



...Coming Up...

National Day Celebrations

National Day Celebrations will be held at school Tuesday, November 29th. Students will be dismissed at 12:00.

National Day Holiday

There will be no school Thursday, December 1st due to National Day.

ECAs Cancelled

All ECAs are cancelled this week and will resume again December 4th.

GR6-8 Exams

Students in Grades 6-8 will sit their Term 1 exams between December 4th and 15th.

Scholastic Orders

Our Scholastic order is on the way to the school! As soon as we have received it, we will send books home with students.



Message from the Principal...

National Day is nearly with us and our students and teachers have been working hard to get ready for the various performances that they will be involved in. You will have received details of the times of the day and the events taking place.

Since our last newsletter, we have been delighted to welcome parents to MAP Assessment and Positive Parenting workshops and the numbers of parents attending our Coffee and Conversation sessions have been very pleasing.

My message to parents is always the same 'We can always be better' and the support and suggestions of parents are very welcome. Over the term we have responded to many questions raised by parents and students with regard to our One-to-one iPad programme. This week we have hosted two visits from International Schools and organisations, wishing to observe the use of iPads at SZPAB. On both occasions, the visitors were astounded by the success of our programme. It is a tribute to our staff that, even after such a short time, administrators from other schools in Abu Dhabi are wishing to observe our work.

The school had more reason to celebrate this week when our first ever football squads entered tournaments in Abu Dhabi, competing against international schools in the city. SZPAB came 3rd out of ten under-14 teams and 3rd in the under 11s competition.

So, as we enter a huge week in the life of the school, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you wonderful National Day celebrations and to thank you for the wonderful support you give our school.

With every good wish.

To Remember...

Instagram

Find out what is happening in school by joining SZPAB Instagram account: szpa.boys.

My Learning

Look at your child's My Learning page for class information, including homework and newsletters.

My Learning

Parents should have received letters explaining how to access our virtual learning platform 'My Learning'. This is a great way for you to read class newsletters, check to see what homework has been set for your child and also find resources to support your child's learning at home. If you have not received a letter, please contact your child's teacher.



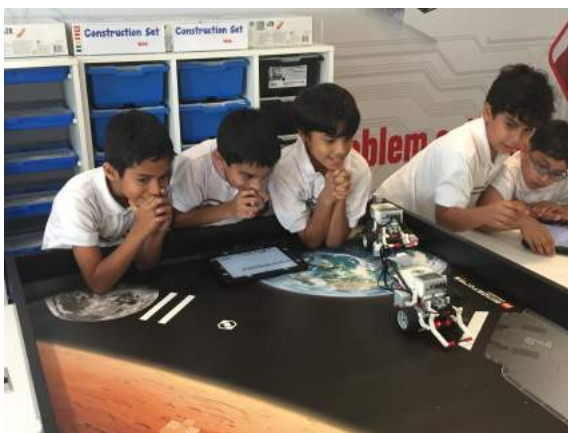
Digital Update

This week we have been celebrating UAE Innovation Week. During morning registration students have been learning about amazing inventions that have changed our lives!

Grades 5 to 8 have had the opportunity to take part in LEGO Mind storm clubs at lunchtimes, creating programmable robots. Grades 2 to 5 have had the opportunity to design their own inventions and also find out more about famous inventors in history.

Later this term we will be taking part in the worldwide initiative 'Hour of Code', and all students in Grades 2 to 8 will take part. During the week of the 4th December, the students will have the opportunity to do some coding, and also gain a certificate!

Later this term we will also be opening the applications for our Student Digital Leadership Team. This group of students will support the digital team in a number of different ways, from testing out new apps, staffing our genius bar and also running training session for students and teachers. More details will follow.





SZPAB is pleased to invite you to join us in celebrating the 45th National Day on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 from 8:00- 12:00 pm.

Assemblies

KG in Jr Gym 8:00 - 8:45

1-3 in auditorium 9:30 - 10:15

4-8 in auditorium 8:30 - 9:15

We welcome your participation to enrich the activities of the SZPAB celebrations.

- Encourage your child to wear National Dress and other National Day themed outfits.
- Students participating in the Military Parade are required to wear military outfits (army).
- Share traditional dishes (khabees, balaleet, luqaimat, harees) or other sweets and cakes. They will be placed in homeroom classes for all grades. Please remember this is a NUT FREE school.
- Students are encouraged to bring money to buy items from the various stalls.
- For the safety of the students, please sign the form with your child's teacher when taking him from school.

There will be handcrafts, henna, face painting, nail art, clowns and balloons, and a traditional souk.

Please note: students will leave at 12:00 p.m. Please make sure to collect your child on time.



How to Prepare for Exams

- Be prepared two or three days before the exams, studying one day before the exam is not enough, it is a review not studying.
- Try to know the type of the material and subjects you are studying, because some topics need to be understood and practiced (such as mathematics, grammar), while some topics need to recall information such as :(vocabularies, poems, Quran).
- Consider the book as main sources for you, and do not forget the special review , worksheets and summary produced and written by you during the classes.
- Come early to the school before the exams, don't be late .
- Stay away the night before of the exam for stimulants, such as coffee, tea, energy and soft drinks, as well as be careful not to take any medicines such as cough and cold medicines without reference to the doctor, because they cause drowsiness.
- Have lightly breakfast before coming to the school, don't have heavy breakfast, it weakens the focus and cause drowsiness.

Warm Winter Campaign

As part of our National Day celebrations and SZPAB's program Humanitarian Touch, in cooperation with the UAE Red Crescent , we have launched a new campaign to support those less fortunate, as well as refugees around the world. Between November 14th and December 5th, students can bring in warm blankets and clothes for donation. For more details please contact Zeyad Al Hamdan, at 02 2033333 or by email at zeyad.Alhamdan@Zayedacademyboys.ae.



Student's Name	Grade /Section	Position
Khalifa Abdulla Al Shamsi	8.A	President
Mohamed Ali Al Mansoori	7.D	Vice- President
Saif Abdulmunem Al Tayer	6.C	Secretary
Abdulla Mohammed Al Muhairi	6.B	Treasure
Faris Hmoud Al Hajeri	4.A	Class Representative
Waasiuddin Thaquiyyuddin	4.B	Class Representative
Rashed Mubarak Al Mansoori	4.C	Class Representative
Ghanem Mohamed Al Romaithi	4.D	Class Representative
Abdul Rahman Ahmed Al Katheeri	5.A	Class Representative
Mohamed Khalid Al Rumaithi	5.B	Class Representative
Rashed Hamad Al Zaabi	5.C	Class Representative
Mansoor Saeed Al Romaithi	5.D	Class Representative

Student Council

Students from Grades 6-8 voted on November 13th to decide on their next student council. Here is a list of the representatives. SZPAB's Student Council will play an important role in the functioning of the school throughout this



SZPAB Is Listening

SZPAB is committed to its community. This is why we value our monthly Coffee and Conversation with parents. We reflect on your ideas and try our best to implement your suggestions. Many of you asked that we make communication a focus this year. To this end, we continue to put systems in place to ensure constant communication. Most recently, we have begun My Learning, an online platform which allows parents to have immediate access to their children's class newsletter, homework and resources.

Many have also requested that the school newsletter be translated to Arabic - as of this week, an Arabic version will be released alongside the English version. The first edition will be released and sent out to parents this Wednesday.

KG Come Read With Me Workshop

We will be having another "Come Read to Me" event for KG1-Gr.1, on Thursday, December 8th 2016 from 12:00-12:30. Make sure to save the date on your calendar and contact your child's homeroom teacher for further information.

Last Week at SZPAB...

British School Al Kubairat visited our school to see some of the great initiatives SZPAB is undertaking.



The U12 (G5/6) football squad played their 1st football tournament of the season last week and came in 3rd place. They won two matches, lost two and had one draw.



KG parents came in to spend a day learning with their children.

