

DIA students took a moment to reflect on Peace today and what it means to them. Using the IB Attitudes and Learner Profiles, it was easy for students to connect to this very humanitarian topic. We understand that in order to have peace at home, with friends, as a community and as the world, we must first live and behave as true IB lifelong learners, being **tolerant** and **caring**, showing **respect** for one another in order to become more **knowledgeable**.





Each dove in this picture reflects what peace means to Year 4F student.

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#### **INNOVENTS - CARE BOX APPEAL 2018**

Innoventures Education schools are well under way initiating and preparing various exciting and valuable events.

We kick off our first event this year with the charitable Box Appeal. This appeal aims to give essential items to laborers less fortunate than us as a "thank you" for all they do every day. It is a citywide appeal for the benefit of labourers across the city and quite different to a similar one we do later in the year for our schools' support staff.

Launched in 2008 by Radisson Blu Hotel, Dubai Media City, the campaign has collected over 15,000 boxes of everyday essential items. These boxes have then been donated to construction workers all over Dubai. What is requested from you please, is to fill the 3 boxes provided in each classroom with all the items specified on the side of the box.

Each Innoventures Education school is responsible to fill a minimum of 300 boxes with 12 essential items to help these hard-working men feel appreciated.

Thank you for participating in the Box Appeal!

### Small Box. Big Difference.







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ACADEMIC YEAR 2018 - 2019

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday, 16 September - Tuesday, 16 October	Innovents Box Appeal
Sunday, 23 September	PADIA new and returning parents coffee morning
Sunday, 23 September	SS - University of Southern California visit
Sunday, 23 - Thursday, 27 September	GL Testing for new students
Monday, 24 September	YR4 Yoga workshop - Exam hall
Monday, 24 September	SS - Loughborough University visit
Tuesday, 25 September	PADIA wellness talk
Tuesday, 25 September	SS University visit - School of Art Inst of Chicago @ California College of Arts. Boston University visit
Wednesday, 26 September	YR4 iPAD session, 7.45-8.40am, Presentation Hall
Thursday, 27 September	Week without walls parent information session, 5pm-7pm, Exam Hall
Thursday, 27 - Saturday, 29 September	IBICUS Workshop
Sunday, 30 September	Nottingham Trent University visit

OCTOBER 2018	
Sunday, 16 September - Tuesday, 16 October	Innovents Box Appeal
Monday, 1 - Wednesday, 31 October	SS - Digital Awareness Month
Tuesday, 2 October	SS - University of Wisconsin-Madison visit
Wednesday, 3 October	SS - London School of Economics visit
Wednesday, 3 October	Arabic A & B Parent information @ 7:45 to 8:40 PS40
Thursday, 4 October	World Teachers Day
Sunday, 7 - Thursday, 11 October	PS photos
Tuesday, 9 October	SS - University of California Los Angeles visit
Wednesday, 10 October	PSAT Year 10/11
Thursday, 11 October	Innovents Pink Day
Friday, 12 October	PADIA Wild Wadi Day
Monday, 15 October	Innovents - Arabic Writing Competition
Thursday, 18 October	SS - US Universities visit
Sunday, 21 - Thursday, 25 October	Bookworm book fair in foyer
Monday, 22 October	SS - Babson University visit
Thursday, 25 October	Staff Professional Development (no students in school)
Sunday, 28 October	Mid Term Break
Wednesday, 31 October	IVEI Primary Football - U10 & U11 Boys and Girls @ DIA AB
Wednesday, 31 October	PADIA wellness talk

# SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

#### PREFECTS INVESTITURE

SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS



On Tuesday the 18th of September, 2018, 48 of our Year 13 students took to the stage to be invested as Prefects. The purpose of the ceremony was not only to acknowledge and congratulate these individuals, but also capture the spirit of school unity and joint responsibility. It was a simple no frills event, that consisted mainly of personal messages from myself, the DP Coordinator Ms. Parasram, and the Deputy Head students who spoke eloquently and honestly. It ended with the prefects being led through the oath by the Head Boy and Head girl.

Being a Prefect is hard work. Dare I say, it is even more challenging at a school like DIA, with its fast paced environment and rigorous DP curriculum. Whilst juggling academic deadlines, applying to universities and trying to maintain a work-life balance, these students are also constantly brainstorming ways in which to enhance student life at the school. They have some exciting plans in place for the next six months so watch this space!

Damayanti Rao Head of Year 13



## OCTOBER IS DIGITAL AWARENESS MONTH IN SECONDARY SCHOOL

As part of ensuring that our students adopt the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills necessary for personal and professional advancement in life, we have decided to initiate Digital Awareness Month over the month of October.

Digital awareness means being educated about both the benefits and risks of your online behaviour and activity. It considers themes such as internet safety, privacy and security,

self-image and identity, relationships and cyberbullying, and online reputation/digital footprint. In order to learn and reflect upon such themes we will engage with students in the Homerooms through debate, discussion, set tasks and reflection time. There will also be an opportunity to introduce to how we can measure mobile phone usage and online activity, as well as consider the prospect of a 'digital detox' and the benefits of curtailing social media usage.

We would like to thank PADIA for responding to our requests for their insights and sharing ideas and experience.

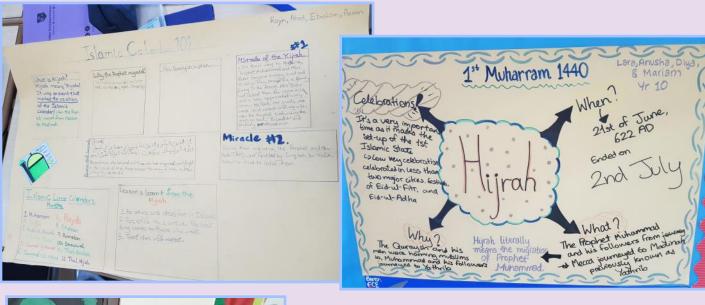
Robert Jennings Secondary School Deputy Head – Pastoral





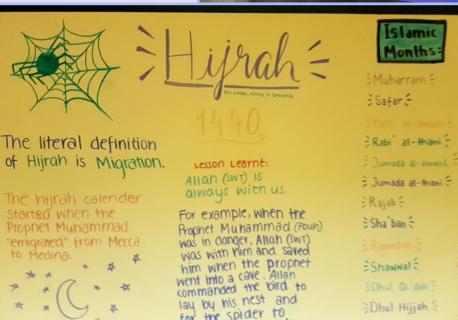


#### STUDENTS OF YEAR 10 REFLECT ON HIJRAH









for the spider to create a web on the entrance of the Cave.



Dhul Hijjah 🗧

#### AN ALUMNI'S ADVICE

Zahra Ben Gadara, an alumni of DIA who achieved a 7 in Arabic and 41 points overall at the recent IB DP exam visited the Arabic class of Year 13. She enlightened the class on a number of academic factors, such as how to improve in the subject and how reading and practice helps you more than anything. She even explained how important Arabic is in gaining university admission, citing the fact that it makes you more multicultural as a bilingual. Most of the top universities prefer students who can speak more than one language with good grades over students who only have good grades.

Reda Al Ashmawey Subject leader for Arabic A



# COMPETITIVE SPORTS NEWS **GREAT SPORTING NEWS!** morty 5 SPE done NO Well done Sophia for being selected in the Swiss Junior National Swimming Team! During the summer at the Swiss National Championship she got 3 gold medals (200 breast, 200 IM and 400 IM), one silver in 100 free and 1 bronze in 400 free.

Congratulations on this amazing achievement!



The hugely successful Dubai Fitness Challenge is back. We're IN with even more action from **19 October – 17 November 2018** 

Are YOU IN?

#Dubai30x30 #DIA #gowolves









FITNESS CHALLENGE

:30x30



COMPETITIVE





PASSIONATE ABOUT DIA

# **NEWS FROM PADIA**

Dear Parents,

PADIA would like to extend a warm invite to you for the first community event of the year, the Welcome Coffee Morning on 23rd Sep 2018, 7:45 am in the Presentation Hall.

This is the perfect opportunity to get to know our wonderful school community and senior leadership in an informal setting. There will be an interesting talk on supporting your child through transitions.

We hope that by the end of day you will be excited to find common ground with fellow parents through community groups like Book group, Excursion group, Language/Conversation group, or perhaps even start one of your own!

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday morning,

**PADIA Welcome Coffee Team** 

## PADIA

Our email address is padiadubai@gmail.com

PLEASE LIKE AND JOIN US ON FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/pg/PADIADUBAI







*Tuesday* 25<sup>th</sup> September from 7.30am to 8.45am DIA Presentation Hall



# **PADIA** Nutrition and Lunchbox Ideas

- Discover the basics of child nutrition and how food can affect your child's immune system, mood, school performance and quality of sleep
- Become more confident in making quick, simple and healthy lunchboxes that your kids will want to eat
- Get tips for "picky eaters" and learn how to get your kids to eat food that are good for them

Ivana Silva is a Nutrition Scientist, Certified Health Coach and International Lifestyle Coach. As a transformational coach, speaker, mother of three boys, wife and expat for the past 20 years, her mission is to inspire and empower people to create real and lasting changes they desire. Ivana implemented wellness programs in companies and schools worldwide applying science-based principles & practices combined with traditional holistic knowledge.



### DUBAI INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY EXCLUSIVE EVENT 2018 FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER 2018, 7 PM- 10 PM

Brought to you by PADIA and Wild Wadi Waterpark™

Tickets on sale for AED 100 each.
Tickets on sale from 24 September onwards.
Tickets are only valid on the day and time of the Event.

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