

*“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.”  
- Benjamin Franklin*

Dear parents,

November has been an interesting month. Students have studied hard and prepared for examinations. We have had a plethora of events in connection with the most important day, the colourful and delightful UAE National Day.

A good school should be able to take all students as an individual person. We want to be a good school and that is why one of the important development areas has been how to support People of Determination and the gifted and talented students. It is important to help both; students who need more support and those who learn at a faster pace.

Who People of Determination? The general perception is that only those students who have some medical or physical problems are considered as People of Determination, which is a very old opinion. We are investigating students who have learning challenges, too. Our aim is to pay special attention to learning disabilities.

How will we do it? If the teacher has noticed that a student in her/his class needs more support or is very fast, gifted or talented, the teacher will contact the parents. The parents will be then asked to fill the **Pupil passport** and the **IEP** (Individual Education Plan) for People of Determination or **ALP** (Advanced Learning Plan) for gifted and talented, together with teacher. These documents will include a plan on how to help students in practise. We will go through all above-mentioned papers in our Learning Support Team. At the end of each term we will evaluate our actions together with parents and update the plan for the next term. The common goal is to help all children to jump as high as possible!



The Sport events connected with the UAE National Day celebrations was great! It was lovely to watch students play with a joy on their face. They played many games and the day became even more exciting when it came to playing against the teachers. The day was full of laughter, running, playing, sweating and, of course, cheering. The teachers had volley ball and football matches against the students. While the teachers won the volley ball match, the students proved their expertise and gumption by winning the football match.

The week-long 46th UAE National Day celebration culminated in a variety of cultural programmes on 29th November, 2017, with students and teachers preparing a potpourri of presentations, dances and decorations. It was nice to celebrate together with parents and whole school. Congratulation to the 46 year old Arab Emirates!



The examinations will take place from the 4th to 14th of December, 2017 and the last school day for students is the 14th December, 2017, for the winter vacation. **Term 2 will start on 7th of January.**

I would like to thank you all for your cooperation in Term 1. Let's continue this in Term 2! On behalf of the school I wish you success in the examinations and after that a great winter holiday! Have an active and relaxing vacation!

Events what we have held in November:

1. Celebration of the Flag Day 2017 – 2018
2. Nirsyah and Ali Rajooob received a trophy and certificate at the interschool robotics competition held in connection with the UAE flag day
3. First Aid training for the staff (CPR, Choking, Burn)
4. Coffee morning for Grades 1 to 4
5. First Parent Council Meeting
6. Career counselling for Grade 10 and 11
7. Our student's active participation in Science Festival 2017-18 at Al Ain Zoo. (9-11-17)
8. Our waste warriors campaign on waste free lunch boxes
9. UAE week celebrations with quiz, writing, art and sports competition
10. Celebrating Healthy Food Day
11. Commemoration Day (One minute silence in commemoration of all the Martyrs of UAE)
12. Nirsyah Ahmed (5C) winning the first position in Al Ain for Arabic Poem competition.
13. UAE National Day