

THE NGBS VOICE

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EARLY FINISH - 12NOON

In order to provide enough meeting times for Parent Teacher Meetings, all children will finish at 12 noon on Monday and Tuesday next week.

Please ensure prompt pick up so teachers can prepare for meetings.

UAE NATIONAL DAY

Our School celebrations will be held on Thursday next week.

Please check the schedule for timings parents are invited into.

All children are invited to wear UAE themed outfits or UAE national dress.
The day will end at 12:30

SCHOOL FEES

School fees for Term 1 are overdue, if there is any balance left on your school account for Term 1 please ensure you visit the accounts department this week.

They are available daily from 7:30am - 4pm.

PAG PARENT ACTION GROUP

Have your say! Our next parent action group meeting will be on Tuesday. We will be discussing the new outdoor area plans, Term 2 parent project and Ms Ahlam (our Parent Champion) will be discussing how we can support a new family upon arrival at NGBS.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

It has been a week of reflection as our students complete their end of term assessments. The data from these will be shared on end of term reports and conversations and targets will be set that can be discussed next week at Parent Teacher Meetings. PTM's can be booked via the link that was emailed and is also at the end of this newsletter. It is critical that a booking is made (these can take place online or face to face) Please read the letter linked to these meetings carefully as we must stick to timings and with the size of the building, give yourself time in between siblings.

In order to provide enough time slots for parents, we will begin our Parent Teacher Meetings at 12:30 on Monday and Tuesday. Therefore all children will leave school at 12noon. It is vital that collection is prompt so we can prepare for meetings.

Next week, on Thursday, we celebrate the UAE National Day with a community event that we welcome you to join. See all the timetable of information of events per year group in pages below. Children will be invited to dress up in UAE colours or local dress as part of the celebrations. This will also be an early finish day at 12:30.

Our sign up for Term 2 ECAs will be released next week on the newsletter. The aim of completing registration this term is that with Ramadan and reduced school hours we want to start in Week 1 so that we can have as many weeks as possible, activities will change and we will utilise more of our outdoor learning spaces in the cooler weather.

After the success of the Early Years outdoor learning environment upgrades, I am delighted to announce over the winter break we will complete similar enhancements for the other side of the school where primary and KS3 can access age appropriate outdoor learning areas. We are finalising the plans and I look forward to sharing them with you before the winter holidays.

With the cooler weather, please ensure it is school uniform jackets that are worn not own clothes. It is vital that all children are in school uniform every day. All lost property will be on display during the PTCs, please do take the time to check for missing uniform, water bottles and other items with your child on the day.

Thank you, I look forward to greeting you next week at the PTMs.



EYFS UPDATES

Eyfs News



Assessment Week was a great success across the EYFS department, with children performing splendidly and showing wonderful confidence, resilience, and enthusiasm for learning. A major highlight has been our Outdoor Provision and Little Souq, where the children have been joyfully building cities, “cooking” dinners, engaging in imaginative play, and learning in the fresh air with the beautiful weather. Our outdoor area is not just a play space – it is a true extension of the classroom that supports language development, creativity, problem-solving, physical skills, and overall well-being.

For parents interested in learning more about the importance of outdoor learning in the Early Years, here is a helpful resource: [Early Education – Outdoor Learning in the Early Years](#)

Early Pick Up

Please be aware that early pick up on Monday- Thursday will stop at 12pm to make way for bus children and resume at 12.30pm and on Friday it will stop from 11am-11.20am. Your cooperation is highly appreciated.

HAPPENINGS IN EYFS

Upcoming Events:

Year One

24th November: Make Up Assessment

Parent Teacher Conference

Monday/Tuesday: 12.30pm-6.00pm

We are looking forward to welcoming you for our upcoming PTCs! To make the sessions smooth and enjoyable for everyone, please take note of the following:

- Each meeting will be 10 minutes, so we can give every family enough time.
- Please try to arrive on time for your scheduled slot.
- Class teachers will be in the classrooms ready to meet you.
- Arabic and Islamic Teachers will be in the EYFS MPH(PE room)
- PE and Music teachers will be in the Music Room.
- During your meeting, you will be given your child's copybooks to take a closer look at their progress.

27th November: National Day Celebration

Please find attached invite and agenda for [National Day](#).



Primary News

LEARNING IN PRIMARY



This week's assessments were a great success, with students showing impressive focus, effort, and determination. It was wonderful to see them applying the knowledge and skills they have developed throughout the term, and we are proud of the hard work they demonstrated in every assessment.

As we move toward the end of term, we are excited to celebrate UAE National Day next week. We look forward to a joyful and memorable celebration with our students and families as we conclude a productive and rewarding term.

We wish all our families a wonderful and restful National Day long weekend. We hope you enjoy quality time together as you celebrate this special occasion. Stay safe, and enjoy the break.

HAPPENINGS IN PRIMARY

Upcoming Events:

26th November: Make Up Assessment

Parent Teacher Conference

Monday/Tuesday: 12.30pm-6.00pm

We are looking forward to welcoming you for our upcoming PTCs! To make the sessions smooth and enjoyable for everyone, please take note of the following:

- Each meeting will be 10 minutes, so we can give every family enough time.
- Please try to arrive on time for your scheduled slot.
- Class teachers will be in the classrooms ready to meet you.
- Arabic and Islamic Teachers will be in auditorium

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Secondary News

KS3 UPDATES

Parent Teacher Meetings

Monday & Tuesday: 12.30pm-6.00pm

We look forward to welcoming you all to the first meetings of this academic year!

To make the sessions smooth and enjoyable for everyone, please take note of the following:

- Each meeting is scheduled for 10 minutes, so we can give every family fair time to discuss their child.
- Please ensure to arrive on time for your scheduled slot.
- KS3 staff will be in the auditorium along with the MOE staff for Arabic & Islamics.
- French teachers will be on the ground floor.
- During your meeting, you will have the opportunity to view your child's notebooks for core subjects.
- Please keep your children with you at all times for safety reasons.



EXCITING EVENTS IN KS3

We are all relieved to know that the Term 1 assessments are over!

The remainder of the time at school will consist of reviewing concepts the assessments highlighted as areas for development and some time to enjoy National Day celebrations before the long winter break.

KS3 students are busy leading a carnival style event for the younger students and they are quite excited at the chance to be involved in leading and developing activities for our NGBS Eid Al Etihad celebrations. Please do ask them what they are working on, I am sure they would love to share their plans with you.

One final point to share is the volume of lost property we have in school currently. This will all be readily available during PTMs on Monday and Tuesday. If your family has lost anything, do help your child search the lost property which will be at the front of the school both days.

Thursday, 27th November will be NGBS National Day - parents are invited and students will leave school at 12:30pm on this day.



MFL & MoE

MFL & MOE HAPPENINGS

ABT Award for Good Progress in Arabic, Islamic, and Social Studies – End of the Academic Year 2024/25

We are thrilled to announce that our school proudly received a trophy on Saturday, 15 November 2025, celebrating our students' remarkable achievements!

Last academic year, our students took part in the ABT online baseline benchmark assessments in Arabic, Social, Moral, and Islamic Education for both Arab and non-Arab learners. Throughout the year, we focused on developing and strengthening their skills – and their hard work truly paid off.

By the end of the 2024/25 academic year, our students demonstrated good progress in their final assessments. We are honoured to have been recognised as one of the top schools in the Gulf region for achieving exceptional growth compared to students' starting points.

We are incredibly proud of our students' achievements and wish them continued success on their learning journey!

EXCELLENCE RECOGNISED IN NATIONAL BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS 2024-25

North Gate British School has been recognised as one of the top performers in both progress and attainment in the ABT / SSBT / ISBT external benchmark assessments for the 2024-25 academic year.



Eid Al Etihad 54:

On Thursday, 27 November 2025, NGBS will proudly celebrate the 54th UAE National Day (Eid Al Etihad 54).

Our students are enthusiastically rehearsing for their assemblies and are eager to shine in front of their parents with a variety of cultural and traditional performances in both Arabic and English.

We are also preparing exciting in-class activities and a vibrant outdoor carnival on our school field, filled with events and experiences for families to enjoy together. It promises to be a joyful day of unity, culture, and celebration for our entire school community!

Classroom Updates

In Pictures

