



# NOYA NEWS



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# Admissions for the Academic Year 2025/2026



## Exciting News - Spread the news



### Year 9 is opening at Noya British School in AY2025-2026

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](mailto:admissions@noya.sch.ae)



**ADMISSIONS OPEN NOW  
FOR YEAR 9  
2025 - 2026**

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# Week Beginning 14 April 2025

## Message from the Principal - Ms. Sarah Isberg



### A Wonderful Week at Noya British School! 🌟

This week has been full of creativity and achievement at Noya British School!

**Arts Week** has truly been a highlight — the children's work is simply outstanding! From bold brushstrokes to intricate designs, every piece tells a story. The corridors and classrooms are bursting with colour and creativity, so we warmly invite you to visit and take a look whenever you can. Your child would be proud to show you what they've created!

A big thank you to all the parents and carers who brought their children in bright and early for the morning trials — your support makes all the difference.

We were also delighted by the excellent turnout for our **internal and external assessment workshop**. Your engagement and commitment to your child's learning journey is truly appreciated.

Here's to another great week ahead!





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## Message from the Assistant Principal - Mr. Michael Hughes



We are thrilled to announce our **Times Table Rockstar Day** on **Friday 25th April**! This exciting event will celebrate the official launch of Numbots for our younger learners and Times Table Rockstars for KS1 and KS2.

- **FS1, FS2 and Year 1** children are invited to come dressed as **robots** to mark the start of their Numbots journey — a fantastic platform designed to build strong early number sense and fluency.
- **Year 2 to Year 6** learners should come dressed as **rockstars** as they dive into the world of Times Table Rockstars — boosting their speed and accuracy with times tables in a fun and competitive way.
- **Login details** for both platforms will be shared with parents and learners on the day, so keep an eye out for these important resources.

### **Stay Cool and Hydrated!**

As the temperatures continue to rise, we kindly ask all parents to ensure that their child brings the following to school each day:

- A labelled water bottle
- A sun cap or hat to wear during outdoor activities

Keeping learners hydrated and protected from the sun is key to their wellbeing and focus during the school day.

### **Learning at Home: CENTURY Tech (Years 2 – 6)**

A reminder that learners in Years 2 to 6 have access to **CENTURY Tech** — our powerful online learning platform. CENTURY uses artificial intelligence to tailor learning pathways, offering personalised revision and challenges across Maths, English and Science.

### **Benefits of CENTURY Tech:**

- Targets gaps in knowledge with tailored content
- Boosts learner confidence through small steps and instant feedback
- Accessible anytime, anywhere for flexible home learning
- Supports independent learning and revision habits

### **EPraise – Celebrating Success Together**

We encourage all parents to stay connected through **EPraise**, our school platform for recognising and communicating learner achievements.

### **EPraise helps by:**

- Celebrating house points and milestones
- Communicating key updates, messages and events
- Allowing parents to see their child's progress and behaviour
- Strengthening the home-school connection

As always, thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing a school full of robots and rockstars on Friday the 25th!

# Week Beginning 14 April 2025



## CULTURAL PARENTAL COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE

We're forming a Cultural Parental Committee!  
If you're interested in joining and helping us celebrate our diverse community, please reach out to Ms. Mai Alzubi at [malzubi@noya.sch.ae](mailto:malzubi@noya.sch.ae)

We'd love to have you on board!

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## HPL PARENTAL COMMITTEE



We're forming an HPL Parental Committee!

If you're passionate about supporting high performance learning and want to be part of our journey, we'd love to have you on board!  
please reach out to Mr. Michael Hughes at [mhughes@noya.sch.ae](mailto:mhughes@noya.sch.ae)

We'd love to have you on board!

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## Time Table Rock Star Launch Day Friday 25th April



We are excited to announce our Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) Launch Day taking place on Friday 25th April! This fun-filled day is all about celebrating maths fluency and building number confidence across the school.

**FS1, FS2 and Year 1 learners** will be dressing up as robots to tie in with their use of the Numbots platform, which helps develop early number skills and mental maths.

Years 2 to 6 will be rocking out in true Rock Star style, dressing up to launch their journey with TTRS, our engaging platform designed to support rapid recall of times tables through fun, competitive games.

It's going to be a brilliant day of Maths, Music and Motivation – we can't wait to see everyone's creative outfits and number knowledge shine!



# Sheikh Zayed Awardee Certificates



Well done!



# 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



# SMARTIE OF THE WEEK



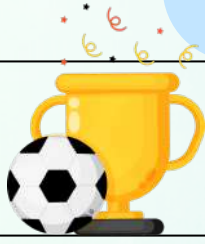


# Attendance Certificates

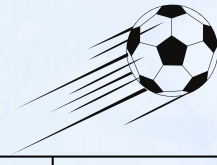




# Mark Your Calendar



## 21 - 25 April Man City in School



<b>21 April</b>	<b>Year 4 Ancient Romans Immersive Day</b>	
<b>22 April</b>	<b>Earth Day</b>	
<b>22 - 24 April</b>	<b>Year 1 Trip to Emirates Zoo</b>	
<b>23 April</b>	<b>Whole School Open Day</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>25 April</b>	<b>Time Table Rock Stars Launch Day</b>	<b>Dress as Rockstar or Robot</b>
<b>28- 30 April</b>	<b>International Book Fair Trips Year 3, 4 and 5</b>	
<b>28 April</b>	<b>Islamic Curriculum Workshop</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>



### JOIN OUR OPEN DAY FS1 - YEAR 9

23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025  
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

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### JOIN OUR OPEN DAY FS1 - YEAR 9

Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 2025  
9:00 AM

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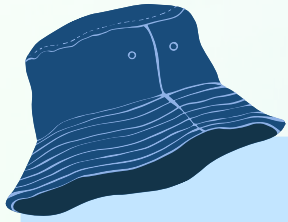
Join the UAE Team Emirates XRG powered by ADNOC this weekend at the FAB Cycling Festival!

It's a fantastic chance for students to keep building their cycling skills, take part in races or just enjoy some fun family activities.



**FAB Cycling Festival  
returns 18th - 20th April  
2025.**

We invite you to join us for the second edition of the FAB Cycling Festival taking place on Abu Dhabi's Al Hudayriyat Island from Friday afternoon, 18th April to Sunday evening, 20th April.



**CHECK  
THIS OUT**



To ensure the safety and wellbeing of all our students during outdoor activities, we will soon be implementing a '**No Hat, No Play**' policy. This means that children without a hat will be required to remain indoors during break and lunch time.

All students are encouraged to wear their school hats, if that's not possible, a plain black hat as an alternative.



### Sickness:

If the reason for a student's absence is that they are unwell, they should be kept at home until they are fit enough to return to school. This is particularly important to help prevent the spread of communicable disease. Parents should message the student's class teacher on E-Praise and the school reception before 7:30 AM, explaining illness/reason for absence. A medical/doctor's is required for all illness absences.

**EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!**

  
**نوبيا NOYA**  
مدرسة بريطانية BRITISH SCHOOL

  
**5 minutes late to lessons**  
**=**  
**19 missed school days every year**

**Missing just 2 school days per month**  
**means you miss 10% of the school year**

  
**10%**

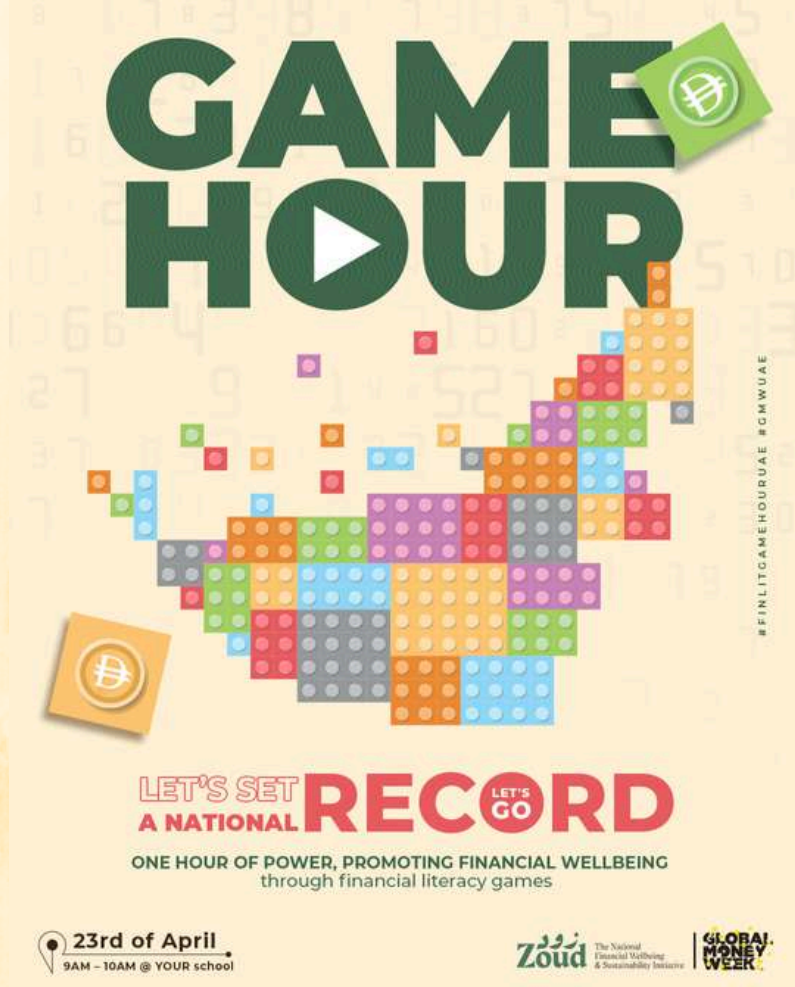
**Students who are frequently late or**  
**absent are 7 times more likely to struggle**  
**with reading and math**


**100% attendance and 0% lates =** **SUCCESS**

**Parents, pupils and teachers - achieving together!**





## Money Awareness Game Hour

Your child has been challenged to a 'Money Awareness Game Hour'.

This involves your child playing a money game with their class on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> between: 9:00-10:00am.

**Homework Challenge:** Make or find a money game that you can play with your friends.

This isn't just a fun activity, it's part of a national record attempt for the most financial literacy games played simultaneously by youth across the UAE. By taking part, Noya will help make history while empowering students with essential financial skills.





# Week Beginning 14 April 2025

## EYFS Updates

This week has been a wonderfully artistic one in FS1! The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring colours and expressing themselves through various art techniques. It was a joy to see their creativity shine as they experimented and had fun with their artwork. Next week will be exciting with different activities for the children to experience. On **24th Thursday April** As part of our story learning, FS1 children will be making porridge in their classrooms – just like the Three Bears! Kindly send the required ingredients as listed in the flyer. If your child has any dietary requirements, please do inform the class teacher. To celebrate the introduction of Numbots, children are invited to dress up as a Numbot character or in something number-themed! We're looking forward to a fun-filled day of math-themed learning and play. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm – we're excited for another engaging week ahead!

FS2 children have been diving deep into creativity during our exciting Art Week! With the theme Under the Sea, the corridors were transformed into vibrant underwater worlds filled with colourful fish, swirling seaweed and imaginative sea creatures. The children had a wonderful time exploring different materials and techniques—from painting and printing to clay work and collage. It's been fantastic to see their confidence and imagination grow as they expressed themselves through art.

### Upcoming Events

A quick reminder to all parents that next week is TTRockstars and Numbots Day! Children are invited to come to school dressed as robots as we celebrate maths in a fun and engaging way. We also have Money Week coming up, where the children will be learning all about the value and use of money through hands-on activities and real-life role play. We're looking forward to another week of exciting learning!





## KS1 Updates

We've had a brilliant Art Week in Key Stage One! The children have been incredibly creative and enthusiastic.

Year 2 have blasted off on their exciting space journey, exploring planets through fantastic artwork. Meanwhile, Year 1 have been immersed in the jungle, bringing the rainforest to life with vibrant colours and imaginative creations.

**A quick reminder:** Year 1 will be going on their trip next week – we know it's going to be a very exciting adventure!

Thank you for your continued support.



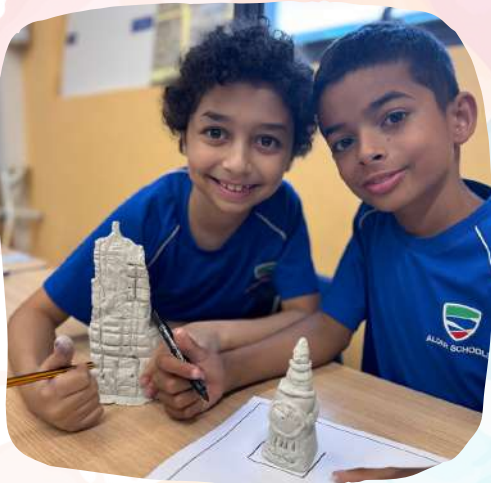


## KS2 Updates

Dear parents,

Arts Week was a tremendous success, showcasing a vibrant celebration of creativity while making strong cross-curricular links to history, geography, art and design and design and technology. Pupils explored artistic traditions from around the world, deepening their geographical understanding and cultural awareness.

Through historical art movements and iconic figures, they developed a richer appreciation of how art reflects and influences societies over time. In design and technology, students brought their ideas to life through imaginative model-making, textiles and product design, applying practical skills with flair. The week provided a dynamic platform for self-expression, critical thinking and collaborative learning, leaving pupils inspired and proud of their achievements.



## PE Updates

A super active week for our students this week!

Our **year 4 and 6 students** took to their bikes and had a WHEELIE good time! Whether it was first time on a bike, or enhancing advanced skills, each student took some key information away ready to get riding again.

See our socials and E-Praise messages for more information on the **FAB Cycling Festival** this weekend to get back out there again!

Our FS2 & KS1 students were splashing in the pool, with their lessons starting this week. We're excited to have everyone back in developing their own skills.

KS2 starts again next week too, we're excited to see them in!

Fitness testing for our KS2 students has finished up this week, we're so proud of all of our students for their hard work and effort. We all made that extra effort to remind ourselves that this is about developing at our own pace and doing the best that we can do. We'll remain active in all of our P.E classes, pushing ourselves to be our best and taking ownership of our healthy well-being.

Thank you all for a great week. We've got lots of exciting things planned for next week! Keep your eyes peeled!



## Fitness Friday





## MOE Updates

في أجواء مفعمة بالإيمان، أقامت مدرسة نويا التصفيات النهائية لمسابقة القرآن الكريم بمشاركة متميزة من طلاب المدرسة، وبإشراف مستر حمزة ومستر شريف من معلمي التربية الإسلامية. أظهر الطلاب أداءً رائعاً في التلاوة والحفظ، ما يعكس اهتمام المدرسة بتعزيز القيم الإسلامية وتنمية روح التنافس في الخير.



In a spiritually uplifting atmosphere, Noya School held the final round of the Holy Quran Competition, with outstanding participation from our students and under the supervision of Mr. Hamza and Mr. Sharif, the Islamic Studies teachers. The students demonstrated impressive recitation and memorization skills, reflecting the school's commitment to promoting Islamic values and encouraging positive competition.

### Emirati National Identity Competition

**Date:** Wednesday, 8th May 2025

**Recognition:** Top 15 students will be honored during the school assembly.

**Announcement:** Winners will be featured in the School Newsletter.

**Note:** Questions are attached in English for clarity among our diverse student body.

We encourage all students to participate and showcase their pride in the UAE's rich heritage!



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## ECAs updates

I'm delighted to have taken on the role of ECA Coordinator at school and I'm pleased to say the first week has gone brilliantly! We still have some spaces available so ECA sign up is going live for another week! We have an opportunity to offer indoor cricket so get your child's place booked quickly. I will be sending out a detailed letter regarding ECA changes so please check your messages on epraise regularly.

It's been wonderful to see so many happy children engaging enthusiastically with their activities and to receive such positive feedback from parents. I'm really looking forward to introducing some exciting new ECAs next term to keep that momentum going.

Due to the weather, we'll be moving pick-up locations indoors—please look out for an announcement on Epraise with details of where to collect your child. Please note the pick up time is 3.45pm and no buses run after ECAs.

Also, due to low numbers in a couple of ECAs, we are pleased to announce that we will be available again for 1 week. The sign-up window will close on Friday 26th April at 3pm. pick-up locations have been changed and will now be direct from the club room itself. You will be informed on Epraise on the location.

As always, suggestions for the next academic year are very welcome!

Thank you for your support

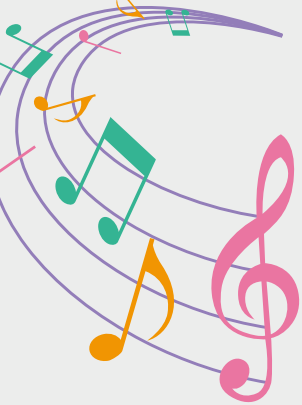
### Pickup Locations:

- **Swimming, Indoor Cricket, Netball and Badminton collection will be in the primary sports hall.**
- **Every other ECA will be from the classroom listed on Epraise.**



We would like to remind you of a few important points to ensure the smooth running of ECAs moving forward:

- If your child will not be attending their ECA on a particular day, **please inform their class teacher by 12:00pm** on the Tuesday at the latest. This helps us to ensure all children are safe and accounted for.
- **There is no bus service available after ECAs**, so please make sure to collect your child on time.
- To help manage the recent weather changes and avoid the congestion we experienced this week, school gates will open at 3:45pm. Children should be collected from the classroom or sports hall where their ECA took place.
- You will receive a message via the Epraise platform to confirm your child's ECA location. Please check this before arriving to avoid any confusion. The list is also below.
- Staff will be on hand to assist with directions or any questions you may have.
- Please note that children who miss two consecutive weeks without prior notice will be removed from the ECA and their space will be given to a child on the waiting list.



## CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS



### 🎭 Annie Kids ECA – A Great Start!

This week, we had our very first Annie Kids ECA practice and it went really well! The students were excited, focused and full of energy as they started learning the songs and getting to know their roles.

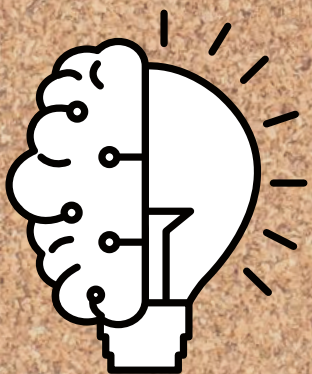
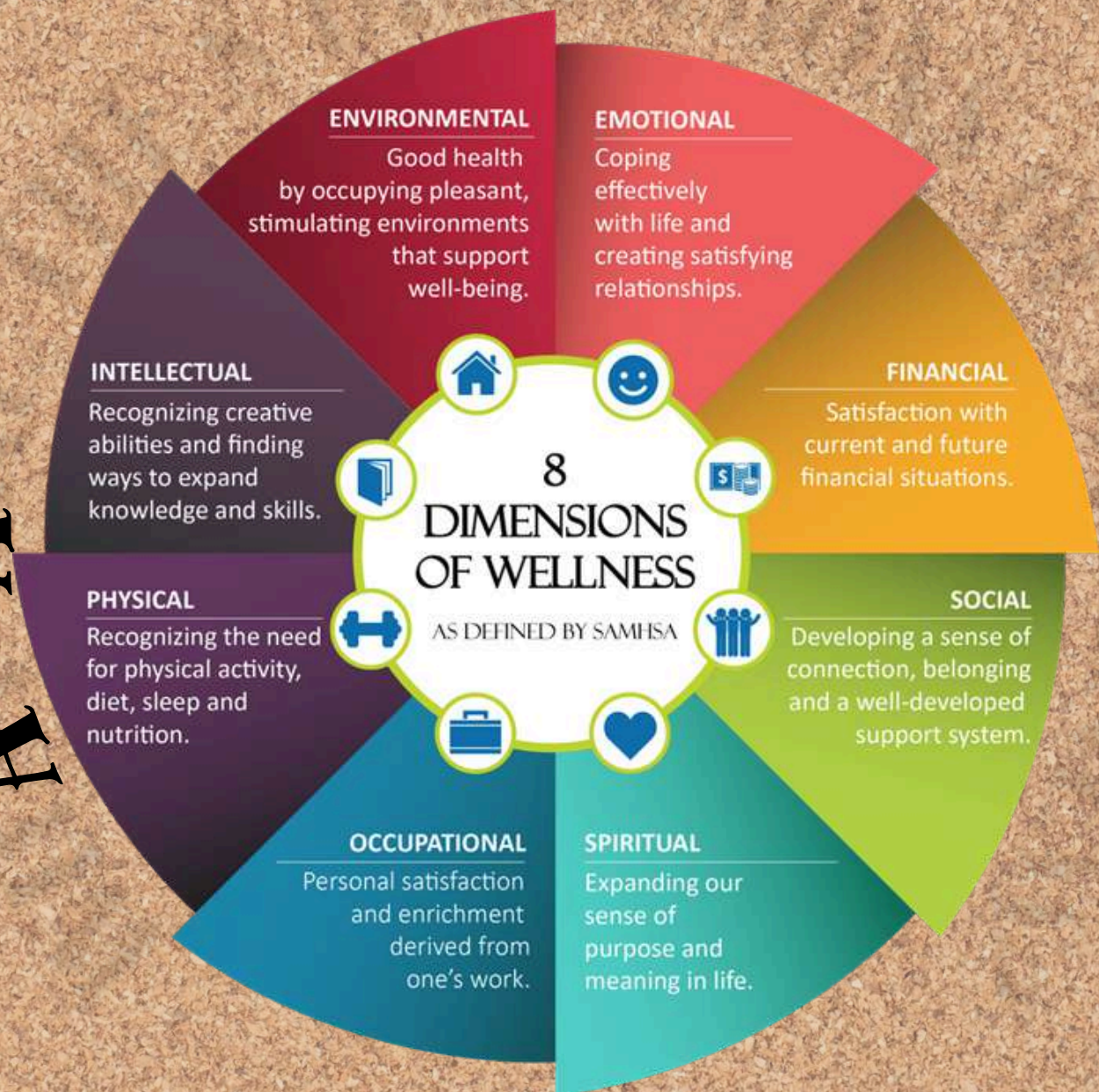
It was lovely to see them working together and having fun. We can't wait to watch their confidence grow as rehearsals continue – this is just the beginning of an unforgettable journey to the stage!

Stay tuned for more updates and behind-the-scenes moments as we prepare for a spectacular show! 🌟





# WELLBEING TIPS



Knowing this, which dimension have you been paying the least attention to?  
What can you do to change that?

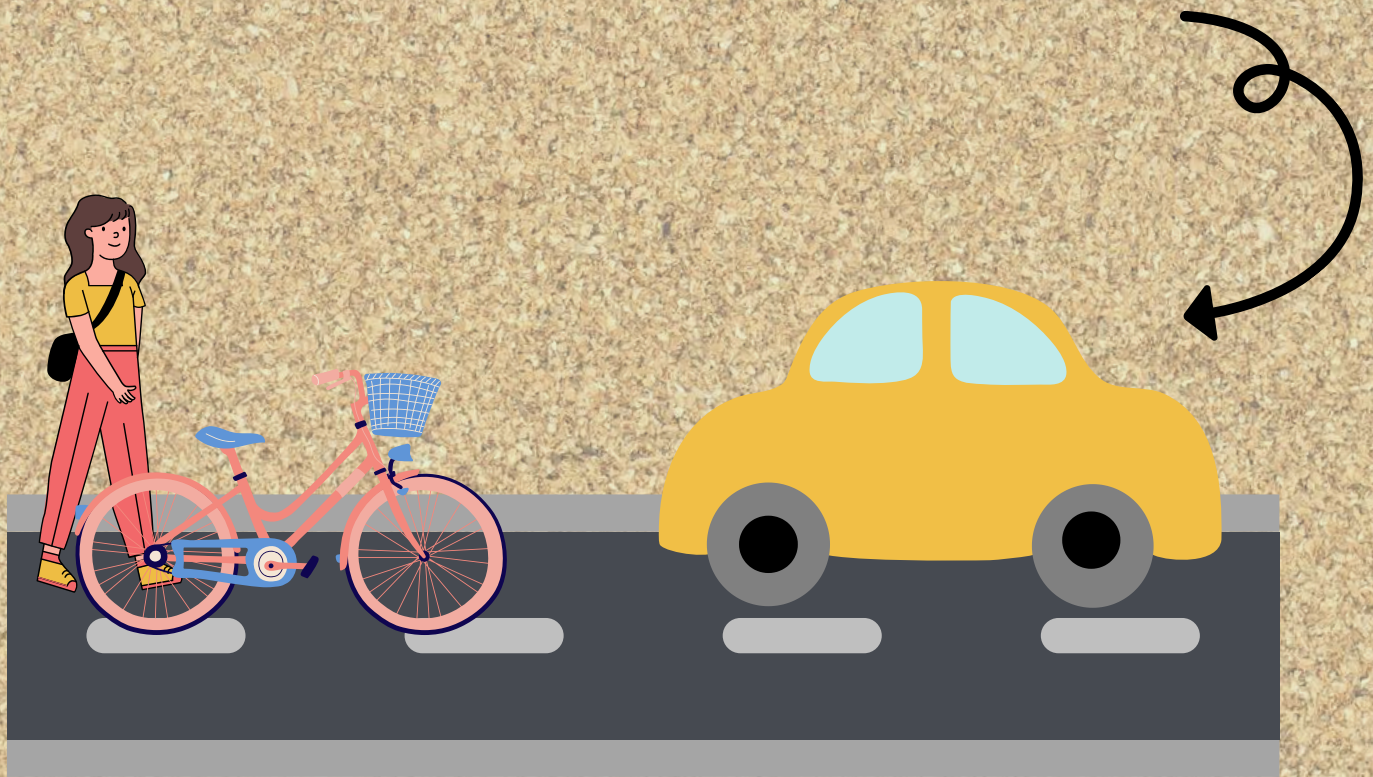


# ECO FRIENDLY TIPS

## EcoTip 12

### SDG 13: Climate Action

Walk, bike, carpool or use public transport instead of driving alone. Fewer cars mean less pollution and a healthier planet..



Fact: Every year, around 10 million hectares of forest—an area roughly the size of Fujairah—are lost due to deforestation, threatening countless species..



# INCLUSION DEPARTMENT UPDATES

## MS REBECCA BRISTOW

We're excited to share the highlights from our recent visit to the **Louvre Abu Dhabi**, where our students took part in a wonderful Autism Awareness Event hosted by The **New England Center**.

It was a joyful and enriching day filled with fun and creativity! Our students participated in a range of inclusive activities such as decorating the Kindness Tree, striking a pose at the Photo Booth and designing their very own tote bags. They also enjoyed some delicious treats, including popcorn and ice cream – a definite highlight!

Our adventure didn't stop there! We explored the museum's turtle reserve and had a blast visiting "**space**" at the Children's Museum – sparking curiosity and imagination all around. It was a truly memorable day where inclusion, awareness and joy came together beautifully. We are so proud of our students for representing our school with such positivity and enthusiasm.

We also recently hosted a lovely coffee morning in collaboration with **the American Center**, where parents had the opportunity to meet the therapy team and learn more about the services they offer. It was a fantastic opportunity to build connections and gain insights into how we can continue supporting our children together.

Thank you to all the families who joined us – your involvement makes all the difference!





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# SCHOOL COUNSELLOR UPDATES

## MS LAUREN PANDIT

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As we enter the final term of the academic year, it's natural for both excitement and uncertainty to start building—especially as our children begin to think about moving up to the next year group. Whether your child is transitioning into a new classroom, preparing for secondary school, or simply navigating the changes that come with growing older, this is an important time to support them emotionally and mentally.

At school, we are already thinking about how best to support our students during this time of change. Over the coming weeks, we'll be working closely with teachers and the inclusion team to ensure that children feel confident and prepared for what's ahead. This may include classroom discussions about what to expect next year, opportunities to meet new teachers and time to reflect on their achievements and growth this year.

Here are a few simple ways you can support your child at home during this transition period:

- **Talk About It:** Encourage open conversations about the upcoming changes. Ask your child how they feel about moving up and listen carefully to any worries they may have.
- **Reassure Them:** Change can feel overwhelming, but it's also an opportunity to grow. Remind your child of times they've successfully managed changes before and highlight their strengths.
- **Focus on the Positives:** Talk about the exciting parts of moving up—making new friends, learning new things or taking on more responsibility.
- **Stay Connected:** If your child seems particularly anxious, let their teacher or myself know. Together, we can offer additional support and reassurance.

As always, our aim is to make every child feel safe, valued and ready to take their next steps with confidence. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's transition, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

# APRIL CALENDAR

April

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 SPRING BREAK	2 SPRING BREAK	3 SPRING BREAK	4 SPRING BREAK	5 REST AND RECHARGE
6 REST AND RECHARGE	7	8 X	9 X	10 PARENT WORKSHOP CULTURAL IDENTITY FASHION & IMAGINATION DISCUSSION BOOKING	11 X	12 REST AND RECHARGE
13 REST AND RECHARGE	14 Arts week X CYCLING EFFICIENCY Y6	15 Arts week X NUTRITION WORKSHOP Y4 COMMUNITY MEETING 100 WHITE ONLY	16 Arts week X PROFICIENCY Y4 & Y6	17 Arts week X ACTIVE LEARNING SESSION 8:30AM	18 X JAEKMOND TADEP TOURNAMENT	19 REST AND RECHARGE
20 REST AND RECHARGE	21 MANCHESTER CITY ANCIENT ROMANS DRESS UP DAY *in school Y4	22 MANCHESTER CITY *in school PUPILS' SESSION WITH RODRIGO *in school TRIP EMIRATES PARK 200 Y1	23 MANCHESTER CITY *in school IMMERSIVE DAY	24 MANCHESTER CITY *in school	25 MANCHESTER CITY *in school TAKE TASTE LAUNCH DAY HOUSE EVENTS	26 REST AND RECHARGE
27 REST AND RECHARGE	28 ARABIC BOOK FAIR Y3 SHEIKH ZAYED VISION & LEGACY WEEK	29 ARABIC BOOK FAIR Y4 SHEIKH ZAYED VISION & LEGACY WEEK	30 ARABIC BOOK FAIR Y4 SHEIKH ZAYED VISION & LEGACY WEEK	 <p>نويا مدرسة بريطانية</p> <p>NOYA BRITISH SCHOOL</p>		





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# SCHOOL BAG WEIGHT



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



## Term 3 Dates for the Diary

Arafat and Eid Al Adha*	05th – 08th June 2025
Islamic New Year	26th June 2025
Last day for students for the academic year (All Students)	27th June 2025
Summer Break Students (Students)	30th June – 22th August 2025

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