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# Horizon News

## Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who donated money for our trip to Romania. So far at Horizon we have raised Dhs 35,699 and the money is still coming in. Safa school haven't counted theirs up yet. If you have any more donations can you please send these to me as we want to meet that Dhs 80,000 target. We will bring back photographs of what the money is spent on and write a little about the trip in the newsletter in September.

Mr and Mrs Prosser

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Sunday 22 June 2008</b>	The Jungle Book and Y6 Graduation - 6.00 pm
<b>Tuesday 24 June 2008</b>	Individual Performers' Music Concert - 12.00 noon
<b>Wednesday 25 June 2008</b>	Music Assembly for Parent Helpers - 11.45 am
<b>Thursday 26 June 2008</b>	Party and Free Dress Day Last day of school

**School will close at 12 noon. Please collect all children at 12 noon. Bus children will leave at 12.10 pm.**

## Aluminium Can Collection

The Green Group would like to congratulate Ms Shtia and all the children and parents at Horizon who participated in the Emirates Environmental Group (EEG) Aluminium Can Drive. In the month of May, 59Kgs of cans were collected and Horizon received a certificate of participation from the EEG for our efforts.

Three things we should remember about why it is important to recycle aluminium cans:

Aluminium is a difficult metal to extract, but an easy one to recycle.  
You save 40 barrels of oil for every tonne of cans recycled.  
Every can recycled saves enough energy to operate a TV for 3 hours.



## Monster Chocolate Sale

The Year 3 & 4 'Monster Chocolate Sale' was a 'Monster Success'! The children had a fantastic day promoting, presenting and of course selling their chocolate!

Congratulations to all the children and their families for helping this wonderful topic to close with such a big bang!

Special thanks to Mr. Darwish and his merry men for helping us move all the tables.

We were able to raise over 12000 dirhams to help Kim!



## Special Awards

Best Chocolate : Rohaan Radhakrishnan 4L.  
Most Profit : Leopoldina Fernandes Da Camara 4F.  
Best Selling Ideas : Olivia Italiano & Claudia Duarte 4F.  
Best Salesperson : Mahin Marya 3F.  
Best Presentation : Caoimhe Sexton, Eve Watson & Tess Cilento 3L.

## To All Children and Parents

A big thank you to everyone that has made a donation towards Kimberley's operation. The donations were overwhelming and we are happy to say that due to your kindness we made our target.

Thank you once again for your kind support.

Horizon Class Mums



Dear Horizon friends,  
Just a short note to thank you for collecting money for me from the "Monster Chocolate Sale" as well as your kind donation of cash for my surgery. (I couldn't be happier)

This donation will be of great help to my parents and me. Hopefully after this surgery I'll be able to walk in a better manner and take part in various school activities etc.

I would like to thank you once again for all your support and help.

Love from  
Kimberly

#### Ramadan Hours

Please note that when we return to school in September, it will be Ramadan. Therefore, according to Ministry regulations, the hours will be reduced slightly. The school gates will open at 8am. The whistle will blow at 8.10am and all children must be settled in class for registration by 8.20am. On Sunday 7 September, class lists will be displayed in the playground at 8.00 am and teachers will meet their children as usual. All children will be collected from class at 1.10 pm and there will be no after school activities until Eid.

#### Lost Property

Just a reminder that all lost property is stored in a box outside the Guard's Room in the playground.

Please note that any lost property unclaimed by the end of term will be donated to charity.

#### Enviro-checklist for our Homes over the Summer Holidays

Many of us will soon be leaving Dubai for our holidays. The Horizon School Green Group would like to suggest the checklist below as a way to help reduce our families carbon footprints, as well as keeping our homes safe, over the summer holidays. The suggestions are also guaranteed to save money! Shut off the **mains water valve**. This is certainly the single most important thing you can do. A broken [water pipe](#) or a burst hose can deliver tens of thousands of gallons of water into your home over a period of just a few days. If your valve is hard to operate, it is time to have a [plumber](#) install a new mains valve.

Shut off water lines to **washing machines** to also avoid flooding problems. Close off the rooms that have separate **air-conditioning** and make sure the thermostat is set at a good level. Raising the temperature on the thermostat of your AC unit by only 1.5 Degrees Celsius can reduce the green house gases your household produces by up to a tonne per year. However, don't be tempted to switch off all the ACs in the house because you might come back to mould. **Refrigerators** account for the largest portion of appliance energy consumption. If your refrigerator or freezer will not be used for a long period, clean it out, unplug it and leave the door open. Turn off all **lights** and unplug **appliances** such as TVs, computers, microwaves, dishwashers, music systems coffee makers etc. **Pilot lights** on a gas range can consume up to 50% of the annual energy consumption of the range. Shut off pilot lights on most gas appliances such as stoves and dryers. Close the **curtains** to keep the heat out. Check all your **windows** are shut and install **window locks** for extra security. Move **plants** as required and arrange for their watering. Nothing is more depressing than coming home to dead plants. Empty the **rubbish bins**. Sounds crazy, but people forget and returning to a stinking house is fairly horrendous!

Have a great summer holidays. (The Green Group)



WISHING EVERYONE A SAFE AND

HAPPY SUMMER HOLIDAY!

SEE YOU ON SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2008.

