**Primary Quran competition**

**Horizon International School (10th season 2026-2027)**

Dear Principals/Headteachers,

We are delighted to announce that **Horizon International School** will host the **10th Annual Islamic Quran Recitation Competition**. We would like to formally invite children in Year 1 to 6 from your school to participate and help us build on the success of previous years. Please find details of the competition below.

- **Competition Date:** Thursday 27th May 2027
- **Timings:** 8:30 AM to 2.00 PM
- **Location:** Horizon International School
- **Number of schools allowed:** 12
- **Number of students per school:** 2 students per level; maximum 10 students per school.
- **Cost:** 700 DHS per school (includes prizes and certificates, refreshments, lunch for adults, and external judges).

Places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Please register here your school's interest as early as possible.

| Timeline | Date |
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| Registration opens | Thursday 1st October 2026 |
| Registration closes | Friday 27th November 2026 |
| Initial confirmation deadline from Horizon International School | Friday 27th November 2026 |
| Date for final payment | Friday 12th February 2027 |
| Competition date | Thursday 27th May 2027 |

**Terms and conditions**:

- Each participating school will commit to 700 DHS funding. All funding will be reinvested into the event with no profit made by Horizon International School or the BSME
- Each school can participate at all five levels or some of it with a maximum 2 children per each level
- Each school is responsible for submitting children for the correct level of challenge
- The judges will come from the Islamic Affairs and Charitable Activities
- Children will work independently; assessment will be through oral recitation

- Further challenges and collaboration opportunities will be available during the day with a focus on raising enjoyment
- There will be medals for the winners and certificates for all participants
- The rubric for the competition will be sent by the end of April
- Schools may invite parents to join the final ceremony on the same day at 12.40pm

**Procedure and deadlines:**

- Schools who wish to participate must send the primary request (just with the number of participants and their levels) to the Head of Islamic at HIS: moustafa.saad@hisdubai.ae
- Places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, with BSME emailing schools to confirm acceptance or placement on the reserve list.
- Schools should not make further arrangements until acceptance has been confirmed and payment has been made. BSME will contact reserve-list schools should a place become available.
- Once a confirmation email has been received, each school will have four weeks, inclusive of holidays and weekends, to make the payment to Horizon International School. Failure to do so could result in removal from the competition. Once payment is made, a final confirmation will be sent (at this point you may confirm to your community).
- By 5th May 2027, each school will need to send the final list of the students who will participate and the teacher who will be accompanying them, and whether or not they have permission for photos to be taken and shared on social media platforms.

**Other information to note**:

- Every child is allowed to bring their own device (at the discretion of their school Principal), if they do not have one then one will be provided for them.
- Every child needs to bring lunch with them (No nuts or sesame seeds are allowed).
- The school will provide some refreshments for the adult in the morning and a meal at lunchtime.
- There will be a reading corner for the children to read some Islamic books ( Arabic and English) and there will be a few Islamic games for the children.
- Horizon International School will provide a professional photographer for the event and will share the photos with all schools after the event.
- All parents are welcome to attend the Award Ceremony at 12.40 pm. Unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend the full day.
- Principals and other Senior Leaders are invited and encouraged to join throughout the day.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Moustafa Saad, Head of Islamic, Horizon International School: moustafa.saad@hisdubai.ae

Yours sincerely,

**Moustafa Saad**