Dear parents and friends of NBA,

What a busy start to the year we have had. Starting with the blended programme, then being able to have some year groups back a little more and finally now we have all the pupils back full time. It is wonderful to see them all and to see them enjoying old friendships and making new ones.

This half term the Newton Value we have been concentrating on has been RESPECT. I have to say that our pupils are generally a very respectful group and this is because they have learnt about respect from their first teachers – their parents. In the half term ahead, we shall be concentrating on RESPONSIBILITY – the wisdom to make good decisions.

This term we have been pleased to welcome several new teachers and staff to our school. Thank you for making them feel at home here at NBA. I have to say that our current team is a dedicated team of people who are committed to doing their best for our children. I am delighted by the commitment and enthusiasm of the entire teaching team and I know that you will be as well.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 24 October School resumes
- 15 November Parent Workshop
- 16 November PTA Committee Meeting
- 22 November PTA General Meeting (Zoom)
- 23 November STEM Specialist Days at school
- 1 December End of Term 1 Exams begin
- 9 December End of Term 1 Exams end
- 12 December Arabic Week begins
- 13 December International Day
- 15 December National Day at school
- 16 December Last day of Term 1 and School Reports will be available

In the term ahead it is vital that we concentrate on getting the pupils to school by 7am and attending every day. They have missed a lot of school over the past 18 months, so lets do all we can to get to school on time and every day.

Thank you for your support as we have begun the year and dealt with the various changes along the way. It has been a difficult time and your support of this school has been a wonderful encouragement to us all. Please remember that our first priority will always be your children – our children – and the partnership we share with you in educating them is precious. We are looking forward to school returning increasingly to normal as the year progresses

Please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see me should you have any queries or concerns or if you simply wish to come and say hello.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Saly

Principal

"Success is not final. Failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts".