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INTERNATIONAL
ACADEMY**
Emirates Hills



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Head of Primary's Message

Dear DIA families,

Ramadan Assembly

At the start of the week, we were blessed with a fabulous Ramadan Assembly, beautifully organised by our incredible Islamic and Arabic team—Ms. Rana, Ms. Eman, Ms. Maha, Ms. Reeham, Ms. Omiana, Ms. Sama, Ms. Nadra, Ms. Yomn, Ms. Nadeen, Ms. Aya, and, of course, our wonderful Senior School Arabic and Islamic teachers. It was a meaningful way to welcome this sacred month, and ahead of next week, I wish you all Ramadan Kareem! Please keep an eye out for details of our annual Community Iftar—a special opportunity for us to come together.

Ramadan Timings & Important Reminders

During Ramadan, lessons are shortened, including lunchtime. Please be mindful of the quantity of food sent in, ensuring it aligns with the available time. Children are encouraged to eat efficiently, and this can be supported with easy-to-eat options from home. We also remind parents to respect the culture of this special time in the UAE—this includes being mindful of the rules regarding dress, food, and drink in public spaces.

International Day: A Celebration of Our Community!

Yesterday, we welcomed 1000's of attendees to campus for an unforgettable International Day! It was incredible to see our country representatives proudly showcasing their cultures with stalls, dances, and performances.

A massive thank you to:

- ✓ Choir & Dance Squad for dazzling us with performances, including a unique choir-backed dance performance!
- ✓ PADIA, Class & Country Reps for the delicious food and spectacular cultural tributes.
- ✓ Staff & Volunteers who helped ensure everything ran smoothly.

This event truly reflects the spirit of DIA—a community that embraces and celebrates diversity!

Global Recognition for DIA at KHDA

This week, I had the privilege of speaking with Ms. Michelle at KHDA on the topic of Environmental and Educational Action. I'm thrilled to share that:

🏆 DIA's TIMSS results were among the highest not just in the UAE, but in the world! We were formally recognised for this achievement today.

🌍 DIA has been recognised by KHDA as one of the top 10 schools for embedding Environmental Action within the curriculum! These achievements are a testament to the high standards our school continues to set. Congratulations to our students, teachers, and parents—your commitment is what makes DIA such an incredible place.

World Scholars MUN and Alpha Success

A huge well done to our World Scholars Cup team and to Ms. Lyndsey, who, with challenging circumstances, demonstrated remarkable care, love, and dedication to her students during the competition. We are now eagerly awaiting results, which I will publish as soon as we receive them!

Additionally, our DIALPHA students had an incredible time at Masdar City, exploring sustainability and green innovation. They learned about renewable energy, sustainable building materials and eco-friendly transport systems, with a major highlight being the driverless Personal Rapid Transit (PRT).

Our Junior MUN students were magnificent last weekend and we even collected an award. Jordan Jain was awarded Best Delegate for the Youth Assembly, a remarkable piece of recognition. There were also special mentions for Nish, Stamatis and Maahir. Lest we forget to thank Ms. Ruchika, Ms. Anita and Ms. Shivani for this ever growing aspect of our curriculum.

An incredible week of celebrations, achievements, and community spirit
thank you all for being part of it!

Kind regards,
Tom



EXTRA
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Comm's Corner

KG1

YEAR 3

THE ARTS

KG2

YEAR 4

STUDENT
COUNCIL

YEAR 1

YEAR 5

YEAR 2

YEAR 6



NOTICES



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Ramadan Kareem



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
02	03	04	05	06 WORLD BOOK DAY DRESS UP KG1-Y6 PS SKI TRIP STUDENT INFORMATION SESSION (LUNCH TIME IN 6C) NEW!	07 KG1-Y6 DIGITAL DETOX DAY. NEW!	08
09	10 INNOVENTS ARABIC WRITING COMPETITION AT RWA Y2-12	11	12	13	14 INTERNATIONAL MATH DAY WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY IFTAR T2 REPORTS TO PARENTS	15 PS SKI TRIP VERBIER Y5-6 (15-22 MAR)
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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



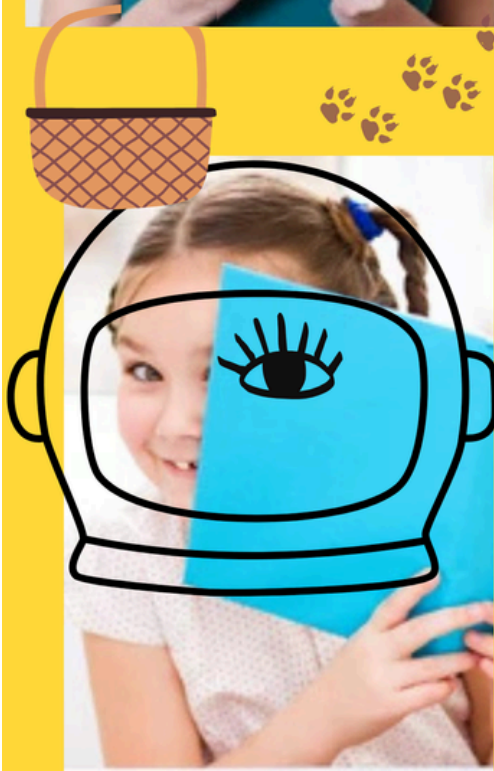
Our Primary Action and Eco Ambassadors recently had the opportunity of going on a desert clean and picnic to Al Qudra.


This amazing and humbling experience highlighted the need to ensure we all take responsibility to help keep our areas of natural beauty clean and free from litter.

As a result of their hard work, they were able to collect almost 10kg of litter, as well as almost 1kg of cigarette butts, which will now make their way to a recycling center to be transformed into a sustainable plywood. We also learnt that 50% of the camels that die here in the UAE is due to plastic consumption 🙄🐫

Together, let's make sure we keep striving to reduce, reuse, recycle and dispose of waste appropriately! ♻️🌍💚

MARCH: THE MONTH OF READING IN THE UAE

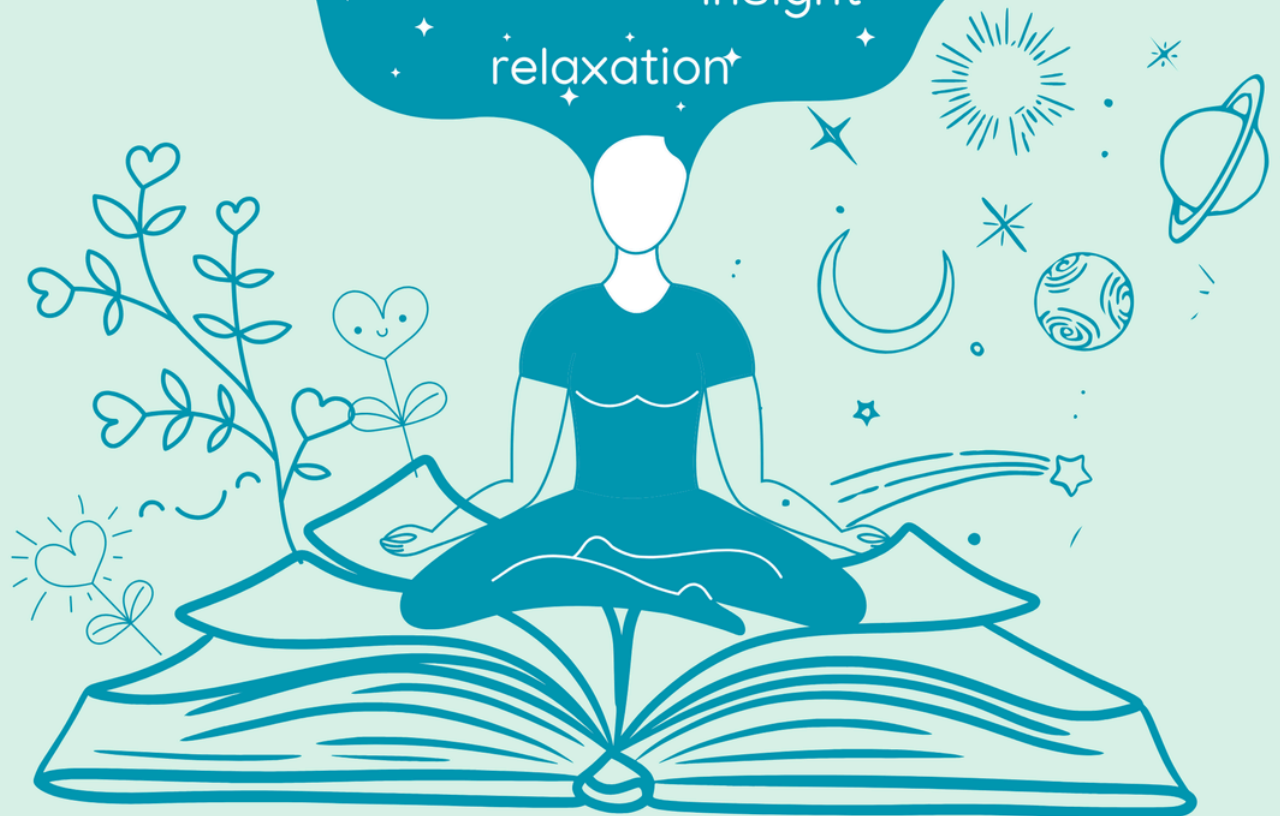



**CELEBRATE
WORLD
BOOK
DAY**
WITH
**YOUR FAVOURITE
CHARACTER
LOOK**

**MARCH 6th
DRESS UP DAY
WHOLE SCHOOL**



grounding focus peace nurturing
breathe connection serenity
inspiration
balance insight
relaxation



MINDFULNESS MONDAY MORNINGS

AT THE LIBRARY

WHO: Parent + Child partners from Y6 & Y7

WHAT: Meditation, Mindfulness and the Magic of Words

WHEN: Every first Monday of the month, 7:15am–8:00am in March

NEXT EVENT IS ON 3RD OF MARCH - SIGN UP [HERE](#)



Come together for a peaceful meditation session* and start your month with mindfulness, connection, and calm.

*Led by a Certified Yoga Teacher (YTT) Specializing in Mindfulness & Meditation



CMA Drumming Workshop

STARTING APRIL 7TH

FOR YEARS 4 - 6

**FOR OUR WORKSHOP TO HAPPEN, WE ARE SEEKING
BUCKET DONATIONS OF ALL SHAPES AND SIZES
KINDLY WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE BUCKET AND BRING
IT TO MS LAUREN'S MUSIC CLASSROOM**



PARENT CIRCULAR
(For Age 6 & above)

Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to announce that the **KenKen International Championship (KIC) 2025** is now open to our students! As the world's fastest-growing math and logic puzzle—featured in top global publications like *The Times UK* and *The New York Times*—KenKen is recognized by the **National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), USA** as a powerful tool to develop numeracy skills, problem-solving, logical reasoning, and perseverance. With over 30,000 students from 200+ UAE schools participating since 2015, this prestigious competition is a fantastic opportunity for our students to challenge themselves on an international stage.

Join KIC2025 - the world's Largest Math Puzzle Championship!

Win Prizes worth AED 50,000

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- **Prizes worth AED 50,000** will be awarded. Everyone gets a prize! Participants will be recognised with trophies, certificates, medals, and exciting rewards based on their achievements.
- **Compete at Global Stage**, after qualifying through School & National Round.
- **Puzzles that make you smarter** - Develop your child's logical reasoning, perseverance, confidence, attention span, arithmetic and problem solving skills.

We invite our students and their parents to register for the KIC2025, Round 1 by following the link below. This is the perfect opportunity to kick-start your KenKen's journey.

Register for KIC2025 Round 1 here: <https://kenkenuae.com/registration>
Registration Deadline: 08 March, 2025

The **KenKen Brain-Development Program (KBD)** nurtures logical thinking, problem-solving, and a love for math—while preparing kids for the KenKen International Championship (KIC 2025). This exciting competition offers a platform to showcase talent, connect with like-minded peers, and win prizes worth AED 50,000!

✓ Three Challenging Rounds ✓ Fun, Stimulating Activities ✓ Trophies, Medals, Certificates & Exciting Goodies Round 1 is online and takes place 30 days after registration. Qualifying is easy—learn the KenKen rules and solve a few puzzles on your KenKen portal. Build confidence, sharpen skills, and embrace the thrill of competition! **Register today.**

KIC2025 Introductory Presentation: [Video link](#) (6 minutes), [PPT link](#).

Eligibility & Fee Details (5% VAT is exclusive):

Who can participate?	Age 6*/Grade 2 – Grade 12/Year 13 *Must be 6 years on or before 31 Aug 2025	Register Online: https://kenkenuae.com/registration
ROUND 1 Round 1 Last date – 08 March 2025 (Mandatory)	AED 150.00	Includes: Round 1 free Registration & free trial of practice subscription ● 48 Practice Puzzles (2 Puzzles Daily for 24 days) ● Four Weekly Mock Challenges
Practice Material Subscription <i>ADD ON.</i> <i>Practice Subscription will be available online on the KenKen Student Portal.</i>	AED 100* (200) SAVE AED 100. Pay only AED 100* one-time fee for the whole year of 2025. *Offer valid for a limited time, only if purchased at the time of registration. You can also upgrade it later with a fee of AED 200.	Includes: Online Practice Subscription yearly plan valid till Dec 2025, which includes ● 720 daily puzzles in a year ● 160 Mock Challenges in a year ● Detailed weekly practice reports ● Dashboard for tracking progress
KenKen Training Program - A year long 1:1 session customized as per your child's progress and learning needs. ADD ON (Optional)	Pay into 4, No interest no fees. Pay only AED 800 Now. (EMI 1 of 4).	● Flexible Schedule ● 1:1 Online Interactive Classes ● Personalised Training ● Strategies & Techniques to Improve Speed & Accuracy.
ROUND 2 National Level Registration Fee <i>Participants who qualify from Round 1 can choose to register for the National Level with a registration fee.</i>	AED 350 (450)	The competition will be held after registration Completed after registration Round anytime between March - Aug 2025.
Exam Dates	*Kenken UAE reserves the right to change the exam mode, date, or venue of the competition in any unforeseen circumstances.	Round 1 – After 30 days of registration (tentative), the Round 1 will be held online. Round 2- National level – 25 or 26 October* 2025. The National level will be a CBT-based test. The exam will be hosted at a neutral centre in Dubai or Abu Dhabi. Round 3 - International Level – 13 or 14 December* 2025 tentative) Further details will be shared closer to the exam.

If you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us at +971 445519406 or info@kenkenuae.com.

Best Wishes | Kenken UAE

DIA - Building Mosque in Burkina Faso

Dear Parents,

We hope this letter finds you in the best of health and spirits. We are reaching out to you with a heartfelt appeal to join us in a noble initiative: the construction of a mosque in Burkina Faso. This project aims to provide a place of worship, education, and community support for the local Muslim community in need.

We are pleased to share that we have received the necessary approvals from the relevant authorities, and we are now in the phase of gathering contributions to bring this vision to life. This initiative will be executed by the UAE Red Crescent, ensuring that your generous contributions are utilized efficiently and transparently to build a mosque that will serve as a beacon of hope, a center for learning, and a space for spiritual enrichment for many individuals.

We invite you to be part of this impactful initiative by contributing through the following payment options:

100 AED, 200 AED, 500 AED

(For those who wish to contribute a total of 800 AED, they may use all three links.)

Your generous contributions, regardless of the amount, will play a crucial role in making this initiative a reality. Together, we can create a lasting legacy that will benefit generations to come.

For any inquiries, please feel free to reach out to us at [Waleeda@diadubai.com].

We sincerely appreciate your support and generosity.

May this initiative bring blessings to all those involved.

Online: Please go to <https://payment.innoventureseducation.com/diaeh/online/> payment portal. To login, use your child's student ID and date of birth detail



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Dear Teachers, Students, and Parents,
Assalamu Alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,
We are writing to you with a humble request to join us in supporting a noble initiative—building a mosque in Burkina Faso to serve the local Muslim community in need of a place for prayer, worship, and education. This mosque will not only provide a space for spiritual growth but will also become a center for learning and community support. It will play a key role in enriching the lives of countless individuals, offering religious education and a safe space for Muslims to gather.

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Islamic Affairs & Charitable Activities Department

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BOOK WISH LIST

DIA EH LIBRARY



Welcome to DIA BOOK WISH LIST!
The suggestions on this list will be considered
when placing book orders for DIA EH Library.

While we cannot guarantee that all wishes will come true,
listing them increases the likelihood and helps us better
serve and connect with our DIA community of readers.

STUDENTS



PARENTS



STAFF



Make a wish by March 31st!
PRESS THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE.

March: the Month of Reading in the UAE



THE GREAT BOOK SWAP

the Month of Reading in the UAE

WHO: **DIA STUDENTS- PRIMARY & SECONDARY**

WHEN: **MARCH; 3RD-14TH**

WHAT: **1. DROP OFF A BOOK* IN THE SWAP BOX AT THE LIBRARY**

2. WRITE YOUR DETAILS

3. TAKE A SWAP STAMP

*the book needs to be well-loved:
good condition & appropriate content

THEN: **COME TO THE GREAT BOOK SWAP DAY***

*3rd week of March - details to follow

AND: **PICK A BOOK. READ, READ, READ...**





CELEBRATING MARCH: THE MONTH OF READING IN THE UAE



DIA READING OASIS

OUR FAVOURITE MINI LIBRARIES ARE BACK!

IMAGINE...

All over the school growing,
students and parents exploring
little Oases of learning & dreaming -
the wonder of books & reading

1 MARCH 2025



March 1st marks the start of the UAE Month of Reading and the 1st Year Anniversary of DIA “Reading Oasis”: a BOOKtastic collaboration of students, parents and teachers/staff united by our shared **love for reading!**

Throughout the month, you will see our Reading Oases appearing around the primary school areas for the entire DIA community to enjoy. Whether you are students and teachers on break or parents waiting for your children:

Read, Enjoy, Return, Repeat!