

Noya News

June 4th 2024



Welcome to Noya British School: A diverse, inclusive, community school in the heart of Yas Island!

Thank you to those of you who attended our webinar last Monday. It was great to connect with parents and answer all your questions.

Looking ahead to the new academic year, the first day of school will be **26th August 2024.** Please note there will be a staggered start (not all classes will start on this day). As we are a new school with new parents, new students, and new staff, we will be planning the first week very carefully in order to make sure everything goes smoothly. All parents and students will get a chance to tour the school and meet our teachers the week before Ms Rachael Giles, Principal school starts.





As mentioned in my previous newsletter, we are planning a fun event for all our families on 29th June. It will be a great opportunity to meet other parents and children joining Noya and a lovely way to end Term 3 before the summer break. More information to follow!

Parent Webinar June 10th 12pm - 1pm An opportunity to meet the Pirncipal and ask any important questions you may have! **Book HERE**





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Noya School Uniform

We are pleased to announce **Magrudy's** as the uniform provider for Noya British School. Please find below a selection of items for FS1 - Year 6. We will be sending you further information about when you can visit the store, review samples and pre-order (either in store or via their website). Please note some items are optional.

FS1 - FS2







Unisex PE Shorts Boys 8 Girls | FS1 - Year 13 Compulsory AED 107-130



<u> Year 1 - 6</u>











Meet our Teachers











Meet our Head of Inclusion, Ms Amani Saleh



My name is Amani Saleh, Head of Inclusion at Noya British School. I consider myself a passionate educator, with a blend of experience and skills, as well as a commitment to fostering an inclusive educational environment which promotes wellbeing and an overall sense of achievement and success so that each pupil can thrive.

I hold degrees in Psychology and Language Pathology, in addition to a teaching diploma and a certificate in Special Educational Needs Coordination. Throughout my career, I have had the privilege of working as a Speech and Language Therapist as well as a Learning Support/Inclusion Teacher and Coordinator. With over 15 years of experience in inclusive education, I have developed an understanding of learning styles and needs and firmly believe that, when the right support is in place, pupils, regardless of their abilities or challenges, can access the curriculum at their own pace and progress to reach their potential.

I strongly believe in a collaborative approach with a focus on the holistic development of every child, where working with parents, teachers and external specialists not only leads to improved academic outcomes, but also creates a supportive community where everyone is committed to the success of each individual pupil. Together with colleagues at Noya British School, we aim to create a supportive and enriching educational journey for all our pupils.



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Transition Tips from our School Counsellor

It's quite common for children to move schools. It's also common for children to resist change and feel stressed about going to a new school. So if your child is moving schools, the best thing you can do is prepare your child for the change. Here is some advice from Noya's School Counsellor, Mrs Lauren Pandit:

- Try and find other children who are going to the same school and strengthen those friendships so that your child has familiar faces on the first day. Utilise the playdate on the **29th of June** to meet other children in the same year group.
- Work on providing a positive ending at their current school. Your child could create a memory book and ask their teachers and friends to sign it.
- Give your child plenty of notice about the move to allow them to process what is happening.
- Talk through your child's worries and try to answer as many questions as possible. Reach out to the team if need help answering any of these questions
- Be enthusiastic about the move yourself. If you show signs of anxiety or worry, your child will sense this too!
- Explain to your child that change can be difficult and it's normal to feel anxious about the move.
- If the decision to move schools was not your child's choice, this can make your child feel out of control and increase anxiety. Try and allow your child to make decisions about other aspects of school life such as which school bag they would like, what they would like for lunch etc. to allow them to feel more in control.
- Try and encourage your child to get into a routine a few days before starting school. This can include an earlier bedtime to ensure that they are well rested and eating regular healthy meals that reflect the timetable of the school day.
- Attend the school for a tour and meet the teacher before starting school so that the environment feels more familiar to your child.



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