



AL AIN
BRITISH ACADEMY



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GENERATION TO SHAPE
OUR FUTURE



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A warm welcome to Al Ain British Academy, part of Aldar Education network, one of the UAE's largest and leading providers of private education.

Al Ain British Academy is the highest graded BSO school in Al Ain, with a reputation in the local community to match. Fully co-educational, we deliver a dynamic education, founded on the National Curriculum for England and tailored to the UAE's unique cultural context, equipping students to excel locally and globally.

We invest heavily in the recruitment and development of the very best teaching staff, allowing our students to make above expected progress and achievements, as proven by our outstanding GCSE, A-Level exam and inspection results.

Operating for children from as young as 3-years old, up to 18, we empower children to excel in their learning, but also the wider aspects of school such as sports, music, social and moral skill development, communication and critical-thinking skills. Ultimately, we aim to provide your children with the very best start in life and ensure they are prepared for any path they choose to take when ready to graduate into the world.

School should be engaging, fun and challenging. Learning and enjoyment go hand in hand, and we are very proud that our pupils are motivated and captivated by their lessons and learning opportunities.

Welcome to Al Ain British Academy family.

where every child is encouraged to thrive in a safe, nurturing, and inspiring environment; where world-class British education meets UAE values and where every talent is heard, seen, celebrated and empowered in a place they can call 'home'.

This extends to our extra-curricular programme, allowing children to select from an extensive range of clubs to attend. School visits and trips are also integral to school life, inviting our pupils to experience life beyond Al Ain and the very best that the UAE has to offer. As our children move into secondary school, exciting opportunities for overseas trip experiences await.

AABA is an international community with close and ever growing ties to our Emirati friends and family, allowing us to learn from one another, including about National Identity, the vision of Sheikh Zayed and the more recent history of the Emirates, alongside our mainstream British Curriculum.

Parent relationships are vital to the success of the school and we believe in nurturing these relationships, offering various ways for you to be involved in school life. Our school governance group and friends of AABA group are both essential in the success of our school.

Choosing your child's school is one of the most important decisions in life. We hope this brochure and our school website can help you discover the basic elements of our school. However, to really experience the warmth and community of the school, we welcome you to book a school tour where you will really see our ethos, values and world-class learning experience come to life.

We look forward to welcoming you into the Al Ain British Academy family soon.

Mr. Ian Pugh
School Principal

THE CURRICULUM

The Curriculum: At Al Ain British Academy (AABA), we deliver the English National Curriculum from the Early Years Foundation Stage through to Sixth Form, is among the most in-demand study options the world, respected for its high academic standards and focus on developing confidence and individual thinking. The learning pathway is delivered through a method of teaching which inspires a love of learning and deepens a student's knowledge by challenging them to complete real-world tasks. As a result, the English National Curriculum is one of the most engaging of all.

In **Primary**, our students build strong foundations in English, Mathematics, and Science, alongside Computing, Humanities, Creative Arts, French, Physical Education, PSHE, and UAE Ministry subjects (Arabic, Islamic Studies, and Social Studies), with a strong emphasis on leadership, wellbeing, and character development through our hidden curriculum.

In **Secondary**, students' progress through Key Stage 3 (Years 7-9), Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11, IGCSEs), and Key Stage 5 (Years 12-13, IGCSE & A-Levels), combining compulsory subjects with guided choices across Science, Business, Humanities studies, ICT, Art, Drama, French, Spanish, Music, Psychology, and more. Our results place us among the very best schools in the UAE, with 2024 graduates achieving the highest marks in the world in A-Level History and the highest marks in the UAE in IGCSE Physics, Chemistry, and Further Mathematics, in addition to regional top awards in English and Geography.



AABA alumni now study at leading universities worldwide, including the University of Cambridge, King's College London, The London School of Economics, Pennsylvania State University, and NYU Abu Dhabi, pursuing diverse fields such as Medicine, International Relations, Business, Economics, and Politics. Guided by our values of Respect, Responsibility, and Resilience, we prepare our students not only for academic success, but for life.



EXAM SUCCESS

In 2024 - 2025, Al Ain British Academy recorded outstanding GCSE and A Level results, with 32% of GCSEs at grade 9 and 76% at grades 9 - 7. For A Levels, 56% achieved A - A* and 74% at A - B*. Our students consistently secure places at prestigious universities globally underlining the school's commitment to nurturing future-ready global learners.

| GCSE GRADES | % OF CHILDREN ACHIEVING GRADE |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 9 | 8% |
| 9-8 | 27% |
| 9-7 | 42% |
| 9-6 | 60% |

| A-LEVEL GRADES | % OF CHILDREN ACHIEVING GRADE |
|----------------|-------------------------------|
| A* | 21% |
| A* - A | 56% |
| A* - B | 74% |
| A* - C | 88% |
| A* - D | 97% |



WHAT MAKES AL AIN BRITISH ACADEMY UNIQUE?

THE FIRST CURIOSITY APPROACH ACCREDITED NURSERY (FS1) IN ABU DHABI.

The Curiosity Approach is a unique teaching approach that aims to give children their freedom back by igniting natural curiosity and imagination. Adults take a step back and allow children to be in the driving seat. It enables children to develop independent thinking and become lifelong learners.

Our setting provides inspirational play spaces full of opportunity for play, learning and development. This is done through the art of creating feelings of cosiness, happiness, familiarity, simplicity and overall contentment. We incorporate this into our daily routines and aim to find moments to celebrate and create stress-free and calming spaces. Children are given the opportunity to think for themselves, make their own choices and direct their own learning.

Visit us to learn see
The Curiosity Approach in action.

THE FIRST 'SCHOOL OF CHARACTER' ACCREDITED SCHOOL WITHIN ALDAR EDUCATION.

Schools and organisations that draw on character-based theory and research often have the most thriving and transformative provision. In reviewing the 'Building Blocks of Character' identified by the Jubilee centre, we conducted our own research to identify what Core Values were most important; not only to our students, but to our parents, governors, teaching staff, non-teaching staff and SLT.

Character Education and our school values are truly embedded throughout the school and at all stages of their educational journey, students are exposed to age appropriate variations on our Core Values.



RATED 'OUTSTANDING' BY BRITISH SCHOOLS OVERSEAS (BSO)

As of February 2023, we are very proud to announce that we are the **highest rated BSO school in Al Ain**. While many strengths of the school are identified in the final report (available online), we wanted to share a few of them with you here:

- ★ 'The school is held in high regard by the wider community; parents and students are proud to be members of 'their school'.'
- ★ 'The quality of relationships is outstanding. Students show a genuine concern for the needs of others and display a high level of self-awareness and confidence.'
- ★ 'The curriculum is skilfully adapted to ensure students make rapid progress in language acquisition.'
- ★ 'The school values are implicitly interwoven in all aspects of school life'.

TAILORED LEARNING AND OUTSTANDING PERSONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ALL STUDENTS

Our superb school offers highly-qualified staff who deliver the English National Curriculum and MoE curriculum with seamless integration. Teaching is tailored to the needs of all pupils to ensure they are challenged, engaged and appropriately supported at all stages of their learning journey. Our Inclusion department is highly knowledgeable and works tirelessly, in tandem with class teachers to ensure children with additional learning needs are nurtured, supported and challenged to reach and exceed their potential.

Real life contexts for learning, and theme days are at the heart of curriculum design, bringing lessons to life and making the learning that takes place every day, memorable

Our cross-curricular design supports the development of our primary students: own, social, health and moral education, all fundamental in promoting the overall growth of your child, including dedicated lessons for well-being.



FEES

* All our academy fees are regulated by the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge [ADEK] and are subject to periodic review.

| Year Group | School Fees Per Annum (in AED)* | Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| FS1 | 42,320 | 16,928 | 12,696 | 12,696 |
| FS2 - Year 6 | 43,780 | 17,512 | 13,134 | 13,134 |
| Year 7 - Year 8 | 53,640 | 21,456 | 16,092 | 16,092 |
| Year 9 | 57,480 | 22,992 | 17,244 | 17,244 |
| Year 10 - Year 13 | 63,400 | 25,360 | 19,020 | 19,020 |

Registration Fees 2025-2026:

For new and returning students a non-refundable **re-registration fee of 5% of the annual tuition fees** will be charged and the school will advise the due date. The registration fee will be adjusted against Term 1 fees.



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