

# Newton International Academy

**Primary Newsletter** 



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## Mr Paul Williamson Principal

It seems strange to look back over the past year and comprehend the events which have taken place. All these experiences cause instability or change in our lives - they mean we need to be flexible and resilient. In school, we continue to be flexible and resilient. We have emerged from the year less affected than many other countries, but we have suffered our fair share of class splits, absent students, and switches to temporary online learning. Despite this, our students, teachers and community have remained positive and engaged in learning.

We are planning for the new academic year ahead with optimism. The World Cup will bring more change and excitement to life in Qatar, and I am sure we will all learn something from it as well.

Please take time to enjoy the break and take stock of the past year we have just experienced as a school community and as a country. We have our fingers and toes crossed that we may see a number of things returning to how we remember them, but rest assured that whatever happens, we will keep you informed and we will be ready for whatever new challenges may be thrown our way!

Once again we will see many members of our school community move on due to COVID and its impact on businesses. To all students and families who are leaving this year, we wish you well and thank you for your efforts at NIA.

We also farewell a number of staff who have made NIA the school that it is. We thank them for their contributions and wish nothing but success in the future.

Finally, I want to reiterate my gratitude for your continued support and wish you and your family good health and safety over the summer.



# MS Nadia January Deputy Principal

Dear Staff, Students and Parents,

Term 3 has been a very productive term for all. Many challenges were faced and we achieved our goals through our willingness to always strive to achieve the very best in everything we do. Teachers have worked extremely hard this year raising teaching and learning standards as well as providing as many opportunities through the different activities and platforms in the school.

Students have worked extremely hard to progress throughout the year to achieve their best results and participate in different assessments to ensure their results are comparable and above to the standards of the UK. We are very proud of their input in all the academic activities, and the competitions, that took place internally and externally. All these activities in conjunction with their daily academic subjects contribute to a holistic education. All areas of student development are a focus and an importance at NIA and we remain proud of every student's achievement and performance.

Parents have worked closely with their children in providing the necessary support to assist with their ongoing learning and education. We are very thankful to all the parents for their input as this remain a pillar of strength for teachers and students. Without the parents support, we cannot achieve so many goals and raise student progress progressively alongside with teachers. Parents are part of the ongoing growth and developments in NIA and we are proud to have this kind of community.

Thank you staff, students and parents for another successful year which we all can be very proud of. We wish everyone well over the holiday and look forward to a successful start in the new academic year.

## Ms Asma Hanif Deputy Head of Primary Academics

As the final days for this year draw to a close, I would like to acknowledge the efforts made by so very many of our students, staff and parents in our NIA community during the course of this year. The extraordinary commitment made by all our staff, academic and support staff alike, means that we can continue to succeed and flourish as a learning community.

Our community successfully and safely returned students to classrooms, and while we had our fair share of bumps, setbacks, and uncertainties along the way, we successfully returned to full days of in-person attendance. I want to acknowledge the roles that each member of our NIA team – students, families, and staff – played in making that happen.

Students have worked extremely hard throughout this year and have shown resilience, teamwork and flexibility. So much has been accomplished this year with excellent results and progress made throughout the year. I am delighted that teaching and learning were overwhelmingly seen as the things we do best. We remain very proud of the children's achievements and urge our students to continue shining bright.

I would like to express my gratitude to parents for your generous support during this year. I have enjoyed meeting many parents throughout the year and working with you to provide the best possible learning outcomes for your child. I wish you all a relaxing and safe holiday.





#### Ms Ansonet Obeholzer Deputy Head of Primary Pastoral

**2022!** Another unforgettable year for many reasons. Once again we experienced many changes - blended learning, online learning and 100% attendance. On the positive side, what we have also experienced is a great level of versatility, creativity and fantastic teamwork.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents for your support and partnership during this school year. Thank you to all who jumped into online learning and helped our students persevere through our virtual classrooms. We look forward to continuing to build a positive relationship with you, strengthen our partnership and provide a holistic learning experience to our students at NIA.

Thank you to our NIA staff who worked tirelessly throughout the year to meet the needs of all students entrusted to their care. I am so honored to be part of this team. I would like to wish you all the very best summer vacation possible, and I look forward to welcoming you all back, refreshed, for what will be an exciting, new academic year.

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who have celebrated their graduation. We wish you all the very best in this exciting new chapter of your lives.

Finally, we thank our students for always working to the best of their ability throughout the school year. We are confident that they will continue to build upon the knowledge and skills that they acquire daily. I am extremely grateful and proud of each and every one of you. You are a joy!

Enjoy reading this final newsletter of the year. It is a celebration of the learning that has taken place throughout this term.

Wishing all students, families and staff a safe and restful break.



#### Miss Tania Devlin - NIA Early Years Coordinator ORYX & PEARL

We have reached the end of a school year like no other. This year has come and gone, and the summer fun will be here before we know it. This term has been packed full of fun and learning! We started off Term 3 with a visit from Build a Bear. The children got to know the Bear making process, by joining in with stuffing and stitching their very own teddy bears.

The Build a Bear makers also did some dancing and singing with the children, while we thought of what to name our new teddies. The Holy Month of Ramadan came after and we celebrated Garangao at school. We enjoyed dressing up in traditional clothes and discussing the history of Garangao in Qatar with our Arabic teachers.

We all became book worms during 'Book Week'. We went on a Book Character Hunt around the school, Year 6 came to Early Years to read with us and we dressed up as our favourite book characters. To finish off Book Week, a 'Puppet Show' came to school and the Puppets told the stories of, 'Little Red Riding Hood, The Lion and the Mouse and The Boy who cried Wolf'. Children, teachers and teaching assistants have worked hard to celebrate success with the 'Graduation Show' preparations and with learning new concepts and ideas. F1 learned about 'celebrations' and used nursery rhymes to help re-tell some familiar stories. Some parents came to school and learned about how 'Talk for Writing' is used to help us tell and write stories by the end of Early Years. F2 focused on Space and Shopping. Both year groups continued to develop their Literacy and Mathematics Skills. We will end off with a 'Fun Week' to make this school year one that the children won't forget!

On behalf of our teams at Pearl and Oryx, I would like to thank all parents and caregivers for your ongoing support.

After 6 years at NIA, it is time for me to return home to Ireland. I wish you all the very best and I will leave you with an Irish proverb, 'Mol an óige agus tíocfaidh sí' which mean 'praise the children and they will flourish'.

Thank you!

F1 Orange had great fun watching the puppet show and celebrated the end of book week with a dress up day!

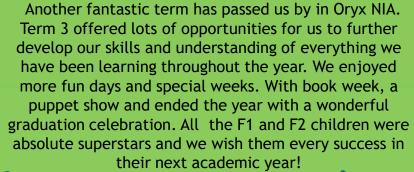


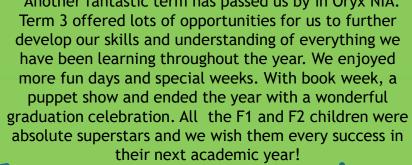




F2 Aqua developed their skills and abilities throughout the whole year. Accomplished writers, mathematicians and great friends!









sports day.

F1 Aqua had an amazing end of book week dress up day and went on a bar hunt for their graduation.









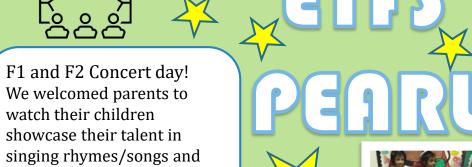
F2 Orange took part in many dress up days, which they loved! They celebrated the end of their EYFS journey by going 'Over the Meadow' for graduation.











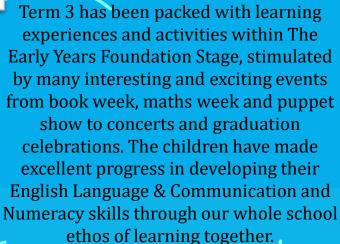








F1 and F2 enjoy their ride in the bus to Oryx to watch the Puppet show!



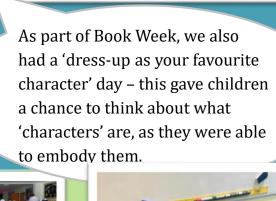
acting out the story of Jack and the beanstalk using 'Talk

for writing' actions.

F2 Transition to Year 1 Children go in the bus to visit the Year 1 classrooms and Teachers at NIA main building to have a tour and some fun activities.













Year 1 had a very busy and exciting Term 3. Book Week, planting seeds and completing interesting science and history projects were just some of the activities that the children were actively engaged in during the term. The girls and boys worked hard writing their own stories in English and loved reading them to their classmates. The children really enjoyed 'Buddy Reading' with Year 4 also. The children were very enthusiastic when learning about the continents and the oceans.

Comparing plants in Science.

### Year







**Book Week** Celebrations!





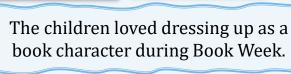


















Year 1 busy completing class

tasks and reading with their

Year 4 "Reading Buddies"

Maths FUN!







Planting seeds and observing them grow.

cherished memories of Year 1. A HUGE 'thank you' to the parents for your wonderful support throughout the year. We wish vou everv

We all have





Awesome Authors!







Indigo had fun diving into their creative sides and made their very own lighthouse!





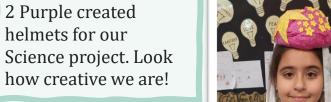
















What an amazing adventure this term has been for 2 Orange.

We got to do many fun things at school while learning at the same time. Our favourite was definitely planting our own little plants for Science and getting to dress up as our favourite book characters for book week.

The children in 2 Green

up day. They came in some

interesting outfits.









### Year 3





We have participated in many school celebrations including International Day, Garangao, French Day, Italian Day and dressing up as 'The Romans'.













We have had a busy and fun-filled term In Year 3. From learning and writing exciting adventure stories in English to studying the human body in Science. Year 3 have worked hard and have had a really positive attitude towards school.



All the teachers have had a pleasure teaching Year 3.
We have made some amazing memories this year. We wish you all the best as you move into Year 4!!

Year 4 Indigo have immensely enjoyed their final term of the year. We got to read The Twits, dress in our pajamas, visit the Qatar National Museum, and create our own inventions! We're going to miss the class so much but we are excited for what Year 5 will bring!



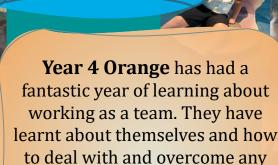


4 Green just had a fantastic year!
We had so much fun challenging ourselves learning new things in Math and practising how to upgrade our writings even more. In addition to this, we have also learned to be calm and composed in the face of sometimes difficult challenges this year.



4 Purple have had exceeded expectations this year, showing their curiosity to learn and admirable self-motivation. They rose to any challenge put forward to them and came out on top.

Looking back on the year, some highlights we enjoyed were our terrific trip to the museum, investigating in our super Science and remarkable reading to the Year 1's.



obstacles they may encounter.

Math, Science, History, Geography have all been learnt in preparation for Year 5. We wish Y4 Orange everything of the best next year!



4 Yellow has worked hard and achieved so much this year. We learned a lot about ourselves, read a lot of great books and learned a lot of new information. They loved the trip to the National Museum, reading to the Year 1s in book week and any chance to dress up. But their favourite thing was getting to do all these things in school TOGETHER!

And so we come to the end of Term 3 and the end of the year. This term seems to have literally flown by. By the time you read this we will have said goodbye, probably have shed a few tears and all of us will be looking forward to hopefully making sure next year is more settled.



















During this term we managed to fit in soooo much even with shortened days for Ramadan. On the page here you will see photos of Book Week, French Week, Garangao and Sports Day. We also still managed to to get our work done and enjoy our learning.



It was really nice to having full classes in without either online or hybrid systems in place as they were for the last two terms. This term we have been able to achieve and really bond. We are all going to find saying goodbye hard. The children deserve a lot of praise for making this year fun and interesting even through all the ups and downs we had.









From all the Year 5 team thank you so much for your support this term. We have all enjoyed this term being back face to face and learnt loads. As teachers we couldn't have succeeded without your constant support and help this year.

Enjoy the break and see you back in August.

Sports and Olympics day!
The children had fun trying different sports and challenges set by Secondary pupils.
The children put in their best efforts for their houses and showed great team spirit!





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#### What a Term!

We have managed to squeeze so much in to such a few number of weeks. The children should be proud of their achievements, just as the teachers are!



Pizza Party! The children were given a chance to socialise and celebrate their efforts in the form of a pizza party. It was a great opportunity for the children to relax after completion of all their lessons and take a breath before starting their exams.





Book Week! We had such fantastic fun during Book Week! The children were able to read a vast range of books (even to KS1 Classes), get involved in lots of fun book-based activities, and dress as their favourite book characters.

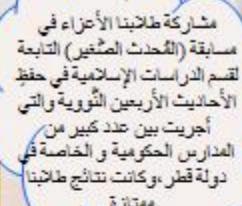
Hooray for books!





### سم اللغة العربية والررامات الإسلامية

Arabic and Islamic department





مشاركة طالابنا الأعزاء في مسابقة (أشبال التفسير) التابعة لقسم الاراسات الإسادمية





تُكريم الطَّالاب الفائزين في

مسابقة (أجمل مشروع

لِحُير رمضان العبارك).

تأدية الطّلاب لصلاة الجناعة

في شهر رمضان العبارك، و

تشجيعهم على الإلتزام بها.

ارتداء الطلاب للزي القطري الخاص بمناسبة (القرنقعوه)، و التعرف على عادات و تقاليد المجتمع الخليجي و القطري.

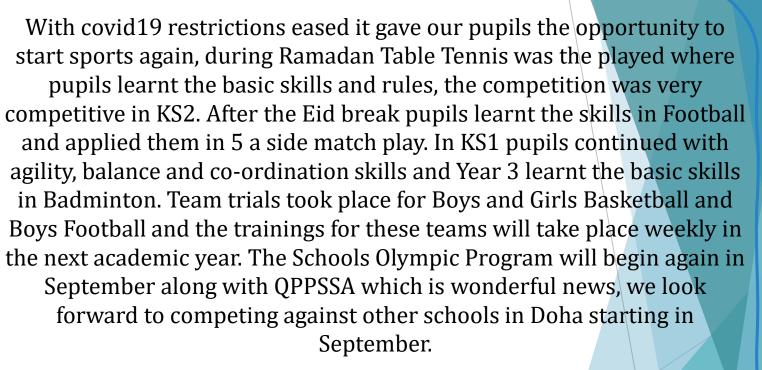
















Paulo Marques & John Woolgar PE Department



















#### Year 3

We started learning the French language this year.

Students learned how to introduce themselves, how to count to 40 and how to speak about their family in French.

Congratulations to the **Purple Class** for winning this term!



#### Congratulations to the Green Class for winning this term!

#### Year 4

We learned more French and became more confident in speaking.

Students learned how to speak about nationalities, occupations, body parts and prepositions.

#### Year 5

Congratulations to Y5 Yellow for winning this term!

We focused on speaking and writing in full sentences and short paragraphs.

Students learned how to use basic verbs and can speak about the activities they enjoy doing in French!



J'apprends le français!

# french

#### Year 6

We started focusing on more grammar and writing this year.

Students learned how to talk about their school and their town and are ready for Year 7!

Felicitation Y6 Violet!!



We are now coming to an end and our students did an amazing job in ICT this year.

It is wonderful looking back at all the hard work they've done throughout the year learning about Computer parts, Coding, Algorithms, Microsoft package, programs and much more.

Well done to everyone, you all did a brilliant job!



### SEN and Enl

All students can thrive when correct support and educational provisions are provided.

Term 3 we offered our students a multisensory approach to learning. The students learn through educational programs as well as play.

The students enjoy the extra support - it is great to see the students become more confident both academically and socially.

From all of us in SEN and EAL we thank you for your support this term.





