE' ON PEARL FM, HIS APPEARANCES AT THE EMIRATES LITERATURE FESTIVAL WITH HIS BEST-SELLING CHILDREN'S BOOKS AND MULTIPLE APPEARANCES ON NICKELODEON, OSN, DUBAI ONE AND COMEDY CENTRAL HE CERTAINLY LEAVES A SUPER SILLY IMPRESSION TO ALL HIS LITTLE FANS.

MAGIC PHIL IS THE CELEBRITY COLUMNIST FOR TIME OUT UAE KIDS WHERE YOU CAN READ ALL HIS LATEST JOKES, FUNNY STORIES AND LAUGH OUT LOUD AT HIS RIDDLES

HIS CHRISTMAS 2023 THEME IS 'CIRQUE DU SILLY'.

We have the opportunity to host
Magic Phil at DIA- Al Barsha
auditoriums, allowing children in
KG2 to Y3 to visit and see exclusive
presentations on 15th November.

If you wish your child to attend this fantastic performance, then please arrange an online payment of AED 85 via the below online payment line:

https://payment.innoventureseducation.com/diaeh/online/ To login, use your child's "student ID number" and date of birth.

Payment deadline: Monday 13th November 2023.

ShowTimes
9-10 am show KG2 and Year 1
11 am — 12.00 noon show - Year 2-3

Venue DIA- Al Barsha Auditorium

The online ticket payment is non-refundable.

Should students not be attending, they will remain in class with one of the year team teachers.