

NEWSLETTER

Our vision is to inspire internationally-minded, balanced learners who thrive and become active global citizens.



Assessment week



K2: Exploring wizards

K2 are loving our new unit of inquiry, which is exploring stories. We are currently looking at 'Witches, Wizards and Magic' focusing on the story 'Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson'. So far, we have created a potions lab in our classroom, made slime and magic hat crafts. K2 loves to read and explore stories!



Year 3/4: Our first assembly

It felt great coming together for the first inside assembly PY has had since lockdown. The Year 3/4 students led this about the importance of following interests and being balanced. The presentation included a video about one interest of each student in Year 3/4 and the activity gave a chance for each PY student to record an interest of their own and how it makes them feel when they are following that interest.



Y7/8: Assessment Week prep

The MY learners have been working very hard this past week to review concepts that they have learned about in Term 1 in preparation for their assessment week this week. The children are enthusiastic (and excited) about experiencing their first ever assessment week at UDIS.

Message from the school

This week we began our first assessment week to collect information on the progress of learners for end of term reports. In the Primary Years (Year 3-6) the aim is to provide learner's the opportunity to experience, age appropriate, assessments to develop test taking skills and guidance to support their learning through standardised examinations. This is built on in the Middle Years where students have the opportunity to experience, at an age appropriate level, the challenges inherent to IGCSE and the Diploma Program standardised external assessment requirements. There will be a second assessment week in Term 3 using the GL end of year tests which will be part of end of year reports.

We have added the assessment week as one of our aims, from our school strategy this year, was to provide more formalised testing and homework to meet the expectations of parents. This highlights how responsive we like to be to best meet the needs of our community and what our parents are saying.

Parents will have a chance to be part of our strategic planning later in the academic year. However, you are always welcome to share your ideas with the school as part of our parents and teachers association. Our aim is to continually work with our community to build the best school together that we can.



Student success [Year 5/6]

Developing a fluent joined handwriting style is an important skill which Year 5/6 students have been working on. When they show the ability to do this consistently, they will receive their Pen License which entitles them to use an ink or gel pen for their learning at school. Here are our first awardees, but there are sure to be more additions soon!



Languages at UDIS: EAL

We have begun learning about clothes vocabulary using the story "The Smartest Giant in Town" by Julia Donaldson. We chose to act out different scenes to help us get familiar with the new vocabulary and to help us improve our speaking skills. We were able to answer simple questions about the characters and the pictures in the book helped us a lot in understanding the story.



Our sandpit is open again

Our sandpit in Early Years reopened this week after a thorough deep clean. Our learners have been so excited to get back to exploring this which helps develop their fine motor skills and creativity. We love this photo of one of our special EY sand angels!



PSPE

This week in our swimming lessons we have been learning about how to dive and glide on the water. In addition, the learners had a lot of fun learning about water sports and games, such as water polo, marco polo and chairball in the water.



Student Council at UDIS

This month the student council members decided to take some local action within our school community by working very hard to create reading videos to share with the EY learners. The student council's goal was to bring some enjoyment to the younger learners each morning before school began.

Upcoming events

3 December	Father's day event
7-December	King Rama IX Birthday holiday
10 December	Christmas festival
10 December	End of Term 1 - Revised date
4 January	Teachers only day #2
5 January	Start of Term 2
15-16 February	Half term break
28 February	Makha Bucha Day
2 April	End of Term 2
19 April	Start of Term 3
3 May	Labour Day
3 June	Queen Suthida's Birthday
18 June	End of Term 3



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