



**JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2025** 

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

Dear NIS Community,

January has been a month filled with learning, growth and exciting events at Nada International School. From celebrating our outstanding Cambridge achievers to watching our students shine in public speaking and sports competitions, our school continues to thrive. As we step into February, we look forward to the End of Term 2 Exams, engaging field trips and even more opportunities for students to showcase their talents.

In this edition, you'll find highlights from our Parent-Teacher Conference, details on Book Week and Public Speaking competitions and heartwarming stories of NIS alumni returning home. We are also excited to share news about the Plant Legacy Project, promoting sustainability among our young learners.

Let's continue this journey together, inspiring excellence in every student!

Warm regards,

Mohammad Wajeeh Executive Principal





#### **Academic Excellence & Learning Adventures**

This month, we proudly recognize four of our students who were honored as Cambridge Outstanding Learners—an incredible achievement that highlights their dedication and hard work. We also celebrate our Student of the Month, recognizing the top achievers with the most Dojo points!







Meanwhile, our younger students embarked on thrilling educational journeys, with KG and Primary students visiting a strawberry farm! They explored nature, picked fresh strawberries and even interacted with farm animals, creating lifelong memories.

#### **Sports & Fitness Highlights**

The energy was high this month as NIS students took on exciting challenges in the world of sports! Our Girls' Baseball Competition brought out fierce determination and teamwork, while the much-anticipated Staff vs. Students Soccer Match saw both sides battling it out in a fun-filled game. Primary Sports Day was another standout event, with students showcasing their agility, teamwork and love for movement.

#### **Celebrating Culture & Tradition**

This January, the NIS Health and Safety Committee connected students to their cultural roots through a special Dates and Milk Initiative, coinciding with the Al Hasa Dates Festival. Students were greeted with this nutritious snack at the school gates, reinforcing the health benefits of this traditional pairing.

Additionally, our Health and Safety
Committee hosted a Dental Health
Workshop in collaboration with Glory
Medical Complex, where Grades 1-3
students learned the importance of oral
hygiene through interactive sessions.
Read inside for more insights on these
fantastic initiatives promoting culture,
health and well-being at NIS!



#### The Power of Words – Public Speaking & Book Week

This month, language and literacy took center stage as our students confidently stepped into the spotlight during the Public Speaking Competition. With poise and passion, our primary students delivered speeches that captivated audiences, making it an unforgettable event.



Meanwhile, our Annual Book Week brought stories to life! With a special focus on author Oliver Jeffers, students explored his magical tales while embracing the theme "How We Can Make the World a Better Place." Activities included mystery reading, character dress-up and a story-writing competition.

Want to relive the magic? Flip through this edition for a full breakdown of our literary adventures!

#### **Student Leadership & Global Awareness**

Our students have been engaging in meaningful discussions on global issues through their participation in Model United Nations (MUN) at Al-Anjal School. This experience allowed them to develop diplomacy, research and problem-solving skills while representing NIS on an international stage.





Back at school, the Plant Legacy
Project is shaping future
environmental leaders as students
take part in tree planting, gardening
and sustainability initiatives.
We also had a special moment this
month as NIS Alumni Returned
Home to Visit, sharing their
experiences and memories with
current students. Their journey
serves as an inspiration for our
students as they look toward the
future.

#### Also find inside:

- ✓ End of Term 2 Schedule
- Term 3 Calendar for Parents
- Fire Drill Safety Measures
- ✓ Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Guidelines
- MathWatch User Guide

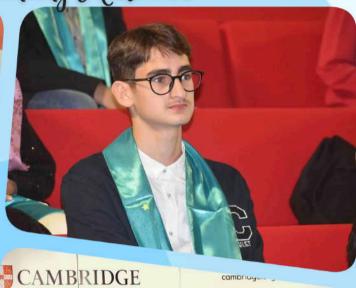
Stay tuned for all these updates and more as we continue another exciting chapter at Nada International School!

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#### Model United Nations (MUN) - Shaping Future Leaders

A group of our senior students participated in the ANJMUN (Anjal School Model United Nations) on Friday, 17th January, and Saturday, 18th January. Over the course of two days, they engaged in six rigorous debating sessions, showcasing their diplomatic skills and critical thinking abilities.

Model United Nations (MUN) is an academic simulation of the United Nations, where students act as diplomats, representing countries in key UN committees like the General Assembly (GA), Security Council (SC) and DISEC, etc. Through extensive debate covering two days or more, delegates tackle global issues, draft resolutions and negotiate policies, enhancing their public speaking, critical thinking and leadership skills. MUN provides a valuable platform for students to develop diplomacy, teamwork and a deeper understanding of international relations, preparing them to be the changemakers of tomorrow.





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From submitting position papers and delivering opening speeches to participating in moderated and unmoderated caucuses, drafting resolutions and much more, our students demonstrated exceptional dedication and enthusiasm.



The event provided an incredible platform for them to research, debate, collaborate, convince and discuss complex global issues, all while adhering to formal diplomatic protocols.

The first step in becoming the global leaders of tomorrow!







# Extra-curricular Activities Session 2

We are delighted to share that Activities Session 2 kicked off last week, offering students an enriching lineup of experiences designed to spark creativity, build teamwork, and develop essential skills. With a diverse range of activities, there's something for everyone to explore and enjoy!

Here's what's happening in Session 2

- Quran Recitation
  - Enhancing spiritual connection and recitation skills
- Origami
  - Exploring the art of paper folding and creativity
- Russian Language
- Introducing a new linguistic adventure
- Table Tennis (Girls & Boys)
  - Boosting reflexes and coordination
- Art & Craft
  - Encouraging artistic expression and hands-on creativity
- Soccer
- Building teamwork and athletic skills
  - Archery
    - Developing focus, precision, and discipline
- Basketball (Girls & Boys)
  - Strengthening teamwork and sportsmanship
- Robotics Club
  - Innovating with technology and programming
- Volleyball (Boys)
  - Enhancing agility and strategic play
- Dodgeball
  - Promoting fitness, agility, and fun competition
- Badminton
  - Improving reflexes, strategy, and endurance

With such a dynamic selection, our students are discovering new passions, honing valuable skills, and forming lifelong friendships. We are excited to witness their progress and achievements throughout this session!

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to create inspiring learning experiences!

### PRIMARYPUBLIC SPEAKING FINALE













Primary students, brimming with excitement and nerves, stepped in front of an audience to showcase their oratory skills in the school's Public Speaking Competition. The competition provided a platform for young voices to be heard, fostering confidence, communication skills and a love for language.

Congratulations to the winners of the public speaking competition! Your hard work and dedication truly shone through.

Grade	Student Name	
1B	Syed Muhammed Qasim	Winner
1G	Talia Najeeb Yousef Jeriess	2nd pos
1B	Muhammed Naufil Ammer	3rd Posi
1G	Khulood Ahmed Albutayshi	4th posi
2BA	Muhammad Shahzar	Winner
2G	Amaal Aysha Ashik Poyilil	2nd pos
2BA	Taym Walaa Abou Rafeh	3rd Posi
2G	Salma Omar Mohamed Abdelmaksoud	4th posi
2BB	Ali Badeya A Ali Al Abdreda	5th Pos
2BB	Hamdan Mahmmoud Al Quraini	6th Pos
3B	Moaaz bin Umer	Winner
3G	Zara Assad	2nd pos
3B	Muhammad Raed Abdullah Malik	3rd Posi

Dania Elnazeer Ali Mohamed Ali Salim













# PRIMARY FIELD TRIP





Our vsit to the Strawberry Farm was a delightful experience! Surrounded by lush greenery and rows of vibrant red strawberries, the farm offered a perfect mix of education and fun. It was a day filled with excitement, fresh air, and sweet treats, leaving everyone with wonderful memories of this fruitful adventure!





























# PRIMARY BOOK WEEK



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## PRIMARY BOOK WEEK

## WINNERS















































### Things you need to know about **HPMV** (Human Metapneumovirus)

### What is (HMPV)?

HMPV is a virus that usually causes symptoms similar to a cold. You might cough or wheeze, have a runny nose or a sore throat. Most cases are mild, but young children, adults over 65 and people with weakened immune systems are at a higher risk for serious illness.



#### **Prevention**

#### You can reduce your risk of getting HMPV by:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water or sanitizer.
- Cover your nose and mouth with your elbow, when you sneeze or cough.
- Avoid being around other people when you or they are sick with a cold or other contagious diseases.
- Consider wearing a mask if you're sick.
- Avoid touching your face, eyes, nose and mouth.
- Don't share food or eating utensils (forks, spoons, cups) with others.

#### What are the symptoms of HPMV?

#### Symptoms of **Human Metapneumovirus**







of breath.









### What are the 5 complications of HMPV?

Sometimes HMPV causes complications. These might be serious and require you to be hospitalized. They include: Bronchiolitis. Bronchitis. Pneumonia. Asthma or COPD flare-ups. Ear infection (otitis media).

#### How is HPMV transmitted?

HMPV spreads through direct contact with someone who has it or from touching things contaminated with the virus.

#### For instance:

- · Coughing and sneezing.
- · Shaking hands, hugging or kissing.
- Touching surfaces or objects like phones, door handles, keyboards or toys.



#### How do I take care of myself?

You can manage mild, cold-like symptoms of HMPV at home by:

- · Drinking lots of fluids to prevent dehydration
- Getting plenty of rest.
- Taking medications prescribed by the doctor.

# Support Classes

### Primary Support

We are excited to announce the launch of Primary Support Classes in Week 3!
These classes are designed to help students improve their skills in English and Math, providing them with the support they need to excel.





In addition to group classes, we also offer one-to-one support for students who may benefit from personalized attention. These sessions are tailored to address individual needs, ensuring each student receives the guidance necessary to thrive.



Yourself Proud.



# Mental Health Swareness Week

During Mental Health
Awareness Week, all
students participated in a
serie of activities organized
by the Student Support
Services and Health and
Safety Committees to raise
awareness about mental
health issues, reduce stigma,
and promote well-being.







#### **PRESENTATIONS**

During that week, students watched specially prepared PowerPoint presentations during form time. The presentations were tailored to different age groups.

#### ART COMPETITION

To further engage students, an Art Competition was held for Grades 1-10 under the theme "Express Your Mind Through Art."





#### REFLECTION ACTIVITY

For Grades 11 and 12, a reflective activity allowed students to share their feelings and challenges through a Reflection Jar. The notes will be collected and reviewed confidentially by a psychologist, who will identify key themes and provide recommendations to school leadership to support students' mental health.





# Mental Health Anti-Competition



We are excited to announce the winners of the Mental Health Art Competition held during Mental Health Awareness Week. The competition encouraged students to express their thoughts on mental health through artwork, and we are proud of the creativity shown.





#### PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### FORST PLACE

Talia Najeeb - Grade 1

#### SECOND PLACE

Zara Assad - Grade 3 Malek Mohamed - Grade 2A

#### TOURD PLACE

Yara Omar - Grade 3





#### GIRLS SECTION

#### FORST PLACE

Yasmin Ali - Grade 7

#### SECOND PLACE

Rawen Ben Taous - Grade 5

Muqadas Abbasi - Grade 6

#### TOORD PLACE

Hala Mohamed - Grade 4 Asma Mohammed - Grade 4









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#### BOYS SECTION

#### FORST PLACE

Saleh Rashed - Grade 10

#### SECOND PLACE

H.H.P Sultan Bin Saud - Grade 10

#### TOORD PLACE

Naser Husain - Grade 7





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Unlock Your Learning: Bring Your Own Device!



Let's make learning fun and interactive together! Don't forget to charge your devices and bring them in!



#### **BYOD**

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) to school and unlock a world of learning! Using your devices in ICT class helps you explore new ideas, collaborate with friends, and enhance your skills.

# Spotlight on Success!

We're excited to shine a light on one of our dedicated students, Ahmad Ashraf from Grade 7! Ahmad has taken full advantage of the new courses available on Classera and has impressively completed more than two certificates! His commitment to enhancing his skills and expanding his knowledge is truly inspiring.





Congratulations to all participants for representing our school with enthusiasm and commitment! • Keep up the great work and continue to explore the exciting world of cybersecurity!

# Spotlight on Success!

Become an Internet Safety Champion!

We recently launched an exciting initiative to empower our students as Internet Safety Champions! Students were encouraged to explore an informative PowerPoint presentation that covered essential tips for protecting themselves online and navigating the digital world responsibly. With engaging content and interactive elements, learners had the chance to enhance their knowledge and take a short quiz at the end. Those who scored 100% on the quiz earned a certificate and a Golden Ticket, recognizing their commitment to being responsible digital citizens. We're proud of our students for taking this important step toward

online safety!









# WHY IS READING SO IMPORTANT?

EXPANDS YOUR VOCABULARY

DEVELOPS
YOUR MIND

REDUCES STRESS



ENHANCES THINKING

FOSTERS EMPATHY

SPARKS CREATIVITY

#### YOUNG WRITERS COMPETITON

ASEEL KHORSHED
HALA HANY MOHAMMED
ABDELKODOUS
KARMA MOHAMED ABDELMOULA

CARMEN MUHAMMAD ABDEL ALIM LAMAR SKAFI MIRNA MOHAMMAD

> YAZAN MOHAMED KENAN MUSTAFA MOHAMMED HASHIM

ADAM MOHAMED HASSAN ABDALLAH
HASSAN
KINAN GHASSAN ABDELAZIM SALAH
RYAN SAMEH AZZAM HASHEM



### **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

RECENTLY, THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT HELD ITS ANNUAL PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION.

THE ANNUAL COMPETITION PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH A

**PLATFORM TO:** 

-LEARN HOW TO PLAN A SPEECH
MAINTAIN CONFIDENCE
- CONNECT WITH THE AUDIENCE
- AND MUCH MORE!











### **Dental Health Workshop**

the Health and Safety Committee was delighted to host an engaging workshop on dental health, presented by dentists and dental care professionals from Glory Medical Complex. the interactive session, tailored for students in Grades 1-3, emphasized the importance of maintaining a proper dental care routine. Through hands-on activities and demonstrations, our young learners gained valuable insights into oral hygiene, ensuring they left with a deeper understanding of how to keep their smiles healthy and bright.

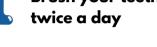


**Dental Health** 

in 5 Steps













Wear a mouthguard during sports





# Nourish and Energize with Detes & Milk

As the Dates Festival unfolds in Al Hasa, the Health and Safety Committee seized the opportunity to strengthen students' connection to their cultural heritage. Dates, a cornerstone of Saudi Arabia's national crops, hold immense cultural and nutritional significance. To celebrate this, the committee organized a special initiative to remind students of the health benefits of dates and milk—a traditional and wholesome combination.

Early in the morning, committee members welcomed students at the school gate, offering them a healthy snack of dates and milk to kick-start their day with an energy boost. This gesture not only highlighted the importance of embracing cultural traditions but also promoted healthy eating habits among our students.









FOR BODY HEALTH











# Why Milk is Important

- Key nutritional benefits: rich in calcium, protein, vitamins, and minerals.
  Role of milk in supporting
  - Role of milk in supporting bone health and growth.



# PARENTS AND STUDENTS USER GUIDE

MathsWatch is an online resource giving you access to various tools to help towards achieving your full potential at Mathematics.

With MathsWatch, you can now access video tutorials which explain topics just like a teacher would at the board. You can independently practise real exam-style questions (GCSE, KS3 and Primary only) with instant feedback on your performance. Finally, you can also complete assignments set by your teacher with instant feedback provided to both you and your teacher.

#### First things first, let's log in

Please navigate to vle.mathswatch.co.uk using your preferred browser (we do recommend Google Chrome but IE, Safari and others should work just as well). You will be presented with this login page:

Use the login details given by your teacher.

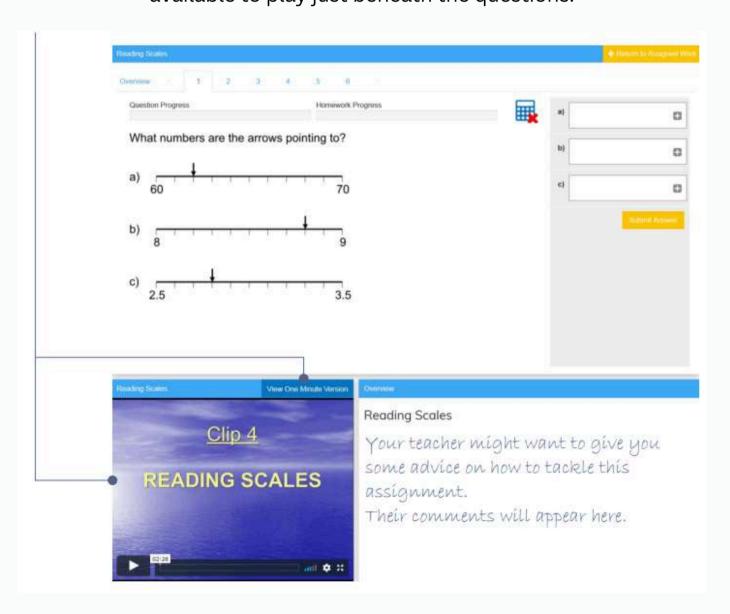


#### **Assigned tasks**

After a successful log in, you are always presented with your "My Work" section.



**Homeworks** can be attempted as many times as you like until the due date. Your teacher will have access to your score at the end of each attempt. To help you with the completion of the task, the video explaining the topic will always be available to play just beneath the questions.



#### Working independently

The "Videos" section gives access to lessons covering your curriculum.



You also get access to a **bank of interactive questions** allowing you to test your newly acquired skills with real exam-type questions. With immediate feedback and the ability to even mark your working when needed, our system is the only one of its kind. You will get a realistic experience of what answering all types of exam questions is really like.

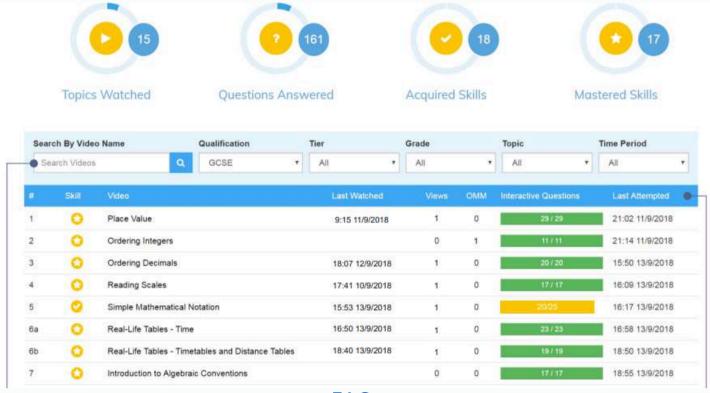
Finally, you also have a PDF worksheet full of practice questions available.



#### **Keeping track**

The "My Progress" section will help you stay in control of your progress and achievements.





**FAQ** 

I've forgotten my password, can you email it to me please? Please contact your teacher. They will be able to reset it for you.

### Is there an App I can download on my phone/tablet?

MathsWatch is a fully responsive platform, no need for an App to use it on any SMART device. Instead, just navigate to vle.mathswatch.com using your preferred browser and enter your user details just like you would on a PC/Laptop. The website adapts to any screen size so it looks consistently good on mobiles, tablets and desktops. For quick access, you can add a MathsWatch icon linking straight to the login page from your homescreen. Here is how to do it on iOs devices with Safari: A similar option is available for Android devices.



# OG Gield Trip

Our KG students recently enjoyed a fun-filled trip to the strawberry farm, where they learned about farming and picked fresh strawberries. The visit also included an interactive session with farm animals, providing a hands-on experience with nature and wildlife.

This adventure was a wonderful opportunity for students to connect with the environment and gain valuable insights into agriculture and animal care. A day to remember for all













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## Plant Legacy : Wurturing a Greener Future

The Plant Legacy Project in KG and Primary has successfully inspired the next generation to become environmental stewards. Through hands-on activities such as tree planting, gardening, and exploring ecosystems, students gained valuable knowledge about the essential role plants play in our world. The project empowered children with a deeper understanding of sustainability and the importance of protecting nature.



















# Book Meek Reading is Magic

#### What is Book Week?

Since 1919, National Children's Book Week has been dedicated to encourage young readers to enjoy books. During this week, schools and libraries across the nation will celebrate this by participating in book-related events and activities. Get your students involved in this time-honored tradition by creating fun, educational activities. During this week student's did last of activities, mystery reading and character dress up.































#### **Ace Your Exams**

## Tips for Successful Exam Preparation





It's that time of year again! Term exams are just around the corner, and it's time to start studying. While the thought of cramming for a big test can be overwhelming, there are steps you can take to make the process more manageable and effective. In this infographic, we'll explore some simple strategies for successful exam preparation, so you can feel confident and prepared on test day.

#### **Start early:**

Don't wait until the last minute to start studying! Begin reviewing material at least a week in advance, and plan out your study schedule to make sure you have enough time to cover everything you need to know.



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#### **Review your notes:**

Go back through your class notes, textbook, and any other materials you have. Pay special attention to any concepts or topics that you struggled with or that the teacher emphasized.



Working through practice problems and sample questions is a great way to test your understanding and identify any areas where you need to review further.



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#### Get a study group together:

Studying with others can be a helpful way to review and reinforce your learning. Find a group of classmates who are also preparing for the exam, and work together to review key concepts and practice problems.



Don't try to study for hours without taking a break. Give yourself time to rest and recharge by taking short breaks every hour or so. This will help you stay focused and avoid burnout.





Ensuring Safe & Clean Drinking Water at NIS

At Nada International School, the health and well-being of our students are always a top priority. As part of our continuous commitment to safeguarding and student welfare, we recently conducted a comprehensive water quality inspection across all drinking water sources within the school. We are pleased to share that the results confirm that our drinking water is safe, clean, and of excellent quality!

Key Findings from the Water Quality Report:

- ☑ Bacteria-Free All samples tested showed zero coliform bacteria, ensuring that the water is free from harmful contaminants.
- ✓ Perfect Balance The pH levels of the water are within the safe range, making it ideal for drinking.
- ✓ Clear & Clean The water is free from suspended particles, ensuring a fresh and clear supply.
- ✓ Soft & Tasty The low water hardness means it is gentle on health while maintaining essential minerals.
- ✓ Properly Disinfected Chlorine levels are well within safe limits, keeping the water hygienic without any strong taste or odor.

These excellent results reinforce our commitment to maintaining high health and safety standards for all students and staff. We will continue to monitor and test our water supply regularly to ensure it remains at the highest quality. At NIS, we strive to provide a safe, healthy, and nurturing learning environment—because every detail matters when it comes to our children's well-being.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Best regards,

Nada International School