

Noya News

May 21st 2024



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

It has been a very busy few weeks with lots of events and activities taking place as we finalize our enrolment for our August opening. Our Open Day last Saturday was very well attended! It was great to meet new families and talk to them about our exciting plans for Noya. Our Senior Leadership Team was also fortunate to be invited to the Noya Park event organized by Aldar Properties a few weeks ago where we had the opportunity to reconnect with our families again in a fun and informal setting and meet new families who are interested in joining



Ms Rachael Giles, Principal

Noya. There was a real community spirit there! As parents, we know how important friendships are when transitioning to a new school. We look forward to participating in more events over the next few weeks to provide opportunities for you to connect with other Noya parents and for your children to make friends with children in their year group. More information to follow soon!

Please note: We are experiencing a large volume of inquiries and registrations so if you have not yet secured your child's seat, we strongly recommend you do so!

Events in May

Coffee Morning with SLT

Thursday 23rd May:10.00 - 12.00 Aldar HQ, Yas Mall (next to Home Centre) To book, please click on the links below: Book <u>HERE</u> **Parent Webinar** Monday May 27th 12pm - 1pm Book <u>HERE</u>





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Extra-Curricular Activities @Noya British School

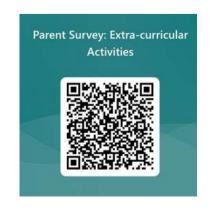
At Noya British School, we believe that learning extends beyond the classroom, which is why we offer a diverse range of extracurricular activities to complement our academic programme. In the areas of sports and teamwork games, students can participate in various activities designed to promote physical fitness, teamwork, and leadership skills. Activities that promote social and emotional growth will also be available to students, such as creative arts, music, and digital literacy. This holistic approach ensures that students receive a solid foundation for their future success.

In addition to our teacher led ECAs which take place once a week, we will be working closely with **Infinite Sports**, a leading hub in the United Arab Emirates managing four exceptional academies that provide specialist coaching in football, cricket, gymnastics, and swimming. In addition, **Infinite sports** offer wrap-around care throughout the school week and provide top camps during school holidays.

To ensure we listen to our parents when collaborating with Infinite Sport, we would like you to complete the following survey:

https://forms.office.com/r/dp0bu5EtXi (or scan the QR code)







Meet our Teachers









Here at Noya British School. our interview process is rigorous; all our teachers are carefully selected according to their university degree, teaching qualifications, curriculum experience and alignment with our vision and educational philosophy. Our teachers are very excited to be joining a brand new, state-of-the-art, UK curriculum school and we look forward to introducing you and your children to our teachers soon!



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Frequently asked questions

Will you be offering transportation and if so, to where?

Yes, we will offer transportation with our Third-Party company Emirates Transportation across Yas Island, Saadiyat, Reem Island, Al Reef, Khalidiya/Corniche, Al Zeina/Al Raha, and many more. Availability of routes depends on the number of students living in each area that requires access to the bus and travel time. **Enquiries about bus routes should be made via our admissions department:** admissions@noya.sch.ae;

What are the school hours?

The school day will begin at 7.30 am with the National Anthem being sung at 7.45 am. For FS1 and FS2 there is an option for early pick-up at 12.30 am. For Years 1 to 6, the school day finishes at 2.30 pm with ECAs taking place until 3.30 pm, once a week.

What are the class sizes?

For FS1, FS2 and Year 1, class sizes are 25 maximum with one teacher and one classroom assistant. For Years 2 - 6, as per ADEK policy, the maximum number is 30 students with each class having one teacher and one classroom assistant. Please note our enrolment will determine our class sizes and as we will continue to enrol students throughout the summer, we are unable to confirm class sizes.

Will all facilities be available in September when the school opens?

Yes, the school will be ready to open for the new academic year and all facilities will be available for our staff, students, and parents to use. The Secondary area will also be complete even though we will be opening Secondary classrooms the following year.





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Aldar Education's Digital Transformation Strategy

At Aldar Education, our digital transformation strategy is not just about technology – it's about empowering students to navigate the digital landscape confidently while fostering their overall well-being for a future that awaits them. Embarking on a digital transformation strategy, Aldar Education is pioneering innovative education to equip students with the skills needed for the future. Our strategy has been meticulously designed to enhance learning whilst also ensuring our students are not only technologically adept but also future-ready.

As part of this digital journey, we introduce the concept of a "digital pencil case," where students are encouraged (not mandated) to bring their own Apple iPads from home as part of our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) scheme. This initiative seamlessly transitions into Secondary School, fostering a continuous and familiar digital environment.

Digital literacy is at the forefront of our approach, integrating a variety of educational apps to enrich the learning experience. While we champion the advantages of digital learning, we understand the importance of balance. Our teachers closely monitor and maintain equilibrium between digital and 'unplugged' activities, ensuring the holistic well-being of our students. E-Safety remains paramount, with regular e-safety lessons and events seamlessly woven into our curriculum. We understand that each family's circumstances are unique, and to this end, we recommend a range of options for your child's participation in our digital transformation journey.

To ensure a safe and focused learning environment, we are introducing the **Aldar Education Digital Safety Package**, available exclusively through the **Aldar Education E-Store**, through which our school communities can conveniently purchase recommended technologies and accessories at competitive prices. This package offers many benefits, including automatically integrating essential learning applications and alleviating parents' setup concerns. It also restricts inappropriate content to ensure students' safety and well-being during digital interactions at school and home. Our new Digital SafetyPackage will optimise your child's device/s for their learning.