



Yep...it happened!



Dear Parents,

Head of Primary's Message

National Day Celebrations

This week commenced with a vibrant celebration of National Day, uniting our students in a special assembly. The array of poetry readings, songs, dances, and recitations created a heartfelt tribute to the UAE, reflecting our community's deep appreciation and respect for this wonderful country, and made all the more incredible with the current weather. Witnessing our children embrace and celebrate the rich heritage and culture of the UAE was truly heartening.

Year 4 Live Museum Success

A highlight of the week was the Year 4 Live Museum. The level of involvement from parents and fellow students was astounding and brought so much joy and encouragement to our young historians. The dedication and effort put into researching and presenting historical figures and events were really evident. This immersive experience not only enriched their learning but also strengthened our school community's bond. Thank you to all of the Year 4 team and we look forward to Year 6 next week.

Year 1 Compassion

Our Year 1 students demonstrated incredible compassion and empathy this week. They welcomed some furry friends from the Stray Dogs Centre and generously donated a significant amount of food for the dogs, who had incidentally run extremely low the day before and so this initiative could not have been more gratefully received. This action project not only showcased kindness but also offered a practical lesson in caring for animals and understanding their needs. Something that is applicable to many aspects of life. A big thank you to our Year 1 teachers and families for their heartfelt contributions and for setting a wonderful example of empathy in action.

Distance Learning

Please be reminded that tomorrow (Friday) is a distance learning day. Emails have been sent to each year group containing a range of activities and instructions to engage the students from home. Recognizing that this was originally a planned non-school day in our calendar, I sincerely hope this change does not cause any inconvenience. Please know that you can reach out to our team during the morning. Homeroom teachers would be your first port of call to support, should you need it. Additionally, for a bit of fun and learning, I have recorded a short story with Ms. Desi, our incredible librarian for your children to enjoy. Ms Desi certainly has a career in television and was much better at showing the book to the camera than me. We will take requests for the next book. Perhaps your children can record themselves reading their own story and we can make a video library of books (official title pending).

Part 1

Part 2 (sorry, Mr. James phoned my during recording so it is in 2 parts)








Appreciation for Parent Participation in CCA Showcases

Thank you to all the parents who recently participated in our CCA showcases. It was a joy to see so many of you joining in and engaging with the various clubs and activities. Your presence not only brought extra enthusiasm and fun to these sessions but also strengthened the bond between our school and family communities. This initiative of involving parents more closely in our Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs) is a growing aspect of our school life, and we eagerly anticipate more of you becoming a part of it in the future.

Finally, I am so proud to be able to share that the Gaza Fundraiser raised over AED 83'000. This incredible show of community spirit will go a long way to support those in need. A big well done to the parents who drove it!

Have a wonderful long weekend,

Kind regards,
Tom Collar



**EXTRA
EXTRA!
EXTRA!**



KG1

YEAR 3

THE ARTS

KG2

YEAR 4

**STUDENT
COUNCIL**

YEAR 1

YEAR 5

YEAR 2

YEAR 6



NOTICES

- Click for the [lanyards order form](#) - Kindly contact helpdesk@diadubai.com for any assistance.
- CMA Music registration of interest. Meeting to follow TBC.



BEAT & BOP Winter Performance schedule 5-7 December 2023 KG1- Year 6

Timings	5 th Dec	6 th Dec	7 th Dec
Lesson 1 7.40-8.35 am	Year 1A, B Year 2A, B		
Lesson 2 8:35-9:30 am	Year 3A, B Year 4A, B	Year 5A, B Year 6A, B	All KG 2 classes 8:00-9:00 am
Lesson 3 9.50-10.45 am	Year 1C, D, E Year 2C, D		
Lesson 4 10:45-11:40 am	Year 3C, D, E Year 4C, D	Year 5C, D, E Year 6C, D	All KG1 classes 9:30-10:30 am
Lesson 5 12.20-13.15 pm	Year 1F, G Year 2E, F, G		
Lesson 6 13:15-14:10 pm	Year 3F, G Year 4E, F, G	Year 5F, G Year 6E, F, G	



Optional Festivity:

- Tuesday - 5th Festive hat/hair
- Wednesday - 6th Festive socks
- Thursday 7th - Wear red, white or green
- Friday - 8th - Festive jumper

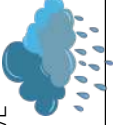
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NOVEMBER



2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	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
05	06	07	08	09	10 WILD WADI EVENT 7-10 PM	11
12	13 EARLY FINISH FOR PRIMARY 1:15PM FINISH.	14 WELLBEING WEEK DRESS UP - PYJAMMAS	15 KG2-YEAR 3 MAGIC PHIL AT DIA AL BARSHA. TICKETS ON OUR PAYMENT PORTAL.	16 WORLD SCIENCE DAY DRESS AS A SCIENTIST, INVENTOR, INVENTION	17 SPORTS NON-UNIFORM IN HONOUR OF THE CRICKET WORLD CUP. VOLUNTARY TO AED DONATION TO GIVE 	18
19	20 YEAR 4 TO 6 ARABIC IBT ASSESSMENTS WILL BE THIS WEEK. WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY	21 KG1 TRIP TO JUMEIRAH ZABEEL SARAY	22	23	24	25
26	27 UAE NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS WEAR NATIONAL DRESS OR FLAG COLOURS	28	29 Y4 LIVE MUSEUM	30	01 COMMEMORATION DAY - DISTANCE LEARNING	02 UAE NATIONAL DAY

12. DECEMBER → 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
03 CCA Sign up for Term 2 will begin 7pm	04 UAE National Day Holiday NO SCHOOL 	05 BEAT AND BOP begins. See schedule in Comms Corner above. Year 6 Science Fair LOST AND FOUND COLLECTION  	06 BEAT AND BOP begins. See schedule in Comms Corner above. Y2 Wax Museum - Sky Garden LOST AND FOUND COLLECTION  	07 04 BEAT AND BOP begins. See schedule in Comms Corner above. PADIA Winter Souq  	08 Swedish MT Assembly "Lucia" Class parties parents welcome!  Liaise with teaching team. Choir Tree lighting Ceremony at Swissotel Al Muroj 7.30 pm 	09 
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 <i>just Married</i> Mr. Tom gets Married	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	01 02 Back to School	03	04	05	06	

Dear Parents,



Centre for Musical Arts is proud to bring instrumental music lessons to students in Year 4 - 6 (to begin with) at Dubai International Academy, Emirates Hills. We are delighted to invite you to register your children for instrumental music lessons in school with CMA. This letter contains important information regarding the registration process. Please read all of the information, as well as our Terms and Conditions document at the end of the registration form. Full details can be found on our website at www.cmadubai.com or on the registration form via the link below:

Dubai International Academy, Emirates Hills; <https://forms.gle/EkGAHZekJfBmoR5B6> We will be offering lessons on a variety of instruments which will be available subject to availability and demand. The list of possible instruments can be found on our registration form.

Our lessons are 30 minutes in length and take place during the school day. Timetables are on a rotation, so each week the lesson time will change. Please be aware that lessons do occur during classroom lesson times and your child will be taken out of classroom lessons in order to attend their instrumental lesson.

We also offer group lessons for selected instruments. There is a maximum of 2-4 students per group which will be for beginners only. After one year of learning, students will be encouraged to move on to individual lessons. Group lessons are only available to absolute beginners. Lesson fees are Dhs 165 per individual lesson and Dhs 100 per student in a group (maximum 2-4 students) and are chargeable by the term. (Subject to availability). Fees must be paid before the lessons commence. Please note that your booking is not confirmed until fees have been settled. Invoices will be sent upon receipt of registration. All lessons are subject to availability and demand.

We look forward to welcoming you to our instrumental programme.

Kind regards,

Sara Ingham

Manager - Schools Music Service Centre for Musical Arts





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CENTRE FOR MUSICAL ARTS

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Festive Box Appeal



IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING, OUR ANNUAL FESTIVE BOXES ARE ALMOST UPON US. OUR STUDENT COUNCIL AND WELLBEING AMBASSADORS ARE ONCE AGAIN APPEALING FOR WRAPPED BOXES FOR THE INCREDIBLE SUPPORT STAFF AT DIA.

AS A SLIGHT CHANGE, SOME CLASSES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED A SPECIFIC MEMBER OF THE SUPPORT STAFF AND SOME WILL GO TO THE WIDER SUPPORT COMMUNITY, THE AIM IS TO MAKE 1 AMAZING BOX PER CLASS AND INCREASE THE PERSONAL FEEL TO THIS.

BOXES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE STAFF ON THURSDAY 7 TH DECEMBER SO PLEASE BRING THEM BY WEDNESDAY 6TH.

IDEAS OF WHAT TO INCLUDE:

A LETTER OF THANKS OR CARD . HATS . TOOTHBRUSH . TOOTHPASTE . SOAP . MOISTURISER . COMB/BRUSH . DEODORANT . SWEETS . DRY FOOD . NOTHING PERISHABLE





Winter tree decoration

House competition

Your challenge is to make a
tree decoration for the festive
season.

20 house points for the
winner from each
year!!!

Please take a picture of your
finished decoration and add it
to the Padlet under the
correct year group with your
name and class.



The decoration can then be
placed in a box at main
reception and they will be
used to decorate the trees in
school.

Entries must be in
by Wednesday 6th
December.

TAKING ACTION

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...
Please complete the form below:

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



Naina (6B) helped her local community by organising a lunch for the workers and staff to enjoy.



Sima (3D) showed kindness and appreciation to all the workers in her community by sharing her Halloween candy with them.



Ravit (KG1C) dedicated time to distribute candies to local workers as part of his Diwali celebrations.



Ariana (6C) and Ziana (1C) regularly spend time looking after their community, keeping it free from litter.



Friends, Celia (2C) and Evelyn (2D) spent their spare time helping to paint the Kiss and Drop area.

**FREE
ENTRY**

P A D I A

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**

Registration: <https://forms.office.com/r/WVWLRGhD7Z>

Enquiry: padiadubai@gmail.com



DUBAI INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY
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Open Round for ALL-AGES

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to announce the *KIC2023 Open Round competition* for ALL-AGES, organised by KenKen, the world's largest math puzzle championship. We invite our students to participate in this exciting event, which promises to enrich their mathematical and problem-solving skills. The Open Round competition is open to students in grade 3 and above, as well as parents and teachers, making it a fun and engaging experience for all.

KenKen is Trusted globally; its rising popularity and global acclaim have made KenKen become a household name. This captivating brain-teaser has been featured in top newspapers across the world, including The New York Times & The Times UK. Notably, the **National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) in the USA** has even published a research paper highlighting the transformative impact of KenKen as a brain development activity, revolutionising the way we approach problem-solving. KenKen puzzles remarkably impact a child's brain development, providing numerous benefits critical to building intellectual power.

Some of the key advantages of KenKen puzzles:

- 1. Strengthening Arithmetic Skills**
- 2. Boosting Problem-Solving Abilities**
- 3. Developing Logical Thinking and analytical power**
- 4. Enhancing Concentration and Focus**
- 5. Promoting Teamwork and Collaboration**

The **KenKen brain-development program** aims to harness these benefits while fostering healthy competition and a love for mathematics. It also prepares kids for healthy competition in the KenKen **International Championship** [KIC 2023]. This championship will be an exciting platform for our students to showcase their talent and interact with like-minded peers.

The championship will take place online (remotely) on 17 December 2023, followed by an Award ceremony for all the winners, tentatively in Jan 2024 in Abu Dhabi.

You can register for the Open Round - KIC2023 Grand Finale by following the link below and

paying the

registration fee of only AED 300 (AED 400), 25% off for new participants till 25th Nov 2023.

Register Here (**New Participants**): <https://kenkenuae.com/Grand-Finale>

Registration Deadline: **30 Nov 2023**

Unlock your potential by joining the KIC2023 Open Round—a friendly & healthy competition designed to nurture your fundamentals. If you practice our puzzles provided with registration, It's

an easy round to qualify. Embrace the confidence boost as you pave the way for an exciting KenKen challenge.

If you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us at +971 44502651, +971 44502652 or info@kenkenuae.com.

Note: Kenken UAE reserves the right to change the exam mode, date, or venue of the competition/ceremony in any unforeseen circumstances.

Best
wishes,
KenKen

UAE

Eligibility & Fee Details (Note: 5% VAT is exclusive.)

Who can participate?	Open for ALL - Students & Adults	Register Online: https://kenkenuae.com/Grand-Finale
Registration Fee	New Participant: AED 300 (400) 25% OFF Existing Participant - 40% OFF KIC2023 Top 20 National Rank - 60% OFF *Discounted fee valid till 30th Nov 2023.	Includes: Open Round Championship Registration Fee & Free 50 Online Puzzle Worksheets ● 50 Mock Puzzle Sheets ● Two Daily Puzzles every month till December 2023.
Grand Finale Competition Division	Champions Round - Only for Top 20 KIC2023 National Rank holders Open Round Students - For Non-Kenken Students and other existing Kenken Students. Open Round Adults - For adults, including parents & teachers.	Exam Categories - Students will be assigned an exam category based on their DOB after registration.
Competition Date	17 December 2023 - Online Competition during the winter break.	Participants can attend the competition online from their homes through their Kenken portal.
Award Ceremony	To be held in Abu Dhabi in Jan 2024. More details TBA. *Kenken reserves the right to change the date or venue of the exam/ceremony in any unforeseen circumstances	KIC2023 Grand Finale winners & KIC2023 National winners will be felicitated in the ceremony. All other participants will receive their awards in Jan 2024, and the mode of collection will be informed through email and portal.
KenKen I Classes ADD ON ** (Optional)**	Kenken classes have two packages: 1st package only @AED945 2nd package only @AED1360	1st Package include : ● 10 classes ● 30 mock test ● KenKen strategies ppt 2nd Package include : ● 15 classes ● 50 mock test ● KenKen strategies ppt



Innoventures Got Talent 2023 Shortlisted Students

We are delighted to announce the names of students who got shortlisted for the finals
Categories

Solo Dance : Aadya Guruprasad 5F

Solo music : Kingsley Zhao 5F

Music band+ Group : RiverDe Wit, Electra Lioulia & Adam Abbas

Variety act: We continue to seek entries from students interested in auditioning for our variety act. This can include performances such as gymnastics, magic, shoe juggling, and more.

Kindly send your video entries to Ms. Rini rinip@diadubai.com or Ms. Lauren: Laurens@diadubai.com

We would like to thank all the students who got involved with this year's auditions. We were totally blown away by the talent.

We wish you the best of luck for the future.

Kind regards

Ms. Rini HOD Performing Arts/ Primary Dance teacher.

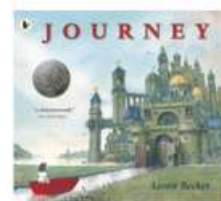
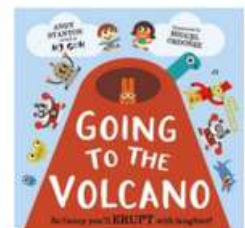
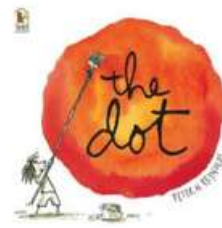
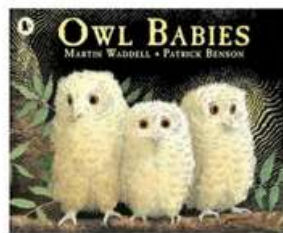
Ms. Lauren Primary Music Teacher



NATIONAL DAY GIVEAWAY

**2ND - 4TH DECEMBER
8AM - 6PM**

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