

# GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH



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26th October, 2023



## Message from the Principal/CEO Ms. Valerie Thompson

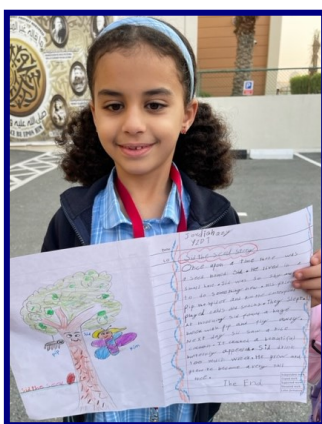
Dear WSS Parents,

### Politics in School

Our priority is to maintain the UAE's peaceful society. Please remind your children that the Authorities do not allow schools to be political arenas in any way. Our personal political opinions must be kept to ourselves in school. Failure to follow this Authority rule would lead to strict disciplinary action. However, if you would like to support the Red Crescent's charity drive, which is permissible, please see p4. Thank you for your sensitivity with this issue.

## Dates for Your Diary

Date	Details
Mon. 9th Oct.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration for September 2024 now open (Enrollment Assessments will start from January 2024 for September 2024). Places are limited, so if you want new admission sibling seats, we recommend that you Register early.</li> </ul>
Thurs. 2nd November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WSS may be celebrating UAE Flag Day (3/11/23) on Thursday 2nd November (TBC by the Authorities). Staff &amp; students may come to school dressed in UAE Flag colours or UAE National Dress (optional)</li> </ul>
Term 1 Exams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FS1-Y6 T1 exams from Monday 4th to Thursday 14th December.</li> <li>Y9 Exams from Monday 27th November to Thursday 14th December.</li> </ul>
Mon. 18th Dec— Monday 1st January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School closed for Winter Break.</li> <li>School opens on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.</li> <li>T2 Fees due by 2/1/24. Thank you.</li> </ul>



*Our Vision; 'Excellence Through Teamwork; Success For All'*



# مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر الشارقة



النشرة الإخبارية رقم # 9  
26 أكتوبر 2023



رسالة من المديرية / الرئيس التنفيذي  
السيدة فاليري توميسون

أولياء أمور مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر  
الشارقة الأعزاء،

## المباسة في المدرسة

أولويتنا هي الحفاظ على المجتمع  
السلامي في دولة الإمارات العربية  
المتحدة. يرجى تذكير أطفالكم بأن  
السلطات لا تسمح للمدارس بأن تكون  
ساحات سياسية بأي شكل من الأشكال. يجب أن نحتفظ بأرائنا  
السياسية الشخصية لأنفسنا في المدرسة. سيؤدي عدم اتباع قاعدة  
الهيئة هذه إلى اتخاذ إجراءات تأديبية صارمة. ومع ذلك، إذا كنت  
ترغب في دعم عملية الغوص الخيرية للهِلال الأحمر، وهو أمر  
مسموح به، يرجى الاطلاع على الصفحة 4.  
شكراً لك على حساسيتك تجاه هذه المشكلة.

## المواعيد

التاريخ	التفاصيل
الاثنين، 9 أكتوبر	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>التسجيل لشهر سبتمبر 2024 مفتوح الآن (ستبدأ تقييمات التسجيل اعتباراً من يناير 2024 لشهر سبتمبر). الأماكن محدودة، لذا إذا كنت ترغب في الحصول على مقاعد جديدة للأفوة، فنوصيك بالتسجيل مبكراً.</li> </ul>
الخميس، 2 نوفمبر	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ستحتفل WSS بيوم المعلم الإماراتي (23/11/3) يوم الخميس 2 نوفمبر. يمكن للموظفين والطلاب الحضور إلى المدرسة وهم يرتدون ألوان علم الإمارات العربية المتحدة أو الزي الوطني لدولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة (اختياري).</li> </ul>
امتحانات الفصل الأول	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>اختبارات FS1-Y6 T1 من الاثنين 4 إلى الخميس 14 ديسمبر.</li> <li>اختبارات Y9 من الاثنين 27 نوفمبر إلى الخميس 14 ديسمبر.</li> </ul>
الاثنين، 18 ديسمبر - الاثنين، 1 يناير	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>المدرسة مغلقة لحلة الشتاء.</li> <li>تفتح المدرسة يوم الثلاثاء 2 يناير 2024.</li> </ul>



رؤيتنا؛ "التميز من خلال العمل الجماعي؛ نجاح للجميع"

The most important gifts  
you can give your child are  
a **quality education** and the  
**values** that will guide them  
through life

Sunny Varkey

## Whole School News

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Find our updated **Parent Handbook** through this QR code. Check-out school policies & procedures to be familiar & comfortable with our system.





## Whole School News; Tarahum for Gaza!

Sharjah Private Education Authority is pleased to extend its warmest greetings to you...

In solidarity with the humanitarian events affecting the Palestinian people in Gaza, including displacement of residents and destruction of homes and infrastructure, the UAE has launched a campaign under the slogan, "Tarahum For Gaza" supervised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Ministry of Community Development, in collaboration with all humanitarian and charitable institutions in the country. The campaign aims to collect cash and in-kind donations for the affected individuals and to prepare food and health packages by volunteers.

Accordingly, Sharjah Charity International seeks to place money collection boxes and distribute cartons and bags of the association in schools that are willing to participate, to gather financial and in-kind donations for the benefit of those affected.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Best Regards

For registration & query:

Sharjah Charity International

Mr. Mohamed Jalal - Contact number: 0504066135

Mr. Mohamed Tayeb - Contact number: 0547766298

يطيب لهيئة الشارقة للتعليم الخاص أن يهنيكم أطيب التحيات وصادق الأمنيات...

بالإشارة إلى الموضوع أعلاه وتضامناً مع الأحداث الإنسانية التي يتعرض لها الشعب الفلسطيني في مدينة غزة وما نتج عنها من نزوح للسكان وتدمير للمنازل والبنية التحتية، أطلقت دولة الإمارات حملة تحت شعار (تراحم من أجل غزة) تحت إشراف وزارة الخارجية ووزارة تنمية المجتمع وبمشاركة جميع المؤسسات الإنسانية والخيرية في الدولة بهدف جمع التبرعات النقدية والعينية للمتضررين وكذلك من خلال تعبئة الحزم الغذائية والصحية من قبل المتطوعين.

وعليه فإن جمعية الشارقة الخيرية تسعى لوضع الحاصلات وتوزيع صناديق وأكياس الجمعية في المدارس الراغبة بالمشاركة وذلك لمساهمتكم في جمع التبرعات المالية والعينية لصالح المتضررين.

شاكرين حسن تعاونكم

وتفضلوا بقبول فائق التقدير والاحترام

لاستفسار:

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الحملة الإغاثية لدعم  
الأشقاء الفلسطينيين  
المتأثرين من الحرب على غزة

Emergency relief for Palestinians affected by the ongoing war in Gaza

امسح الرمز الضوئي للتعرف على طرق التبرع الأخرى  
Scan the QR code for more donation options



### Alumni Report; Bilal Javaid

WSS Alumni student Bilal Javaid, shared an update about his current charity work with Red Crescent's initiative 'Tarahum For Gaza'. He shared that the Red Crescent aims to gather essential aid and deliver it to the victims of Gaza, Palestine, in an endeavor that transcends borders and politics, aiming to alleviate the hardships faced by those suffering.

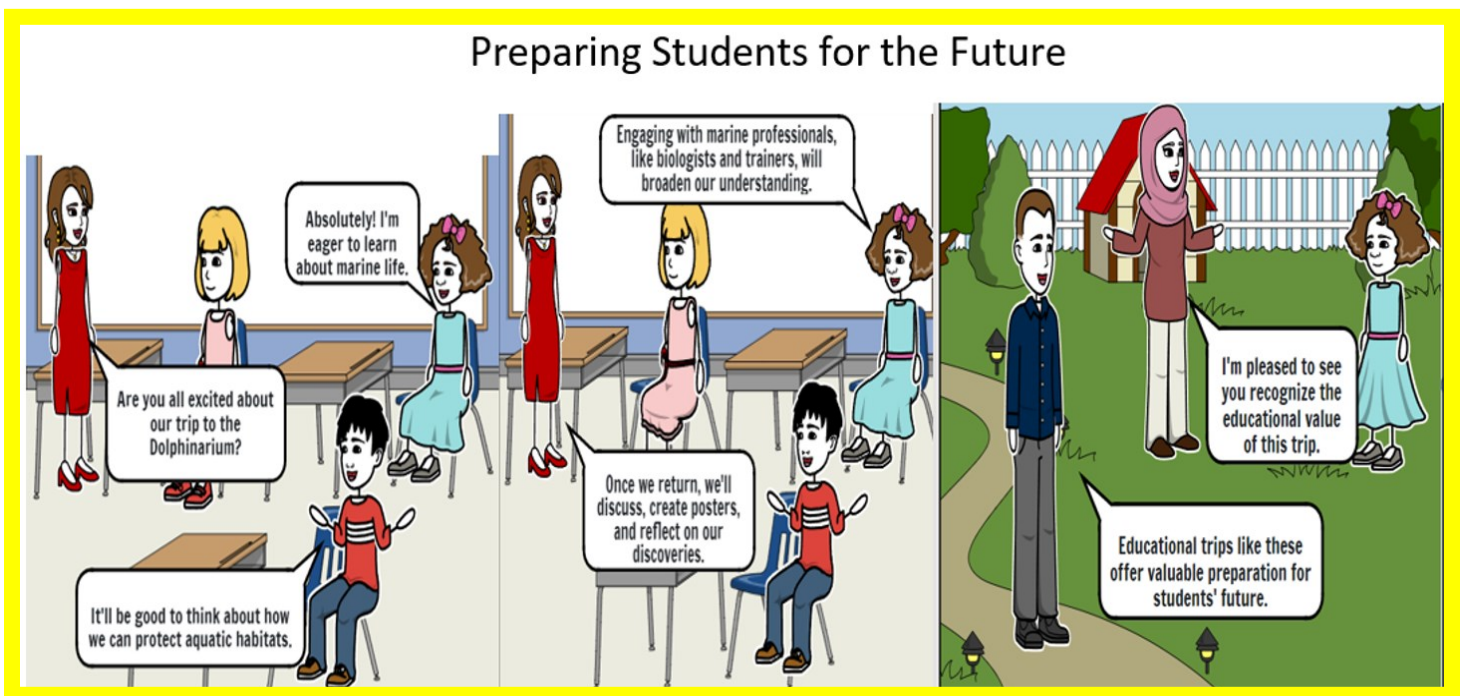
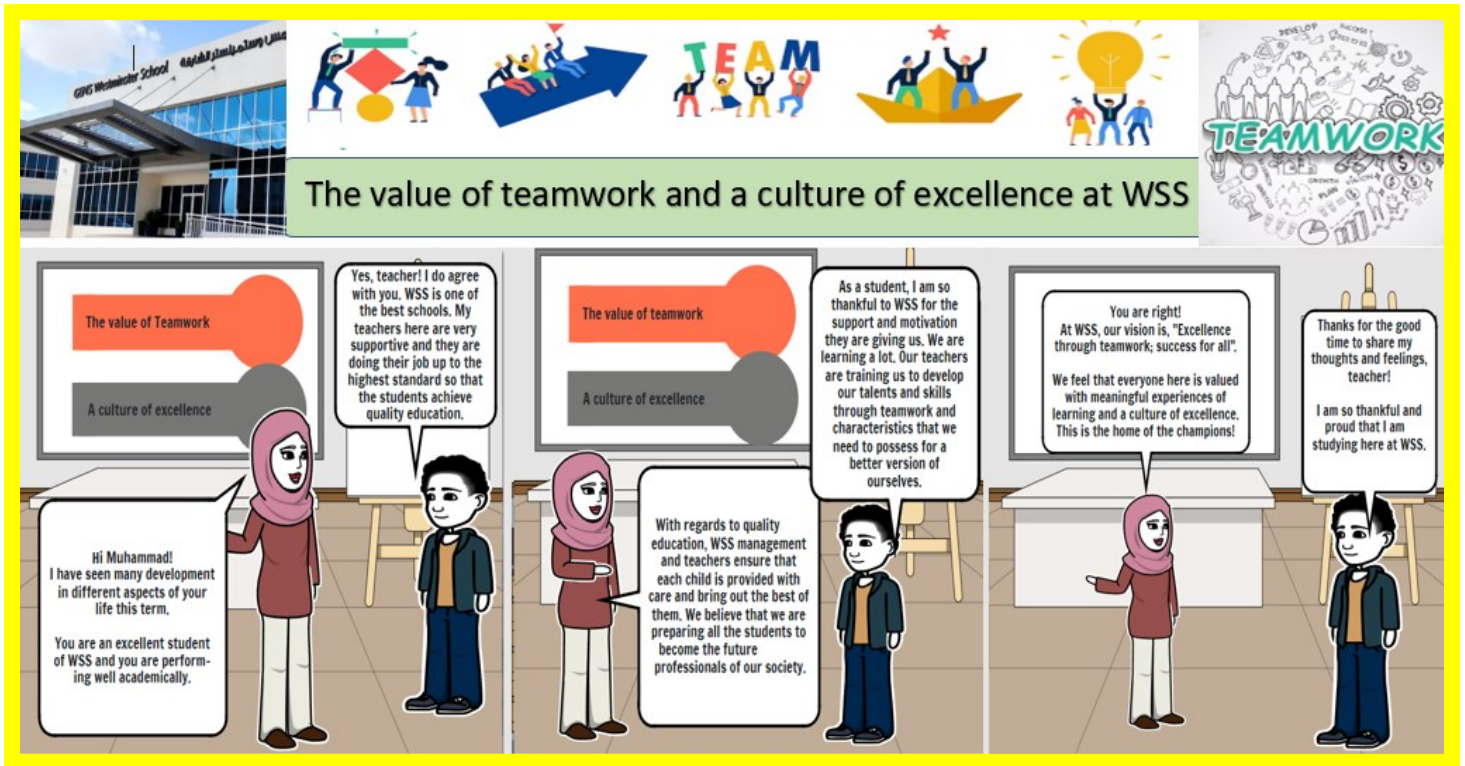
Javaid said, "As global citizens and humanitarians, I believe it is our responsibility towards the rest of the world to come together and support each other in times of need... This challenging situation calls for our empathy, urging us to act fast and come together to prove that our concerns extend beyond national borders and political beliefs. Luckily for us, the Red Crescent calls upon all UAE residents to take action and donate supplies for Gazan aid. This can include; non perishable food items, personal hygiene products, first aid kits etc.

As a WSS alumni, I believe it is my utmost responsibility to do as much as I can for the people stuck in Gaza. And to spread the message and awareness so that we all can come together in this effort. We can gather and deliver supplies to any of the Red Crescent centers throughout UAE. Let's keep Gaza in our thoughts & prayers, and donate as much as we can."





## Whole School News; Storyboard Top Tips!



## Whole School News; Storyboard Top Tips!



### STUDENT LEADERSHIP



### BENEFITS OF READING ALOUD





## *Environment Superstar Champions; E-Waste Competition Winners, 13/10/23!*

On Friday, 13/10/23, the E-Waste Collection Award Ceremony at GEMS Legacy School was celebrated, recognizing an inspiring collaboration between GEMS and Sharaf DG. Mohammed Haris (Y12) won 1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE, Anaya Bilal (Y2) -2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE and Mekyle Mujtaba (Y10) -3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE for being the top three contributors to the drive from WSS & were awarded certificates by Sharaf DG. Their efforts in the E-Waste Collection Drive garnered well-deserved recognition, emphasizing the importance of responsible e-waste disposal. We commend these students & their parents for their dedication and passion for environmental sustainability.





## *Environment Superstar Champions; Mangrove Tree Planting Event, 13/10/23!*

Dear Ms. Laneetha,

Many Thanks for arranging such a wonderful outdoor activity which was full of adventure, learning, education and eco-friendly tasks. Maysoon is very happy and feels very elevated and confident after this trip.

Thanks again and kind regards.

*Dr. Hammad Ahmed Bhatti,*





## ***Environment Superstar Champions; Mangrove Tree Planting Event, 13/10/23!***

### **Report on Ajman Mangrove Tree Plantation Campaign Trip, 13/10/23!**

We are thrilled to share the exhilarating experience of our recent trip to the Ajman Mangrove Tree Plantation Campaign, organized by the DoubleTree Hilton Tree Plantation Drive, in collaboration with WSS. On 13/10/23, our students embarked on an unforgettable journey, kayaking their way to environmental awareness and community engagement.

#### **Trip Highlights:**

- 1. Scenic Kayaking Adventure:** The day started with a scenic kayak ride through the mesmerizing waters of Ajman Mangroves. Surrounded by nature's beauty, our students paddled their way, appreciating the tranquility of the mangrove ecosystem.
- 2. Tree Plantation Drive:** Arriving at the plantation site, our students actively participated in the tree plantation drive. With shovels in hand and smiles on their faces, they planted saplings, contributing to the preservation of our environment.
- 3. Educational Workshops:** The event also featured educational workshops conducted by environmental experts. Our students learned about the importance of mangrove trees, their role in carbon sequestration, and the significance of preserving wetland ecosystems.
- 4. Community Bonding:** Besides the environmental activities, the trip provided an excellent opportunity for our students to bond with their peers. Sharing this meaningful experience created lasting memories and strengthened our school community.
- 5. Guidance from Experts:** Students had the chance to interact with environmentalists and experts, gaining valuable insights into the world of conservation. Their questions were answered, and their curiosity was nurtured, fostering a sense of responsibility towards our planet.

#### **Gratitude and Appreciation:**

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the DoubleTree Hilton Tree Plantation Drive and WSS for organizing this impactful event. Special thanks to the dedicated staff and volunteers who made this trip both educational and enjoyable for our students.

**Let's continue to work together to make a positive difference in our world!**

Special thanks to you too Ms.Laneetha for organizing and heading the team when it was your weekend. Totally appreciate the effort.

These moments definitely creates the bond they need as they flourish in their lives and teach them core values at the same time.

Quite grateful again for the opportunities you help, support and provide for Eva.

Many thanks,  
Sini-Eva's mum.



*Environment Superstar Champions; Mangrove Tree Planting Event, 13/10/23!*





## *Secondary Section News; Mangrove Trip Report!*

My kayaking adventure at Al Zorah Mangrove Park was a truly memorable experience. Instructor Shanon and I kayaked through the still river, occasionally finding ourselves going in circles, and at times coming dangerously close to the mangrove trees. Luckily, Shanon and I managed to avoid becoming tree-huggers! We even overtook other kayaks, all while watching tiny mangrove seeds float in the water.

On an inland island, we planted our own mangroves and even bumped into tiny mud crabs who weren't too thrilled with our gardening skills! Before leaving, I affectionately named my mangrove, leaving a piece of my heart in the mangrove park. This adventure highlighted the importance of teamwork and conservation, leaving me with muddy shoes and a heart full of appreciation for our natural world, understanding that even small acts of conservation matter greatly.



**NAKSHATRA PREEMON  
Y10 GD**



## Environment & Recycling Superstar Champions!





## WSS Superstar Champions!



Congratulations to superstars Sheikh Ayaan (Y3S1) and Nameera Nujayer (Y1S2) who participated in the BANGLADESH EDUCATION FORUM QUIZ compilation at CROWN PLAZA HOTEL, DUBAI. They secure first and second position! Well done!!



Yaseen Moaaz Sadat Mohamed (Y4 H1) won a match in the Dubai Academic League and got the prize for 'Man of the match'. Congratulations Yaseen!



Congratulations to Mohammad Muqtasid Samee (Y7 BD) who successfully passed the school round of the 'KenKen International Championship 2023-UAE Edition' last August.

The KIC National Level Exam will be held in this month at Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi.

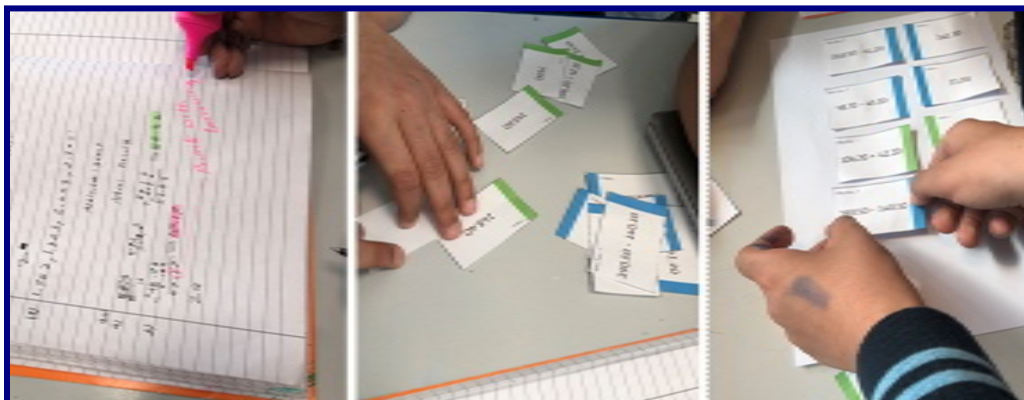
We wish him every success in the next round!



## Whole School News; Staff CPD (Training)!



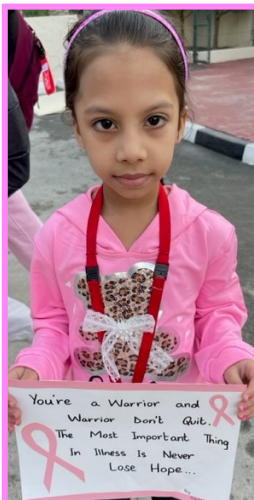
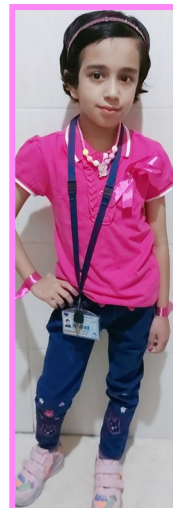
WSS Learning Coach Ms. Christine, presented a session to Sharjah British School Principals/Vice Principals relating to promoting challenge & deepening learning in the class. She presented a number of highly effective strategies to improve teaching & learning.. Ms. Valerie presented about the Beacon school project & shared feedback on progress so far.



This month's Teacher CPD has focused on challenge & modelling, such as demonstrated by Ms. Mary, who, in a math's lesson, gave students a challenging activity as part of the 'We Do' section, then got them to find the answers and match them up. She used this to stretch students whilst also checking that they understood her explanation and modelling ('I Do') section.



## Whole School News; *Pink Day, 26/10/23!*



Many thanks to Dr. Leena, from the Sharjah University Medical Sciences Department, who presented a useful information session to Sixth Form girls to raise breast cancer awareness on 26/10/23. Thank you to the organiser Maryam!



## Whole School News; *Pink Day*, 26/10/23!





# Whole School News; World Mental Health Day, 10/10/23!

## WSS WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY, 10/10/2023

To celebrate World Mental Health Day, 2023, WSS students across the sections spread awareness of the theme 'Mental health is a universal human right' by discussing different mental health concerns, poster-making on tips leading to a healthy lifestyle & activities promoting positive mental health. The objective of the day was to raise awareness of mental health issues around the world and to unite our efforts in support of mental health. These activities encourage our students to raise awareness and promote mental well-being within the school, addressing a concern that affects countless individuals in their lives.



Awareness Board in Reception



Mental Health Day Activities



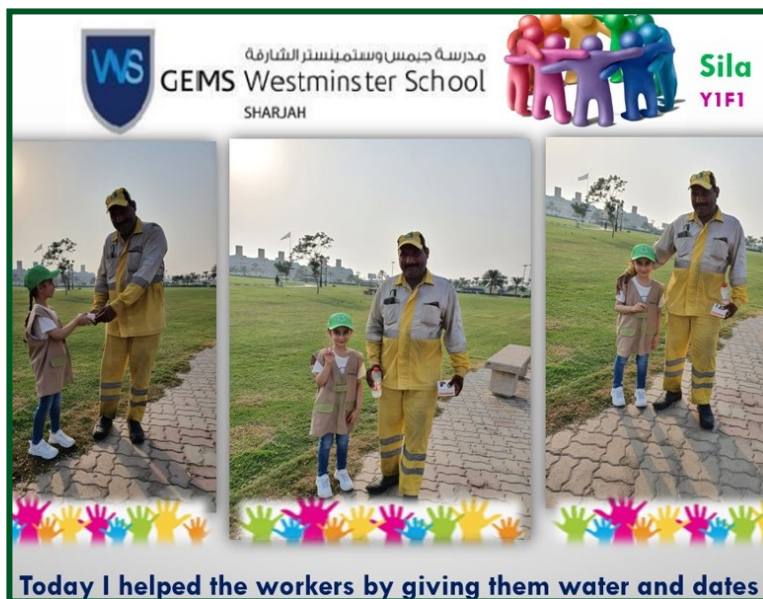
### Key messages to students

Good mental health is an integral part of our overall health and wellbeing. We all have the right to live independently and be included in the community & mental health support is a universal human right. Untreated mental health conditions are a significant threat to the wellbeing of young people. We must challenge the stigma and discrimination surrounding mental health. Recognizing mental health as a universal right empowers people to stand up for their rights and for those around them. Every person's mind is wonderful, complex and different, but our rights are the same.



# *Whole School News; Colin the Kindness & Respect Camel!*

## *Awarded for demonstrating Good Character (Respect, Kindness & Community Spirit)*



Well done to these students for participating in the Junior Section Community Service initiative during Mid-Term Break!



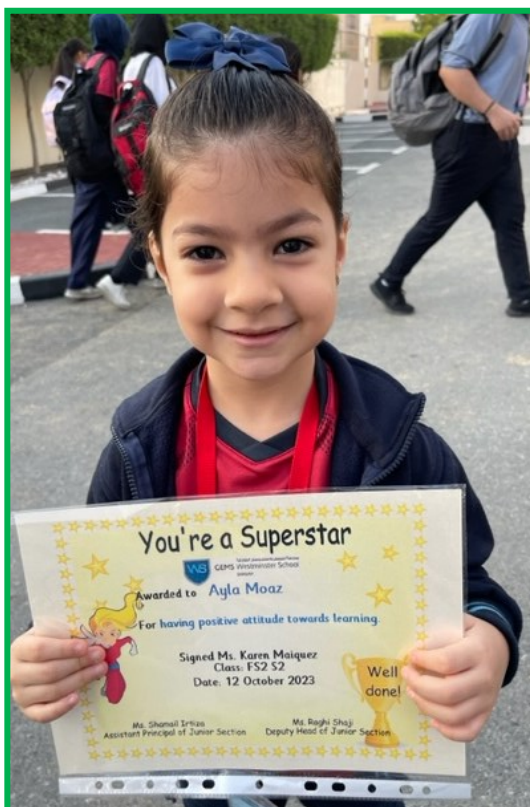


## Happy Birthdays!





## WSS Junior Section Superstar Champions!



**Congratulations to Meera (Y2F1), who has won a Jiu Jitsu championship.**





## WSS Junior Section Superstar Champions!

Dear Ms. Nikhat Maam and Team,

Good Morning,

I hope this email finds you well.

I'm writing to express our heartfelt thanks for your dedication to nurturing and educating our child, Cyrine.

It is with immense joy that I share the attached star certificate for Cyrine. Your guidance and unwavering support have played a significant role in her academic journey, and this certificate is a testament to the hard work and commitment you put into your teaching.

Your passion for teaching and your ability to inspire students are commendable. Cyrine's progress under your team's guidance is evident, and we're deeply grateful for the impact you've had on her education and personal growth.

As requested, attached is a photo of Cyrine with her star certificate. We're excited to celebrate this moment on Instagram, recognizing the exceptional role you've played in her success.

Thank you for being a wonderful teacher and making a positive difference in Cyrine's life. We eagerly anticipate her continued growth and success under your guidance.

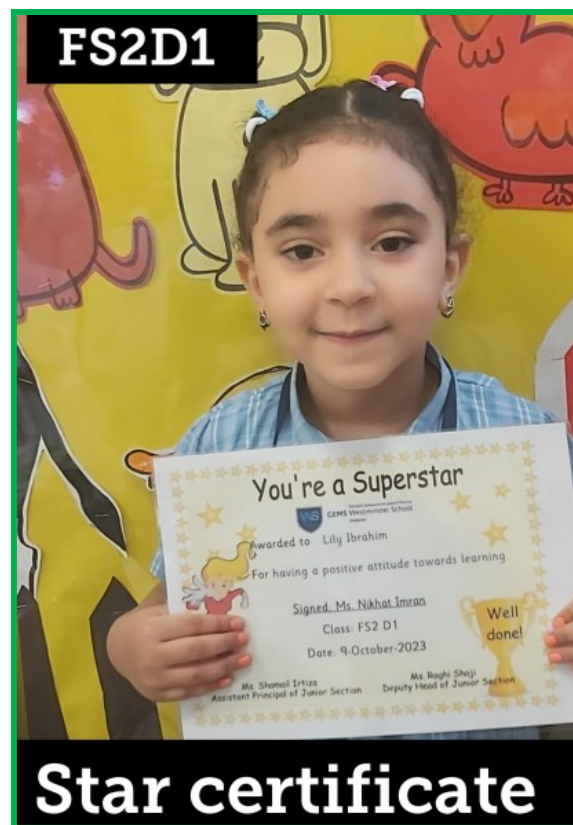
Warm regards,

Parent: Cyrine  
Dr. Rizwana Nazeem



I just want to thank you for all support and attention you are giving to My son Ahmed El Sherbiny  
He is improving in all sectors  
His self confidence improved too much, hand writing reading all  
I can see and feel all the effort you are doing with him

Thanks Miss Uzma





## *Junior Section News; Assembly Time with Y2S1, 26/10/23!*



Y2S1 presented a wonderful Assembly on 'Understanding & Managing our Emotions'. We learnt some practical strategies to help us to feel more positive, if things are not going our way! Great job, Y2S1!



## *Junior Section News; Assembly Time with Y1H2, 26/10/23!*



Y1 presented an amazing Assembly on 'Gratitude'. We learnt how to be appreciative for all the blessings we receive, & this will help us feel happy. Great message, Y1H2!



## *Junior Section News; Assembly Time with FS2H1, 26/10/23!*

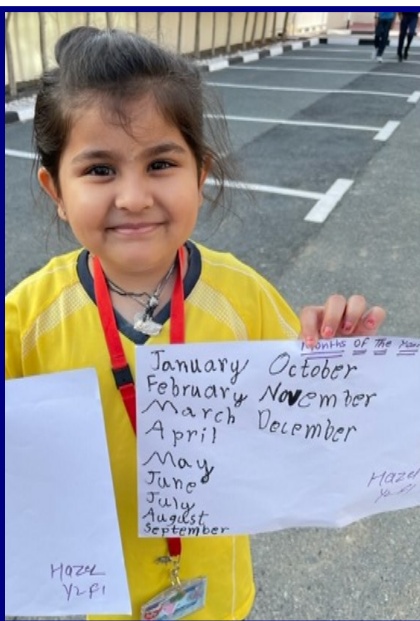
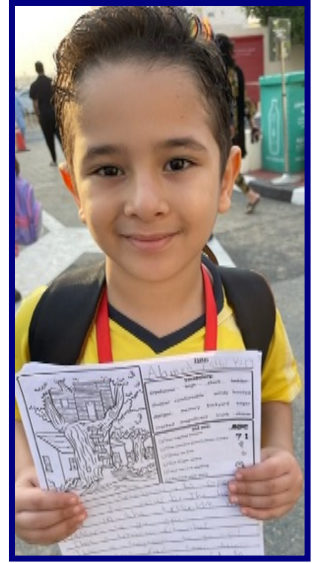
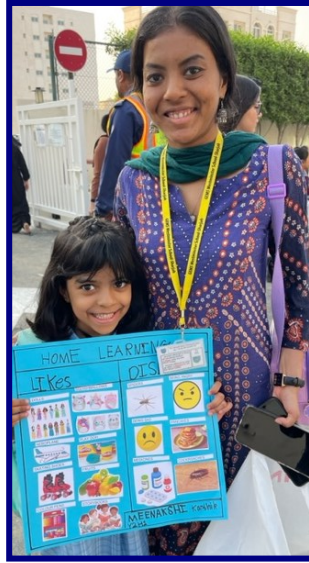


We loved FS2H1's super cute Assembly on 'Feelings! They spoke & danced so confidently! Thank you to all the many parents who attended this week's Assemblies & events!

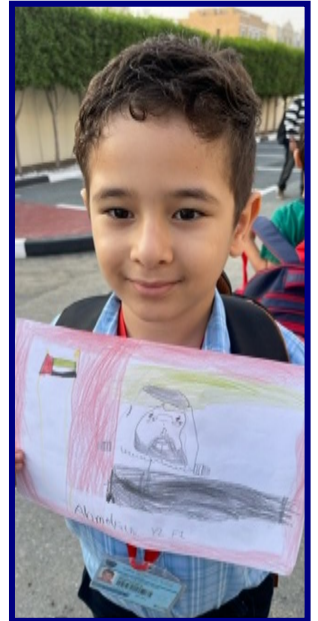




## Junior Section News; Learning Projects!



Great video about plants, Anya! Thank you!





## Junior Section News; Learning Activities in FS2!





## Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y1!



Learning 3D shapes



All about 3d shapes in Y1S1 with Ms Mariam



Learning 3D shapes



3d shape activities in Y1S1 with Ms Mariam



Learning patterns



Learning about 2 D shape patterns with Ms Mariam in Y1S1



Happy teachers day



full marble jar



ready for our assembly



search



## Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y1!





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## *Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y1!*



Educational Trip Time!





## *Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y2!*

### **Y2 H1 with MS. Roomana and MS. Aqueen**

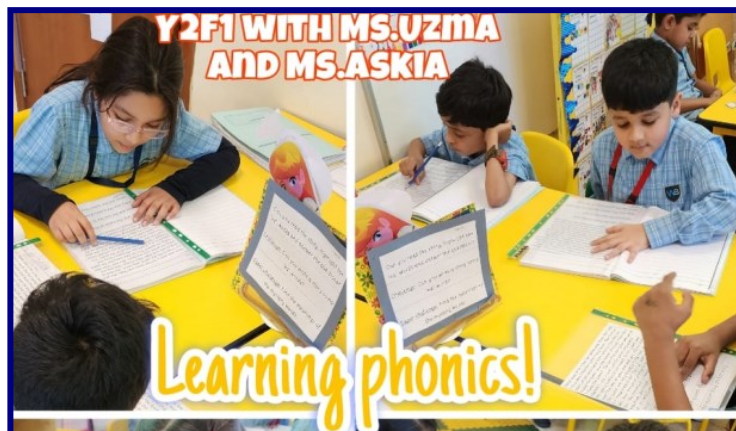




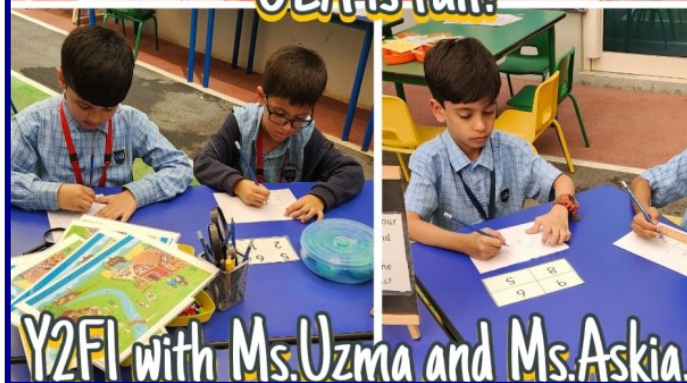
## Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y2!



OLA is fun!



Y2F1 WITH MS. UZMA AND MS. ASKIA  
Learning phonics!

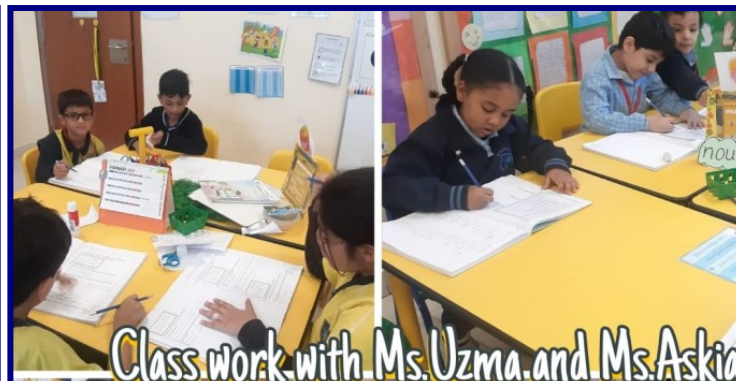


Y2F1 with Ms. Uzma and Ms. Askia.

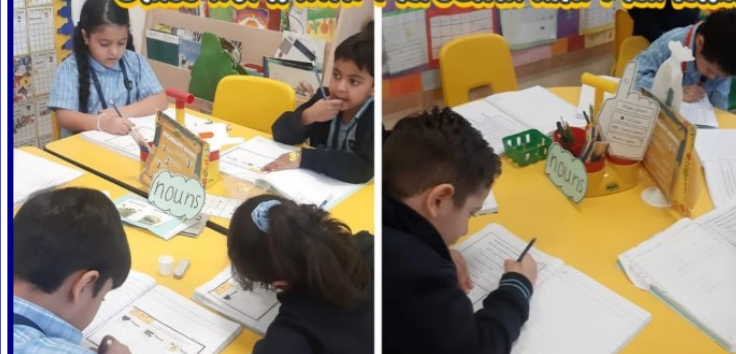
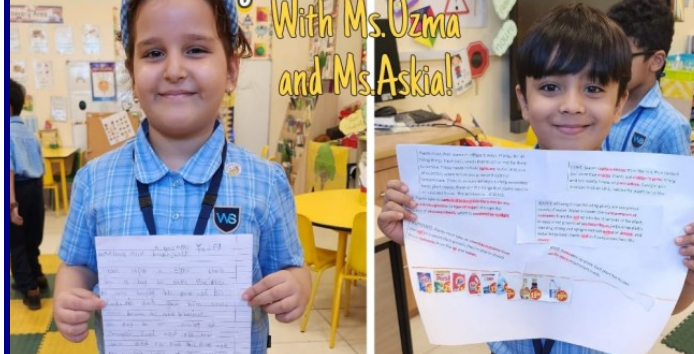


We are the amazing home learners!

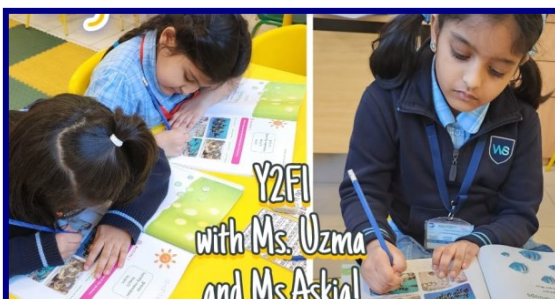
With Ms. Uzma and Ms. Askia!



Class work with Ms. Uzma and Ms. Askia



Busu with moral education!



Y2F1 with Ms. Uzma and Ms. Askia!



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## *Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y2!*

### Y2S2 Class Activities



### With Ms. Safia & Ms. Fiza



**Star Students of the week** ★



**Teddy goes home** 🧸



## *Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y2H2!*





## *Junior Section News; Learning Activities in Y2!*



## *Junior Section News; Learning Projects!*





## WSS Primary Section Superstar Champions!



Class Leaders of Y5D1



The Century Champion  
Aradhya Shiju, Y5D1



With Ms. Anju Kumar

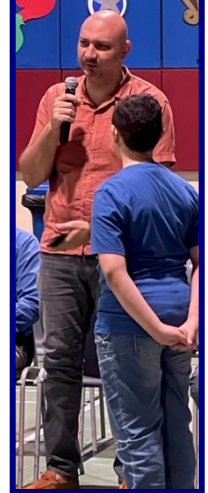
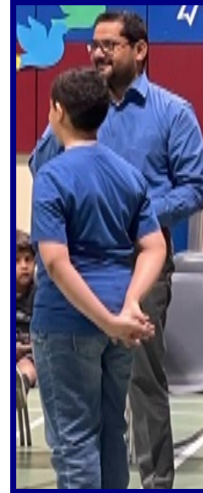
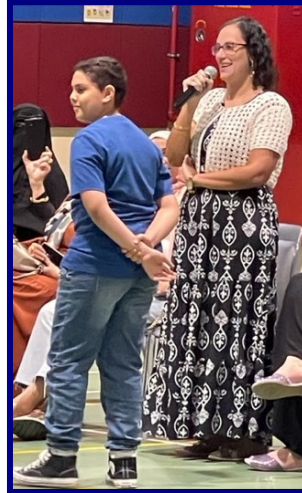
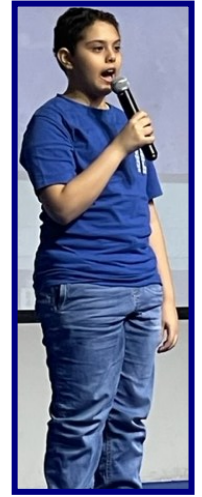
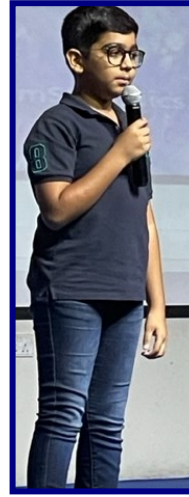
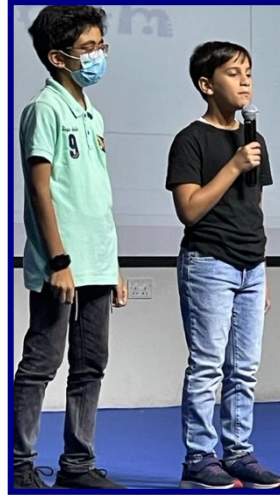


Reading Champion parents were awarded special certificates for visiting Primary classes during Literacy Week, to read stories to share their love of reading. Thank you dear parents!





## *Primary Section News; Assembly Time with Y6BF!*



**Y6BF presented a wonderfully entertaining Assembly on the theme 'Talent'. We learnt that we need to invest in a lot of hard work to turn our unique gifts into talent!**



## *Primary Section News; Assembly Time with Y6BF!*



Y6BF presented a wonderfully entertaining Assembly on the theme 'Talent'.



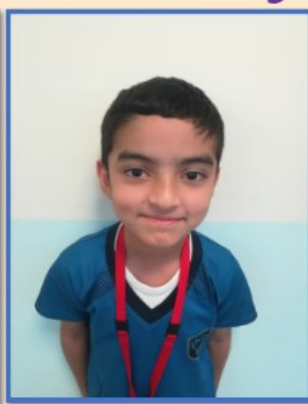
## *Primary Section News; Radio Station Broadcast!*

This week's Radio Station broadcast theme was on Climate Change. It was very well presented & gave us some practical suggestions to Reuse-Reduce-Recycle!

### **WSS Primary Radio Station**



**RJ Zayed**



**RJ Ali**



**RJ Ethar**



**RJ Shlok**



## Folktale writing evidence in the English lesson of Y5F1 and Y5F2 in Mr. Arvie's class.

Mohamed Nasser

Y5F1

Date Tuesday, 24th October 2023

Topic: Writing a Folktale Starter

NWJR

I could try and use meaningful adjectives

I can add more adjectives

using more impulsive words

How do I write my folktale effectively?

Must Task

The Mysterious Shack

In a land full of forests and ferocious beasts lived a young, curious and strong man named Thomas. Thomas' curiosity always gets him in massive trouble.

One cold night, Thomas ventured out in the wilderness to look for a magical stone. While walking, he came across an old and mysterious shack. Thomas decided to check what's inside.

As soon as he opened the door, he fell through the stairs. Thomas woke up to a deadly wall of spikes. Thomas thought he would die, but in a blink of an eye a blue coloured wisp took

Thomas to a safe area. Be careful, it's better to be safe than sorry. The blue wisp fled the forest, leaving Thomas speechless.

Moral of the story: Curiosity can get you in serious trouble.

Success Criteria	Yes/No
Title	✓
An interesting story starter other than "Once upon a time"	✓
A detailed character description for all the characters	✓
Describe the setting in vivid detail	✓
A clearly defined significant problem	✓
I have more than one problem	✓
Satisfying resolutions for all problems	✓
A meaningful moral	✓
Paragraphs	✓
Use capitalisation at the beginning of each sentence and proper nouns (names of people and places)	✓
Correct spelling and good vocabulary	✓

Thomas: wisp:



www: ★ Well done for your writing, Mohamed Nasser!

★ You were able to write a folktale effectively with the use of its features, structure and adding nice vocabulary to describe nouns.

EM: - Aim to include more problem and ensure the consistency and correct use of punctuation and capitalization in your writing.

(T)

If you will become an author, how will you persuade your readers through your book cover to read your interesting story?

I would use Impulsive Adjectives to draw pictures in the readers' mind



Rouzan

Y5F2

### The greedy fox and the wise hare

In a big beautiful forest where the leaves sang songs, there was a tiny hare known as his intelligence and always wise, and a greedy fox who always wanted everything.

The hare went to play a little with his friends. When the fox saw the hare, he thought on doing a trap. Fox: My idea is the best the most intelligent idea! Hare: What was that voice? other hares: I don't know but we are so so scared! We will go home (scared) Hare: Hmmm... I guess I have to go too? No No! I'm brave. I'll see what it is.

The fox went to hid in the big green bushes and when the hare came close he said: No one is here? and After he went, the fox got out and said: This hare is not smart I will get him soon (quietly).

The fox went and dug a whole in the ground. The hole was big and long. The fox called his brother to pull him up when he is in the hole. So when the fox finished, his big furry brother fox pulled him.

The fox said: Everything is ready. He hid and started to run behind the hare. The hare fell. Fox: Ha Ha. But the hare was very smart. So when the fox jumped to get the hare, the hare jumped on the fox's back and escaped.

Moral: Braveness and intelligence is always the solution,



# Primary Section News; Y5 Folktales!

Date: Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023  
Topic: Writing a Folktale

1. EQ: How do I write folktale effectively?

Starter-NNTK

1. I can add adjective
2. I evaluate by a checklist
3. I will put an interesting heading.

Must Task

## The Four Dragons

Once upon a time in a small village of Asia, called Durdur. There lived four magical dragons named yellow dragon, blue dragon, black dragon and pink dragon. While they were exploring the village suddenly an old lady came and said "dragons help us! me and my village have dry land and no food" please help us! Ok! no problem, we help but we need to ask king dude, said the dragons. Thank you dragons.

Then, "the honest and generous dragons went to ask the king, help us! the villagers have dry land and no food

please bring rain. Ok! said the king. Thank you. But there was no rain for ten days. The dragons got angry but had an idea. They collected water and made rain. The king got angry and sent them to the mountains and after a year they dragon became four great rivers.



Abrish  
Y5F1

Success Criteria	Yes/No
Title	✓
An interesting story starter other than "Once upon a time"	✓
A detailed character description for all the characters.	✓
Describe the setting in vivid details	✓
A clearly defined significant problem	✓
Have more than one problem	✓
Satisfying resolutions for all problems	✓
A meaningful moral	✓
Paragraphs	✓
Use capitalization at the beginning of each sentence and proper nouns (names of people and places).	✓
Correct spellings and good vocabulary	✓

Moral: Always be kind to others and you will get a reward.



## Primary Section News; Collaboration for Learning!

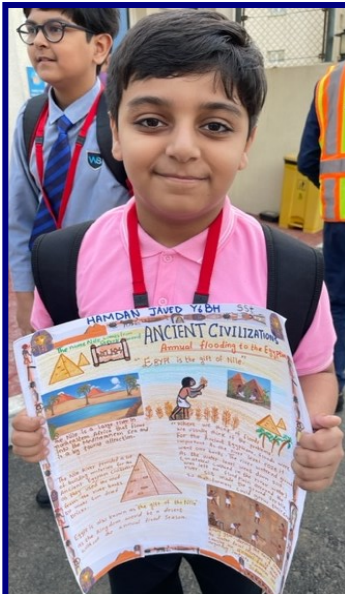


Ms. Valerie & Ms. Christine attended a class with Ms. Anuja & Y4F1, who were working as a group on their science topic, 'Classifying Living Things'. Students collaborated very effectively.



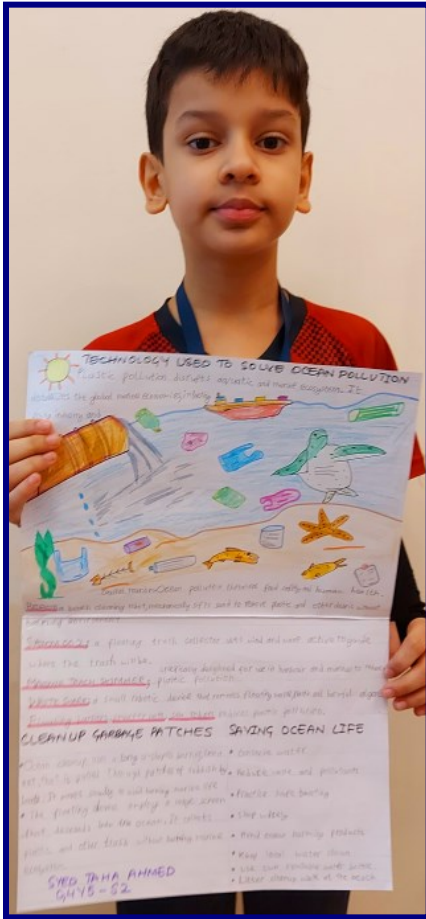
Ms. Valerie attended a super lesson with Mr. Arvie & Y5F1, learning about analyzing & writing folktales. Students gave very thoughtful & knowledgeable answers. The Principal offered to print the best folktale in the NL. Watch this space!

Y5S1 students went for a trip to Children's City, 23/10/23.





## Primary Section News; Learning Activities!



## Trip to Children's City, Dubai – Y5D1





## *Primary Section News; Islamic Arabic Learning Activities in Y6!*

### Activity Group work in Islamic Arabic with Y6GHS



With Mr. Ahmed Fahmy

### Activity Group work in Islamic Arabic with Y6BDBS





## WSS Secondary Section Board Topper Superstar Champions!



### IGCSE Cambridge Board Art & Design Topper; Top in UAE

*"Congratulations to Nameer, the distinguished UAE topper in art and design. Nameer has consistently showcased remarkable talent and dedication. Having had the privilege of teaching him since year 4, I am immensely proud of the hard work and passion he's invested in his Art. Wishing him continued success and brilliance in all his future endeavors!"*

*"Art has always been there for me, especially when words fall short. This accomplishment didn't come for free, but every second spent getting it was worth it. And I'm especially grateful for miss Maha, she is an amazing teacher. Don't take her for granted!!"*

*Nameer*



### **Humayra Tasnim - UAE topper in A/S Computer Science**

*"Winning 'Top in the Country' for AS-Level computer science was truly amazing. I am incredibly thankful for the support of my teachers, especially Ms. Swarupa. This award serves as a testament to my hard work and dedication. I look forward to pursuing a career in this domain, so I am grateful for this prestigious accolade."*

### **Swarupa Kommareddi - Computer Science Teacher**

*"Heartfelt congratulations to Humayra for her remarkable achievement."*

*It is with great pride and admiration that I reflect on the journey of teaching Humayra, who has not only excelled but also made our school proud."*

*As a teacher, it has been an absolute privilege to witness the growth and success of Humayra. She is a shining example of the power of perseverance and the rewards of hard work, despite not taking the subject at IGCSE."*



*It is my hope that her success will continue to inspire and motivate peers to strive for greatness."*



**Congratulations to our Y8 Boys Class & Well-being Superstars**

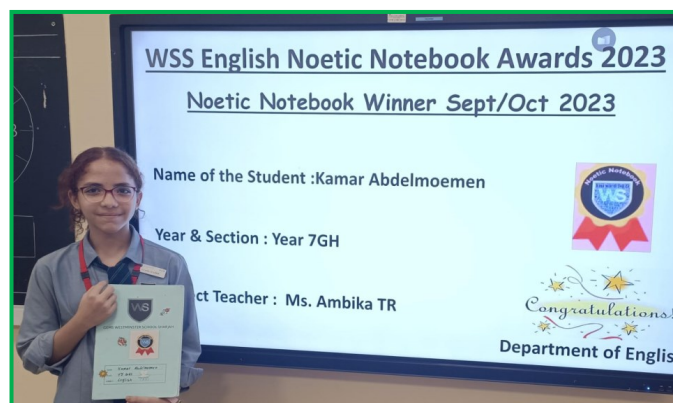
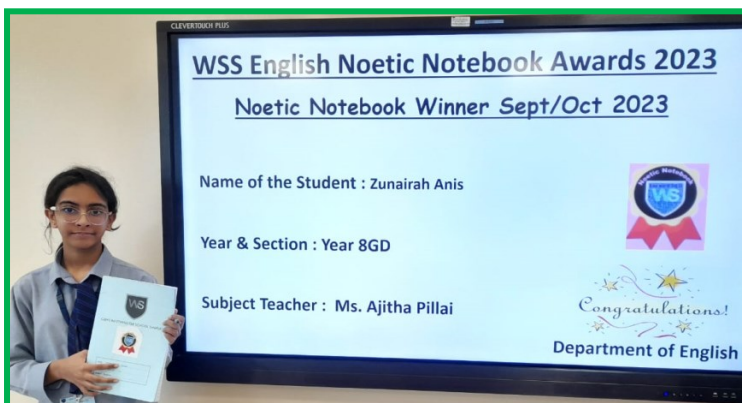
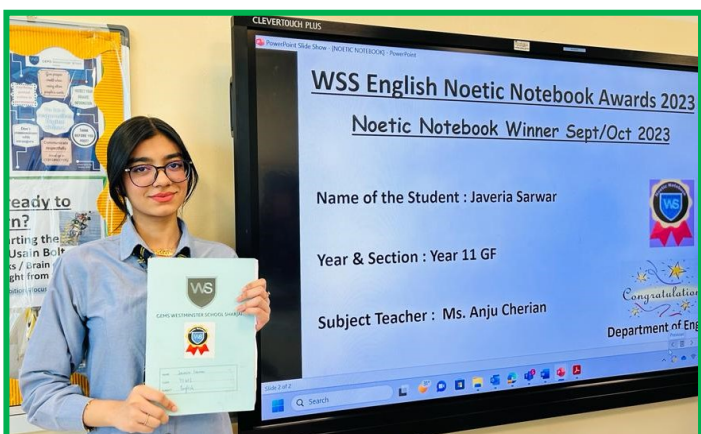
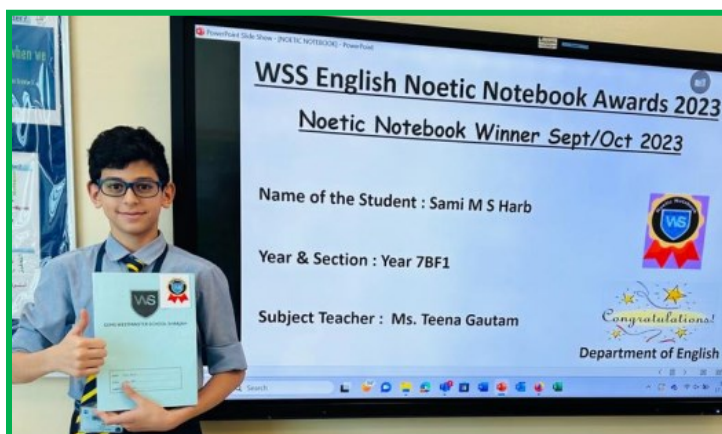


# WSS Secondary Section Superstar Notebook Champions!

WSS Secondary English Noetic Notebook Winner, October 2023				
S/N	YEAR & SEC	ID	NAME	TEACHER
1	7BD	13501000012813	Anas Rashad Kamal Gomaa Mohamed	Mr. Pratik
2	7BH	13501000016466	Hanan Numan Numan Naeem	Mr. Pratik
3	7BF	13501000023187	Sami M S Harb	Ms. Teena
4	7BS	13501000007460	Sandeep Kumar Ashok Kumar	Ms. Arya
5	7GF	13501000019356	Joudi Ahmed Abdou Ibrahim	Ms. Arya
6	7GD	13501000025778	Minnah Rauf	Ms. Ambika
7	7GH	13501000005511	Kamar Abdelmoemen	Ms. Ambika
8	7GS	13501000005863	Vaibhavi Palit	Ms. Arya
9	8BD	13501000014310	Belal Sameh Farhaly Abdelaal Tourky	Mr. Pratik
10	8BF	13501000019540	Abdur Rehman Sajad	Mr. Shoaib
11	8BS	13501000019605	Bishoui Saad	Ms. Kalyani
12	8BH	13501000006039	Khadir Ali Asgar Ali Asgar	Ms. Ambika
13	8GH	13501000022550	Faridah Ahmed Samir Abdelmoneim Ismail	Ms. Arya
14	8GF	13501000023583	Aya Tarig Ahmed	Ms. Ajitha
15	8GD	13501000005494	Zunairah Anis	Ms. Ajitha
16	9BH	13501000002788	Faissal Ahmed Faissal	Ms. Arya
17	9BF	13501000018178	Syed Hasan Raza	Ms. Renisha
18	9BS	13501000002762	Muhammad Usman	Ms. Ambika
19	9GD	13501000011738	Maya Majd Amin	Ms. Ajitha
20	9BD1	13501000021493	Muhammad Sanan	Ms. Ajitha
21	9BD2	13501000013529	Omar Haitham	Ms. Kalyani
22	9GS	13501000002697	Alisha Manish Bhatia	Ms. Teena
23	9GF	13501000013522	Princess Kheite Ahriz	Ms. Nimisha
24	9GH	13501000014309	Lujain Sameh	Ms. Teena
25	10GESL	13501000016565	Rida Zainab	Ms. Kalyani

26	10GESL	13501000011724	Zina Ahmed Sabry Ahmed	Ms. Nimisha
27	10GFLE	13501000002985	Tasnim Mejri	Ms. Anju
28	10GESL	13501000024889	Maham Ibrahim	Mr. Shoaib
29	10GESL	13501000002354	Farida Sameh Samy Rateb Soliman	Ms. Renisha
30	10BFLE	1350100001011	Arjun Sujeev	Ms. Nimisha
31	10BESL	13501000025478	Abdul Rafae Bin Jamal Ahmed	Mr. Shoaib
32	10B ESL	13501000001362	Zabdiel Haroon Moeen	Ms. Anju
33	10BESL	13501000022588	Muhammad Nehan	Ms. Kalyani
34	10BESL	13501000006395	Kevin Austin Dawood	Ms. Teena
35	10BESL	13501000001246	Mohamad Haroon	Ms. Renisha
36	11BFLE	13501000021882	Muhammad Jasir Samiullah Khan	Ms. Swati
37	11BESL	13501000008013	Bhupesh Suneel Kumar	Ms. Anju
38	11BESL	13501000024076	Muhammad Jareer Abdullah	Ms. Renisha
39	11BESL	13501000012487	Yousef Moufid Abou Alhoson	Ms. Nimisha
40	11GESL	13501000013421	Javeria Karim	Ms. Ayesha
41	11GESL	1350100001476	Areeba Ahsan Ahsan Habib	Ms. Nimisha
42	11GESL	13501000031498	Javeria Sarwar Sarwar Izhar Khan	Ms. Anju
43	11GFLE	13501000007803	Leen Nael Abdel Latif Suleiman	Ms. Renisha
44	12Boys	13501000011839	Thierzon Renield Sambajon Llave	Ms. Ayesha
45	12Girls	13501000000170	Zainab Butt	Ms. Swati
46	13Boys	13501000014821	Ryan Thomas Rose	Ms. Swati
47	13Girls	13501000014856	Haya Mutasim	Ms. Ayesha

The English team is continuing the same appreciation for the use of notebooks through awarding the Noetic Notebook Award every month this year.





## WSS Secondary Section Superstar Champions!



**STAR STUDENT & WELL BEING CHAMPIONS:**  
KS3 students were awarded STAR STUDENT and WELLBEING CHAMPION certificates for demonstrating good characteristics and leading by example.





## *Secondary Section News; Assembly Time with Y9GF1!*



The important theme of this Assembly was 'Tolerance'.



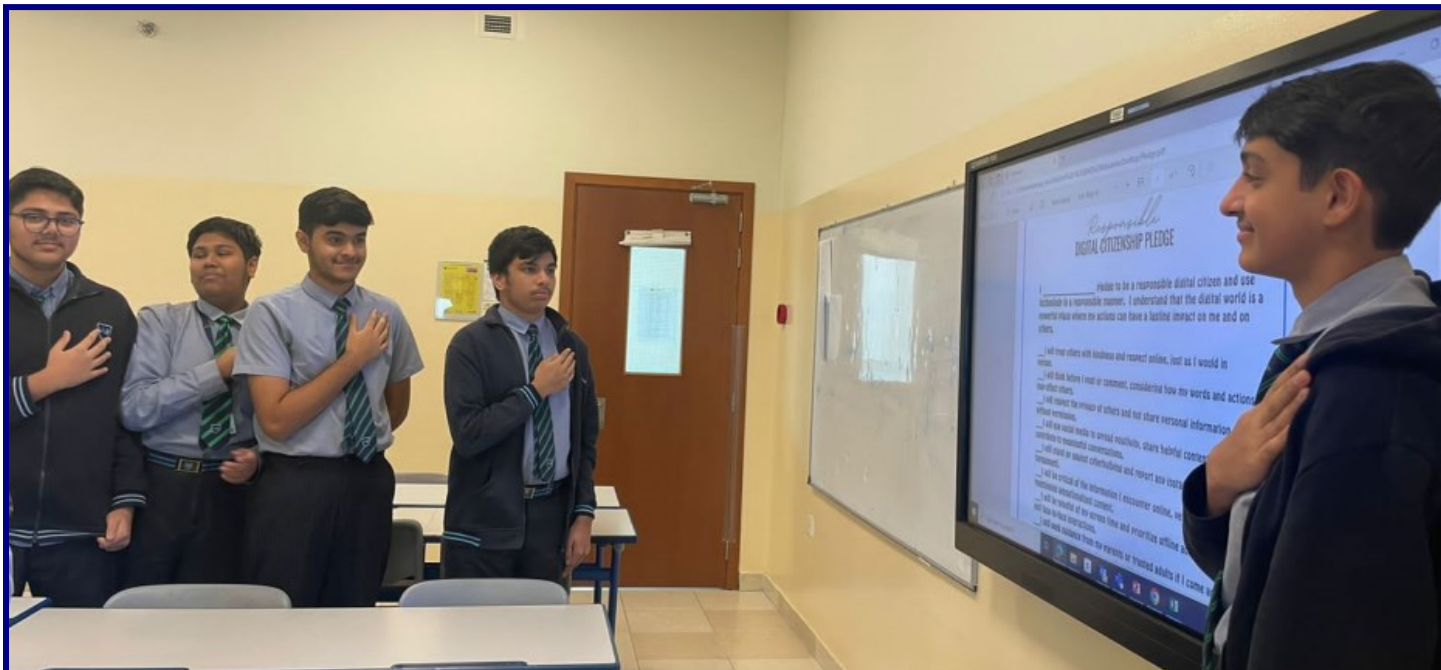
## *Secondary Section News; Assembly Time with Y8BS1!*



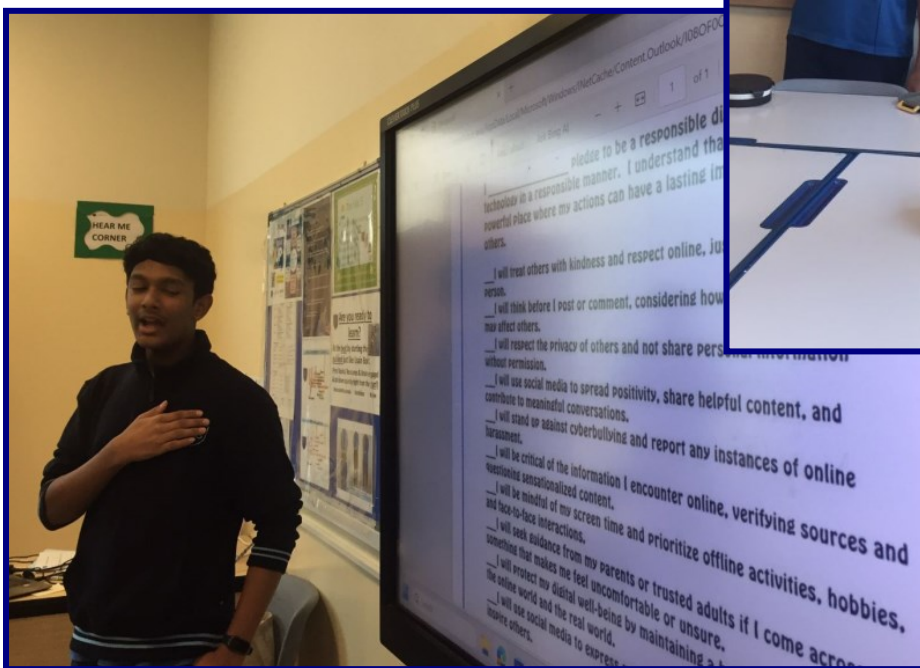
The Assembly topic was on 'Wellbeing'. We reflected on the importance of a positive mindset, investing in our own health & making smart choices of behaviour (such as a sensible bedtime, nutrition choices & including fitness activity in our daily routine)



## Secondary Section News; Safeguarding—Digital Citizenship Week!

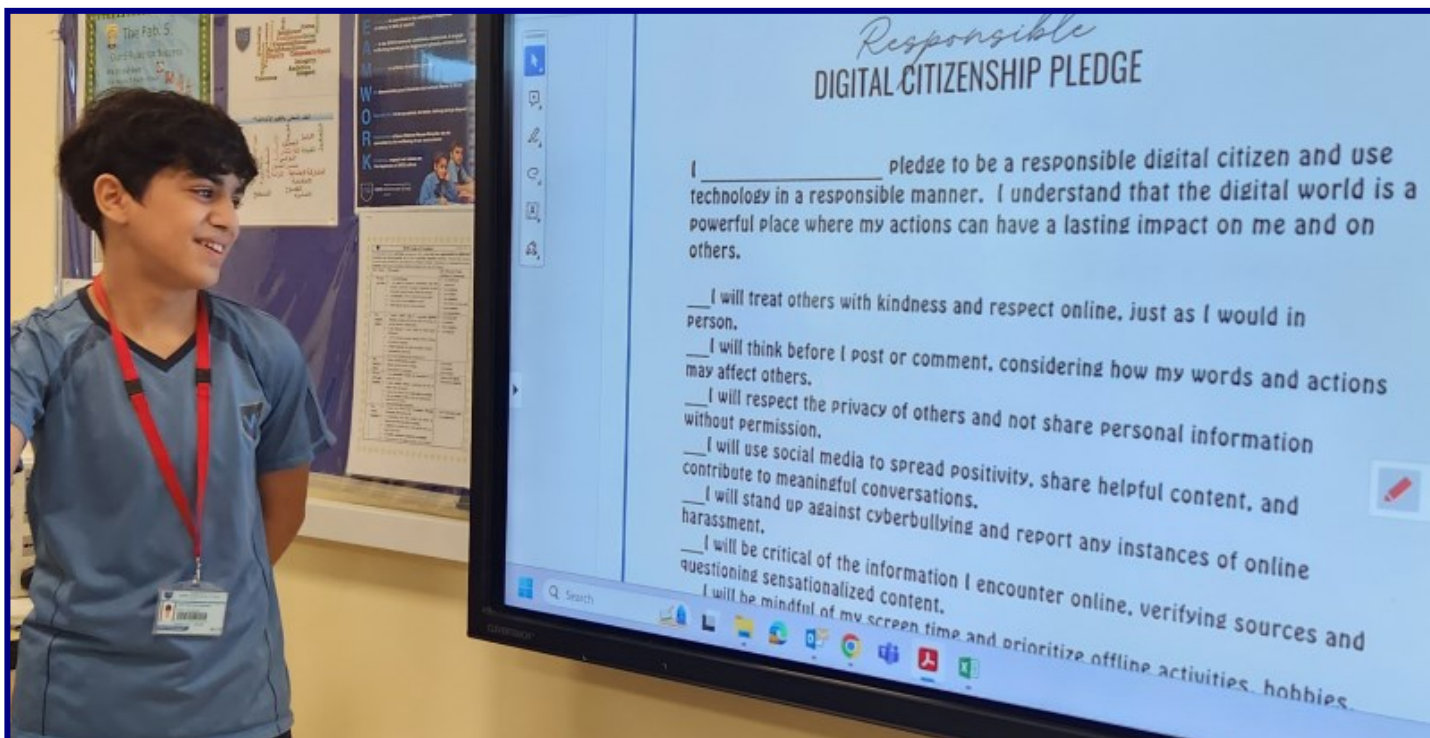


During Digital Citizenship Week (DCW), students reflected on & promoted safe & sensible online behaviour to safeguard themselves & others. They took the DCW pledge.





## Secondary Section News; Safeguarding—Taking the Digital Pledge!



**DIGITAL PLEDGE:** Students were encouraged to become responsible Digital Citizens by taking a **DIGITAL PLEDGE** on the occasion of Digital Citizenship Week.

**CENTURY TECH INTERACTIVE SESSION:** This session was held by Secondary Assistant Principals. Students enthusiastically came forward to share their experiences on Century Tech.





## *Secondary Section News; Student Leadership & Community Service!*

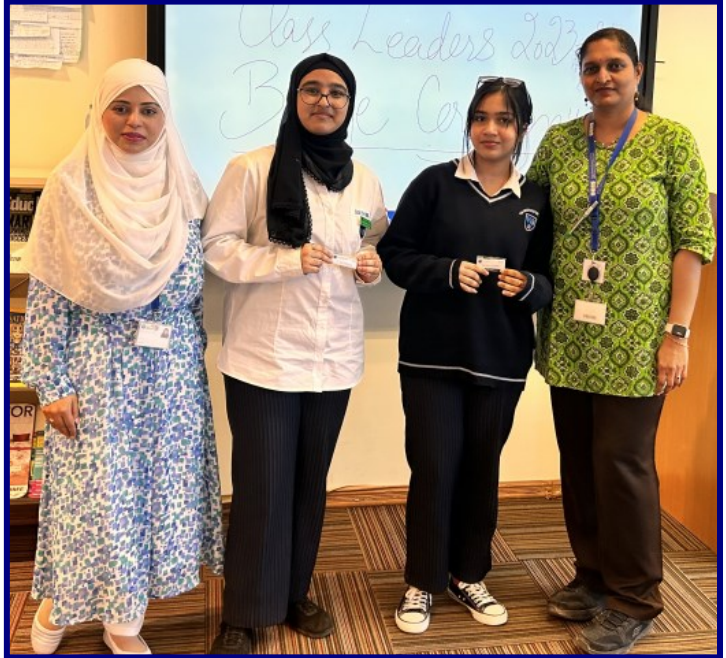


We are proud & appreciative of our committed Sixth Form student Leaders, who volunteer for arrival, dispersal, breaks, and canteen supervision. To help the younger students stay safe. Our volunteers are making an incredible contribution to the WSS school community.





## Secondary Section News; Student Leadership & Community Service!



Our newly nominated KS5 class leaders have taken up their responsibilities and had a reflection session on their Leadership during break .



Career Counseling takes on a whole new perspective from the Middlesex Careers bus! KS5 visited for additional careers advice on 26/10/23.



Amazing Robot design & construction!

