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Resuming swimming lessons - Thanks to Al Ghazali School -

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Swimming lessons, which had been suspended since 2020 due to the Covid-19, have resumed for the first time in three years. We believe that the students' good manners and willingness to learn to swim until 2019 led us to get permission pleasantly to use the school this time, after three years. We are grateful to our neighbouring Al Ghazali School and thankful to our school's traditions and seniors.

The pool is an all-weather indoor pool and is properly maintained in terms of room and water temperature. The learning environment is excellent as a swimming lesson, but walking to the school is a problem. It is 350 meters from our school to the Al Ghazali School. Upper and lower year students are paired up and walk hand in hand to Al Ghazali School. The distance is short, but the problem is the temperature. Until September, when the temperature rises to nearly 50 degrees Celsius by 11.30am, the journey for 350 meters is dangerous. Therefore, we started swimming lessons in October, when the temperatures are stable.

It is also the first time in three years that the children have learnt to swim; for Grade 4 and below, it is their first time in a swimming lesson at our school. The children's swimming skills also have to rely on assessment from their parents. From G1 to G9 students learn together. As the depth of the pool varies from place to place, the children learn in groups according to their swimming skills, with height taken into account. This is the first time for teachers to enter the pool there. We have conducted a preview, simulated the location and contents of the activities and planned them with safety as the top priority.

The pool is staffed with two resident swimming coaches and two lifeguards. This is when the first swim lesson is over. A lifeguard approached us. "The coaching from the teachers were very good!" Next, we were approached by a swimming coach. "Japanese teachers' coaching is great. Good!" Finally, the manager gave his impressions of the learning activities. "The students greeted us cheerfully from the moment they arrived here. When the teacher began to explain, they listened silently without talking. When they listened to one teacher's whistle while they were swimming, they all got out of the pool and lined up as soon as they were out of the pool. The Emirati students were listening just as much as the Japanese students. The teachers' coaching is great, and the kids have a great attitude about learning."

We will continue to teach "politeness," "moderation," and "learning discipline including an attitude of listening," so that the good traditions of the Abu Dhabi Japanese School will be reflected in the children's daily words and actions.



November		
1	We	Student committee
2	Th	Swimming class
3	F	Flag day
4	Sa	
5	Su	Eiken speaking test
6	M	Mangrove tree planting (G456)
7	Tu	Sports class
8	We	Sports class
9	Th	
10	F	
11	Sa	
12	Su	
13	M	
14	Tu	
15	We	
16	Th	
17	F	Exchange program with Al Ittihad (G123)
18	Sa	
19	Su	
20	M	
21	Tu	Student committee
22	We	End term exam (G789)
23	Th	End term exam (G789)
24	F	National Day event
25	Sa	
26	Su	
27	M	Falconry Experience Sports class
28	Tu	Sports class
29	We	Sports class
30	Th	

National Day Guidance

25th Nov

December 1 is Martyrs' Day and December 2 and 3 are National Days. The National Day event will be held on November 24. Mr. Nahyaan Al Shehhi representing the Emirati students in our school gave guidance to all of our students on the significance of the National Day.



The presentation, which included photos and maps, was made by him. The explanation was easy to understand even for G1 and G2 students. The National Day event is open to parents. You can come and see your child on November 24.

Online Lesson

27th Oct

We were concerned about the safety of the school building due to the heavy wind and rain on the evening of the 26th, but we were able to check the safety inside and outside of the school building.

At dawn, the Ministry of Education instructed that not only public schools, but also private schools would be using online classes for the day. We are sure that there was some confusion among families as we were notified in the morning. Thanks to your cooperation, we were able to conduct online classes without any major disruptions, despite the short notice. Thank you very much for your cooperation.



Event in December

Date	Event	Date	Event
1 st	Martyrs' Day	7 th	Proficiency Test(G5-9)
2 nd 3 rd	National Day	13 th 14 th 18 th	Parent-Teacher Individual Meeting
4 th 5 th 6 th	Sports class	19 th	Closing Ceremony

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