





Arthur the 'Site Supervisor' was not impressed with my work in the bathroom.

Head of Primary's Message

Dear DIA Families,

Celebrating Wellbeing Week

This week marked our annual Wellbeing Week, a cornerstone of our commitment to fostering a supportive and vibrant school community. This year was particularly special as we introduced a dedicated wellbeing position to the staff, welcoming Mr. Sean to this vital role. Under his leadership and with the support of many, we orchestrated a week filled with enriching activities aimed at promoting mental, physical, and emotional wellness among our students, staff, and parents.

Highlights of Wellbeing Week

I do not want to take away the words from our Student Council. To read more from the council themselves, please click on the [Student Council Newsletter](#) in Comms Corner

Leadership in Action

A special mention must go to our Head Girl, Rihanna Khirandish, our Head Boy, Ayaan Ahuja, and our two deputies Samarth Shreyas and Tiffany Rosa, who have impressively built on the legacies of their predecessors to kick start the year with dynamic and impactful initiatives. In particular their Year 1 and 2 new student playdate was incredible.

CCA Participation Soars

This term, we now see 2,370 of our 2,741 students across Primary and Secondary participate in 143 unique CCAs each week, achieving an impressive 86.5% participation rate. We currently facilitate over 3,500 weekly opportunities, not including the array of squads and additional curriculum opportunities like Tunes on Tuesday, for our students to engage in diverse activities that contribute to their personal growth and skill development.

In addition to this, our enhanced paid provider provision across the week has seen 358 students enrolling in 16 paid CCAs, further highlighting the variety and specialised options available. I hope this showcases the dedication we have as a staff body to provide comprehensive developmental opportunities.

Busses

While enhanced road systems are on the way, many of us have had to adjust our departure times or utilise the buses to ensure students arrive at school on time. In order to minimise travel times on buses, please ensure you are ready to collect or drop off your children promptly. Currently, 23% of our students use this service. However, some buses experience delays as they wait for parents or caregivers to meet their children at the bus or to bring them in the morning. Promptness in these transitions is crucial for keeping our transportation schedule efficient and effective.

Year 5 and 6

- For those participating in World Scholars Cup, we are meeting the representative next week and will share details soon
- Please attend the Ecoventure international trip meeting next Thursday (3rd) for more details on Borneo and Sri Lanka (see calendar below)

Events

There are a number of posters below, please look through them to avoid missing any opportunities. Class reps look out for my coffee morning invitation on your emails.

Kind regards,
Tom

EXTRA EXTRA! EXTRA!



KG1

YEAR 3

THE ARTS

KG2

YEAR 4

STUDENT
COUNCIL

YEAR 1

YEAR 5

YEAR 2

YEAR 6



NOTICES

- Year 3-6 Open Football is now on Friday mornings.
- As the weather cools we will soon be able to enjoy the field at lunch time. Please send your students with a hat or they will not be allowed in direct sunlight.



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OCTOBER



2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30 Y4BG Y4CE TRIP TO CIRCUIT FACTORY	01	02 Y4F, Y4AD Trip to Circuit Factory	03 Ecoventures Intl Trips Parent presentation - Canteen 7.45 Dyslexia Awareness Day <i>Dress in RED</i>	04 WORLD TEACHER'S DAY (PADIA)	05
06	07 Y3ABCG TRIP TO FITREPUBLIK Y4-6 PASS TESTING SESSION 1	08 Y3DEF TRIP TO FITREPUBLIK	09 KG1-Y6 CLASS REPS COFFEE MORNING CANTEEN @7.45 AM	10 PS POETRY EVENT (BY INVITE)	11 PINK DAY (NON-UNIFORM) PARENT INFO SESSION - ASSESSMENTS YEARS 2-6. 7.45 AM CANTEEN	12
13	14 MID-TERM BREAK (NO SCHOOL FOR PS & SS)	15 MID-TERM BREAK (NO SCHOOL FOR PS & SS)	16 MID-TERM BREAK (NO SCHOOL FOR PS & SS)	17 MID-TERM BREAK (NO SCHOOL FOR PS & SS)	18 MID-TERM BREAK (NO SCHOOL FOR PS & SS)	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 PS PTC KG1-Y6 (NO SCHOOL FOR PS) PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV	29 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV	30 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV	31 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV	01 NOV PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV	02 NOV

TAKING ACTION

Has your child been taking action out of school? Then we want to know all about it so we can celebrate it on our posters and displays in school...

Please email Mr Nick with any details at nicholast@diadubai.com



Reya (4D) has been taking action all through the summer months. Every time a delivery driver came to deliver something, she was on hand to provide them with a much needed refreshing drink or snack. Keep up the amazing gestures Reya :)



Majd (5B) has been taking action by caring for the stray cats in his community. Thanks to him, they are able to get a tasty meal. Keep being awesome Majd :)



Taim (1F) took action on his holiday, deciding to go out of his way to give a meal to someone in need. Well done Taim, a very caring thing to do :)

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS DAY

Celebrating our diverse community

Thursday, 3rd October

DRESS IN RED



Activities in the Quad
during lunch

PS POETRY FESTIVAL

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EVENT RULES

Open to students by invite.

Recitals in both Arabic and English.

Years
4/5/6

PRIZES

1st PLACE

2nd PLACE

3rd PLACE



OCTOBER 10

10 AM – 12 PM PS GYM

INFORMATION

For more information, contact
Ms. Aida or Ms. Rana.

MYSTERY



Primary School Short Story Writing Contest



Instructions:

- For DIA students in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
- Write your own MYSTERY short story
- Up to 555 words
- Submit your entry in authentic *handwriting* to DIA Primary School Library
- Submission deadline: *7th October*, Monday
- Criteria: presentation; content; originality

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