

# Newsletter

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The school is now well and truly open. I have been fortunate enough to help open 4 schools around the world – Kuwait, Malawi, Nigeria and now Palestine, and this is by far the most successful opening. I had estimated a figure of between 60-80 pupils to open with, and then double it in the second year. In fact we have 108 pupils !!!! – REA is already attracting pupils from Palestine and other countries as parents return from abroad.

#### **School Curriculum**

The Primary Years are following the Cambridge International Curriculum with the important Palestinian Curriculum incorporated. We teach in both English and Arabic and give support to pupils in each language. We intend to have your children fully bi-lingual by the end of Y6.

**KG** is following the prestigious International Early Years Curriculum which concentrates on developing an enquiring mind, a love of learning, and bilingual skills as natural features of language development.





Useful websites to help pupils improve their English during the Eid break:

http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds

http://www.poenglishcake.com/en/tutorials/beginner

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HLx1R39kc38

I would like to invite all of our parents to an **Information Meeting** where we can meet for an hour and I can tell you how the learning is developed in the classrooms. It is nice to have a beautiful school and top quality resources, but it is what we do in the classroom that makes the difference.

I would like this to be on **Saturday October 1**<sup>st</sup> at 2:30 so that you can collect your children afterwards at 3:15pm

Please check our <u>Facebook page</u>, Rawabi English Academy, and RSVP The Event to indicate you can be there..

### Competition

We need a school anthem – a song!!! Mr Joseph Duqmaq will put the winning words to music so we can sing the song on special occasions. The words have to capture the vision and essence of REA. A school where success is achieved through hard work, respect and enjoyment. The format has to be: Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus Chorus

If you are a budding song writer submit your entry by **October 3**<sup>rd</sup> and be forever remembered as the composer of the REA Song.

### **Teacher Parent Meeting**

The first 'formal' opportunity for teachers of all subjects to be able to give their full assessment of the progress and further needs of your children will take place on **Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 – 3:15pm** On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> you will be given a 'Settling In Report' and this can be discussed with the teachers. The children will be kept in school watching an educational movie until you are finished and then you can leave with them and have a well earned half-term break.



## **Cambridge Accreditation**

We have received the Ministry of Education Licence to operate as a school. Our application to CIE has been acknowledged, and now we are merely awaiting CIE in the UK to arrange the logistics of the Inspection. Having completed this in the past I know it will not be the case of REA wanting to join CIE, it will be CIE wanting us to join them. We will be their flagship school in the region.

I wish everyone a very enjoyable Eid Adha 'Eid Mubarak' We are closed **on Monday 12**<sup>th</sup> and return to school on **Saturday 17**<sup>th</sup> **September** 

Please try to find black leather shoes during this holiday as they are an important part of the school uniform, They are available in Ramallah shops