



Dear Parents

**Re: Ramadan and the end of the school year assessments – Primary Section**

The Holy month of Ramadan starts towards the end of this month. Your son will be in school in Ramadan for nearly one month. Because Ramadan is set to feature on school calendars for the next 20 or more years, it is very important that we work together to establish successful Ramadan routines that will benefit your son in the school years to come. Lessons will continue to be planned and taught as normal during Ramadan.

**Our school day in Ramadan**

Our school timings for Ramadan comply with the guidelines that have been given to all schools in Dubai. The following times will apply to all RSB primary students **from FS1 – Y6 for most of Ramadan:**

8:30 – 8:45	Early morning drop off Your son should enter the building via reception and make his way to his classroom
8:45 – 9:00	Registration in classes
9:00	Students are marked late Lesson 1 begins with Daily Drills (Spelling & Phonics)
9:30 – 11:00	Lessons 2 & 3
11:00 – 11:20	Morning break time
11:20 – 12:50	Lessons 4 & 5
12:50 – 1:15	Let's Read!
1:15 -1:40	End of the day dismissal for FS1-Y6 Please note the extended dismissal time for your convenience Please collect all students from classrooms

**From 13 June – 20 June there is a change in timings.** This has been done to enable all primary students to leave school with their secondary siblings when their older siblings have written their exam:

8:30 – 8:45	Early morning drop off Your son should enter the building via central admin and make his way to his classroom
8:45 – 9:00	Registration in classes
9:00	Students are marked late Lesson 1 begins with Daily Drills (Spelling & Phonics)
9:30 – 11:00	Lessons 2 & 3
11:00 – 11:20	Morning break time
11:20 – 12:00	Lesson 4
<b>12:00</b>	End of the day dismissal for FS1-Y6 Please note the extended dismissal time for your convenience Please collect all students from classrooms

### **Absence and Punctuality in Ramadan**

Late arrivals and absences will be recorded in the usual way until the end of the school year. Kindly be reminded that the Dubai Ministry guidelines recommend that a student attends school for a minimum of 85% of the school year in order to pass. We thank you in advance for doing all you can to ensure that your son's attendance and punctuality are excellent during Ramadan.

Tuesday 20 June is the last day of school for all Primary students. Your son will bring home his final report home on this day. Lessons will continue to be planned and taught as normal during Ramadan.

### **End of Year Assessments**

Results from end of year assessments help us to track your son's progress throughout this year and they also inform end of year reports. It is essential that your son is in school to complete all assessment tasks as required. Our end of year assessments will take place during the last few weeks of this term as they always do. Most assessment tasks are completed during lesson time.

### **Revision**

Whilst some exam revision will take place at home and at school, please be aware that no revision is required for the standardised GL assessments. The GL assessments assess skills in maths, English and science and are carried out in most schools in Dubai. They provide school with useful data for group and individual analysis.

### **Revision materials**

These have been prepared for you to support your son at home. There are no revision materials for FS. Y1-3 parents will receive an SMS with the link to access revision. Students from Y4-6 already have access to a wide range of revision materials available for you should you require. It is not essential to work on all revision tasks. We recommend that you select tasks that support areas of the curriculum that your son is less confident with. Completed revision tasks should not be sent into school.

### **Assessment Schedule**

Most tasks on the assessment schedule will take place in classrooms during lesson time. Students will also be given opportunities for revision exercises during lessons.

Whilst we encourage students to take assessment tasks seriously, it's important that you do all you can to keep your son calm and positive so that he is able to do his best. Sending him to school well rested is a great way to help him to do his best every day in Ramadan.

We have attached some useful, supporting documents to this letter :

- Ramadan guidelines for primary students
- Additional information about Ramadan from our Arabic and Islamic Studies Department for you and your family
- End of year assessment schedule
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We understand that regular family routines change during Ramadan, but we need to ask that parents keep phones turned on during Ramadan school times. We need to be able to contact you in the event of illness or accident.

We thank you as always for your support and understanding. We look forward to a productive yet peaceful Ramadan.

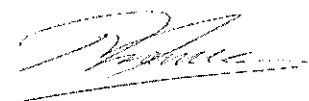
Yours sincerely



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## End of Year Assessment Schedule 2016-2017



Date	Year Group	Assessment Item	Notes/Revision details
Week beginning 21 May	Y1 & Y2	GL Assessments: English and maths progress test	No revision required at home.
	Y6	GL Assessment: English progress Test	No revision required at home.
	Y3-6	Swimming and PE Assessments	No revision required at home.
	Y1-6	Arabic Composition Tasks	Revision required at home. See Revision Booklet.
Week beginning 28 May	FS2	GL Baseline Assessments begin	This is a skills based standardised test completed individually over several weeks. No revision required at home.
	Y1-Y6	Computing Assessments	No revision required at home.
Sunday 28 May	Movers	Listening, Reading and Writing Assessments	<a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/</a>
	Flyers	Reading Comprehension Assessments	<a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/</a>
Monday 29 May	Y1-Y6	Arabic Language Assessments	Revision required at home. See Revision Booklet.
Tuesday 30 May	Y3-Y6	GL Assessments: Maths Progress tests	No revision required at home.
	Y1&2	Starters Listening and Writing	<a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/</a>
Wednesday 1 June	Y4	GL Assessments: Science Progress tests	No revision required at home.
	Y3	GL Assessments: Science Progress tests (1)	No revision required at home.
	Y3	GL Assessments: Science Progress tests (2)	No revision required at home.
Thursday 2 June	KETS	Listening Assessment	<a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/preliminary/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/preliminary/</a>
	PETS	Listening Assessment	<a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/preliminary/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/preliminary/</a>



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Week beginning	Y1-Y6	Computing assessments	No revision required at home.
11 June	FS1	Swimming assessments	No revision required at home.
	FS2-Y6	Swimming and PE assessments	No revision required at home.
	Y1-6	Cambridge English Test (External Assessors from Eton Institute)	Please visit: <a href="http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/">http://www.cambridgeenglish.org/exams/young-learners-english/</a>
Sunday 11 June	Y2	Rising Stars Science End of Topic tests	Please refer to Year Group Folder on <b>showbie</b>
Monday 12 June	Y1-Y6	Arabic Reading	Revision required at home. See Revision Booklet.
Tuesday 13 June (12 noon finish for all students)	Y1-Y6	Arabic Spelling	Revision required at home. See Revision Booklet.
Wednesday 14 June (12 noon finish for all students)	Y6	SATS (maths)	No revision required at home.
Thursday 15 June (12 noon finish for all students)	FS1-Y6	Students spend time in their new classes to meet their new friends and new teachers Y2 Leaving Assembly	
Sunday 18 June (12 noon finish)		Lessons continue	
Monday 19 June (12 noon)	FS2-Y6	Team reward for winning team for term 3.	
Tuesday 20 June (12 noon finish)	FS1-Y6	Last day for primary students Reports are sent home with students	

## **Ramadan, the Month of Hard Work**

Ramadan, the greatest month of the year, is the month of the Qur'an, fasting and taraweeh prayers along with other worships. These worships regularly and faithfully performed by Muslims are to be performed with effort and diligence. It is one of the biggest mistakes to connect this holy month with laziness and sleep, so that we do not feel like fasting, spend our day sleeping and night waking up, and neglect the duties of study or work.

Having learned in Islamic history that the month of Ramadan has never been a cause for laxity in performing the duties of life, we have to reflect that in our course of study.

Ramadan will occur during the school time for the next few years, so it is important to reinforce good habits in our children during Ramadan:

- Keep good organisation of time between religious and life duties, and school time.
- Avoid staying up late, especially on week days, as it leads to exhaustion and affects academic achievement.
- Be careful not to over eat food and excessive amount of sweets and fizzy drinks, it leads to laziness and lethargy, besides being harmful to the digestive and respiratory systems.
- Ramadan is a month of hard work and obedience to God. Remember that hard and good work is a basic part of this obedience.
- Remember the hungry and needy in this holy month with charity: money and food, and don't forget supplication for yourself, your parents and your brothers and friends.

**Arabic and Islamic Studies Department  
Rashid School for Boys**

Our Arabic and Islamic Studies Department have developed the following guidelines to ensure a safe, happy and productive Ramadan for our primary students:

	For parents	At school
FS1 & FS2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure your son has a good breakfast before coming to school</li> <li>• Ensure he arrives to school on time</li> <li>• Keep your son's sleeping routine as regular as possible</li> <li>• Ensure that he gets a good, uninterrupted night's sleep every night</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ramadan will not affect your son's timetable and routines at school</li> <li>• Important end of year assessment activities will take place during Ramadan. These results will contribute help to complete his Early Years learner profile document.</li> <li>• Your son will have his regular swimming and PE lessons. No changes to his current schedule.</li> </ul>
KS1 (Y1 & Y2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep your son's sleeping routine as regular as possible</li> <li>• Ensure that he gets a good, uninterrupted night's sleep every night</li> <li>• Ensure your son has a good breakfast before coming to school</li> <li>• Ensure he arrives to school on time</li> <li>• Send your son's water bottle to school everyday</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will assume that none of our young students are fasting during the school day</li> <li>• Talk with your son and help him to understand why he must drink water at school</li> <li>• Swimming and PE lessons will continue as normal</li> <li>• Important end of year assessment activities will take place during Ramadan.</li> <li>• Your son will have the option to remain indoors at break time</li> </ul>
KS2 (Y3 -Y6)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Try to keep your son's sleeping routine as regular as possible</li> <li>• Ensure that he gets a good night's sleep every night</li> <li>• Decide with your son whether he is able to drink water at school</li> <li>• Write a message in your son's diary if needed about your son and fasting.</li> <li>• For the younger boys, who are fasting for the first time, we suggest they practice fasting on the weekend when you can supervise, guide and encourage them</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A break time snack will be available for students not fasting</li> <li>• Students who are not fasting will be able to access their water bottles, these should be brought in to school each day</li> <li>• Important end of year assessment activities will take place during Ramadan.</li> <li>• <b>Regular Swimming and PE lessons are cancelled.</b> These lessons will become interactive learning sessions on PE topics.</li> <li>• Your son will have the option to remain indoors at break time.</li> </ul>



١١ مايو ٢٠١٧

السادة أولياء الأمور المحترمين  
تحية طيبة،

الموضوع / شهر رمضان وامتحانات نهاية العام- القسم الابتدائي

سوف يبدأ شهر رمضان المبارك في نهاية هذا الشهر. سيحضر نجلكم إلى المدرسة خلال شهر رمضان لمدة شهر تقريباً. لأن رمضان سيكون خلال السنوات الدراسية القادمة، من المهم أن نعمل معاً لإنشاء روتين ناجح لكي يستفيد نجلكم في سنواته القادمة.

اليوم الدراسي خلال شهر رمضان

لقد تم وضع إجراءات المدرسة خلال الشهر الفضيل وفقاً للتوجيهات التي أعطيت لجميع المدارس في دبي. يتضمن الجدول التالي أوقات دوام الطلاب في مدرسة راشد للبنين الابتدائية من التمهيدي الأول – السادس خلال معظم أيام شهر رمضان:

الوصول الصباحي إلى المدرسة يجب على نجلكم الدخول إلى المدرسة من منطقة الإدارة الرئيسية وأخذه إلى الصف	٨:٣٠ - ٨:٤٥
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الحصة الثانية والثالثة	٩:٣٠ - ١١:٠٠
الاستراحة الصباحية	١١:٠٠ - ١١:٢٠
الحصة الرابعة والخامسة	١١:٢٠ - ١٢:٥٠
هيا بنا نقرأ !	١٢:٥٠ - ١:١٥
نهاية الدوام لجميع الطلاب من التمهيدي الأول-الصف السادس يرجى العلم بتمديد وقت الانصراف من أجل يرجى أخذ جميع الطلاب من صفوفهم	١:١٥ - ١:٤٥

من ١٣ يونيو- ٢٠ يونيو سوف تتغير المواعيد. لقد قمنا بهذا التغيير لكي يتمكن جميع طلاب الابتدائي من مغادرة المدرسة مع أشقائهم في المدرسة الثانوية عقب انتهاء أشقائهم من الامتحانات:

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الحضور والغياب في شهر رمضان

سيتم تسجيل الغياب والوصول المتأخر كالمعتاد حتى نهاية العام. الرجاء التكرم بتذكّر إن متطلب وزارة التربية والتعليم أن يحضر جميع الطلاب ما لا يقل عن ٨٥% من الأيام الدراسية كل عام لكي ينجح. نشكركم سلفاً على بذلكم أقصى جهد في ضمان حضور والتزام نجلكم الممتاز خلال شهر رمضان.  
آخر يوم دراسة لجميع طلاب الابتدائي هو الثلاثاء ٢٠ يونيو. سيحضر نجلكم التقرير النهائي إلى المنزل في هذا اليوم. ستظل الحصص كما هي خلال شهر رمضان.

# Rashid School For Boys

Government of Dubai



# مدرسة راشد

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حكايا امتحانات نهاية العام

تساعدنا نتائج امتحانات نهاية العام في متابعة سير نجلكم الدراسي. من الضروري تواجدهم في المدرسة من أجل إكمال جميع الامتحانات المطلوبة. سوف تُجرى الامتحانات خلال الأسابيع الأخيرة من هذا الفصل وأثناء الحصة.

## المراجعة

يرجى العلم بأنه خلال المراجعة التي تتم في المنزل وفي المدرسة، لا يتطلب امتحان GL أي مراجعة. يختبر هذا الامتحان المهارات في الرياضيات واللغة الإنجليزية والعلوم ويتم إجراؤه في معظم مدارس دبي. يمدنا هذا الامتحان بالمعلومات اللازمة عن المجموعات والأفراد.

## مصادر المراجعة

أعدت هذه المصادر من أجل دعم نجلكم في المنزل. لا توجد مصادر للمراجعة لصفوف التمهيد. سوف نرسل لأولياء أمور الصف الأول إلى الثالث رسالة نصية لربط موقع المراجعة. من الصف الرابع إلى السادس، ستجدون مجموعة واسعة من المصادر المتوفرة التي تحتاجونها. من الضروري التدرّب على هذه الأنشطة. نوصي باختياركم لأنشطة تدعم جوانب المنهاج التي يواجه نجلكم فيها صعوبة. لا يتوجب إرسال الأنشطة إلى المدرسة.

## جدول الامتحانات

معظم الأنشطة في جدول الامتحان سوف تجرى في الصف أثناء الحصة. ستمنح الفرصة للطلاب بأخذ تدريبات للمراجعة أثناء الحصة.

نحن نشجع طلابنا على أخذ الامتحانات بشكل جدي ومن الضروري أيضا إبقاء موقف نجلكم إيجابيا لكي يتمكن من بذل قصارى جهده. إرساله إلى المدرسة وهو في كامل راحته سيساعده على العمل بشكل جيد خلال شهر رمضان.

قمنا بإرفاق بعض الأوراق المفيدة في هذه الرسالة:

- توجيهات شهر رمضان لتلاميذ الابتدائي
- معلومات إضافية من قسم اللغة العربية والتربية الإسلامية
- جدول امتحانات نهاية العام

نحن نقدر تغيير الروتين العائلي خلال شهر رمضان ولكن نطلب منكم التكرم بإبقاء هواتفكم مفتوحة أثناء أوقات رمضان المدرسية. نحتاج إلى الاتصال بكم في حالة المرض أو أي حدث طارئ.

نشكركم على دعمكم الدائم وتفهمكم. نتطلع إلى أوقات مثمرة وهادئة في شهر رمضان الكريم.

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مساعدة مدير

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