



News and Updates

Healthy Eating Week in EYFS and Primary

Celebrating Our New Upper School Pupil Leadership Team

We are delighted to congratulate Salma Alokshi, our newly appointed Head Girl, Hamzah Al-Yafei, our Head Boy, Amin Radwan, our Deputy Head Boy, and Asmaa Benfriha, our Deputy Head Girl, alongside our newly appointed Prefects.

Pupils took part in a rigorous selection process, beginning with a formal application, followed by interviews, a pitch to staff and final voting. We were incredibly impressed by the confidence, maturity and commitment demonstrated by all pupils throughout the process. As they begin their roles, our new pupil leaders will act as ambassadors for our school, leading by example, advocating for our school values, rules and policies, representing pupil voice and supporting a positive and respectful school community. These roles will also provide valuable opportunities to develop their communication, teamwork and leadership skills.

We will soon be inviting parents into school for a special celebration to formally recognise all of our newly appointed pupil leaders as they begin their roles.

Congratulations to Salma, Hamzah, Amin, Asmaa and our entire Pupil Leadership Team. We look forward to seeing the positive impact they will make!



STUDENT LEADERSHIP 2026 - 2027

Lead with courage. Listen carefully. Serve your peers.

 HEAD BOY Hamzah Al-Yafei	 DEPUTY HEAD BOY Amin Junior Radwan	 HEAD GIRL Salma Alokshi	 DEPUTY HEAD GIRL Asmaa Sakina Benfriha
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Support. Represent. Challenge. Make a difference.

MEET OUR PREFECTS

 BOYS PREFECTS - Zayed Alghafri - Yahia Fayyad - Abdulaziz Haji - Mohammed Abdulmotaleb - Meshal Al Abdula - Suraj Bhati	 GIRLS PREFECTS - Sophia Benloues - Sumedha Nama - Maryam Almalki - Haya Al-Malki - Kinzy Hassan - Kioketso Mattalor - Fatima Showman
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Inter-Newton Football Matches – Newton Lagoon vs Newton Smash

Newton Lagoon enjoyed two exciting friendly matches against Newton Smash. The Y12 Boys played brilliantly, securing a fantastic 5–1 win, while the Y11 Boys showed great teamwork in a closely fought draw.

Well done to all the players from both teams for their effort, teamwork, and excellent sportsmanship. It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying the games and having fun together. Well played, everyone!



Workshops

Secondary Professional Learning and Collaboration

This week, Secondary staff came together for a focused afternoon of professional learning and collaboration, with activities designed to strengthen consistency and high-quality teaching across the school.

Teaching departments took part in dedicated assessment CPD, providing valuable time for colleagues to review pupils' work together, share examples of effective feedback and discuss expectations for marking. These collaborative sessions supported greater consistency within departments while also providing opportunities to share good practice and consider how feedback can have the greatest impact on pupil progress.

On the same day, our Arabic teaching team participated in bespoke Teaching and Learning CPD, aligned with our CIS Development Initiative 1. The session explored DR ICE and effective pedagogy, with a particular focus on deepening thinking, modelling, checking for impact, challenge and engagement.





Workshops

Technique Tuesday: Building Mathematical Fluency with TTRS

Our Primary Maths Coordinator, Mr Aidan McFerran, recently delivered a Technique Tuesday training session focused on using Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) effectively both in school and at home. The session explored practical ways teachers can encourage pupils and parents to use the platform to strengthen times-table recall, build confidence and develop mathematical fluency.

To increase engagement and celebrate success, Mr McFerran also introduced an exciting Premier League TTRS competition, giving pupils an additional incentive to practise regularly and represent their classes.

The initiative is also extending into KS1, with Year 1 and Year 2 teachers beginning a trial of NumBots. This provides younger pupils with an engaging introduction to key number skills and creates a natural pathway towards TTRS as they progress through the school. KS1 teachers were excited to begin exploring the platform with their classes.

The session was an excellent opportunity to support our ongoing school improvement priorities, further developing the teaching of mathematics, mathematical fluency and the effective use of digital resources across school and at home—helping our pupils to flourish together as confident mathematicians.

Events

Science in Action: Exploring, Investigating and Discovering!

In Middle School Science, we believe that some of the best learning happens through hands-on exploration and investigation. Our Year 9 pupils brought photosynthesis to life by using spinach leaves, water and light to investigate the process and observe how plants respond to light.

Our Year 7 pupils have been developing their practical science skills by learning how to correctly use the different parts of a microscope. They then put these skills into practice by observing and comparing plant and animal cells. It has been wonderful to see our pupils learning through curiosity, investigation and discovery.





Events

EYFS Pyjama Day & Teddy Bear's Picnic

Last week, our EYFS pupils enjoyed a very special Pyjama Day and Teddy Bear's Picnic as part of our All About Me topic!

Pupils came to school dressed in their cosiest pyjamas and brought along their favourite teddy from home. During Circle Time, they took part in a Show and Tell, proudly introducing their teddies to their friends and sharing why they are so special to them.

The fun continued with a Teddy Bear's Picnic, where pupils enjoyed a delicious picnic together with their friends and, of course, their much-loved teddies!

A wonderful day filled with special memories – because really, what could be better than coming to school in your pyjamas with your favourite teddy!



National Teaching Assistants' Day

Last week, we celebrated National Teaching Assistants' Day at NIS Lagoon, recognising our wonderful TAs and the invaluable role they play within our school community.

Our Teaching Assistants are an essential part of our classrooms, supporting our pupils, teachers and wider school each and every day. Their dedication, patience, care and hard work never go unnoticed, and we are truly indebted to them for everything they do.

