



ENGLISH PRIVATE SCHOOL OF KALBA

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IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event
World Science Day	10 November
International Day of Tolerance	16 November
World Children's Day celebrations	21 November
Commemoration Day	30 November
Assessment A	21 November to 8 th December
UAE National Day celebrations	29 November
Winter Break	12 to 29 December
Term-2 starts on	2 January 2023

VISION

Student preparation in the FS2 to Year 13 education system for leading a productive life in this dynamic world to contribute to the sustainable development of the UAE society.

MISSION

Every student at English Private School of Kalba will be a confident, action-driven team-player with a love for learning, and someone who radiates the school's Core values. Our students will become independent learners, critical thinkers, and problem solvers well-equipped with 21st century skills.

PARENT'S APPRECIATION

المدرسة الانجليزية كلباء
السيد والاستاذ الفاضل هارون المحترم
تحية طيبة وبعد
في بداية الموضوع أود أن أشكركم كثيراً على كل ما تبذلونه من جهود في تعليم الأطفال
والرعاية العظيمة لهم.
شكراً لموظفي الاستقبال والإدارة والسوبر فايز جميعهم يعملون بيد واحد
أتقدم بالشكر والتقدير والاحترام لمعلمي فصول أطفالي على جهودهم في تعليم الأطفال والتركيز
عليهم حتى يتم نقل المعلومات بشكل كبير. تعليم الأطفال ليس بالأمر السهل ، فالمعلم يبذل
الطاقة والجهد يبذله المعلمين في ذلك من الصباح حتى المساء ، حوالي 7 ساعات في اليوم
شكرا لجميع المعلمين فالمدرسة
ولية امر الطالبة
عذيبة سليمان



From Principal's desk:

Dear Parents & Students,

The basic purpose of education, as we all know, is to focus more on the social, academic and intellectual development of students, so they can grow up to be engaged citizens. And the best thing about education at EPSK is its multiculturalism and the way students are taught to respect traditions from all over the world. Besides lessons, since September, students have been busy observing and celebrating days of international significance.

Promoting the UN principles, EPSK organized UN Day on 24 October, where children and staff from 27 different nationalities came dressed in their traditional costumes. It started with a special assembly conducted by Yr7/Gr6 students. Students gave speeches on the formation of UN and its role & importance in maintaining peace & stability around the world.

On 3rd November, EPSK marked the UAE Flag Day celebration with an outdoor flag raising at 11.00a.m. The whole school was dressed in the colours of the UAE flag to acknowledge its significance.

School also organized a family event on 13 November, EPSK Marathon 2022, to raise health awareness among all students and community. The entire EPSK community seemed to be rolling with high spirits and liveliness, visible at the Marathon, organized at Kalba Corniche, under the aegis of HH Shaikh Haitham.

The morning saw a big number of 200 and above, students and parents, participate in the event. HH Shaikh Haitham gave away the trophies and medals to the winners. It was overall, an exciting event.

Celebration is in the air. The nation is preparing for the 51st UAE National Day and so are we at the EPSK, gearing up to celebrate the day with the citizens and the residents.

I would like to thank our esteemed parents for their endless support on all occasions and understanding that winning or losing is just part of a game. Most important is participation. Lesson learnt is, you should not be happy for your own success, but for the success of your friends too.

Haroon Ahmed
Principal



Early years Learning through play



EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

Expressive arts and design is one of the seven areas of the early years foundation stage and is used to develop a child's imagination, creativity and their ability to use media and materials. At the EPSK Art studio our students do this in range of ways including singing songs and making music, dancing, playing with colours, textures and design. The FS2 students created a tree using their hand prints.

Expressive art and design helps children to represent their own feelings and ideas.

MATHEMATICS IN THE EYFS

In the context of mathematics, the framework says children must be given opportunities to develop their skills in the following areas:

- Counting
- Understanding and using numbers

At EPSK our students are able to count confidently, develop a deep understanding of the numbers to 8 and the value of each number.





Eco Club

To instill among students a sense of responsibility and to empower them with sustainable practices, Eco Club has been found in EPSK. The Eco Club will provide students with opportunities to explore and create solutions through various Eco initiatives. The club will be operated by the environmental leadership team who will monitor and implement step-by-step guidance in waste management and water & energy consumption.

The Eco team, comprising teachers & students, will conduct activities and campaigns in the school to spread awareness among the students and develop them into environmentally conscious citizens.

The club will also participate in workshops and seminars organized by various NGOs in the UAE like Bee'ah – Sharjah.

Office bearers of Eco Club

Position	Name	Year/Grade	Name	Year/Grade
President	Tala Babekiri	Yr 5/Gr 4	Jawahir	Yr7/Gr6
Vice president	Qasayed Basim	Yr 5/Gr 4	Adil Masood	Yr6/Gr5
ICT Leader	Yameen	Yr 4/Gr 3	Eissa	Yr7/Gr6
Secretary	Meera Juma	Yr 5/Gr 4	Aisha	Yr6/Gr5

PARENT TEACHER MEETING

School organized Parent Teacher Meeting on 29 October. We were happy to receive a large number of parents for a meeting with their child's teachers. It was heartening to see teachers and parents discussing the 'learning and progress' of students. As put by parents, 'The meetings were useful & positive. We asked questions and shared our thoughts with the teachers, so that we can become partners in our child's education.' Parents' suggestions were taken and they will be used for school development.



EPSK Family Marathon

To commemorate the spirit of the UAE National Day, EPSK organized a Marathon for students and their families on Sunday, 13th November 2022. The event, which was a grand success, was first of its kind in the region to be organized by a school for its students and parents. EPSK took this initiative in conjunction with the nation's spirit of the union, and to promote family values and fitness. The Marathon was a mega-hit with around 200 participants, comprising of students from Year5/Grade 4 to Year 13/Grade 12, parents, teachers and the school staff.

H.H Sheikh Haitham bin Saqr Al Qasimi graced the event as Chief Guest and awarded the winners with trophies, medals and certificates.

Winners Students, Mothers & Fathers

Distance	Category	First position	Second Position	Third Position
1 Km	Gr4 Students & Girls of Yr6/Gr5 to Yr13/Gr12	Ibrahim Ali	Rodina Mohamed	Haya Ehab
2 Km	Boys of Yr6/Gr5 to Yr13/Gr12	Saif Ahmed Saleem Juma	Imaad Gaidien Mayed Saeed	Ali Ahmed Mohamed Khalid
1 Km	Mothers	Safa Ibrahim	Sonia Morris	Naheed Aslam
2 Km	Fathers	Ghanim Saeed	Abdel Rehman Saeed	Jabir Raeesy

FLAG Day

The EPSK observed the UAE Flag Day on 3rd November with an outdoor flag-raising ceremony at 11am, along with hundreds of schools, government departments and institutions across the country. The whole school was dressed in the colours of the UAE flag to acknowledge its significance.

The flag which consists of four colours — green, white, black and red — represents the unity of Arabs, with each colour teaching a different implication in the people's lives.



Innovation Club

To provide students with opportunities for Hands-on activities and engage in innovative and creative activities, we have Innovation Club at EPSK. The primary goal of the club is for students to have fun while learning important life skills and developing mastery of certain skills. The club is focused on exposing students to new experiences and enriching their lives. Students are encouraged to think out of the box and come up with fresh ideas and inventive perspectives.

Roles and Responsibilities

The club has a President, Vice President, ICT Leader and Secretary. The young leaders work together to:

1. Organize activities, workshops and competitions to foster creativity and inventiveness among students
2. Monitor activities of the Innovation Club
3. Guide the upcoming young scientists with their ideas and design sensibilities
4. Provide technical support in form of tools and equipments

Office bearers of Innovation Club

Position	Name of student	Year/Grade
President	Ammar Hassan	Yr9/Gr8
Vice president	Eyad Ehab	Yr 8/Gr7
ICT Leaders	Abdullah Khalid Mustafa Akram	Yr8/Gr7 Yr8/Gr7
Secretary	Fatima Saeed	Yr7/Gr6



Spelling Bee Competition



Over the years, The English Private School of Kalba has had a great time engaging their learners in the Annual Spelling Bee Competition, spearheaded by the English Department. Spelling bees help to promote literacy by providing children with a positive goal to work toward, and give them a forum to display the fruit of their hard work.

This year's EPSK Annual Spelling Bee competition was conducted in October-November with great success. Students right from Year 2/Grade1 to Year 10/Grade9 displayed their enthusiasm in partaking in this much awaited event. The school saw 100% participation in the first, written, round in early October. The candidates who qualified for the second round battled their opponents in another "write and display" round of spell-war. The Grand Finale of the Spelling Bee Competition, conducted on 7th November 2022 witnessed the class /section champions combatting for the most sought-after title of the Spelling Bee Champ; it was a classic "war of words" in its own right. The Spelling Bee Champs of each class level were awarded trophies and certificates while the 2nd and 3rd place winners were given medals and certificates. Our learners showed and proved that they have exactly what it takes to spell their way to success. The teachers involved played a big role in motivating the learners to win and to learn the words that were asked in the questions.

And so, this year's spellathon is done, with the winners being recognized and rewarded, and the others motivated to do better next year. For, in T.S. Eliot's words: "... last year's words belong to last year's language. And next year's words await another voice."

SPELLING BEE CHAMPS 2022-2023

Year/ Grade	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Year 2 / Grade 1	<i>Rovana Ahmed</i>	<i>Juan Ahmed</i>	<i>Mohamed Kareem</i>
Year 3/ Grade 2	<i>Shadia Mohamed</i>	<i>Mohamed Abdulla</i>	<i>Theyab Ali</i>
Year 4 / Grade 3	<i>Zeyad Ahmed</i>	<i>Salama Omar</i>	<i>Joori Saif</i>
Year 5/ Grade 4	<i>Yousif Ahmed</i>	<i>Faris Iman</i>	<i>Rayan Younes</i>
Year 6 / Grade 5	<i>Ali Saif Sultan</i>	<i>Mohamed Yousif</i>	<i>Fatima Ismael</i>
Year 7 / Grade 6	<i>Alia Eisa</i>	<i>Rayan Khamis</i>	<i>Shahad Ahmed</i>
Year 8/ Grade 7	<i>Mohamed Abdalla</i>	<i>Marwa Mohamed</i>	<i>Mohamed Ali</i>
Year 9/ Grade 8	<i>Saeed Ahmed Saeed</i>	<i>Zena Wael</i>	<i>Talya Ahmed</i>
Year 10/ Grade 9	<i>Nahyan Salim</i>	<i>Noor Afshan</i>	<i>Akram Isam</i>