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Admissions for the Academic Year 2025/2026

We are excited to announce that registration for new students at Aldar Academies for the academic year 2025-2026 is now open.

It is important to note that we strictly adhere to regulations set forth by the Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK) when placing children in specific years or grades within our schools. Please refer to the following guidelines:

Students will be assigned to year groups or grades in accordance with their age from FS1 to Year 2 and Pre-KG to Grade 1, as follows:

Age	Year/ Grade	DOB from	DOB To
3-4	FS1/Pre-KG	01 September 2021	31 August 2022
4-5	FS2/KG1	01 September 2020	31 August 2021
5-6	Year 1/KG2	01 September 2019	31 August 2020
6-7	Year 2/Grade1	01 September 2018	31 August 2019

For more information, please contact our admissions team on admissions@noya.sch.ae

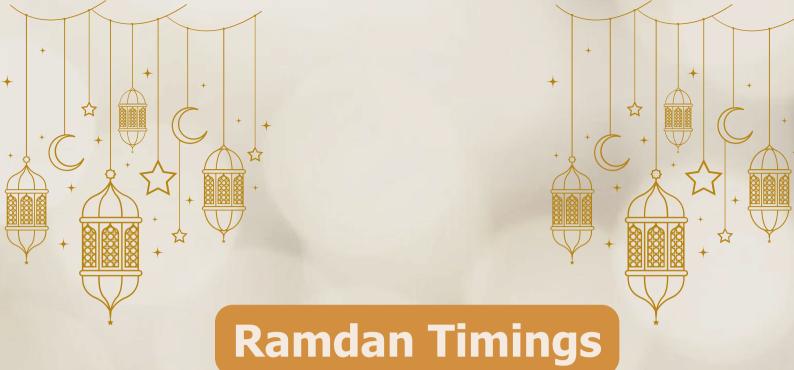












	Gates Open	School Finishes
Monday to Thursday	8:45 AM	1:00 PM
Friday	8:45 AM	11:45 AM



Message from the Principal - Ms. Sarah Isberg



Dear Noya British School Community,

What a remarkable week we've had at Noya British School! It's been a whirlwind of excitement, learning and community spirit. Our students have showcased their talents and teamwork on the golf course, in thrilling tournaments and through captivating performances in our production of The Jungle Book. A special thank you to everyone involved — your creativity and dedication truly brought the story to life!

Today we have launched our Fitness Friday, this kicked off with everyone gathered on the sports field exercising to music. The energy was infectious. Every Friday moving forward, unless informed otherwise, the children can come to school in their school PE kit smartly tucked in.

We have also been delighted to connect with our parents through this week's workshops. Your engagement and support continue to strengthen our school family and we look forward to more opportunities to collaborate.

Looking ahead, we're thrilled to announce the launch of several exciting initiatives. We are introducing EPraise, our new communication system to keep us all connected through one protal and Century Tech, an innovative platform designed to enhance learning both at school and at home. Stay tuned for more details as we roll these out in the coming weeks.

As we approach the holy month of Ramadan, please note that our Ramadan hours are expected to begin on Monday, though we'll confirm the exact start date as soon as possible. Keep an eye out for our update!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend filled with rest and joy. Ramadan Kareem to you and your families — may this season bring peace, reflection and blessings.

Message from the Assistant Principal - Mr. Michael Hughes



Dear Parents,

Ramadan Kareem! We have an exciting and eventful week ahead!

Junior Duke Programme

Payment links for the Junior Duke programme will be sent out this week. Please ensure payments are completed by Wednesday, 5th March, to secure your child's participation.

Student Leadership Roles - KS2

We are delighted to announce that applications for KS2 Student Leadership roles are now open! Parents will receive an application form, which learners must complete and submit to their class teacher by Wednesday, 5th March. This is a fantastic opportunity for our learners to develop their leadership skills and contribute to our school community.

International Book Week

Next week, we will be celebrating International Book Week, with a variety of activities planned:

Monday: Learners are encouraged to come to school in their pyjamas and bring their favourite book to share.

☐ Thursday: Children can celebrate their love of reading by dressing up as their favourite book character.

Friday: To mark International Women's Day, each child will complete an extended writing piece (non-chronological report) on a famous, inspirational woman.

We look forward to seeing our learners engage with these enriching opportunities!

Have a great weekend, Michael Hughes

















Message from the Head of Primary - Mrs. Tammy Elimlahi



Dear Parents.

We are excited to share significant digital initiatives as part of our commitment to fostering digital literacy and enhancing the learning experience at Noya British School. With the upcoming launch of Century Tech and Praise, we are re-launching our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) programme, taking important steps towards creating a future-ready learning environment.

This initiative forms part of our broader commitment to providing an innovative, future-focused learning environment, where technology is used to enhance learning, promote collaboratio and develop essential digital skills. The UAE Vision highlights the importance of integrating smart technology into education. Through the BYOD programme, we aim to empower our students to become responsible, confident and creative digital citizens whilst enabling seamless access to Century Tech and other educational platforms. Integrating technology into everyday learning not only supports independent learning but also develops essential digital literacy skills, preparing students for the ever-evolving digital world.

We would like to remind you that reregistration for the academic year 20252026 is now open. Please note that your
child's seat for the next academic year is
not automatically confirmed. To secure your
child's place, kindly complete the reregistration process by clicking this link





Sheikh Zayed Awardee Certificates









Principal Award Certificate





The Principal's Award is given to learners who exemplify outstanding effort, achievement and character. This award celebrates those who demonstrate a commitment to their personal growth, academic excellence and a positive impact on the school community.

- Ms Sarah Isberg

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YEAR 4 - B













Attendance Certificates









Mark Your Calendar,



03 March to 07 March

Arabic Book Fair

03 March

Pyjamas & Pages

06 March

Parent Workshop - Online - Century

06 March

World Book Day - Dress up as your favorite

character from a book

07 March

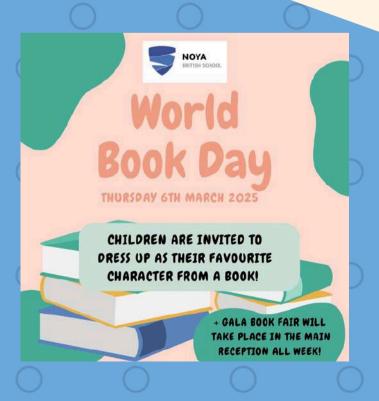
International Women's day

12 March

Science Week

14 March

Emirati Children's Day





EYFS Updates

FS1:

This week has been filled with excitement and learning for everyone! The children had a wonderful time interacting with the animals, petting and feeding them while discovering how to care for them. We also enjoyed watching 'The Jungle Book' performance, which provided a fun and educational experience for all. Overall, it was a week full of memorable moments and enriching activities for the children!

FS2:

Next week in FS2, we will be starting learning about growth and change with our new story, 'Jasper's Beanstalk'. As well as this we will be dressing up for Pyjama day on Monday and World Book Day on Thursday so don't forget to get your outfits ready!

We will also be celebrating and learning about Ramadan and how it is celebrated around the world.













KS1 Updates

What a brilliant week we've had in Key Stage 1! The children worked incredibly hard on their assessments and we are so proud of their efforts.

A special well done to those who took part in the Spelling Bee – we were truly impressed by their dedication and skill. Congratulations to the children who made it through to the next round! We finished the week on a high by watching the fantastic Jungle Book production. The children were completely captivated, laughing and smiling throughout as they were transported to the jungle. What a fantastic end to another great week at Noya!











KS2 Updates

Dear parents,

The children have had a fantastic week! Year 3 have enjoyed their trip to the Heritage Village and learned lots of facts about UAE culture and how settlements have changed over time. We thoroughly enjoyed the jungle book production yesterday and have received positive feedback from the children. Our assessments have now concluded and we will be using this data to inform future planning.

We look forward to the month of Ramadan and hope that this is a lovely time for all of our community.

Ramadan Mubarak!











PE Updates

A really great sporting week here at Noya British School. Our U11 Netball and Football teams did us proud as they made their way across to the end of season ADISSA tournament. The represented the school with pride and passion and were fantastic on the day!

Our year 5's made a day of golfing success! On Wednesday they made their way to Yas Acres Golf and Country club to test out their golf skills in their very own golf lessons! This marks the start of Noya's partnership with Yas Acres who will be offering ECAs for any golf enthusiasts!

As Ramadan approaches, the P.E department wishes you all a blessed Ramadan during the holy month.











MOE Updates

قام الطلاب بأنشطة متنوعة احتفالًا بقدوم شهر رمضان المبارك. شملت هذه الأنشطة تصميم لوحات جميلة تحمل عبارات ترحيبية ورسومات تعبر عن أجواء الشهر الكريم. كما قاموا بصنع فوانيس ملونة بأشكال مختلفة، مما أضاف لمسة فنية مميزة. بالإضافة إلى ذلك، أدوا أناشيد رمضانية، وانتقلوا بين الصفوف حاملين فوانيسهم، ناشرين البهجة والروحانية في المدرسة، مما ساهم في تعزيز الشعور بأهمية الشهر الفضيل.

The students engaged in various activities to celebrate the arrival of the holy month of Ramadan. These activities included designing beautiful posters with welcoming phrases and drawings that reflect the spirit of the month. They also crafted colorful lanterns in different shapes, adding a creative touch. Additionally, they sang Ramadan songs and moved between classrooms carrying their lanterns, spreading joy and spirituality throughout the school. This helped enhance the sense of the significance of this blessed month.





ECAs updates - Ms Kristel

Dear Parents,

As we approach the holy month of Ramadan, we would like to remind you that there will be no ECA during this time. As a result, the ECAs for Term 2 have now concluded.

I sincerely hope that your child had a rewarding and enjoyable experience in their activities throughout this term. It has been wonderful to see students engage, learn and explore new interests. I trust that they have developed new skills and expanded their horizons and I look forward to seeing the continued growth and enthusiasm in future terms.

Thank you for your ongoing support and I wish you all a peaceful and blessed Ramadan.

Warm regards, Ms. Bourgeois





Get into GOLF!

Noya X Yas Acres Golf

program up and running

starting next week! Check

flyer for details.





Dear Parents,

This week in performing arts lessons, our students explored the exciting world of rhythms and musical instruments!

They learned how different rhythms create patterns in music and practiced clapping and playing rhythmic sequences.

✓ They also explored the families of musical instruments – strings, woodwind, brass and percussion – understanding their unique sounds and how they contribute to an orchestra.

ANNIE KIDS MUSICAL - REGISTRATION REMINDER!

We are thrilled to remind you that registration for our upcoming Annie Kids Musical is still open! If your child is interested in participating, please make sure to sign them up.

▶ Audition Schedule will be shared this Monday via Class Dojo, so stay tuned!

Thank you for your continued support in making performing arts a special part of our school! **





ECO Tip 7

SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production Each time we reuse or recycle an item, we reduce its impact on Earth



Fact: Only 9% of all plastic ever produced has been recycled, while 79% ends up in landfills, oceans, or the environment, taking hundreds of years to decompose.



- **Prioritise Self-Care:** Take time each day to engage in activities that promote self-care and relaxation. This can include practices such as meditation, deep breathing exercises, taking baths, reading a book or pursuing hobbies that bring you joy.
- **Maintain a Balanced Diet**: Fuel your body with nutritious foods that nourish your mind and body. Focus on consuming a variety of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins and healthy fats and stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water throughout the day.
- **Get Regular Exercise**: Incorporate physical activity into your daily routine. Aim for at least 30 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise such as walking, jogging, cycling or dancing. Exercise not only improves physical health but also boosts mood and reduces stress.
- **Practice Mindfulness**: Cultivate mindfulness by being fully present in the moment. Engage in activities mindfully, paying attention to the sensations, thoughts and emotions that arise. This can be achieved through mindfulness meditation, yoga or simply by focusing on your surroundings and being aware of your thoughts.
- **Connect with Others**: Human connection is vital for overall wellbeing. Take time to nurture your relationships with family, friends and loved ones. Engage in meaningful conversations, spend quality time together and offer support to those around you.
- **Set Realistic Goals**: Setting achievable goals can provide a sense of purpose and motivation. Break down larger goals into smaller, manageable tasks. Celebrate your progress along the way and be kind to yourself if you face setbacks. Remember to prioritise self-care and maintain a healthy balance between work and personal life.

Wellbeing is a continuous journey and it's essential to find what works best for you. Incorporating these tips into your daily routine can contribute to a more balanced and fulfilling life.



INCLUSION DEPARTMENT UPDATES MS REBECCA BRISTOW

This week, our staff participated in a valuable training session on Managing Challenging Behaviour in Classrooms, delivered by the New England Centre.

This session provided practical strategies to support students effectively and foster a more positive learning environment.

We were also pleased to host a parent workshop led by Dots & Links, a leading brain training company. The session, Seven Secrets of Your Child's Brain, offered fantastic insights into how children learn and ways to support them at home.

We look forward to further strengthening our collaboration with this brilliant company.

Thank you for your continued support in creating an inclusive and supportive school environment!



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SCHOOL COUNSELLOR UPDATES MS LAUREN PANDIT

As we approach the beginning of Ramadan next week, we recognise that this holy month brings a period of reflection, devotion and, for many families, a change in daily routines. With the school timetable adjusted to accommodate shorter school days, it's natural for children to take some time to adapt to the new schedule.

Here are some practical tips to support your child in managing this transition smoothly:

1. Establish a Predictable Routine

While school timings may change, maintaining a structured daily routine at home can provide children with a sense of stability.

2. Prioritise Rest and Sleep

Encourage consistent bedtimes where possible and create a restful environment to ensure they get adequate sleep, which is essential for their concentration and well-being.

3. Encourage Open Conversations

Children may experience mixed emotions about changes in their routine. Create a space where they feel comfortable discussing their feelings. It is also helpful to discuss the upcoming changes so they feel prepared.

5. Support Mindful Activities

Ramadan is a time for self-reflection and kindness. Engage your child in calming activities such as reading or journaling.

6. Keep Communication Open with School

Our school is here to support your child's well-being. If you have any concerns about their adjustment, please feel free to reach out to their teachers or the school counsellor.

By embracing these small changes, we can help children transition smoothly into the Ramadan schedule while ensuring their physical and emotional well-being.

Wishing you and your family a blessed and peaceful Ramadan.



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SCHOOL BAG WEIGHT

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Grade/ Year	Max backpack weight/ KG
FS	2.2
Year 1	2.4
Year 2	2.6
Year 3	3.0
Year 4	3.4
Year 5	3.8
Year 6	4.1
Year 7	4.5
Year 8	5.0
Year 9	5.8

Term 2 Dates for the Diary

End of Term 2 21st March 2025

Spring Holiday 24th March 2025 – 04th April 2025

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- School Counsellor Ms Lauren Pandit at <u>lpandit@noya.sch.ae</u>
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Stay tuned for more information through our Class Dojo Application and social media!







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