



News from the Heads of Primary and Secondary



“Looking back and looking forward Together.”

Dear All,

It was a lovely evening as the four schools came together and publically started the first of our events aimed at welcoming our Year 6 students from our Primary sites to the Secondary School here at Madinat Khalifa. The change from year 6 to 7 has two very different views as we head to the end of the school year. Our Primary Heads of School are looking with pride and a tinge of sadness at the students heading towards the “big” school and leaving the comfortable daily routine that is structured around the class teacher. Year 6’s feel confident and comfortable in the Primary school where they are used to an environment that they have thrived in and now they can look forward to the final few weeks that lead up to “Graduation”. However, a lot of thought and effort has gone on behind the scenes as our Primary and Secondary teams work together to ensure that your children will cope and be prepared fully for the transition.

The other side of ending their Primary school days is the new beginning they have to look forward to and a step into life in the “big” Secondary school. A lot of thought goes into making the end of primary a celebration and the beginning of secondary a new adventure to be excited about. Our event last night was a chance for the inquisitive and the anxious to come and find out about what are some of the differences in daily life, to motivate the children for their future and get rid of any questions or fears about the change in schooling. The students can start to understand the extra responsibility, independence and opportunities that the Secondary school offers and the parents can ask the questions of the people whose job it is to make the children feel safe, supported and challenged.

The aim of last night was to give your child the enthusiasm to finish the primary school year with a smile and look to the future with ambition and enthusiasm. Seeing familiar faces, starting to get to know the people who will be teaching and mentoring them, ideally all the way through to the success of IGCSE and IB. You can help your children make the transition even less of a concern by talking positively about your experiences and telling your child what it was like for you when you were at school. Parents can do much to inspire and motivate our students. Please do ask any questions to the dedicated specialist Secondary transition team, [Mrs Sloczynska](#) and [Ms Newton](#). Additionally if you are the parent of a child coming into year 7, do come and see the secondary school at work for yourself. You can sign up for one of the tours happening at 8.30am every day next week. The year 6’s will come to the secondary school for the whole day on 24 May for a taste of life at Madinat Khalifa.

In the meantime it is always a pleasure to see so many parents coming and supporting their children and the school. Last night was the culmination of a very busy few weeks across Primary and Secondary of book week, sports days, productions, dress up days and the wonderful PTA organised School Fête. The community is feeling very strong no matter what age you are. We are all working to make the Compass International experience as enjoyable and successful for all. Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr David Burt and Mr Chris Share



Dates for your Diary

- 17 March**
ECAs end
 - 19 March**
Admissions Testing by appointment only*
 - 20 March**
[Secondary Praise Assembly](#) - by invite only
 - 21 March**
[World Poetry Day, Evening Event - 17:00](#)
 - 24 March**
Last Day of Term
 - 26 March**
Admissions Testing by appointment only*
 - 10 April**
Summer Term Begins
 - 11 April**
[PTA Coffee Morning](#) - 07:30
 - 11 April**
[Visit from Collège du Léman Sàrl](#) - Juilliard and Summer Camps Discussions - Foyer
 - 17 April**
ECAs Commence
 - 19 April**
[Primary School Production](#) - Time TBC
 - 20 April**
Year 4 Outward Bound Day Trip - TBC
- Go [here](#) for our full calendar

* Book with Admissions directly for all new students to our school.
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Poetry Evening

Join us on
Monday 21 March
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for an evening of culture.
With originally written
poems from our students,
some old ones too and a
bit of musical repertoire.
Tickets available at
reception.

Thank you PTA for our fabulous British Spring Fête

A very big THANK YOU to PTA Chair Rhonda, members of the PTA and staff who contributed to the success of this year’s British Spring Fête. Without your enthusiasm, energy and dedication this event would not have been as successful as it was. We had wonderful vendors, exciting activities, tea and cake, burgers and hotdogs, competitions and entertainment that kept everyone happily shopping, browsing and eating throughout the morning.



Have your say in our Parent Survey!

We are constantly looking for ways to improve our school and your feedback is vital to this process. Our annual parent satisfaction survey helps us better understand how we are performing in key areas and we require your feedback! - Go [here](#) to have your say!

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"*Achievers*" (Boys) and "*Jewels*" (Girls)

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