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UAE schools to get the book buzz

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ABU DHABI // A travelling library will be in Al Gharbia from tomorrow making the first of a series of visits aimed at spreading “the book buzz” across the country.

The National Mobile Library bus, run by the Kitab group, will visit schools in Liwa tomorrow and Monday. It will then spend three days at Madinat Zayed in the Western Region.

Kitab is a joint venture between the Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture and Heritage and the Frankfurt Book Fair.

Monika Krauss, the general manager of Kitab, said taking the bus to Al Gharbia was “at the heart” of the group’s purpose.

“That means creating opportunities for people in all of our communities to access books and reading,” she said.

“We hope this tour will spread the book buzz ... and capture everyone’s imagination.”

Ms Krauss said Kitab had been “inundated” with enquiries from schools across the country keen for the bus to visit them.

“Over the next year, the bus will expand its tour with the aim of fulfilling as many community requests as possible,” she added.

The bus will also feature at next year’s Abu Dhabi International Book Fair, from March 2 to 7, which Kitab organises.