



**NIS WEST BAY
NEWSLETTER**

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END OF TERM 2

2022/23

ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS MATHS WEEK

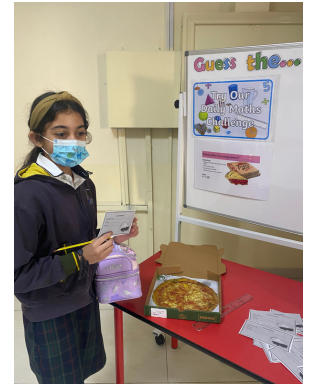
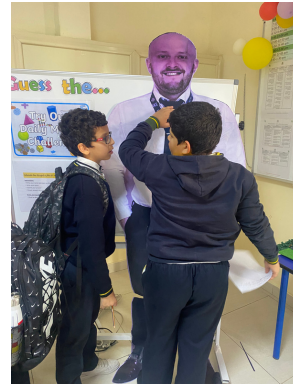


Thursday 9th March

WHAT A MATHEMATICAL WEEK!



There were so many different maths activities happening throughout the week in every year group. Each day started with a morning maths challenge, these were available to all pupils as they entered school in the morning. Year 6 had their own additional daily maths challenges to complete as well. Children who worked out the correct answer had their name put into a random drawing to decide the winners of some sweet treats.



Children took part in a maths scavenger hunt, for this they had to find a series of maths problems. To find the next clue that had to correctly answer the previous maths problems. Children also took part in a maths quiz, they split into teams in their classes and took on the mathematical challenge. They had lots of fun competing against each other to see who would come out of top.

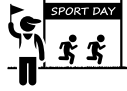
The week concluded with a STEM challenge. Everyone was tasked to use their mathematical knowledge to complete a challenge. In KS1, pupils were asked to build the tallest tower using straws. In Year 3 and 4, pupils had to create the tallest structure using spaghetti and marshmallows. In Year 5 and 6, pupils had to create the tallest structure from paper block shapes and also build the strongest bridge using just two plastic cups and one piece of paper.



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RUN, RUN AS FAST AS YOU CAN!



In February the pupils ran, jumped and threw themselves into their Sports Days. Pupils in all year groups showed their sporting prowess to compete for their house in a variety of different activities. Mr Daniel and Mr Stephen organised some fantastic physical challenges and were ably supported by all the class teachers to keep a track of the results. All the points scored by every pupil in Primary were added together to find the winning house. The whole day was filled with fun and laughter as pupils were not just focused on winning or losing but they were encouraged to demonstrate our school values: Respect, Honesty and Support. In a special assembly, a certificate and medal was awarded to one pupil from each class who was nominated by their class teacher as the 'Sports Day start of the day'. Then the moment finally arrived, it was time to announce the winners of Sports Day 2023. Congratulations to Wright (blue) who were crowned the victors. Well done to all the other houses as well, the scores were very close and all the pupils performed superbly.



ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS SCHOOL FAIR



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Friday 24th February saw the long awaited return of the NIS West Bay School Fair. The weather was nice; lots of fun activities and games were available; a wide range of food and drinks were on offer and most importantly the so many families of NIS West Bay were in attendance. There had been lots of hard work put in by all the staff so we could hold our first school fair in over 3 years so it was wonderful to see the NIS West Bay community support the school. There were so much on offer it allowed everyone who turned up to enjoy their afternoon. Some of the favourite activities and games were the bouncy castles; face-painting; coachella hair; henna; teacher splash and the tea garden.

Thank you to everyone who was able to come and support us on the day as well as to those of you who kindly donated prizes. It was a perfect way to spend a Friday afternoon, having fun together as a school community and showing our support for each other.



ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS STUDENT PREFECTS



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JOUD EL MALLA PREFECT 6 GOLD

I am proud of being a prefect. I have many capabilities that bring to this role. I can help to communicate between pupils within the community - I do this by reminding my peers about the Newton Values. I strongly believe that working together can lead us to achieving anything.



MANAL UMAIR PREFECT 6 CRIMSON

Being a prefect is important because every school needs leaders, every team love being a prefect. It brought me a lot of pride to take part in this role. I really enjoy my extra duties, I have the pleasure of working with different people like Ms. Mari and my classroom teacher, it is my pleasure.



YOUSSEF DIKHEL PREFECT 6 BRONZE

I love to do my best and to help the school as much as possible. I am proud that I was chosen to be a prefect I appreciate it. Thank you for appreciating the prefects as much as we appreciate everything you do.



REDA BENZAKOUR PREFECT 6 CRIMSON

I really enjoy being a sportsperson in West Bay with the added responsibility of being a prefect. I use my role to help people in the community, in Year 6 and all the way down to Year 1. I have the opportunity to work with many great people.

ISAAC AND THE APPLE NEWS STUDENT COUNCIL

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UROOSH ZEESHAN
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 3C

This term has gone by so fast and the school has done many amazing things. The highlight for me was the school fair. It turned out amazing and I can't wait to back after the break and meet with the student council to plan more activity days.



NADEEN ELBEHERY
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 3SA

I am very excited about going into Term 3. I have a lot of ideas I want to share and I look forward to listening and hearing other ideas. Term 3 will be the most exciting term for the student council.



YASSIN KHALED
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 4C

Term 2 flew by quite quickly, in Term 3 I want to put forward my ideas and hopefully bring about a change. One idea I have will involve starting each day in Ramadan with a daily affirmation. This will hopefully get us all through this blessed month.



ALI HAITHAM
STUDENT COUNCILLOR 4E

In Term 3, I look forward to having more meetings regarding the ideas I have. I am hoping to put forward an idea in which members of the student council can get together and complete different tasks as a group. This will hopefully help our teamwork and communication skills.

HOUSE POINT TOTALS:

GUINN - 4376

WRIGHT - 4372

CURIE - 4357

CARVER - 4313



Well done to all the pupils in Guinn house, Term 2 house point champions!

It was very close this term with only 63 points between 1st and 4th.

Who will be the Term 3 house point champions?

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YEAR 1

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This month has been fantastic here in Year One. We firstly went on our school trip, where we got to meet lots of animals, go digging, race each other on bikes and so much more. We even ate pizza and chicken goujons for lunch. It was yummy. We all were very tired coming home on the bus after such a wonderful day out.



This month saw a lot of hard working boys and girls. In Art the children created beautiful sea sculptures and we also learnt all about water colours. We were very creative. In Humanities we have focused on all the oceans of the world and we have looked at old toys and new toys. While in Science we have been working on our planting skills by planting our very own sunflower seeds. Year One have also learnt the differences between deciduous and ever green trees and recognising the different leaves! We went on a scavenger hunt around the school to learn all about different trees. It was a lot of fun! In English we have worked hard at our story writing skills and how to include sentence starters, nouns, adjectives and time connectives in our writing. In Mathematics we have focused on length, mass, volume and height! The children have measured plenty of things around our classroom! This month has been wonderful, and we have had lots of fun while working and studying hard!



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YEAR 2

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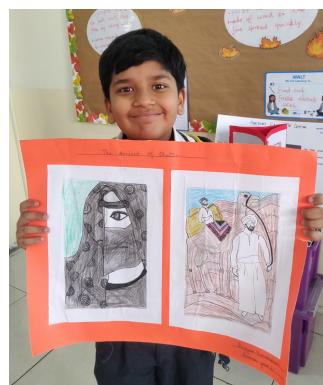


Year 2 enjoyed our school Maths Week, which was fuelled by fun filled activities and brain teasers. In Mathematics, Year 2 have finished off their multiplication and division topic of the 2, 5 and 10-times tables and began their new topic of measurement. Pupils have made sound progress as well as had a lot of fun measuring the length and height of various objects inside and out of the classroom. They can now differentiate the units of measurement - centimetres (cm) and metres (m).

In English, Year 2 have been focusing on an instructional text. The pupils learned the importance of time connectives, imperative verbs and adverbs when giving instructions. The opportunity to make rice crispy, chocolate cookies sparked their excitement and this only emphasised the need for clear and concise instructions, when they realised that poor instructions would lead to a bad batch of cookies.

In Science, Year 2 changed their focus from 'Everyday Materials' to 'Changing Materials'. The unit of learning embedded children's knowledge of material properties whilst introducing how materials can change from one state to another through the effects of temperature or by force. This topic allowed children to access and experience a wide variety of scientific experiments and terminology. For example, pupils learned about freezing, melting, evaporation, condensation, elasticity, reversible and irreversible changes.

In Humanities, Year 2 began to turn their attention to human geographical features and physical geographical features by comparing London and Doha. Art linked well with this topic as pupils created pieces of work focusing on the Doha skyline and man-made buildings that can be found in London.



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Term 2 has continued to be jam-packed with exciting activities! In Science, we completed our learning all about Animals and Humans. We looked at how all our bones are connected by muscles and how these muscles work in order for us to move. We focused on the Romans in Humanities. We looked at the Empire and how it was built up over the years, what the Romans wore and ate and the two levels of society, the Plebeians and the Nobles. We did a few interesting research activities and learnt about Queen Boudica, the Celtic heroine. We discovered the influence the Romans had on Britain.



In maths we have been exploring length and perimeter, measuring in mm, cm and m. We also learnt how to work out the perimeter of a shape. The children explored fractions through a few practical lessons. They looked at unit fractions and discovered how to compare these. We then moved on to non-unit fractions and divided shapes, counted in fractions on the number line and worked out equivalent fractions. The writing genre was how to write a twisted tale. The children had fun changing fairy tales into twisted tales. Through this topic the children learnt to write in paragraphs.

This half term has also seen us celebrating National Sports Day with a sports day at school. The children loved competing in various fun sporting activities, including obstacle races, relays and many more. Year 3 also went on their first School Trip. The children were very excited to go to Baladna Farm. We got to see the cows being milked and fed the many animals they had for us to observe. After a short break they were able to enjoy some fun activities like boating and climbing on the activity apparatus. We're all looking forward to a well-earned short break!



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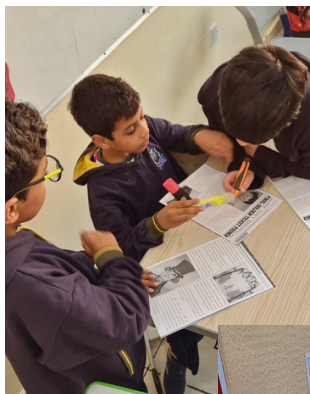
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Year 4 students have been delving into the complex world of fractions as part of their math curriculum. They have gained a solid understanding of parts of a whole, identifying equivalent fractions, and have even mastered the concept of mixed numbers. They have been challenged with subtracting from whole amounts and converting improper fractions to mixed numbers.



In their English, students took on the exciting challenge of learning about newspaper reports. They learned to distinguish between facts and opinions and developed the skills to identify and write engaging headlines. Through research and investigation, they honed their writing skills and gained a deeper understanding of how news is reported. Their final piece was on a mystery teacher trashing the Year 4 villa! Their final newspaper articles were a testament to their hard work and dedication.



Scientists have long studied the different states of matter, but, this month, Year 4 students have been getting in on the action too! Through hands-on experiments and engaging classroom activities, they explored the properties of each state of matter and discovering how they can change from one state to another. They have also been discovering the amazing journey that water takes as it moves from the ground to the sky and back again. T

In humanities, they have been exploring the fascinating country of Russia. They have learned about Russia's vast size, varied landscapes, and diverse culture. They have learned about the unique geography and climate of Siberia, which is known for its bitterly cold winters and vast expanses of untouched wilderness. Year 4 have studied the traditional way of life of the indigenous people who have lived in this region for centuries.

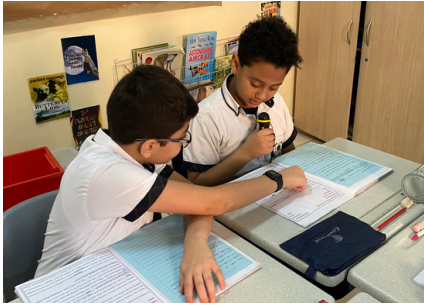
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YEAR 5

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How are we at the end of Term 2 already? This year is truly flying by; it must be due to the fun we are having!

To celebrate National Sports day, we held some sporting activities at school. Children were divided into our house colours and completed head-to-head in some challenging sporting games. This was a great opportunity to show sportsmanship and support our friends. We participated in hurdles, basketball, javelin style throwing, target practice and balancing. Well done to the Blue group, who narrowly won the tournament



Our next event this term, that got everyone jumping for joy, was our school fair! What a fun day it was! Arguably the best part was being able to dunk two of our Year 5 teachers - Mr Dean Howarth and Mr Conor Maitland. With so many astounding games, children were really spoilt for choice. It was great to see all our children, with their families, having a ball!



In Humanities, we have been learning the importance of taking care of our environment and how what steps we can take to end single-use plastics in our homes and at school. Science has been full of forces, having a look at simple mechanisms and how they make jobs easier to do. In English, children have been working on using persuasive language to convince people of their points of view. Mathematics has been jammed packed with fractions, decimals, area and perimeter and statistics.

It has been another memorable term. We are looking forward to the holy month of Ramadan and entering our final term together in Year 5. Thank you to all the parents for your constant support.

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YEAR 6

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In English, we had great fun writing our warning tales. We saw some great innovation, linking it to our previous topic - World War Two. During English, we focused on using passive voice, boundaries between clauses and hyphens! During our weekly short-bursts, we learned to apply these skills which resulted in some lovely writing pieces.

During our guided reading sessions, we continued with our novel - Hot Money! We were able to use this text to discuss some of our monthly values. For example - Rule of Law. This novel spearheaded some fruitful discussion about choosing right from wrong and encouraged us to show empathy - what would we do if we were in August and Miles' situation?



During Mathematics, we have enjoyed learning about decimals and percentages. This allowed us to explore concepts such as profit and loss. During our streamed sessions, we introduced our Responsibility Records in our planners. This will teach us responsibility and prepare us for Year 7 as we learn to have quick transitions between classes, be prepared and on time as well as getting used to new teachers.! What great practice!

In Science, our topic - Light - lended itself to some interesting practical lessons. We used torches and mirrors to investigate how light bounces off flat, shiny objects and applied this knowledge in creating and exploring periscopes. During our lessons, we discussed how rainbows and other phenomena are formed when light travels through a prism!

Our humanities topic allowed us to reflect on how we, as global citizens, have a responsibility to look after our environment as we explored issues such as climate change and deforestation. We practiced our reasoning and decision-making skills during our geography topic including comparing and contrasting biomes.

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NOTES FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM



Thursday 9th March

We are at the end of term 2, a term in which we have seen our amazing NIS West Bay community support the school. It was a joy to see so many families come and enjoy our school fair. Thank you to all those who came and to those of you who donated prizes. We have had two meetings of our Parents as Partners committee which have gone very well and further strengthen the communication and support between the school and the parents.

This seems like the perfect time to remind everyone of what it means to be part of our community at West Bay, by sharing our Vision and Mission. Our vision fosters success, which I hope you can agree we do exceptionally well at West Bay. Your children's joy and love of learning is truly at the core of why the staff love coming to school each day. As parents you play a big part of your child's learning journey, through understanding our role in the day-to-day pursuit of helping our students learn. Research indicates that a shared vision leads to improved student achievement! Together we as educators and you as the children's first teachers, can be committed to creating lifelong learners.

Our Vision

An International community of learners who are striving for excellence and celebrating success.

رؤية المدرسة:

مجتمع دولي من المتعلمين الذين يسعون جاهدين للتميز والاحتفال بالنجاح.

Our Mission

We aim to provide the highest quality of education possible for students of all abilities. In doing so, we will positively encourage each student to achieve academic excellence, enjoy creative diversity, develop critical thinking skills and become lifelong learners and responsible citizens. To achieve this, we will provide a diverse education in a safe, supportive environment that promotes self-discipline and motivation. We will provide and maintain a calm, trusting and caring atmosphere where teaching and learning are meaningful and developed.

We

will work in partnership with our staff, students, parents and wider community to achieve our vision.

رسالة المدرسة:

نحن نهدف إلى توفير أعلى جودة ممكنة من التعليم للطلاب من جميع القدرات. من خلال القيام بذلك ، نهدف إلى تشجيع كل طالب بشكل إيجابي على تحقيق التميز الأكاديمي ، والاستمتاع بالتنوع الإبداعي ، وتطوير مهارات التفكير النقدي ، وأن يصبحوا متعلمين مدى الحياة ومواطنين مسؤولين. لتحقيق ذلك ، سوف نقدم تعليماً متنوعاً في بيئة آمنة تعزز الانضباط الذاتي والتحفيز. سنوفر ونحافظ على جو هادئ وثقة ورعاية حيث يكون التدريس والتعلم هادفين ومتطورين. سنعمل بالشراكة مع موظفينا وطلابنا وأولياء الأمور والمجتمع الأوسع لتحقيق رؤيتنا.

Important Dates:

- Sunday 19th March - First day of Term 3
- Monday 20th March - Parent Coffee Morning
- Wednesday 29th March - Family Iftar
- Sunday 9th April - School closed
- Sunday 23rd April to Thursday 27th April - Eid Al Fitr - school closed
- Sunday 30th April - Technology Week
- Monday 1st May - Talk for Writing Parent Workshop
- Sunday 7th May - STEM Week
- Wednesday 10th May - Parent Science Workshop
- Sunday 14th May - Art Week
- Thursday 22nd June - End of Term 3

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TOP OF THE CLASS!

The classes with the best attendance % the whole term are....

- 1) 5 Emerald - 99%
- 2) 2 Crimson - 99%
- 3) 4 Crimson - 99%

Well done on your super attendance.