

# FUJAIRAH PRIVATE ACADEMY



**ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19**

## **END OF YEAR REPORT**

<b>Name</b>	Noor-E-Rehmat Khowaja
<b>Class:</b>	Year 8 Red
<b>Class Teacher:</b>	Ms Sali Elsayed
<b>Date:</b>	June 2019

<b>Integrated Studies: English</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr James Walker</b>	A	1	77

The English curriculum in Year 8 is designed to enable students to develop the four key skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking. This year, students have participated in group, pair and individual work. Students have studied formal writing and layout through writing magazine articles along with academic, script and recount writing. They have been actively encouraged to read through the study of the novel 'Call of the Wild'. Their listening skills have been developed in lessons, with formal exercises and informal training.

Noor is a dedicated and diligent student who has completed all work set to the best of her ability. She has worked very hard in English this year and has had an enthusiastic approach to her work. Her classwork and homework are always completed to a high standard and neatly presented.

She is confident when communicating with others in lessons and is keen to contribute to class discussions. Noor's book project was creative and well thought out, and she has demonstrated an analytical understanding of 'Call of the Wild'.

Noor's examination result was very pleasing and demonstrated the excellent progress she has made in English this academic year.

To improve, Noor should take the time to plan her work before she starts a task as her writing can sometimes lack organisation and focus.

<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Frances Ekeh</b>	A	1	88

In the past two terms, the Year 8 extension group have completed work on a number of topics including angles and shapes, equations and graphs, data handling, calculations, arithmetic sequences, transformations, ratio and proportion, constructions and 3D shapes. They completed a data handling project, creating accurate graphs to interpret collected information for detailed analyses and conclusions. Additionally, they have made considerable use of online resources such as 'My Maths' as an integrated part of their programme of study. The above mark is a standardised mark based on a weighted average of the level achieved in the June and December examinations, as well as work completed throughout the year.

Noor is a polite and able student who has consistently shown great effort and a positive attitude towards her learning. She continues to make steady progress in Mathematics. Without a doubt, it has been a pleasure teaching Noor. She always has interesting ideas during class discussions. She has gained a good understanding of complex problems involving ratio and proportion. Noor is aware of her areas for development and has worked extremely hard to improve on these. Noor should aim to continue to check through her work to avoid unnecessary mistakes.

Noor showed a good effort in the recent Summer examinations. She is greatly encouraged to maintain this fantastic effort. She should, however, aim to continue to further develop her problem-solving skills to help prepare her for a more challenging academic year ahead.

<b>Arabic Second Language</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Safaa Khairat</b>	A	1	89
<p>During the past two terms, Year 8 have covered the four skill areas of speaking, listening, reading and writing. Students have been encouraged to concentrate on making correct grammatical sentences, both in spoken and written Arabic. They have studied a number of topics including frequently used expressions; shopping for food; speaking in a restaurant; the past and present tenses.</p> <p>Noor is a very capable student who is always focused and engaged. She reaches a high standard in all activities and has an outstanding work ethic, driven by her eagerness to succeed. The presentation of her work and her participation during the lesson are excellent, and homework is always submitted on time. She is a very positive influence on the class and contributes to discussions at every opportunity. Noor puts a lot of effort into her written work, which is mainly accurate and always on time. In addition, her written work is also of the highest standard, showing a sound and pleasing grasp of syntax and spelling. She also reads fluently and is a very independent and self-motivated student.</p> <p>This has been a successful and progressive year for Noor, and she should be proud of her achievements. In the Summer examination, Noor achieved outstanding results which reflects her progress. To improve in Arabic Noor needs to learn vocabulary on a regular basis and use Active Learn to complete online vocabulary tests <a href="http://myeasyarabic.com/">http://myeasyarabic.com/</a> She should also practise her listening skills over the summer.</p>			

<b>Science</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr Graham Miller</b>	A+	1	84
<p>Year 8 have studied a range of topics during their Science lessons this year. Biology topics have included Respiration, Circulation, Movement and Variation. For Chemistry topics, students have covered Chemical Reactions, The Atmosphere, Acids and Alkalis and Rocks, among others. Physics topics have included Levers, Astronomy, Electricity and Waves. Practical work is part of many lessons and has involved students carrying out investigations, discovering science through experimentation and drawing conclusions from the results.</p> <p>I have been really impressed with the amount of effort Noor puts into her work and her scientific knowledge. To improve, she should try to focus on the key aspects and summarise the main ideas for each lesson. In Biology, she can explain how evolution works by natural selection and knows how muscles work together to allow movement. In Chemistry, she can describe how different types of rock can be changed from one form into another and explain the impact of burning fossil fuels on the environment. In Physics, she can calculate turning forces using the principle of moments and can rearrange equations to find an answer.</p> <p>I am pleased with Noor's result in the Summer Examination; however, there is lots of room for improvement. She has answered the calculation questions well but needs to read the longer written questions more carefully so she can respond with an appropriate answer. It was found that additional revision is needed for the following topics: reactivity of metals, the length of a light year, and locations on Earth that have their winter in July and August.</p>			

<b>Integrated Studies: Humanities</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr James Walker</b>	A	1	85
<p>This year, students have studied five topics which have incorporated the key elements of History and Geography. These were: Native American people and their environment; slavery and civil rights; coasts; natural disasters; and the sea. For each topic area students looked at subject specific skills of History and Geography and used them to gain a greater understanding of the world in which we live. Students have worked independently and as a group to complete tasks. They have developed their skills of inquiry through structured activities.</p> <p>Noor has worked well this year and has gained some pleasing results. Her classwork and homework are always produced with a good amount of effort and are neatly presented. Noor has become more confident when sharing her ideas and opinions with the class. She has demonstrated a good understanding of the Coasts and Natural Hazards. In History, she has an excellent understanding of the struggles Native Americans faced on the plains.</p> <p>Noor's excellent examination result is a direct reflection of the hard work and dedication she has shown throughout the year.</p> <p>To improve, Noor should try to take more independence over her studies and overcome problems she may be facing independently. She should also try to conduct her own research on the topics we cover in Humanities.</p>			

<b>French</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Ophelia Dumont -Smith</b>	A	1	89
<p>This year in French, students have covered the following topics: television programmes and movies; reading; the internet; a trip to Paris; my personality; my house; meals; clothes; music; talents and ambitions. Students are regularly given the opportunity to use technology to learn French independently and formal grammar is incorporated into all aspects of teaching. Students complete regular assessments which test them on both communication and comprehension skills in the target language.</p> <p>Noor is a pleasure to teach. She is a polite and well-behaved student who always listens well in class and act upon advice written. She has made excellent progress throughout the year and has worked hard in preparation for the End of Year examinations. I was really pleased with how seriously Noor completed her End of Year revision booklet and how she organised her revision notes. Noor keeps an organised exercise book and has excellent presentation skills. Although she still makes occasional mistakes, she is now able to use the past, present and near future tense to talk about the topics covered this year. This is an excellent report and Noor should aim to build on her progress next year.</p> <p>Noor was well prepared for her End of Year examinations and she excelled in all four skills. She answered all questions in detail and with accurate grammar, although she still needs to check irregular and regular past participles in her written work. I am really pleased with Noor's excellent results; she should be commended for her efforts.</p> <p>To improve, Noor needs to revise how to conjugate regular and irregular verbs in the past, present and near future tense. She also needs to work on writing prose using an increasingly wide range of grammar and vocabulary, write creatively to express her own ideas and opinions, and translate short written text accurately into the foreign language.</p>			

<b>Computing</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr Kieran O'Brien</b>	A+	1	88

This year students started by exploring Presentations and the fundamentals of what makes a good presentation. Then students went on to create magazines using Desktop Publishing software. Students then took on a lengthy video editing unit, completing a group news report project before going on to finish the year with some Programming and Databases work.

Noor has made excellent progress in ICT this year demonstrating improvement in all areas of the curriculum. Her attitude and effort during class have been outstanding. In Term 2, Noor worked as part of a team to produce a video news report. As part of the project, Noor took a lead role and demonstrated excellent editing skills. To finish the year, Noor worked diligently to complete all the assigned Python programming exercises.

To improve, Noor can continue to take on leadership roles in group projects. To further develop her coding skills, she can practise using recommended online resources.

<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Emma Holman</b>	A	1	80

Since December, the students have carried out an in-depth research assignment around health issues affecting people today. They have compared life expectancies around the world and given reasons as to why these vary. More recently, they have investigated an endangered animal, the aims of CITES and the UN Red List, and the issues surrounding palm oil. Noor contributes to class discussions and shows enthusiasm in this subject. She has shown a good awareness of an endangered animal protection programme and can describe some of the health problems affecting the world today. She is also able to think on her feet and give creative arguments.

Noor should now try to self-reflect and evaluate her work before seeking approval from the teacher. She should also read the examination questions carefully by underlining key instructions.

<b>Art</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Charlotte Lavelle</b>	A	1	85

This term Year 8 students looked at portrait drawing and learned about facial proportions. They created a self-portrait using mirrors, pencil and graphite focusing on line and tonal value. Students were also introduced to still life through the work of some of the great painters. They responded by creating a still life drawing with a selection of man-made objects focusing on contour line, form, texture and tone. For Art appreciation, students were asked individually to choose a painter and research their style and technique and compile a short presentation to the group. Noor-E-Rehmat is a pleasant member of the group who takes an interest in art and appears to enjoy and understand all aspects of the work. She has successfully explored and used a variety of ideas, media and techniques and has developed the confidence to review, modify and enhance her work as it progresses. Noor -E-Rehmat has practised all the new painting and drawing techniques and is able to select and use them appropriately.

Noor-E-Rehmat should aim to maintain the high quality of her artwork next year.

<b>Drama</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr John Sellars</b>	A	1	82

This term the students have been studying Non-Naturalistic Theatre. This has included devising skills to create a piece of theatre using techniques from various sources for non-naturalism. This has included the use of narration, direct address and exchanging roles in performance. Assessment for this unit was a performance incorporating all techniques learnt.

Noor remains a dedicated and focused member of the class in Drama. She is always ready to work and frequently contributes in class discussion and in group tasks. She enjoys contributing ideas towards performances and has produced very good performances for non-naturalism. She is comfortable leading in group rehearsals and shows a good knowledge for techniques used.

Noor should try to work on exchanging roles more in performance.

<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Ms Sarah Carpenter</b>	A	1	78

During this reporting period the focus in Physical Education has been on developing the skills and strategies required for striking, catching and throwing sports. Students applied these skills to a range of activities including badminton and softball. Students then participated in a fitness unit, practising a range of skills including goal setting and reflection to help maintain lifelong fitness. Noor has made steady progress throughout the second half of the year. She significantly improved her beep test score over the year, and this represents an increase in her cardiovascular fitness. In badminton, Noor can serve the shuttle over the net and return a shot using the underhand or overhand technique.

Noor's target is to continue to develop the skills required to attack and defend across a range of sports. She would benefit from playing more throwing and catching games at home to improve her hand eye coordination.

<b>Moral Education</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr James Walker</b>	A+	1	88

In year 8, students have covered a range of skills and topics within Moral Education. They have focused on the key pillars of learning within the course - Character and Morality, The Individual and Community, Civic Studies and Cultural studies. Within this, they have covered a range of topics, including. Students have completed a series of activities to assess their understanding of these topics, including projects, presentations and portfolios.

Noor has made excellent progress in Moral Education this year. She is always willing to participate during class discussions and has interesting and valid points to make. Her classwork is always completed to a high standard and beautifully presented. She has produced a particularly impressive piece of work for the end of year project.

To improve, Noor should aim to read more about relevant current affairs and evaluate them, using the concepts we have studied during lessons.

<b>English Social Studies</b>	<b>Attainment grade</b>	<b>Effort grade</b>	<b>Final %</b>
<b>Teacher Name: Mr Emmet McDonagh</b>	A	1	81

This term in ESS, students have identified the characteristics of the Iron Age and explained the significance and impact of the Iron Age on social and historical events in the UAE. Students have described the role of wild camels in the lives of people living in the UAE about 10,000 years ago as well as researched the benefits of the camel to people once they were domesticated. They have researched the emergence of the UAE. Noor has applied herself this year in ESS. I am pleased with her diligence and consistency. She has produced some excellent written work to date. The organisation of her written assignments was good where she is able to demonstrate appropriate use of paragraphing, punctuation and grammar. Her essay on Humanitarianism was very informative and accurate. The content had a lot of supporting details linked to specific case studies to show how Humanitarian efforts were promoted on a regional and global level. For her speaking assessment, she was able to express ideas in an interesting and detailed way.

To improve, Noor needs to use a wide variety of sources that are included in her bibliography to support her points and ideas.

### **Mentor Report**

Noor is a quiet yet pleasant student who seems to have settled well into this year. She takes great pride in her appearance and has excellent attendance at school. She generally understands and follows school procedures well. Noor has gained confidence over the year and this has enabled her to widen her social circle and become more involved with her peers. She has enjoyed participating in the FPA Band, and she attended the Year 8 Girls trip to "La Perle". Noor has completed many projects in school and many of them were successful. She has gathered a large number of house points for her House and has really enjoyed mentor activities.

Noor's report is very positive and shows that she has worked hard this year. Noor should be proud of the comments made by her teachers. She has excelled in all areas, achieving excellent test results in a wide selection of subjects. I wish her every success for the future.

### **Attendance**

Total sessions attended since 2 September 2018		175
Total possible sessions since 2 September 2018		182
Percentage attendance		96%
Number of unauthorised absences		7
<b>Cause for concern</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Good</b>
Below 85%	86% - 90%	91% - 95%
		<b>Excellent</b>
		96% - 100%

