أكاديمية الشيخ زايد الخاصة للبنين THE SHEIKH ZAYED PRIVATE ACADEMY FOR BOYS

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...Coming Up...

Open House

We will hold an open house for families March 15 and 16th. Contact reception if you would like to see some of the great things students are doing every day.

Term 3 ECAs

ECA online sign-up for Term 3 will open on Sunday, 19th March at 1pm. The website link will be sent to your email at that time.

Term 2 Reports

Term 2 report cards will go home March 22nd- 23rd.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Conferences will take place April 18th and 19th.

Grade 5 Parent Information event

There will be two information sessions for Grade 5 parents explaining the changes from Elementary to Secondary:

- May 10th 6.00pm 7.00pm
- May 11th 9.00am 10.00am

Message from the Principal...

Dear Parents;

Last week we had a visit from the ADEC School Licensing Division. Here is what was said about SZPAB ...

'Thank you very much for the very warm welcome during my visit to the school yesterday. It was wonderful to see all the fabulous displays and engaged students as we walked around the school. The school is well-organized and resourced. The behaviour of the students was impeccable and they clearly seemed to enjoy their learning. There is clearly a focus on the 'My Identity' program and there were many creative ways in which the school is teaching the program. There is a focus on student progress and attainment as well as learning and teaching in the school, including ICT and Arabic Language. The data gathered is being used to target for both staff and students to enable student progress and attainment and steps are undertaken to ensure support is provided for all students through your inclusive school policy. Lots of hard work has gone into the smooth operation that is currently seen at the school and you and your team should be extremely proud of this achievement. Please do thank your staff and all the students for creating such a welcoming, warm, calm and friendly environment.'

As we approach the Spring Break, life at SZPAB is as busy as ever. We are delighted that our first overseas visit, a ski trip to Alpe D'Huez, in the French Alps is currently taking place for Grades 7 and 8. Then, later this week we warmly invite you to our School Open Sessions on Wednesday and Thursday from 9.00-10.30am.

For the older students, this is exam week and we will be preparing students to perform as well as possible. We hope their performance will reflect our most recent MAP results, which indicated superb progress across the school. SZPAB is performing very well and this would not be possible without your continued support. On that note, if you are yet to re-enroll your child for 2017/18, please do so as soon as possible as places are filling up very fast and enrollment is now open to all.

Yours in education, John Conway



Digital Learning Update

Google Expeditions in Science

This week in Science, Grades 7 and 8 explored the respiratory and digestive systems using Google Expeditions. This fantastic app allowed the boys to discover more about human anatomy in an interactive way. Grade 6 went on a virtual school tour to Borneo, to find out more about ecosystems and adaptations.

Student Digital Leaders

This week, the thirteen new student digital leaders had their first meeting with the digital learning team. The team spent time some time sharing what they already knew about iPads and technology and explaining what they hoped to learn over the next year.

The boys got the chance to begin to design their student digital leader badges, which they will to make using our 3D printer.

AQDAR eSafety Accreditation

The school is currently one of only 10 schools across the UAE to be part of a pilot program to ensure that all schools are keeping students safe when using technology.

We were visited by representatives from AQDAR last week, and we are only the second school in the country to receive AQDAR eSafety accreditation. Well done to everyone at school for being part of this success!



KG Fairy Tales

KG2 have been learning all about Fairy Tales, and as part of their work they have been lucky enough to use the green screen room to produce their own films!

KG2D wrote and starred in their own fairy tale, called 'A Knight in the Castle'. Next week they will be seeing the film for the first time, and very soon it will be available on the school YouTube channel for you to enjoy also.





Secondary Exams

Students should remain in school until the end of the day during exam weeks. At SZPAB we **do not** have 'Study Leave'. Students will not be allowed to contact parents/drivers/nannies to be collected after exams. Revision lessons have been planned during the exam window to support preparations for exams. The term officially finishes at 12.45pm on Thursday 23rd March.



NASA visit

Students from Grades 6, 7 and 8 along with 300 visiting students from local schools got the opportunity to hear from Dr. Ravi Maragasahayam, co-chair of the International Space Station Safety (GSRP), VIP Tour Guide & International Public Speaker, who worked on the International Space Station.







Dangers of Smoking Lecture

Dr. Anwar Sallam, Consultant Pediatric Pulmonologist, Corporate Deputy Chief of Staff, Abu Dhabi Health Services Company gave a lecture to Grades 7 and 8 about the dangers of smoking.



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KG - GR 3 Sports Day

Last week we had three amazing sports days for KG to GR3. All the children had a wonderful time and really showed us what great sportspeople they are.

Well done to those students who won a sportsmanship award - you showed encouragement to others, good manners, and helped friends. A huge well done to the Best Sportsperson during sports day - Mahra Rashed from 3A!! And our overall class winners are ... Grade 1B, Grade 2A and Grade 3A!







Sports Days GR4-8

Students in GR4-8 competed in sports days last week. This annual event saw students compete in races, high jump, long jump, throw events. The students also competed in homerooms to score points at each activity to be the best homeroom. The students had a fantastic time at the event! Well done on all of your efforts!

Individual Winners

Grade	Hurdles	Shot Put	High Jump	Long Jump	Hurdles	50m Sprint	Relay
4	Rashed Al Mansoori 4C	Mohamed Al Khatheeri 4A	Sultan Al Mazrouei 4B	Rashed Al Mansoori 4C	Obaid Al Khyeli 4C	Khaled Al Zaabi 4A	4A
5	Ali Al Mazrouei 5A	Rashed Al Hefeiti 5C	Eisa Al Kaabi/ Sultan Al Suwaidi 5C	Mohamed Al Falasi 5C	Sabah Al Romaithi 5C	Ali Al Hamed 5A	5D
6	Hamdan Al Marar 6C	Abdulla Al Mehairi 6A	Ali Hadi 6C	Abdalla Zarouni 6A	Ali Hadi 6C	Khalifa Aliahoori 6B	6C
7	Butti Al Otaiba 7A	Khalifa Al Shamsi 7B	Mohamed Khouri 7D	Saeed Al Dhaheri 7A	Zayed Al Mansouri 7B	Nasser Al Ali 7D	7D
8	Salem Al Dhaheri 8B	Abdulrahman Al Thani 8A	Muhair Al Shamsi 8A	Al Maala Al Jaredi 8A	Mohamed Al Dhaheri 8B	Ezeldeen Al Bostaii 8B	8B







Best Sportsman
Rashed Al Mansoori 4C
Rashed Al Mansoori 4D
Ali Had Al Mansoori 6C
Saeed Al Dhaheri 7A
Ezeldeen Al Bostaii 8B

1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place	
5C	5A	5D	5B	
6C	6A	6B		
7B	7C	7D	7A	
8A	8B			

