

When a teacher gets woken up before
9am on their Mid-Term

Head of Primary's Message

Dear DIA Families,

Pink Day Wellbeing Awareness

Today, we marked Pink Day, an initiative aimed at raising awareness about the importance of early prevention and regular screening checks for cancer. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated to our GIVE charity through Dubai Cares. Your participation really demonstrates our community's commitment to health and well-being.

MFL and Year 3 Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our Modern Foreign Languages department ventured outside the school for the first time this week, providing students with a fantastic opportunity to apply their language skills in real-life settings. Experiences like these are wonderful chance to bring language learning to life. Also, this week, we had our Year 3 students off to learn all about the human body, through exercise, at Fit Republik. Promoting active lifestyles is a significant part of our curriculum at DIA and it was great to see the Year 3's really taking this to another level.

Celebrating the Arts: Poetry Recital

One of the week's highlights for me was witnessing some of our students' confidently preform during our annual poetry recital, where they performed both English and Arabic poetry. This is the second edition of the event and it continues to showcase the growing strength of the Arts and Language at DIA. A huge thank you to Ms. Aida, along with Ms. Rana and Ms. Yomn for making this such a success as well as our parent judges Ms. Kathy one of our parent authors and Mr. Amer, who contributes incredibly to the Arabic Calligraphy programme. Congratulations to all participants, with a special mention for our winners:

Arabic Poetry Winners:

- Year 6: Farah AL Ashmawi (1st Place)
- Year 5: Haya Al Abbadi (2nd Place)
- Year 4: Sima Shakfeh (3rd Place)

English Poetry Winners:

- Year 4: Julia Kasparian (1st Place)
- Year 6: Yuchan Chay (2nd Place)
- Year 4: Aadya Purohit (3rd Place)

Congratulations To All Participants

Year 4 Participants:

- Adam Khalil, Omar Abdelhamid, Riyansh Gaddi, Kanav Khandelwal, Paul Gizard, Zona Bhatia, Irene Kim

Year 5 Participants:

- Majd Andersson, Charles Dagher, Stamatios Giannopapas, Seonwoo Ki, Selim Kamel, Aya El Tajoury, Kohsheen Vashnavi

Year 6 Participants:

Rouh Kemkar, Rihanna Khirandish, Abbas Zaveri, Adam Kamel, Nicole Lindholm SARA Juma

Guests of Honor

- Thank you to Swara Gowrishankar, Zayyan Farooqui for joining us. These two will be representing the school at the Emirates Literature festival soon.
- Thank you to Rihanna and Ayaan, our Head Boy and Girl, who narrated the show for us so brilliantly and confidently.
- Thank you to Dance Versity, who gave us a first glimpse of the upcoming 'Matilda The Musical', by performing one of their routines.



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Assessment Workshop

A big thank you to Mr. James and Ms. Stephanie for conducting an fabulous assessment workshop for Years 2-6. We will gather all the feedback and questions received during the session and based on this input, we plan to organise an online session after the break to further address any remaining queries and share additional insights. There are such varied perspectives when it comes to assessment and as a school we look to find the right balance for what this community is looking for and of course, what is in the best interests of our wonderful students. Thank you all who who attended for sharing your thoughts and engaging with ours. [Assessment in Primary - Presentation](#)

Class Reps

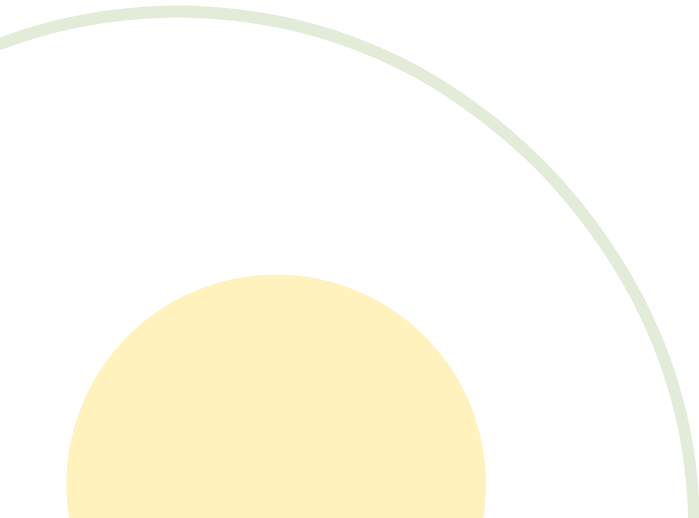
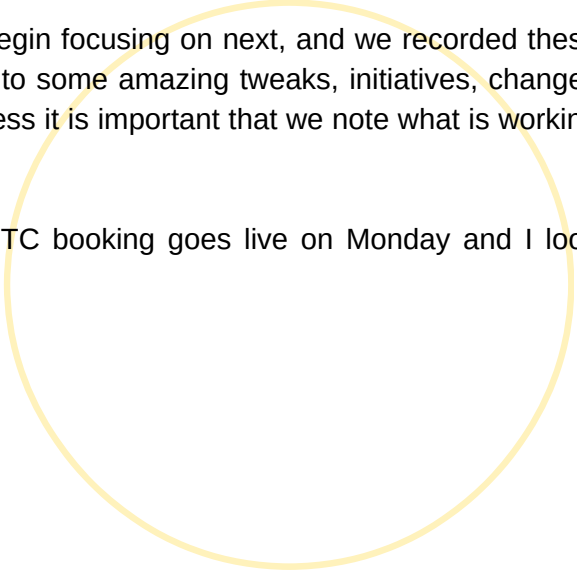
It was fabulous spending time with our Class Reps this Wednesday, we talked we laughed we got know each other and discussed the role. These roles are essential for fostering community and promoting wellbeing, two of our primary objectives at DIA. For those needing a refresher on the specifics of these roles, more information can be found here.

Our class representatives play a pivotal role in bringing our community together, and I look forward to our continued collaboration to enhance our nurturing and inclusive school environment. Class reps are always on the end of the phone for me if I need to run an idea past them or give them a heads up on some communication that is coming. It can be tough to translate the intonations of the spoken word into writing and I thank those who have already been great conduits for this already. [Click here for Parent Rep Information booklet](#)

We talked about key areas of focus that we thought the school could begin focusing on next, and we recorded these down in groups, before prioritising them. These focus groups have led to some amazing tweaks, initiatives, changes and celebrations over the last 2 years and as part of this feedback process it is important that we note what is working really well and perhaps could be expanded or focused upon further.

Thank you all for a wonderful first half term, please remember that PTC booking goes live on Monday and I look forward to seeing you all back after the break,

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

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**TURN
OVER**



10 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 Y4 MFL BREAKFAST TRIP	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 WSC PARENT INFO SESSION (VIA TEAMS) 9.30 AM (BY INVITE)	23 ECOVENTURES PARENT INFO SESSION - Y4-6 CAMP CANTEEN @7.45 AM YEAR 4 AUTHOR VISIT (L6 KG GYM) - MS. IVANA OGBU	24 UN DAY YEAR 4 CONCEPT WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS CANTEEN 7.30-9.30 AM YEAR 3 AUTHOR VISIT (L5 KG GYM) - MS. IVANA OGBU YEAR 2 AUTHOR VISIT (L6 KG GYM) - MS. IVANA OGBU	25	26
27	28 PS PTC KG1-Y6 (NO SCHOOL FOR PS) PS BOOK FAIR 28 NOV LIBRARY OPEN DAY PLANT THE EMIRATES - 20,001 TREES - KICK OFF SHARJAH	29 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV 6G ASSEMBLY L7 PS GYM 30X30 CHALLENGE STARTS	30 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV 6C CLASS ASSEMBLY L1 QUAD Y6 ARABIC A TRIP TO MBR SPACE CENTRE Y6B,6D ASSEMBLY PS GYM L7	31 PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV 6E CLASS ASSEMBLY, PS GYM L7 AR SESSION FOR PARENTS Y3-9 - CANTEEN @7.45 AM	01 NOV PS BOOK FAIR 28 OCT 1 NOV 6A+6F CLASS ASSEMBLY QUAD L1	02 NOV

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11 NOVEMBER 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
03	04	05	06	07	08 WORLD SCIENCE DAY (NON UNIFORM DAY)	09
10	11 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 11-15 NOV EARLY CLOSING FOR PS DUE TO SS PTC	12 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 11-15 NOV	13 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 11-15 NOV	14 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 11-15 NOV INNOVENTS PRIMARY SCHOOL DEBATE Y4-6 RWA 8 AM-2 PM	15 ANTI BULLYING WEEK 11-15 NOV PADIA WILD WADI EVENT (7 PM)	16
17	18 S4K PRODUCTION THE JUNGLE BOOK KG1-Y6 SS PE HALL	19 DHA EYE SCREENING Y2, Y5 CANTEEN	20	21	22	23
24	25 INNOVENTS MATHEMATICS CHALLENGE Y5-12 AT DIA-AB	26 PS SKI TRIP - PARENT INFO SESSION 7.45 CANTEEN	27 Y5 TRIP TO AL MAZRA'A (27-29 NOV) Y6 TRIP TO AL AIN ADVENTURE (27-29 NOV) Y4 TRIP UAQ MARINE CLUB 27-28 NOV (GROUP 1)	28 Y5 TRIP TO AL MAZRA'A (27-29 NOV) Y6 TRIP TO AL AIN ADVENTURE (27-29 NOV) Y4 TRIP UAQ MARINE CLUB 27-28 NOV (GROUP 1) Y4 TRIP UAQ MARINE CLUB 28-29 NOV (GROUP 2)	29 Y5 TRIP TO AL MAZRA'A (27-29 NOV) Y6 TRIP TO AL AIN ADVENTURE (27-29 NOV) Y4 TRIP UAQ MARINE CLUB 28-29 NOV (GROUP 2) 30X30 ENDS	30

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



Sebastian (5E) and Valentina (5B) carried out their own toy collecting initiative for the children of Gaza. They chose and sorted through their own toys, whilst also inviting their friends to contribute as well. As you can see, they collected a huge amount and they will all be going to a very worthy home.



Kaia (3D) and Kian (KG2D) spent part of their summer holidays rescuing jellyfish that had been washed ashore on the coast of Lisbon. A very caring thing to see :)

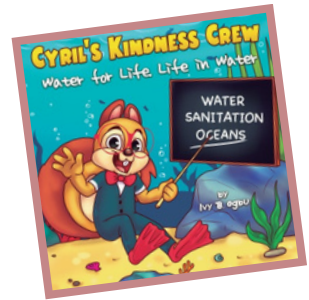


WE ARE CELEBRATING UNITED NATIONS DAY



24TH OCTOBER

WITH CHILDREN'S AUTHOR ON SUSTAINABILITY **IVANA B. OGBU**



Students in Y2, Y3 and Y4 will enjoy some of the captivating stories of **Cyril's Kindness Crew**. The series of books breaks down complex sustainability concepts into encouraging critical thinking and activism in young readers, while promoting values of kindness and focus on the importance of our well-being as key aspects of sustainability.

RAISE CHANGE MAKERS

We all want to raise children who aspire to make a difference. But how do we begin the tough conversations about the state of our world?

Raising Change Makers with Cyril is a fun and engaging children's book series that helps children ages 6-12 learn about **sustainable development**.

Children will be inspired to:


- Take action in their communities
- Question and develop critical thinking
- Hold themselves and others accountable
- Embrace the power of kindness



HI, I'M IVANA

I used to work for the United Nations and now I help parents and educators empower young minds to understand our chaotic world. But not just educate; our job is to do so in a way that gives them hope and courage that they too can make a difference.

Love, *IVANA*

 @ivyogbu @raisechangemakers



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20TH OCTOBER
(SUNDAY)

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28 OCTOBER-1 NOVEMBER 2024

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WORLD SCHOLAR'S CUP – 2025

DUBAI REGIONAL ROUND

Year 5 and 6 Parent Information Session - Teams Meeting

Tuesday, October 22nd 9:30 am

If you are interested in having your child participate in the World Scholar's Cup 2025 Dubai Regional Round, we invite you to join us on Teams for a parent information session.

During this meeting, we will provide a brief overview of the World Scholar's Cup, discuss ways in which parents can support their children in preparation, and outline the support we can offer.

Please find the Teams meeting details below:



WSC Parent Info Session Link

Meeting ID: 365 245 139 60

Passcode: aEAV8Q

DUBAI INTERNATIONAL
ACADEMY - EXCLUSIVE
EVENT

7:00
PM

Nov 15th
2024

Click here to book
your tickets by
31st October


100dhs per
ticket

20% OFF on Food & Beverages and Wild Wadi Retail Outlets

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Initiative

7:00-10:00 PM

 **Wild Wadi Waterpark**
Next to Burj Al Arab, Jumeirah



S4K Production - The Jungle Book at DIA-EH on 18 November 2024



THE JUNGLE BOOK, a musical shory for 4-11 year olds, adapted from the Mowgli stories of Rudyard Kipling and made popular by the Walt Disney movies, is magically brought to life here at DIA- EH. Brought up in the Indian jungle, MOWGLI THE MAN CUB is taught the laws of the jungle by his friend BALOO THE BEAR and BAGHEERA THE PANTHER. When time comes for Mowgli to leave the jungle and return to the Man Village, the lessons he has learned prove invaluable. THE JUNGLE BOOK is a delightful musical comedy show with plenty of audience participation and interactive fun ideal for children of all ages! The show is performed in English and sensitively adapted for UAE audiences.

THE JUNGLE BOOK

Show times:

10:00 - 10:50 am

KG1, KG2, Year 1-2

12.15 - 13:15 - Year 3-4

13.30 - 14:30 - Year 5-6

Students who are not watching will remain in class with one of the year level team teachers.

The show will take place in the SS Gym, where all students will be seated.

If you wish your child to attend this fantastic performance then please arrange an online payment of AED 60 via the below link

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

**Click here to
make the
payment**

**Payment deadline
Wednesday 13 November**

**The online ticket payment is
non-refundable**