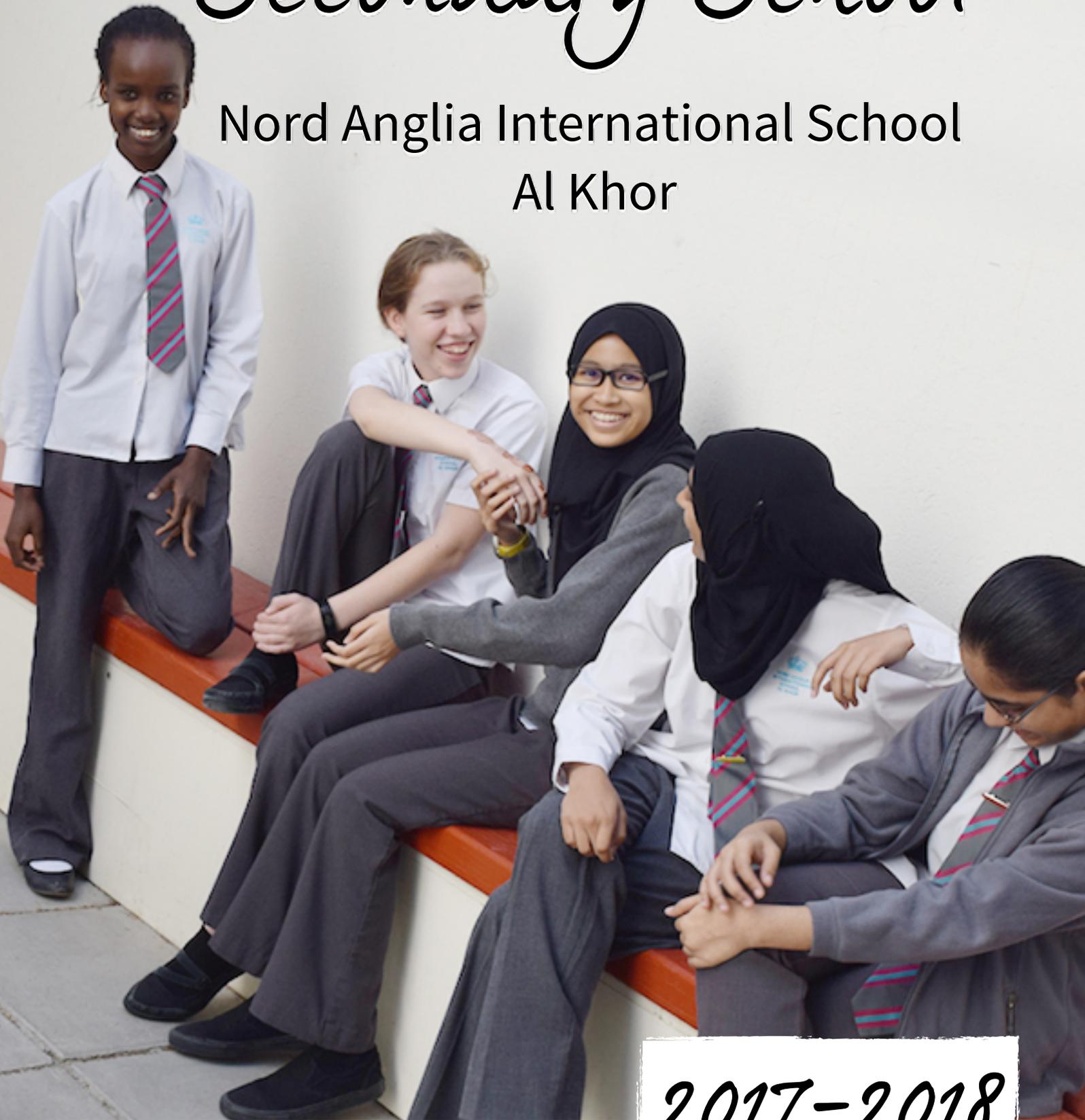


Secondary School

Nord Anglia International School
Al Khor



2017-2018



NORD ANGLIA
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
AL KHOR

Welcome to NAISAK Secondary School

Nord Anglia International School Al Khor is an ambitious school that has rapidly grown through the support of our local community and our global family of NAE schools. Learning is driven by caring and passionate teachers within a culture of pride and respect. Teaching the heart and the mind will empower our students to succeed in the 21st century.

From a very young age, I remember being passionate about making discoveries, and therefore, about learning. The schools I attended as a child, a teenager and a more mature student not only propelled me towards my ambitions, whether they were academic, professional, social or cultural, but also helped me define what they were. This is this kind of rich and diverse, yet personal, experience that we, at NAISAK, aim to offer our students.

Our NAISAK Secondary School is continuing its exciting journey and going from strength to strength. Our students' learning curve has been steep so far and is following an exponential growth. Our students are displaying their love in the badge every day and making us proud. At NAISAK, we believe that every child matters and everything is a matter of choice. Every child has strengths, every child has weaknesses, every child has the potential to do well and meet their personal ambitions. We firmly believe that a child's success founds

itself on three fundamental pillars: the child, their parents and the school. Honest and constructive communication between home and school is therefore essential.

The new academic year is a milestone in the development path of NAISAK. Our first cohort of Year 11 students is embarking on their final year of IGCSEs. New options are offered to the returning Year 10 students, with Art & Design, Physical Education and Geography joining the list of IGCSE subjects. The in-house NAISAK Award and the reputed Duke of Edinburgh's International Award are being formally launched.

Starting a new academic year is electrifying. Our Year 7 students bring some incredible freshness and laughter from Primary School, our returning students have matured and model our expectations, and our new joiners excel at adapting to our specific and demanding context. Challenges are part of the journey forward, but I am confident to say that I am eager to add more stones to our NAISAK Secondary edifice and to the school as a whole.

The Secondary team and I wish you, parents and students, a fruitful year ahead.

Lydie Gonzalès
Head of Secondary



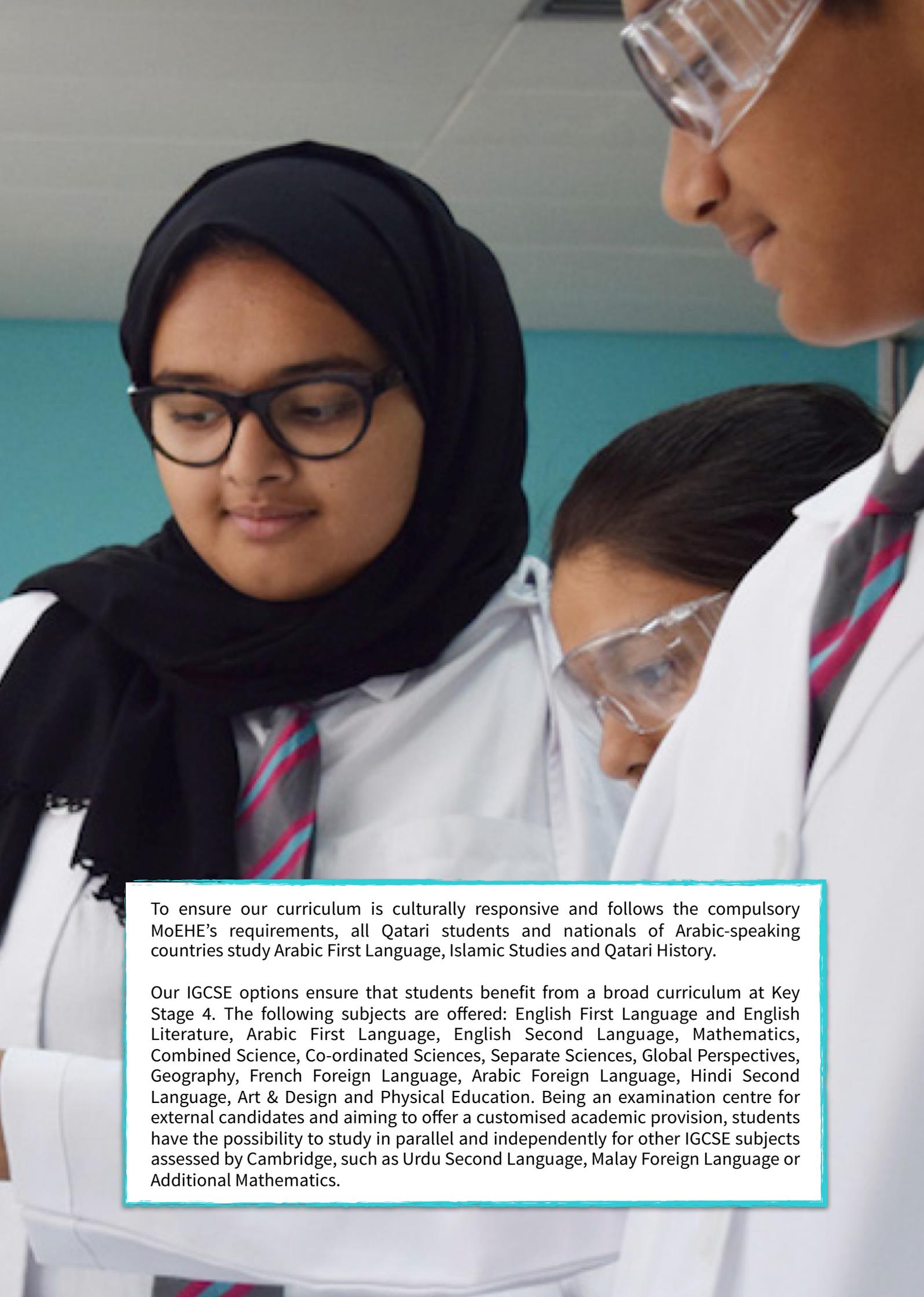
Lesson timings

07:10-07:40	Tutor Time
07:40-08:40	Lesson 1
08:40-09:45	Lesson 2
09:45-10:10	Break
10:10-11:10	Lesson 3
11:10-12:40	Lesson 4
11:45-12:10	Lunch
12:40-13:40	Lesson 5

Curriculum and IGCSE options

NAISAK uses a personalised approach to learning that inspires ambition and supports the students in working towards producing exceptional progress and achievement in every subject. The NAISAK's academic approach is based on two very strong curricula. At Key Stage 3, all subjects follow the British National Curriculum (English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities, Modern Foreign Languages, Art & Design, Performing Arts and Physical Education). The three core subjects of English, Mathematics and Science follow in parallel the Cambridge International Examinations Curriculum. The combination of both curricula allows the students to best prepare for their first milestone in Year 9 as they sit the Cambridge Checkpoint 1 Examinations, and to continue their learning path towards their second milestone in Year 11 as they sit the IGCSEs. In line with the Nord Anglia Education philosophy and our ambitious mission, all subjects are planned to enhance personal learning and international mindedness.





To ensure our curriculum is culturally responsive and follows the compulsory MoEHE's requirements, all Qatari students and nationals of Arabic-speaking countries study Arabic First Language, Islamic Studies and Qatari History.

Our IGCSE options ensure that students benefit from a broad curriculum at Key Stage 4. The following subjects are offered: English First Language and English Literature, Arabic First Language, English Second Language, Mathematics, Combined Science, Co-ordinated Sciences, Separate Sciences, Global Perspectives, Geography, French Foreign Language, Arabic Foreign Language, Hindi Second Language, Art & Design and Physical Education. Being an examination centre for external candidates and aiming to offer a customised academic provision, students have the possibility to study in parallel and independently for other IGCSE subjects assessed by Cambridge, such as Urdu Second Language, Malay Foreign Language or Additional Mathematics.

Tips for a successful year

If web literate, parents and students should glean ideas on the internet as there is a wealth of productive advice on how to start a new academic year successfully and build a fruitful momentum.

1. Get organised. Between homework, tests and extracurricular activities, deadlines may be easily forgotten. Your child will be equipped with a NAISAK Communication Book where assignments, grades and deadlines will be written. Use it actively to add other appointments and to-do lists on the Notes pages. Support your child and review with them the items in the Communication Book at both the beginning and end of the day to stay on track. Parents are required to sign the Communication Book every weekend. Make sure to download the Show My Homework app on your phone!

2. Know the expectations. Students should feel comfortable approaching teachers with questions about grading and assignments at any time, and be proactive in seeking information and support if need be. Please make sure to encourage your child to clear any doubt or concern as soon as one arises.

A young boy with dark, curly hair, wearing a white school shirt and a grey and pink striped tie, is holding a falcon on his gloved hand. The falcon is perched on a brown leather glove and has a yellow cap on its head. The boy is looking towards the left of the frame. The background is a blurred green foliage.

3. Designate a study area. To be successful, students need to have their own quiet and dedicated study area. Help your child by providing a quiet, well-lit, low-traffic space for study time. Make sure that your child has space to organise and store the learning materials as these should be kept tidy and available from one year to the next. Take it one step further and institute a 'communications blackout' policy with no cell phones or instant messaging allowed until school work is done.

4. Develop a study plan. Buying a wall calendar and asking your child to assign topics and tasks for each day leading up to a due date or exam would support effective time management and organisation of family life. Setting goals for each session is also key to success.

5. Think positively. Please encourage your child and remind them that conscientious work takes time but is required to meet success.

6. Read actively. Students are expected to read at home for at least 30 minutes every day. Help your child to practise active reading by asking them to note the main idea of each passage and look up unfamiliar words or concepts. After each section, have your child write a summary in their own words and come up with possible exam questions.

7. Encourage a sense of responsibility. Please discuss with your child their ambitions, strengths and weaknesses, and encourage your child to understand their role in their own success.

School uniform

In line with our ethos of Pride and Respect, we expect all students from FS1 to Year 11 to wear clean and smart school uniform to school each day. We are introducing a new uniform for the 2017/18 academic year, which is pictured below. Each item is customised for the school in very specific colours and design. There will be a number of ways to purchase items: a 'Pop Up' shop at school from 28 August to 9 September, in Zaks store in Doha (Al Maszhabiliya St, near Al Meera Izghawa and Garrafa Sports Club) and online through the Zaks website: zaksstore.com/shop/naisak/en or uniformmart.net/naisak.

Tie & Accessories



Also available in clip-on version



Legionnaires cap



Baseball cap



P.E./Swim bag

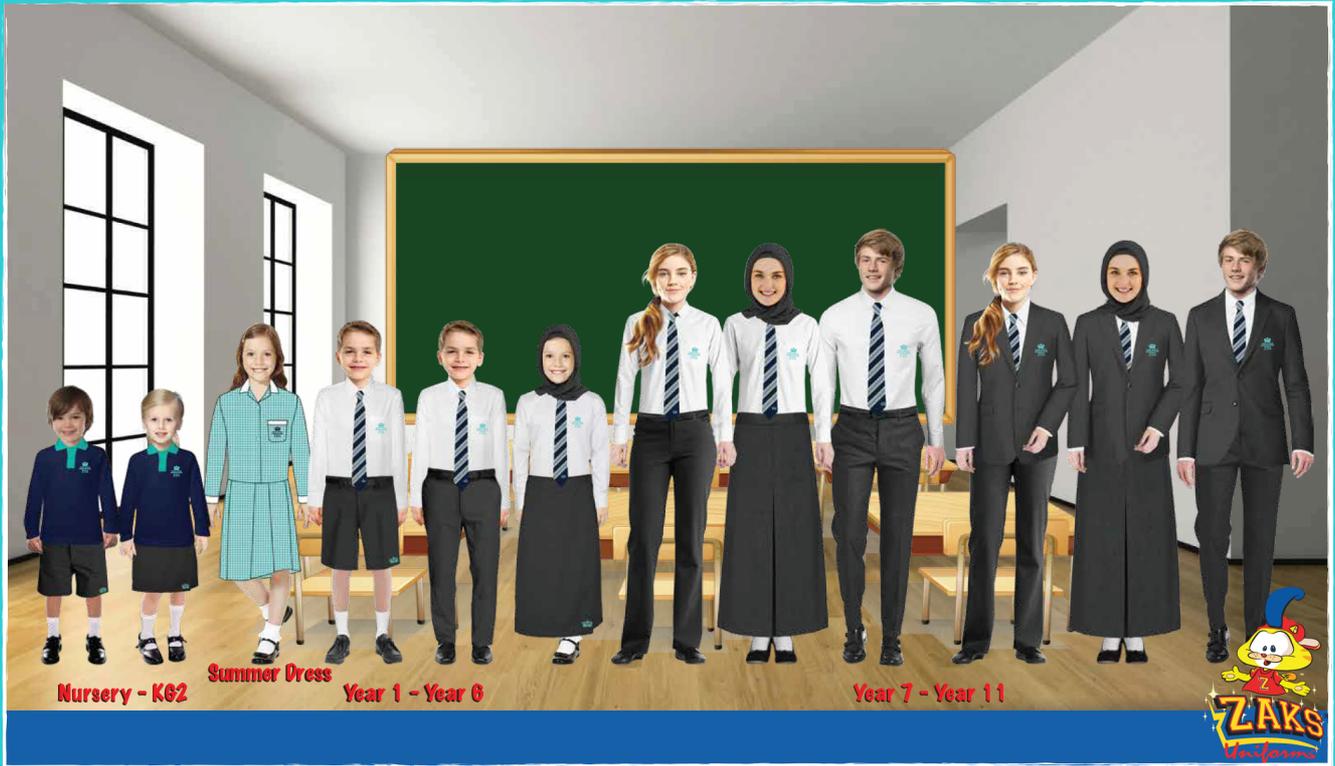


Grey sweater



NORD ANGLIA
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
AL KHOR

zaksstore.com/shop/naisak/en/
uniformmart.net/naisak



NORD ANGLIA
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
AL KHOR

[zaksstore.com/shop/naisak/en/
uniformmart.net/naisak](https://zaksstore.com/shop/naisak/en/uniformmart.net/naisak)

PE kit

House
T-shirts



*Teal PE polo also available with long sleeves

Back To School Event
Monday 28 August 13:00-17:00
&
Monday 11 September 13:30-17:00
@ NAISAK in the Gym

*You can also purchase items online. Simply log on to www.saracenwear.com, locate your chosen school, create an account using the code NK1106 and you can shop.



NORD ANGLI/
INTERNATION
AL KHOR



NORD ANGLIA
INTERNATIONAL
SCHOOL
AL KHOR

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-2018

August						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

September						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

October						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

November						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

December						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

January						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

February						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

March						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

May						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

June						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

July						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- End of Term Holidays
- Eid Al-Adha
- First Day of Term
- Last Day of Term
- Half term Breaks & Official Holidays
- National Sports Day
- Inset
- Eid Al-Fitr

* Eid Holiday subject to confirmation from MoE

Communication with parents



e-Newsletter

The e-Newsletter is published weekly on a Sunday. This publication is emailed out to parents as well as posted on the school's Facebook page. The e-Newsletter contains news from students, staff and parents as well as notices and reminders.

Facebook

Daily communication is posted on Facebook. Posts include notices, reminders and news of events taking place in school that day. The school uses Facebook to celebrate student achievement and to share learning moments with the school community. We highly recommend that all families set up a Facebook page to follow the school.

Notice Board

Important notices and reminders are printed and posted on the notice board at the entrance to the courtyard. These will be reminders of communication that will have already been sent home.

Communication Book

Every student is issued a Communication Book. This book is for teachers and parents to communicate. Please check your child's Communication Book each day for any notes written by their teachers. In the same way, you can write any messages you wish to communicate to your child's class teacher/form tutor. Students also use this book to record homework or personal reminders. Communication Books must be signed by parents every weekend.

Communication Folder

Foundation Stage and Primary School students are also issued with a Communication Folder in which school letters and documents will be placed. Please check this folder every day for any printed communication sent home. Secondary School students are equipped with an A4 Communication Book in which they can place letters.

School Phone Number

Should you need to reach your child's teacher by phone, please call the school reception and leave a message with the school secretary. Contact the school on +974 4437 9600.

School Absence

Please contact the school as soon as you can if your child is unexpectedly absent from school due to illness or other unplanned event. The school will send a text message to families of absent students once morning registration is completed, if no phone call explaining the absence has been received. If your child is absent for a planned event, please inform the school via the NAISAK app so that the information can be processed for attendance records. Please also write a note in your child's Communication Book for your child's class teacher/form tutor.

Any planned extended absences need to be communicated to the school through the app. Extended absences can affect your child's academic progress at school; therefore, the Principal will need to approve the absence.

School Website/NAISAK app

The school website provides parents with curriculum documents, dates, calendars and photos. The 'Parent Resource' area on the site will support parent enquiries in particular.

How to contact us

Communication Books/Folders

School Phone Number: +974 4437 9600

School E-mail: infoalkhor@nais.qa

School Website: www.nordangliaeducation.com/our-schools/al-khor

School App: Search 'NAISAK' in the app store

NORD ANGLIA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AL KHOR

Reminders

- Phones are not allowed at school. Phones are confiscated if seen or heard, and parents are contacted to come and retrieve them.
- On PE days only, students can attend school in their NAISAK PE kit, as long as they wear the complete NAISAK PE kit and no non-NAISAK items. Shorts and leggings are not allowed outside of PE lessons.
- We expect students to show pride in their school uniform and should therefore not mix the school uniform with the NAISAK PE kit.

Lunches

- In line with our Healthy Food policy, chocolate, sweets, gums and fried food are not allowed at school.
- Students should be equipped with a transparent bottle so they can stay hydrated throughout the day.
- Only plain water and non-sugary fruit juices are allowed at school.
- To ensure all students are being fed healthily and protected from potential food allergies, our students must not share their packed lunch.

Attendance Policy in brief

- At NAISAK, we recognise that regular and punctual school attendance is important for academic success. We encourage all students to be ambitious and to strive for 100% attendance across an academic year.
- Students are expected to be fully equipped with learning materials for the morning's lessons and be inside their Tutor Base at 07:10 to be registered on time. Tutor Time activities are essential to start the day constructively.
- Students are expected to attend the whole day, every day. If a student needs to leave school during the day, the day will count as an absence if more than one lesson is missed.
- Parents will be contacted if attendance is an issue.



Building 3, Zone 74, Taimiyah Street
PO Box 60256, Al Khor, Qatar

General Enquiries: +974 4437 9600

Admissions: +974 4437 9660

Email: infoalkhor@nais.qa

www.nordangliaeducation.com/our-schools/al-khor

 Facebook: [/Nord-Anglia-International-School-Al-Khor-1454248841471083/](https://www.facebook.com/Nord-Anglia-International-School-Al-Khor-1454248841471083/)

 Instagram: [/n_a_i_s_a_k/](https://www.instagram.com/n_a_i_s_a_k/)