Primary DIAlogue

Newsletter

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Photos courtesy of the IVEI Quran competition, the Swedish Ambassador's visit to DIA, KG1's picnic at the main campus, Year 2B's class assembly and the Year 3 Exhibition.





Head of Primary's Message

Dear DIA Families,

Celebrating Academic Rigor: ACER Testing Success

This week I was tremendously proud of all the Year 4, 5 and 6 students who sat their ACER tests in English, Maths and Science. While standardised tests are a component of our educational process, they do not capture the entirety of your child's development or abilities. Education is a rich tapestry that includes critical thinking, creativity, resilience, and teamwork—qualities that are just as vital as academic achievement. Please note, parent reports will be shared however we do not receive these until around September.

Valkommen: A Cultural Exchange with Swedish Ambassador

Our Swedish community had the honour of welcoming Ambassador Fredrik Floren for a Q&A session and a meet and greet. I managed to understand snippets in-between references to Abba and Volvo but was under no doubt that all who attended thoroughly enjoyed the rich conversation and opportunity to share in their Mother Tongue.

Annual Qur'an Recitation Competition: A Showcase of Talent

We had our Annual Innovents Qu'ran Recitation Competition and I would like to thank the following children, who represented the school with such pride and esteem, some of whom came away with golden recognition. Year 2: Zaina Awny Zidaan Bazaz; Year 3: Omer Abdel Hamid and Maryam Haris (Gold Medal); Year 4: Leena Zanati and Zayaan Farooqui (Gold Medal); Year 5: Farah Reda and Ameera Muhammad; Year 6: Hana Elkashef and Elif Elik (Gold Medal)

Year 3 Superstars

When I asked Mr. Damien what he thought of his beloved Year 3's Exhibition work, he responded with...

"It was wonderful to welcome families into school for the Year 3 Exhibition! Our Year 3 children were excited to showcase their hard work, including fantastic animal reports, research into adaptation and deforestation, and impressive science PowerPoints. The event was a hit. Thank you to all the families who joined us to celebrate the achievements and learning journeys of our talented Year 3 students!"

I couldn't agree more. Our young learners never fail to impress at moments like this.

I look forward to seeing many of you during the PTCs next week. Please stop by for a coffee if you would like to see me, or feel free to stop and chat if you see me walking through the corridors.

Kin<mark>d regards,</mark> Tom Collar



The third podcast recommendation revisits Dr Becky (who will be a strong feature on these recommendations. This one is all about **letting children struggle.** We all too often step in and try to help, protect and support our children. But is going to be good in the long run? Listen in to explore more on this topic.

Clicking the play button will take you to a YouTube video.



Disclaimer: These are not paid partnerships and I recommend the full reading of episode descriptions before listening to ensure the topics discussed align with your values. These podcasts are recommended for our adult, parent community and are not recommended to be listened to with your children unless you have listened to and approved the content for them.





Comm's Corner



YEAR 3



IEAR 4









NOTICES

All teacher led CCAs and Squad training will not take place during the PTC week 20-23 May. Paid CCAs and competitive fixtures will continue as usual.





Dear Year 2 parents

As your child progresses into Year 3 they can choose to study either French or Spanish (please note that French speakers must take Spanish, and Spanish speakers must take French). It is incredibly important that you give us this information so we can put your child in the correct class.

Please fill in the attached form by Sunday the 2nd of June.

PS Y3 MFL options 2024-2025

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WELCOME TO KG2 MORNINGS

Dear Parents.

Please join us for an opening morning to discuss your child's transition next year into KG2. We will have open mornings on:

Monday 27th May, 8am - KG1A & KG1B Tuesday 28th May, 8am - KG1C & KG1D Wednesday 29th May, 8am - KG1E & KG1F

All of the open mornings will start in the canteen extension in the main school building where there will be a short presentation of what to expect for next year. We can look at arrival and pick up logistics, walk through classrooms, and then myself and other members of the SLT team will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. I have assigned 3 days to make the number of parents for a tour of classrooms practical, but if the date above does not suit you please feel free to join us on one of the other available mornings.

I look forward to seeing you all very soon at "Big School!"

James Heard **Deputy Head Lower Primary** jamesh@diadubai.com







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SUNDAY	ΑΥ	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28		29 Y6 Arabic A Trip to MBR Space Centre	30 Y3 + Y5 Arabic A Trip Chocolate Factory Warsan	01 Battle of houses KG2-Y2	02	03 Books Home Toddle Report Unit 4	04
90		06 PS Book Fair KG1 -Y6 PYP Exhibition information Session for Year 6 parents @Cafeteria 7.40 am	07 PS Book Fair KG1 -Y6 KG1 Author Visit KG2 Author Viisit	08 PS Book Fair KG1 -Y6 Y5 Author visit Innovents Early Childhood Got Talent KG1-2, Year 1 (RWA Evening) Innovents Young & Talented Y2-3 (RWA Evening)	09 PS Book Fair KG1 - Y6' KG2 Author visit Y2 Author Visit	10 PS Book Fair KG1 - Y6	11
27		13 ACER Y4-6 Innovents Qur'an Recital (RIS) Y2-6 RIS	14 ACER Y4-6 KG2 Trip to Dubai Mall Aquarium	15 ACER Y4-6 Innovents Art Exhibition Whole School RIS Evening	16 ACER Y4-6 Y2 Arabic A Trip - Frozen Adventures Swedish Ambassador Visit - PS Gym	17 Y3 Exhibition	48
6		20 PTCs begin Arabic Calligraphy Exhibition - Foyer The Little Mermaid an S4K Production Little Mermaid - KG1-Y6	21 PTC Arabic Calligraphy Exhibition - Foyer Y3 Trip to Green Planet	22 Battle of houses Y3-6 (wear house colours) PTC	23 Y4 Arabic A Trip to Pots and Paints Cafe PTC	24 Innovents PYP & MYP MUN Y5-8 @ DIAEH	25
26		27 KG1A,B Parent Open Morning - Cafeteria 8.00 am	28 KG1C,D Parent Open Morning - Cafeteria 8.00 am	29 KG1E,F Parent Open Morning - Cafeteria 8.00 am		31 Toddle Report Unit 5	01

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
02	03 PS Summer Concert PS Jr. Duke Assembly	04 PS Summer Concert PS Jr. Duke Assembly	05 PS Summer Concert PS Jr. Duke Assembly	06 PS Summer Concert PS Jr. Duke Assembly	07 Italian MT Showcase	80
60	10 Arabic book fair Y4 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P3)	11 Arabic Bookfair Y2 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P1) Y1 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P4)	12 Y3 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P1) Y6 Transition Day in SS	13 Y5 French MT Play (Cafeteria P1) Y6 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P2) Y5 Hindi MT presentation (Cafeteria P3) Y6 Transition Day in SS Y6 Parent Transition afternoon	14 CCA Term 3 Ends PADIA Community Garage Sale	72
9	17 Eid Al Adha (subject to lunar calendar)	18 Eid Al Adha (subject to lunar calendar)	19	20 Y6 PYP Exhibition (SS PE Hall)	21 Y6 PYP Exhibition (SS PE Hall)	22
23	24	25	26 PS Sports Award Nite PS Gym Y1-6	27	28 KG2 Graduation PS Gym	59
30	01	02 Y6 Graduation SS PE Hall PS Y4 Market Day PS Gym	03	04	05 End of year for students & teachers Final Reports	









DEAR PARENTS,

WE ARE EXCITED TO INVITE YOU TO TIME-TRAVEL WITH US TO DISCOVER THE MINI VERSIONS OF OUR SCHOOL LEADERS AND TEACHERS AND THE BOOKS THEY LOVED TO READ WHEN THEY WERE YOUR KID'S AGE; SHARE THE LOVE OF READING AND JOIN A DRAW FOR SOME BOOKTASTIC PRIZES!









WHERE: The hall in front of the Library

WHEN: Any time ... PTC, drop off, pick up

WHY: Because together we grow readers!

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 - updated:

- KG1, KG2, Year 1-2 10:00 - 10:50 am
- 12.15 1:15 pm-Year 3-4
- 1.30 2:30 pm Year 5-6

Payment deadline Thursday 16th 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.



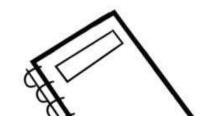
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GET READY TO EARN HOUSE POINTS DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR HOUSE COLORS!

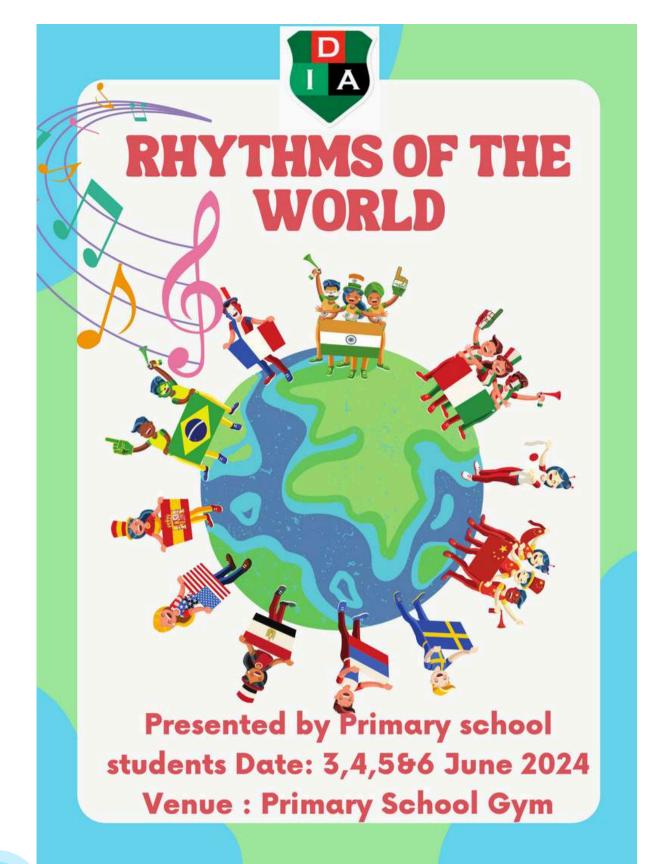


Updated Date: Wednesday May 22nd Yr3 - Yr6





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UPDATED Summer Concert Performance Schedule - Rhythms of the World 3-6 June 2024 Date Monday 3 June Tuesday 4 June Wednesday 5 June Thursday 6 June Lesson 2 Year 5AB Year 1AB Year 3AB All KG1 8:35-9:30 Year 6AB Year 2AB Year 4AB performances will start at 9:30 am Year 5CDE Year 1CDE Year 3CDE Lesson 4 10:45-11:40 Year 6CD Year 2CD Year 4CD

Year 5FG

Year 6EFG

Lesson 6

13:15-14:10

Summer Concert Costumes

Year 3FG

Year 4EFG

Year 1FG

Year 2EFG



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14TH JUNE 2024 8AM - 1:30 PM PS GYM/CANTEEN CLICK TO REGISTER





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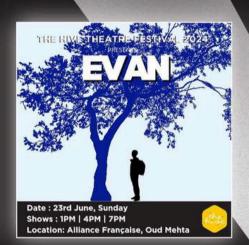


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