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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we approach the Winter Break, I extend heartfelt thanks to our community for a productive term one at Newlands. Parents and carers have played a crucial role in fostering a positive learning environment, ensuring our students started the year on a strong note. Excitingly, students are progressing well, and we anticipate further development in term two.

This term has been marked by various engaging activities and events, including UAE Flag Day, National Day, Dubai 30x30 Challenge, Pink October, and enriching school trips. Our Enrichment and Intervention programme, introduced this term, will continue to offer diverse activities throughout the academic year, providing equitable support to all students.

Looking forward to term two, we remain committed to supporting students' potential and further developing the school. I'm thrilled to announce the opening of our first Post-16 provision in August 2024, offering a range of qualifications alongside university preparation and career

development opportunities.

Winter Break starts on December 11th. ending on December 29th. Term two is tentatively set to begin on January 2nd, 2024. Confirmation details will be sent to parents via Class Dojo and email.

Wishing everyone a rejuvenating Winter Break, and I eagerly anticipate welcoming you all back in the new year.



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#### **PINK DAY**

On Thursday, October 12, 2023, Newlands School turned pink for a Pink Day celebration. This event featured a range of engaging activities, including arts and crafts, the Pink Plank Challenge, Pink Pong Challenge, cupcake decorating, a charity bake sale in aid of Emirates Red Crescent, Parents Pink Yoga, and a visit from a healthcare professional. We extend our gratitude to all participants for their contributions in supporting this commendable cause, making Pink Day at Newlands both enjoyable and meaningful.



#### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES FLAG DAY

On Friday, November 3, 2023, we celebrated the symbol of Sacrifice, Unity, Prosperity and Strength. Our FS and Key Stage 1 children came together to create a human representation of the UAE flag, symbolizing unity and pride. Students participated in informative assemblies delving into the rich history, culture, and heritage of the UAE. It was a heartwarming celebration, fostering a deep appreciation for the country we proudly call home.



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#### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES NATIONAL DAY

Newlands School celebrated the 52nd UAE National Day on Wednesday, 29th November, 2023. It was a day packed with fun-filled activities and some amazing performances by students from all year groups. This event provided children a fantastic chance to learn, discover, and express gratitude for the country that many call their home away from home. Heartfelt appreciation goes to our dedicated parent community and staff for their unwavering support, contributing to making this day truly memorable for everyone at Newlands.





#### **DUBAI FITNESS CHALLENGE**

From October 28th to November 26th, Newlands actively participated in the 30x30 Dubai Fitness Challenge. Our school community embraced daily activities, including the 'Morning Mile' and 'A.M. Exercise,' led by Ms. Maria and Ms. Chiquie. Lunchtimes featured challenges, Zumba, and sports tournaments for secondary students. The 'Row to Riyadh' challenge in the reception area united students, parents, and teachers, collectively covering a remarkable 1000km. Wednesdays marked 'Parent Activity Day,' showcasing diverse activities. A memorable football match between parents and teachers concluded the Challenge, with parents securing a 7-4 victory. Thanks to our vibrant community, the 30x30 Dubai Fitness Challenge was a resounding success at Newlands this year.



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