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Tuesday, 24 November 2026

To: Parents of ALL students from Years 1-13

UAE NATIONAL DAY (EID AL ETIHAD) CELEBRATIONS AT SCHOOL ON 01 DECEMBER 2026

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary's. We are writing to inform you about our school celebrations for the **55th UAE National Day (Eid Al Etihad)** at our school on 01 December 2026.

This special occasion is an opportunity for our entire school community to come together, honour the UAE's heritage, and celebrate the values of unity, tolerance, and progress that shape the nation. It is a moment of great pride for this beloved nation.

Key Highlights of the Day:

- **Cultural Assemblies and Performances:** Students songs, poetry and cultural dances.
- **Heritage and Cultural Activities:** Majlis setting, Henna booth and Luqaimat space, classroom Emirati culture and heritage presentations
- **Student showcase:** Special quizzes across cohorts, Proud of UAE Artwork, Our
- UAE recyclable model competition and My UAE Project.



Dress Code & Guidelines

- **Attire:** Students may wear traditional Emirati dress or clothing in the UAE flag colours (red, green, white, and black). Please ensure outfits are modest and comfortable for school activities. **Please refer to our school's Coloured clothes Day policy if in doubt.** Girls' shoulders / midriff must not be visible at all. Please keep in mind the cultural values of the UAE when choosing your child's outfit for the day.
- To help our young learners experience and appreciate the rich heritage of the United Arab Emirates, we would like them to have traditional Emirati snacks in class. We kindly invite you to send a small portion of a **local Emirati dish or snack** with your child on that day. Each child will have their own food, there will be no food sharing for reasons of health and safety.

Here are a few child-friendly ideas you might consider:

- **Luqaimat** (sweet dumplings with date syrup)
- **Chebab** (Emirati pancakes)
- **Balaleet** (sweet vermicelli)
- **Khabeesa** or **Batheeth**
- **Assorted Dates** (stuffed or plain)
- **Regag** or **Khamir** bread

Holiday Notice:

Please note that the school will be closed for the UAE National Day holiday from, **Wednesday, 2 December 2026** to **Sunday, 6 December 2026,** with classes resuming on**, Monday, 7 December 2026]**.

Thank you for your continued support in making this celebration memorable and meaningful for the children. We look forward to a wonderful day filled with solidarity, culture, and community!

Yours Sincerely,



Mr. Paul Asir Joseph
(Principal)