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Dear Parents

D Ring School started in 2007 – looking back on the first decade.

In 2007 Dr. Jabr Alnoaimi and Mrs. Afaf Al-Moadhadi opened Newton D Ring School. Since then the school has been delivering a world class international curriculum. This is an achievement we can all be proud of. This is D Ring School's tenth year of operation. We are happy to celebrate the first decade of providing high quality education and the partnership that exists between home and school that benefit of all our children.

Do you remember the school opening in 2007? It was the year the first iPhone was sold. We look forward to reminiscing about where our school began and sharing excitement about where we are headed in the future. Most importantly, the occasion will focus on the wonderful friendships made at the school and the amazing families and teachers who have made this school so special over the years. If parents have any memories they want to share please contact the school on Info@newtonschools.sch.ga and put "D Ring" in the subject line.

Here in 2017, the children have had a busy term and they deserve this coming vacation to renew their energy for Term 2. Next term will be a busy time as the children continue to develop and grow. 2018 will be full of opportunities and excitement for your children.

Nowadays we are reaching a point where many children have more "screen time" than school time in a normal day. Computer games, social media and the whole range of internet distractions not dreamt of in 2007 have become the new norm. With younger children you still have a chance to apply some balance for your child. Access to the internet is not essential despite what your children tell you. As parents you pay for the internet so you can switch it off occasionally! Your children will benefit from this!

I am hugely grateful for all the hard work of the staff at D Ring School. They all work hard to ensure your child is looked after and treated as an individual. In this school every child really does matter thanks to the professionalism of the staff. I hope you all enjoy the opportunity for family time this vacation provides.

Best wishes

David Davies

Principal

Term 2 starts on **Wednesday 3rd January** 2018 at 7.00am.

Parents Meeting on **Monday 8th January** between 1.50 – 5.20pm

Full list of dates at the end of this newsletter.

Pobble Awards

We would like to congratulate Ruba Osama from Year 2 for winning the Writing Wizard Award in the annual Pobble Awards Ceremony. Thousands of children were nominated from around the world for the Pobble Awards and we are extremely proud of Ruba winning this prize.

To see the amazing writing Ruba has done: <https://www.pobble.com/works/b65fd74f>

Inter-Newton Mathematics competition 2017

In November children in Years 7 & 8 went to Barwa to take part in a major Mathematics Competition with three Secondary schools. Our students were tested on their mathematical ability and their team work. All the students did well and received Certificates. **Mariam Asharf** in Year 7 got the highest mark for any Year 7 student and she received a Mangahigh Winners medal. The rest of the team were:

Year 7 Girls: Nour Mostafa Mohamed Samany Mahmoud, Pearl Rois Zulueta

Year 7 Boys: Al Baraa Ahmed Mohamed Fakh, Hakim Mohammad Zuhayr & Nuh Murtaza

Year 8 Girls: Jana Mohamed Taher Mounir Abdelhamid Refeaei, Khushi Kudari & Noor Mohamed Sayed Mahmoud Afify

Year 8 Boys: Talal Abdulla M M Qassim, Fawaz Asif & Turki Faisal M A Yousef

Early Years welcome children from another Kindergarten to D Ring.

The children in Early Years really enjoyed hosting visitors from Next Generation School in November. Learning about the world takes many forms and Early Years children are always busy learning new things. One child summed up their favourite part of meeting the children, "I gave the children a happy face and they gave us cards!" Collaborations such as these help the children to develop as 'an international community of learners', which is very much at the heart of the Newton International School vision.

Year 1 Beach Trip

Year 1 went on an exciting trip to Al Wakra Beach to learn about the beach. The children had been learning all about animals and their habitats in Science. We gathered a lot of rubbish from the beach and have hopefully helped to protect the sea life and environment for a little longer. After the clean up, we even found time for some fun and games as well as taking a little dip in the water. A super fun and educational trip for all involved!

Viking Day

Year 4 had a fantastic time going back in time to learn about the Viking Era. Children and teachers dressed up as Vikings and took part in real life Viking jobs making pottery, creating shields and dragonheads for a Viking longship. They also took part in a Viking raid and sang a Viking chant. They had a great time taking part in all of the activities and now know a lot about the Viking era.

Science Week

This is always a major event at D Ring. Our school name comes from Sir Isaac Newton a famous Scientist. Science week in D Ring got off to a BLAST! Literally - as our school theme was Astronomy!

Recycled products were used by many children to make everything from space rockets to space stations and even telescopes. All across the school lots of research and experiments were happening about the different planets in our solar system. A spaceship crash landed in the Year 6 building and the pupils became detectives - how did it get here? What did it want? The highlight of the week was when each class got to visit the star-dome that came to our school, learning all about the stars and planets in our solar system! The excitement for next year's Science week is already building among the pupils.

Book week

In October we enjoyed a visit from BAFTA award winning author and screenwriter, Ciaran Murtagh. In addition to books, Ciaran also writes for some of the world's best loved children's programmes such as Mr Bean, Shaun the Sheep, Sesame Street, to name a few.

At the end of Book Week the school was taken over by an army of book characters. Lots of wonderful activities were set up by our staff and parents joined us in classes to read us their favourite stories. The children were blown away by the support of our amazing parents and we

thank them all for joining us and sharing our vision of all of our children being confident readers.

Sport

D Ring v NBA

The Year 7 played NBA and won 2-0 with Mohommad Aman (6 Blue) very impressive in defence and Hamad Nasser (6 Green) providing the attacking threat.

Year 8 played NBA and the result after a hard fought match was drawn 3-3 with Abdul Aziz (8 Blue) scoring a hatrick and Hamad Sheeban (8 Blue) breaking up countless threatening attacks.

D Ring v Pearling School.

Year 7 drew 2-2 with Al Baraa in 7 yellow producing some moments of magic including a great solo goal.

Year 8 won 3-0 with Abdul Aziz dominating the game helped by Yazan (8 Blue) keeping the backline secure.

D Ring v NBS

The year 5 and 6 girls (only) and boys (only) teams played Newton British School narrowly losing out 1-0 and 2-1 respectively with Mohammad Aman and Hamad Nasser again impressive, Aya 6 blue was also very impressive for the girls team in an all action display breaking up attacks and forcing saves from the opposition goalkeeper.

Our year 5 and 6s (mixed) finished 4th in an 8 team Basketball tournament at Newton British school

School Dates

TERM 2 - 2018

Wednesday	3rd January		Term Starts	
Sunday	28th January	to	Thursday 1st February	Mid-Term Break
Tuesday	13th February – National Sports Day			
Thursday	29 th March		End of Term 2	

TERM 3 - 2018

Sunday	8 th April		Term Starts	
Wednesday	16 th May		Ramadan Starts	
Sunday	17th June	to	Tuesday 19th June	Eid Al Fitr
Thursday	28th June		End of Term 3	
