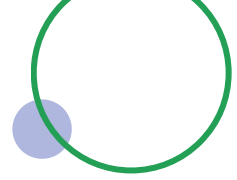






Lucy and I looking out over the storm



Head of Primary's Message

Dear DIA Families,

As we returned to campus this week, even if just for a day, it was lovely to see our students and kick off the term with enthusiasm. However, we all know what happened next.

Firstly, my sympathies go out to all families and staff who have suffered losses during this time—be it homes, possessions, or access to basic necessities like Wi-Fi and food. The road to normality will be different depending on context, and we are here to support you every step of the way. The order of the day is kindness please, both in our actions and in the written and spoken word. There were parts of this week that went incredibly well and other parts that were less smooth (today's whole school meet). With rain looking like a more frequent part of the landscape here, we will of course reflect and put plans in place for any future situations of this nature.

Acknowledging Our Heroes and Community Spirit

A special thank you to our facilities and operations teams, who stayed at the school due to the rapidly worsening conditions of the roads. Their efforts to secure our campus were nothing short of heroic. Their dedication during these challenging times cannot be overstated. As a school we have ensured they are well looked after for their efforts and I know there are a number of parents who would also like to show their appreciation (see below). A special mention to Mr. Navneet, Mr. Tharanga, Mr. Abraham and Mr. Shiblu to name only a few who were crucial to this operation and to our school driver Mr. Abilash who ensured plenty of food reached our support team.

I also extend my gratitude to our incredible parents. The feedback from our staff, particularly from a Year 1 teacher, highlights the crucial role parents played in supporting our little learners as they navigated online learning under difficult circumstances. Your resilience and engagement have been essential in maintaining the continuity of education for our youngest students.

Our teachers, particularly the Heads of Year - From KG1 - Year 6 Ms. Jessica, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Jodie, Ms. Sue, Mr. Damien, Ms. Venisha, Ms. Sinead, and Mr. Conor deserve immense thanks. Despite facing personal challenges and challenges felt by their team members, they worked tirelessly to ensure clear communication and adapt our academic plans. Their leadership and dedication have been instrumental in managing this crisis and in shaping the education of the coming weeks to account for this.

I am touched by the numerous emails from parents and staff not only expressing understanding but also offering support to others in our community including Ms. Sanaa in KG1, who helped organise food deliveries for local support staff. This spirit of solidarity and kindness is what makes our DIA family so special.

As we navigate the coming days and weeks, let's continue to support each other and above all else, use this as an opportunity to show and teach kindness. If any parents are facing particular challenges then I please ask that you email your class teacher to make them aware.

Plan for Monday

I am writing this from my office at school and the drive here was still rather challenging. On Monday the main order of the morning will be to arrive at school safely. Plan your routes and be prepared for delays. In class, the focus will be on managing the emotions of the students and sharing experiences if people feel comfortable to do so. We will also celebrate our facilities team and show gratitude to all who kept us safe. It is important to take these key learning opportunities to instill compassion, kindness and perspective.

Looking forward to seeing you all next week.

Kind regards,
Tom Collar

EXTRA EXTRA! EXTRA!



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NOTICES

We are pleased to share our Year Group Curriculum Handbooks which give you an overview of what we teach in the Units of Inquiry along with Maths, English and Science in Years 1-6. Click the links below to access the relevant year group.

These have been an ongoing project derived from parent focus groups to help create further transparency in the curriculum. We hope they prove useful. We will also be running parent workshops on these in Term 3, as part of transition.

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31 Spring break	01 Spring break	02 Spring break	03 Spring break	04 Spring break	04 Spring break	06
07	08 Spring break	09 Eid Al Fitr	10 Eid Al Fitr	11 Eid Al Fitr	12 Eid Al Fitr	13
14	15 Staff & Student return CCA Term 3 begins PS Art Week World Ar Day	16 Tentative date for a parent workshop on nutrition and behaviour @ 8am (this date may change) 	17 PAID CCA begins	18	19	20
21	22 Earth Day Wear your green PE kit	23	24	25 Coin Mural KG2-Y6	26 Toddler Report Unit 4 Autism Awareness Day - wear or accessorize in blue	27
28	29 Y6 Arabic A Trip to MBR Space Centre Innovents Debate (by invite)	30 Y3 + Y5 Arabic A Trip Chocolate Factory Warsaw	01 Battle of houses KG2-Y2	02 Battle of houses Y3-6	03 Books Home	04



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19	20 The Little Mermaid an S4K production KG1-Y6	21 Y3 Trip to Green Planet	22	23	24 Innovents PYP & MYP MUN Y5-8 @ DIAEH	25
26	27 No school for students & staff KG1-Y6	28 NGRT's Y2-6	29 NGRT's Y2-6	30 NGRT's Y2-6	31 NGRT's Y2-6 Toddle Report Unit 5	01

TAKING ACTION

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

Please complete the form below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/KW8tTenAY3>



Tysha (5A) during Ramadan, teamed up with Hope UAE to distribute Ramadan care packages to needy families. She went through all her things and picked out books, toys, pencils, crayons that she wasn't using and were in good condition that she could give to the families she met. She made 8 care packages in total, keeping a list as how old each of the children were so she could tailor what items to give them. We are very proud of you Tysha :)



Emilio (4A) decided to cut away his long hair and donate it to a UK charity, his hair will now be sent and made into a wig for children who are battling cancer. What an amazing act, well done Emilio :)



MONDAY, 22 APRIL, 2024

EARTH DAY

WEAR GREEN, BLUE OR BROWN TO SUPPORT



Hello Parents,

As we edge closer to another "Battle of the Houses" event on the 1st and 2nd of May, the Student Council hopes to build some excitement and house spirit. From Monday 22nd - Thursday 25th April the Student Council will be selling a limited amount (200) of "Battle of Houses" wristbands for 10.00aed in the aim of raising funds Student Council initiatives.

Bands will be sold in 2 locations for Year 3 - 6 only:
Primary School Library
PS218 - Mr. Sean's Room

Bands will be sold in blocks of 50 per day meaning 25 in each location during break and lunch and a child can purchase a maximum of 1 due to the limited amount on offer.

Thank you for all of your continued support,
Student Council

The poster features a green background with a grid pattern. At the top, there are five shields: FIRE (red flame), EARTH (green tree), a central shield with 'D' (red), 'I' (green), and 'A' (black), WATER (blue drop), and AIR (orange waves). Below these is a yellow banner with 'Battle of the Houses 2024'. A yellow starburst on the left says '10.00AED WRISTBAND SALE!'. To the right, two wristbands are shown: the front side with 'Fire, Earth, Water & Air' and the back side with 'Battle of the Houses '24'. At the bottom left, a scroll contains the event details. At the bottom right, a cartoon man with a beard and a white Adidas shirt holds a large orange foam finger and says, 'We **only** have **200** so get yours while they last!'.

10.00AED WRISTBAND SALE!

Front
Fire, Earth, Water & Air

back
Battle of the Houses '24

From
Monday 22nd April to Thursday 25th April the Student Council will be selling wristbands for Battle of the Houses.

The bands are 10.00aed and we have a maximum of 50 per day. 1 band per person can be purchased in Mr. Sean's Room – PS218 or the Library during morning break or lunchtime.

We **only** have **200** so get yours while they last!

SUPPORT TEAM

Kindness



MANY PARENTS IN THE COMMUNITY ASKED IF THEY CAN BE A PART OF THANKING OUR SUPPORT TEAM

In light of the recent storm and the incredible effort put forth by our dedicated support staff to prepare the school for our children's return, we extend our heartfelt gratitude.

As a token of appreciation, we would like to invite parents, along with the school, to contribute to a collective thank you gesture by providing a lunch for our hardworking support team.

Additionally, if parents wish to bring any small gifts, letters, cards to express their gratitude individually, they are more than welcome to do so. Together, let's show our appreciation for their unwavering commitment and dedication.

Please liaise through year reps



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Coin Mural

We are creating a coin mural out of 1AED coins in the Quad, which will spell out the word 'GIVE'. We want it to be huge, so we will need lots of coins... Start saving!



**Coins to class teachers: from Wednesday
17th to Tuesday 23rd.**

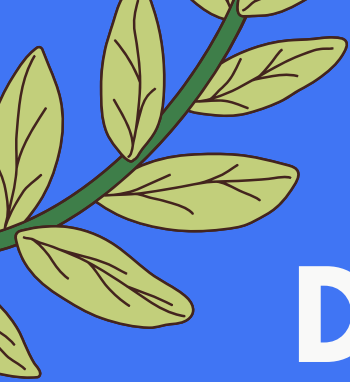
Coin Mural Creation: Thursday 25th April

All money raised to support the GIVE Initiative.

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DIA CELEBRATES AUTISM ACCEPTANCE



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NEW DATE: Friday 26th April

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CATEGORIES

**MUSIC SOLO SINGER - MUSIC SOLO
INSTRUMENTALIST - DANCE SOLO - VARIETY ACT**



PRE-KG - G1/FS1 - Y2
WEDNESDAY
MAY 8TH
3:00PM ONWARDS
RWA AUDITORIUM



The Little Mermaid - an S4K Production

Coming to DIA-EH on 20 May 2024

The Little Mermaid, a musical show for 4-11 year olds, adapted from the famous fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen and made famous by the classic Disney movies, is magically brought to life here at DIA-EH.

Marina, a beautiful young mermaid, longs to leave her ocean home to live in the dry world above. But first, she has to defy her father – Neptune, the Kind of the Sea; escape the clutches of the evil Sea Witch; and convince a prince that she's the perfect girl with perfect voice... when she cannot speak!

The Little Mermaid is a delightful musical comedy show with plenty of audience participation, sea-shanties and interactive fun – with live music from professional actor-musicians. This show is ideal for children of all ages.

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.



The show is performed in English and sensitively adapted for UAE audiences and will take place in the SS Gym, where all students will be seated.

Show times:

- 10:00 - 10:50 am
KG1, KG2, Year 1-2
- 11:30 - 12:30 - Year 3-4
- 1:15 - 2:15 - Year 5-6

**Payment deadline
Thursday 18th May 2023
9.00 am**

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

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