



News and Updates

Cancer Awareness Week took place across the school this week, led by the AESN Department and School Counsellor. Students participated in awareness activities throughout the week, culminating in Cancer Awareness assemblies on Thursday. Character Education continued to be embedded across the school, with a focus on the Character virtue of Caring, school value of Respect and the Qatar value of Brotherhood. Students continued using their Character Education reflection books, classroom virtue displays and recognition through Dojo. EYFS successfully completed its baseline assessments and F2 CEM assessments this week, providing important starting-point data to support teaching, learning and pupil progress throughout the year.



Small Steps... Big Writers!

On Monday 28 September, our F2 parents joined us for a Handwriting Workshop in EYFS. Parents learnt the fun strokes our children practise daily, explored our Writing Roadway, and took home ideas to support writing at home. Thank you to all the families who came along. Together, we're building confident young writers!





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A Busy Week of Learning in EYFS

It has been a wonderful week of exploring and discovering across EYFS! Our Dinosaur Theatre Café opened for business, sparking imaginative role play and storytelling. Children practised letter formation on the iPads using our star line, dotted line and roadway line, and matched shapes on the interactive board. Little fingers were busy colour-matching pom-poms on dinosaur mats, building fine motor skills. We also explored our five senses by smelling flowers, listening to musical instruments, looking closely with magnifying glasses and binoculars, feeling different textures and sorting foods we can taste. What a fantastic week of learning through play!



Workshops

Staff continued their professional development this week, with Talk for Writing training taking place for KS1 and KS2 as well as training on AI & Online Safety. Staff also continued preparations for the upcoming CIS, BSO and Character Education accreditation visits, with preparation and deep-dive meetings taking place during the week.





Achievements

An exciting new journey begins for our NIA Barwa Lions!

Our U12 Girls Basketball Team has officially started its Jr. NBA Tournament journey, taking part in the exciting Draft Day and proudly being selected to represent the Washington Wizards!

This is a huge opportunity and a tremendous honour for NIA Barwa, and we could not be prouder of our young athletes as they step onto this incredible stage. Well done, NIA Barwa Lions! A very special mention also goes to Salwa, Hana, Chetna and Mais, who will represent NIA Barwa through their respective basketball academies and the Qatar National Team at U14 and U16 levels. What a fantastic achievement and a wonderful representation of the basketball talent within our school community!



Following on from our U12 Girls beginning their Jr. NBA journey, we are delighted to announce that our U12 Boys Basketball Team will also be taking part in the Jr. NBA Tournament! After an exciting Draft Day, our boys have been selected to proudly represent the Brooklyn Nets!

Another fantastic opportunity for our young athletes to represent NIA Barwa, compete, develop and enjoy the experience on a brilliant stage. We can't wait to see our boys in action and follow their journey throughout the tournament!

A special mention also goes to Mohanad, Krystof, Daniel, Malachi, Mohammed, Adham and Titus, who will be representing NIA Barwa at U14 and U16 levels through their respective basketball academies. It is fantastic to see so many of our students representing NIA Barwa across different teams and age groups.





Events

The F2 Handwriting Parent Workshop was held at the Oryx Building on Monday morning. The session was well attended by parents and thoroughly enjoyed, providing a positive opportunity for families to engage with their children's learning. Congratulations to Ms Sahar, Ms Abigail, Mr Kevin and Ms Mais, our Reading Corner winners! Their wonderful reading spaces were celebrated on Monday, recognising their creativity and commitment to promoting a love of reading across Primary. Students across Primary participated in the TTRS competition, with the previous week's winning classes also enjoying a dress-down celebration.

