



Dear Parents,

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Reach British school will be conducting an Anti-bullying awareness next week (Nov.19<sup>th</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup>). As generally known; bullying can come in many forms and can be very hurtful to both the target and the bully.

Please talk with your child about the different ways bullying can happen and what to do if they see it. I encourage you to talk with your child/ren on what is appropriate and what is not appropriate in the school setting. It is the responsibility of all of us (parents, children, educators, and community) to teach our children the importance of being kind and considerate to others. These are life skills and in our new age of technology, are greatly needed.

During the awareness week, the school will highlight this important issue through various events and school activities aimed at educating students on how to prevent bullying and stand up and speak about it.

**Dene Bright | Principal**



**November**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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Date	Event
Sunday 18th Nov 2018	Prophet Muhammad's birthday Holiday
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2018	Reach Fun Day 1
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 2018	Reach Fun Day 2
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 2018	Parents Council Meeting
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2018	Stay and Play (FS1 & FS2)
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2018	National Day Celebration
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2018	UAE Commemoration Day Holiday

**Quote of the Month**

You can't get home, unless you are safe!!

# Reach Flag Day

On the occasion of Flag Day, Reach British School has celebrated this day on Sunday November 4th where students and staff had worn the flag colours and showed the celebration by singing the national anthem, waving the flags, morning assembly speech in both languages Arabic and English have been presented by our student and they have formed a human flag. In addition to many other activities that have been done in their classes.

يوم العلم :

العلم هو رمز الوطن وهو الراية والشعار اللذان يُعبّران عن الوطنية والانتماء، هو الخيمة التي يستظلّ بظلها اسم الوطن، والواحة التي تأوي إليها القلوب والأفئدة، يتخذ المواطنون من العلم رمزاً لانتمائهم وحبهم لوطنهم. العلم هو الأيقونة الباقية الثابتة التي لا تتغير ولا تتبدل مهما تغير الأشخاص ومهما تعاقبت الشعوب على الوطن،

تُعتبر ألوان العلم أجمل الألوان وأقربها للنفس ودلالةً على أحداثٍ كثيرةٍ مرّ بها الوطن، لهذا يقترن ذكر العلم دائماً بالرفعة والحماسة ووجوب الحفاظ عليه مرتفعاً خفاً وعالياً، فلأجل أن يظل مرفوعاً تُبدل الأرواح، فما من شيء يُشعر الإنسان بالانتماء والولاء لوطنه أكثر من رؤية علم بلاده يرفرف، فقيمته المعنوية عميقة جداً، لا توازيها أي مكانة.

سلام القلب والوجدان ,

هذا يوم يرفع فيه كل مواطن رأسه شموخاً وفخراً بما تحقّق على أرض وطنه المعطاء

وطني الغالي وطن الحب والوفاء والإخلاص والتلاحم  
وطني وطن الإيمان و الأمن وطن السعادة والعطاء وطن الكرامة والمجد

ارفعه عالياً ..... ليبقى شامخاً.....





## Secondary School

### Year 8 Caracals achieve 2nd place in Mathletics across the Middle East and North Africa!

During the midterm holiday, the girls from Year 8 Caracals worked tirelessly on their mathematical development using our online tool Mathletics. The hard work paid off because right after the holiday, the class achieved 2nd place in all of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA region). Please join me in congratulating the girls on their amazing achievement. That's not all; two of our other classes (YR 8 Arabian Tahrs and YR 4 Pacific) made it into the top 50. Well done everyone and keep practicing on Mathletics..

### RBS Young Artists at Work

Secondary students are finding their new timetable, with 90-minute blocks for each subject, so much more productive. In Art & Design we are able to fit in more painting activities because the longer lessons allow us to really get stuck into the work!



### Secondary Field Trip

On 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. the year 11s carried out their IGCSE Urban environments field trip. They first carried out an environmental quality survey, sustainability survey and created a transit line in MBZ. Afterwards, the students travelled to Masdar City and attended a talk on sustainability before carrying out their surveys and creating another transit line for Masdar. The students had a brilliant day and represented the school well.



# Primary School

Dear Parents,

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the parents who visited us for our coffee morning, where we shared our current improvements and new initiatives for this academic year.

## A Glance at our School Year so far:

This year at Reach British School we have introduced a new robust assessment system that is aligned to the standards/outcomes of the National Primary Curriculum of England. Past SAT papers are used to gauge student attainment against the norm. After the collection of this data in September, which is referred to as a baseline, our senior leaders and teachers analyse the current levels of each student and provide them with an aspirational target and the next steps in how

to achieve their targets. These individualized targets support each student in reaching their full potential. This type of assessment is regarded as attainment (summative assessment) – a level that allows us to see how our students are doing in respect to their peers, in school, nationally and internationally.

Teachers also use continuous assessment for each student. This assessment tells the teacher and the students how they have done in relation to the learning outcome of the lesson/unit. Students will understand if they are on level (fully understand), above level (have mastered) and below level (need more time to understand). In our report cards for each trimester, parents will be informed if their children are O – On level, A – Above Level, or B – Below level.

## How have we used our baseline data?

Teachers have arranged their students into different ability groups. Each teacher plans carefully, to ensure students can access the learning, at their level. Sometimes students with similar needs are grouped together to be taught the same concept, sometime they have individual learning planned for them. We have introduced Mathletics and Reading Eggs to help support each student achieve their potential. Both these programs are individualised to each student's particular needs. Students can access their individual work anywhere in the world at any time using a smart device.

## Positive Behaviour Policy:

This year we have also updated our positive behavior policy – Behaviour for Learning Policy. This policy has been shared with all parents and students so that we all work together for the best interest for the students. Class Dojo is the main tool we use for communicating student's positive behaviours as well as making parents aware of some mis-behaviours. We aim to encourage and celebrate the positive behaviours we wish to see around the school.

## Academic ECA's:

Another new initiative is the introduction of Academic Extra Curricular Activities (ECA). Teacher have selected specific students who have been identified by our data analysis in

child in a picture walk of the book, or maybe you can read and ask them some questions. Encourage them to talk about the book, even if at times they need your support to read the book.

Thank you for taking the time to visit us and have a look around the school at the great learning that is happening each and every day.





# Foundation Stage

## My body My Senses

The children in FS1 were busy learning about the topic "My body my senses". These pictures reflect very briefly how they enjoy learning while having fun. We encourage them to be independent, creative and critical thinkers when choosing activities in different areas of the classroom.

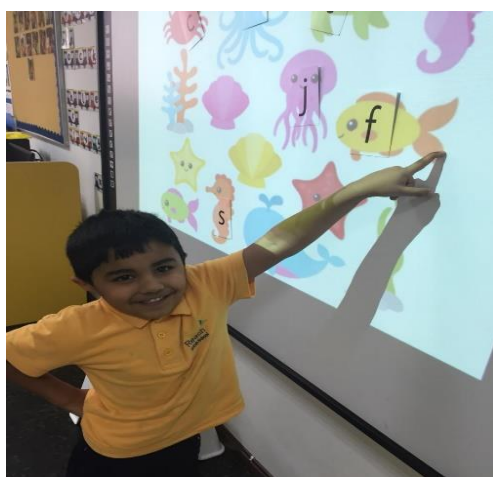
Every activity is planned on differentiated levels so we cover every child's needs and abilities.

We encourage the work in small groups so the children will get the opportunity to develop social skills so important for this age group, such as sharing, taking turns, speak confidently in front of others, etc.

## Sea Week

We have been learning how to identify the initial sound in words through our Under the Sea week!

We have been learning all about sea animals and had a 'beach' theme day today! We made lollipops and participated in lots of water and sand activities



## FS Flag Day Celebration

We celebrated Flag day on Sunday 4th November! We had an assembly in the hall and did lots of fun activities!





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