## GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH









Newsletter Issue #7 7th October, 2021





Message from the Principal/CEO
Ms. Valerie Thompson

Dear WSS Parents,

This week we came together to celebrate our wonderful Teachers. Thank you so much for sharing so much encouragement, motivating messages

& positivity with your teachers.



From Sunday 29th Aug. 2021	• For our children's safety, all parents & visitors must have either a valid (72 hours) negative PCR Test or be vaccinated (2 doses) to pass the school gates. If you wish to enter, please be ready to show your Al Hosn App, or other evidence to Security. Thank you.
Sun. 24th & Mon. 25th Oct.	<ul> <li>School closed for Mid-Term Break</li> <li>School resumes for students as per their DL Online or Blended Programme on Tuesday 26th October.</li> </ul>
Sun. 12th to	School closed for Winter Break.

Term 2. T2 fees are due, thank you.





Thurs. 30th

Dec.

## THANK YOU! Ms. Rejina

Sunday 2nd January is students first day back for

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LOTS OF LOVE, JOANNE MATHEWS YEAR 13GH



Thank you to the many students & parents who shared kind appreciation messages & treats for International Teachers' Day this week. Your generous & thoughtful gestures motivate us all to continue through the challenges to continue to bring enjoyment & success to our young learners, & are much appreciated. THANK YOU so much!





## مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر الشارقة

**EDUCATION** 

النشرة الإخبارية رقع 7 7 أكتوبر 2021











#### العديرة / الرئيس الت السيدة فليري تومب

أولياء أمور طلاب مدرسة جيمس ويستعينستر الشارقة الأعزاء،

اجتمعنا هذا الأسبوع للتحتقل بمعلمينا الرائعين. شكرًا جزيلًا لكم على مشاركتكم والإيجابية للمعسن



#### التاريخ من أجل سائمة أطفالنا، يجب أن يكون لدى جميع أولياء بن الأحد 29 أغسطس 2021 الامور والزائرين إما اختبار PCR ملبى صمالح (72 ساعة) أوانه تم اخذ اللقاح (جرعتان) لاجتياز بوابات المدرسة. إذا كنت ترغب في الدَّخُولُ للمدرَّسة، فيرَّجَّى الاستعداد لإظهار تطبيق الحصن أو أي نليل آخر لرجل الأمن المتواجئين عند مدخل المدرسة. شكرًا لكم الأحد 24 والأثنين 25 يعودُ الطائِب للمدرِّسة وفق البرامج الدراَّسيةُ أما اَلتعلم ع بعد أي الهجين يوم الثلاثاء 26 أكتوبر. من الأحد 12 إلى يعودُ الطائِب للمدرَّسة يوم الأحدُّ الثاني من يناير لبدء الفصل الدراسي الثاني. يجب دفع الرسوم المستحة للف الخميس 30 ديسمبر

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شكرًا للطلاب وأولياء الأمور الذين شاركوا رسائل التقير والمكافآت في يوم المطم العلمي هذا الأسبوع. يحفزنا دعمكم وتقيركم السخيالنا جميفًا على الاستمرار في مواجهة التحديات للاستمرار في تحقيق المتعة والنجاح لمتطمينا الصغار. وهي موضع تقير كبير. شكرا جزيلا لكم!







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

#### Whole School News; Join our Positive Parent Partners Team!



#### Whole School News; Update from Threads!

Ties (AED24/-) & Scarves (AED28/- are still available from the school Bookstore. If your the money to school for your child to buy

## threads DGT Trading C.

04 October 2021

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Threads!

Due to exceptionally high sales in the last two months, we have sold out on certain uniform sizes.

We have expedited our replenishment deliveries and all uniforms will be fully in stock soon.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

We will update you on any further developments regarding these deliveries.

Please visit our website <u>www.threadsme.com</u> or contact our Customer Service Team at 800-THREADS (8473237) for any updates regarding the uniforms.

Jacques Rheeder Managing Director

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#### Whole School News; The Digital Decode; Top Tips for Parents!

#### Are you aware what your children are doing on internet?

What is cyber bullying? Cyber bullying is where a person or a group of people are purposely and persistently being mean to another person using social networking and phone messaging.

#### What parents can do to help their child when they are being bullied:

Teach kids to solve problems without using violence and praise them when they do.

Give children positive feedback when they behave well to help their build self-esteem. Help give them the self-confidence to stand up for what they believe in.

Ask your children about their day and listen to them talk about school, social events, their classmates, and any problems they have.

#### Kids who are being bullied are most likely to:

- Do poorly in school
- Have low self-esteem
- Be depressed
- Turn to violent behavior to protect themselves.
- Get revenge on the bully

#### Facts about Cyber-bullying:

Nearly 43% of kids are being bullied online every year.

70% of students report seeing frequent bullying online.

90% of teens who have seen social media bullying say they have ignored it.

Only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.

Girls are about twice as likely as boys to be victims and committers of cyber bullying.

#### Cyber bullying can take various forms:

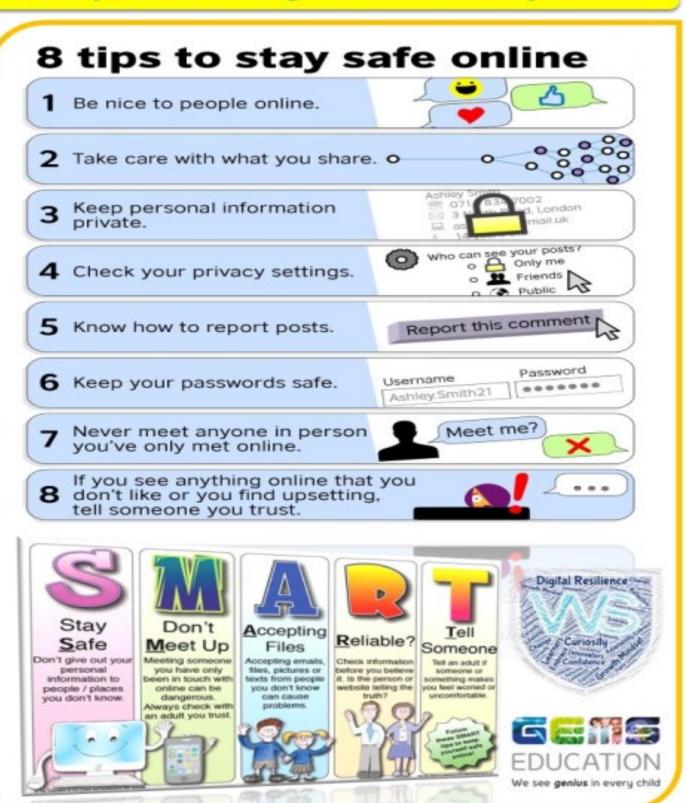
- Messaging hateful or irritating words.
- Photo editing: where someone gets a photo and puts a nasty comment about the person or the persons family. Eg. Memes
- Anonymous messaging: people sending messages to someone without the victim knowing who this person is.
- Hate pages: where someone makes a page about someone else and makes nasty comments about them on that page for everyone to see.
- Impersonation: where someone sends horrible messages to another person pretending to be someone else to get that other person in trouble for it
- Groups: where groups of people gather together and target a person or group of people over messages etc.
- Outing: where people have private conversations that they don't want anyone else to know and then when those two people fall out the private information is revealed to everyone about that person
  - Blackmail: when someone threatens someone to do something otherwise they will do something horrible to them or about them
- Exposing: when someone sends a personal picture to someone and that other person shows it to everybody.
  - Hacking: when someone finds out the username and password to someone's account and logs into it and writes horrible comments about someone and posts horrible pictures etc.

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#LearnwithWSS #OnlineSafety

## Are you following internet safety rules?



## Whole School News; Staff COVID Refresher Training, 29/9/21!









Support Staff & Drivers' COVID-19 Safety refresher course led by our school Doctors on 29/9/21



#### WSS Superstar Champions!









Dear Chakarwarti,

Thank you very much indeed for your time today. It was really nice talking to you.

I would like to say that my son Umair Ahmad Qureshi is really inspired by your way of teaching and making him and other students understand the subject (Biology) and concepts more clearly by giving them examples from day to day life. Much appreciated. He is now having more interest in the subject since you are teaching the subject.

Thank you once again. You can also reach me here anytime if you have any concerns or would like to provide any feedback about Umair.

Many Thanks!

— BEST REGARDS,

Adeel Ahmad Qureshi

PARENT OF UMAIR AHMAD QURESHI G9/Y10



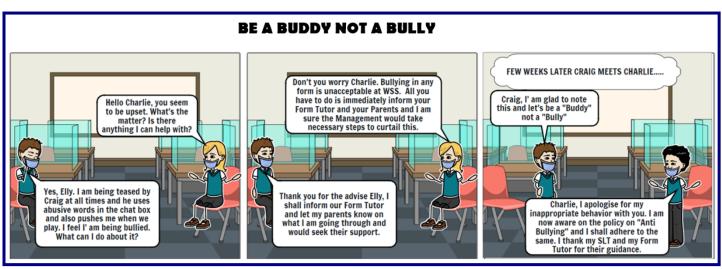


Our wonderful FOH team (L to R), Ms. Sreedevi, Ms. Michelle, Ms. Wesam, Ms. Aiysha, Ms. Stephy & Ms. Sangeetha receiving well-deserved appreciation from GEMS Corporate for their extreme hard work over the last few months to process re-enrollments & new admissions. Thank you ladies—you are Superstars!!

#### WSS Superstar Champions!







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



WSS Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) Principal Ms. Valerie & Head of Inclusion Ms. Rema attended important GEMS DSL training at GCS on 4/10/21 along with other schools' DSLs.







Dear teachers

Thank you all for your efforts to help Karim to be better and build his character to be a top student. Wish all success for you and achieve more than what you want.

Thanks again for every word you say that encourage karim with it.

Karim's Mother.

Marwa.

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To: Mohamed Elamir < mohamed.e5 wss@gemsedu.com>

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الاخ الفاضل والمعلم المخلص أ محمد

عيد معلم سعيد وبالفعل من حسن حظنا ان يرزقنا الله بك معلم مخلص وااب حنون وااخ فاضل

شكرا لدعمك الدائم وتشجعيك المستمر وتفانيك واخلاصك وسعة صدرك جعلت الاولاد يحبونك وينتظرون حصتك بفارغ الصبر فشكرا جزيلا لك ولا يكفى اي كلام في التعبير عن امتناننا لك دعمتم في امان الله وامنه وجعل الله تفانيك وتميزك واخلاصك في ميزان حسناتك

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Regards,

Marwa Ragab

To: Susweta Banerjee <<u>susweta.b wss@gemsedu.com</u>

Subject: Happy Teacher's Day

Dear Miss Susweta,

How are you & your family my dear ?

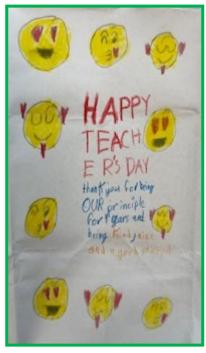
hope everything is going well with you. This is my first personal email to you, I want to thank you for everything, every support and caring for all of us and for me as a parent. For my son as his teacher, I don't find good words convey my respect, grateful feelings and happiness for being his favourite teacher ever. He likes you soooo much and he always try to do his best to finish all his tasks to make you proud of him.

Sure as a great tutor, I am sure you are a great mother and wife for your family.

Happy teacher's day dear and I hope all happiness and success in your life .

Regards

Omar & his mum





# Why we are grateful to our kid's teachers.

- We are very much grateful to the teachers for how they worked hard to prepare the learning materials for the students.
- 2. How the teachers taught their students with great attention and patience.
- How they helped the students to familiarise themselves with the new technology and the educative materials.
- 4. How nicely they delivered the lessons to the students to grab them easily.
- 5. How they made the students confident and happy.

To: Fauzia Michael < fauzia.m wss@gemsedu.com >; Valerie Thompson < valerie.t wss@gemsedu.com >; Shamail Irtiza < shamail.i wss@gemsedu.com > Subject: International teacher day

Thank you for being Amy's teacher this year. You are an excellent teacher. You know how to deal with students and develop their skills, and the proof of that is Amy's love for you from the first month and that she wants to go to school for you.

Thank you for not sparing your time and effort to educate my daughter and trying to complete what she lacks. When I send you any email or tell you that Amy did not understand anything, you explain it again to her without any objection. Indeed, Really thank you for you

Dear Teachers.











As the kids rush back into school routines filled with homework and studying, we can't help but be thankful for the ones the sacrifice so much to educate the next generation. And with so many of our normal back-to-school rhythms looking different (again!) this year, we see and appreciate even more how much it takes to educate our kids. Since last year, teachers have found safe ways for kids to come back into classrooms, learned how to teach classes of all grade levels online, and constantly connected with students when they can't communicated with on a daily basis. Teachers are our everyday heroes. How many of us can think of at least one or more teachers that impacted us and maybe even inspired us to be and do the thing that we are doing as our passion today. Teachers do so much more than plan fun educational activities that keep our children occupied each day and teach them what they need to know to pass tests. They actually have the power to inspire and change the course of the lives they impact for so much good!!!

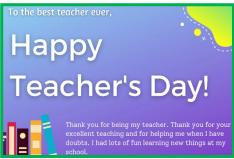
Kindly accept my little token of appreciation.

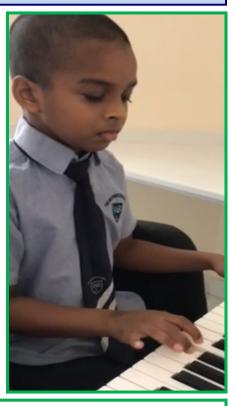
Regards, Syed Shazil Rasheed Mother G8/Y9D

Have a wonderful Teacher's Day!!









Dear teachers, Greetings!!

Thank you so much for all your hardwork and efforts to bring out the best of my daughter Aleesha. During this past month her academic and personal development are very much evident. This won't be possible without

PFA link for the video of a song created and sang by Aleesha for her teachers to celebrate this special day.

HAPPY TEACHERS'DAY!!!

 ${\bf Link:}\ \underline{https://drive.google.com/file/d/15RUFoVVDBbYmVsu3iZrdv71Dprer5WXn/view?usp=drivesdk}$ 

Best Regards, Shabnam (Parent )

Dear great teacher / Ms/ Deepthi

Have a nice and great day to you as well

(I am not always say it, but I mean it whenever I say it. Thank you teacher, for all the extra efforts you make to help our child to grow, and the challenge you encourage them to face to help them to become who they are.

You are not only their teacher you are their friend ,authority and guide , all rolled into one person . We will always be grateful to you for your support and kindness 💝 💝 💝)

to let our child to understand every thing love all things rule, have smart and lovely character and manner because really you, As I am one of the parent I need to give you some good and positive energy for this year study, teacher, not afraid to ask you if they didn't understand, not afraid to say I don't know answer really you have all advantage of excellent teacher thanks good to have teacher like you in our class but really I don't know how I can let you feel happy and have your full energy this year with us without saying thank you no words can evaluate any thing to you

I love this details ( You are fair to give all student turns in class to share there answer which we don't have it before ) and you are not go side with any one thanks thanks a lot for you and for all school department about support and cooperation

Appreciate

As I am one of the parent I need to give you some good and positive energy to con this year Note: I like that when I talked to you in last meeting and give you some details about my daughter and I love the way that you from she joined to school because really it's first teacher my daughter love,

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to be on achievements again and collect her energ back that when I told you in last meeting about some details of my daughter and I love that way how you handle the situation wisely and help her Appreciate



On this special occasion of Teacher's Day, We would like to thank you from our heart for all the wonderful support that you are giving our children through the days of education. You are a great teachers

You are always giving the knowledge and inspiration to our children in these hard days and we really appreciate that. Happy Teacher's Day

Attached file is a simple appreciation we have made and it was inspired from a real practical school day with real characters in Malika class

Thank you all and with our best wishes Malika's Family





To: Anju Kumar <<u>anju.k wss@gemsedu.com</u>>

Subject: Appreciation Email

Good Morning, hope this email finds you well and I hope you are having a great Teacher Day.

Thank you for being Muhammad Ahmad Muhammad Khalil's grade 4 teacher. You were an amazing teacher who was incredibly patient with children; no matter what you would always repeat and explain the same concept or lesson until the students understood it, and for that thank you so much, thank you for your hard work. Muhammad Ahmad Khalil really misses you and he says 'no one teaches maths and science like Miss Anju did.'

Thank you and hope you have a good day.

Best of Wishes

Farah Andleeb

A wonderfully talented portrait of Ms. Ghousia as a gift for Teachers' Day, by student Zirel.

#### يوم مدرسين سعيد

يوم المعلم هو عندما نشكر أمهاتنا الثانية مثل معلمي اللغة العربية الذين يعملون ليل نهار من أجلنا حتى نتمكن من تعلم لغة جميلة تسمى العربية ، فهؤلاء النساء اللائي يواجهن المعلمين يعملن بشكل رائع ورائع لتعليمنا اللغة العربية ، وبعض المعلمين مثل السيدة ريم والسيدة بسمة والسيدة سماح والسيدة إيمان ، هم معلمتي الحميدة والخاصة الذين ، وهم أيضًا أمهاتنا ، لذلك أشكر جميع WSS يعملون في أمهاتي اللطيفات اللواتي يعملن لدينا فقط ، حتى نتمكن من التعلم ولديك بعض التعليم والمعرفة شكرا لك قسم اللغة العربية وشكرا السيدة ريم وجميع معلمي اللغة العربية العربية وشكرا السيدة ريم وجميع معلمي اللغة العربية







=هذا جمال طبيعي Mirza <u>Jasir Baig</u> اD=2872







I want to send my greetings and thank every teacher who taught and still teaching my daughter till now. They are really the best teachers. Thank you all for helping my child to explore new ways of doing things.







To Ahmed Kamal السلام عليكم، أنا أمير أحمد شوقي، كل عام و حضرتك بخير يا معلمي العزيز بمناسبة الإحتفال بيوم المعلم







Dear Ms Uzm

We would like to Thank You and Ms Huma on this Teacher's Day. We would like to THANK YOU for educating our children, for giving the much needed advice, for shaping the future of our children, for making sacrifices and for being a flawless teachers.

We have attached a small video by Malemleima expressing her Gratitude.

With appreciation Parents of Malemleima











Hamdan Waris Khan



Habeeba Elsayed Abdelshafy



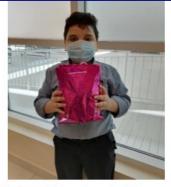
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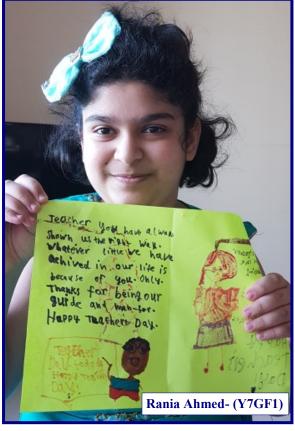


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## Junior Section News; Grrrrr! Tiger Time in Y1 H3!































#### Junior Section News; Student Wellbeing—Healthy Eating 'Green Day'!



#### Junior Section News; Student Wellbeing—Healthy Eating 'Green Day'!

















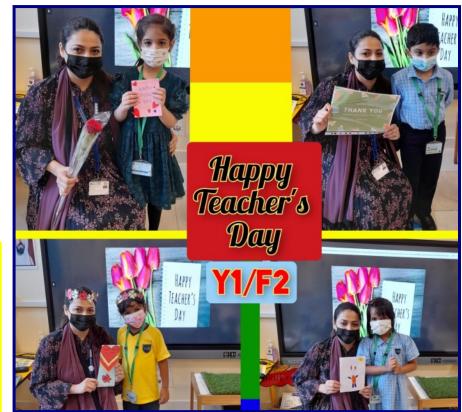












## Junior Section News; Learning Time in FS2!









FS2 H1 with Ms. Jobelle













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FS2 D1 with Ms. Nikhat













FS1 with Ms. Christine & Ms. Karunya







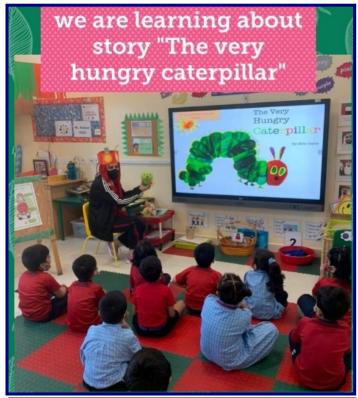












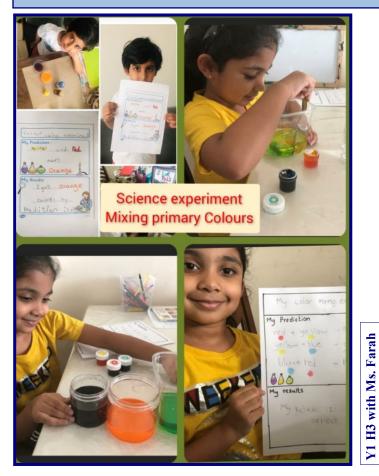


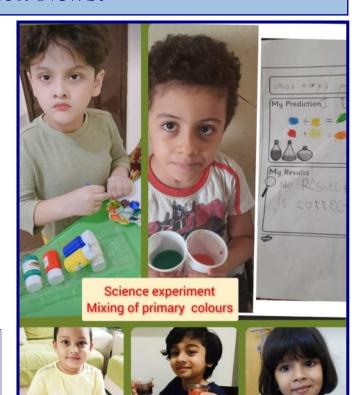
















Y1 S1 with Ms. Sadiqa

## Primary Section News







LFQ: How do I explore the transportation of water in plants?







Y5 H2 learning about life cycles with Ms. Lakshmi

Arhaan Zohaib

Kyra Celinne

Nuha Mohamed



"The science today is the technology of tomorrow".

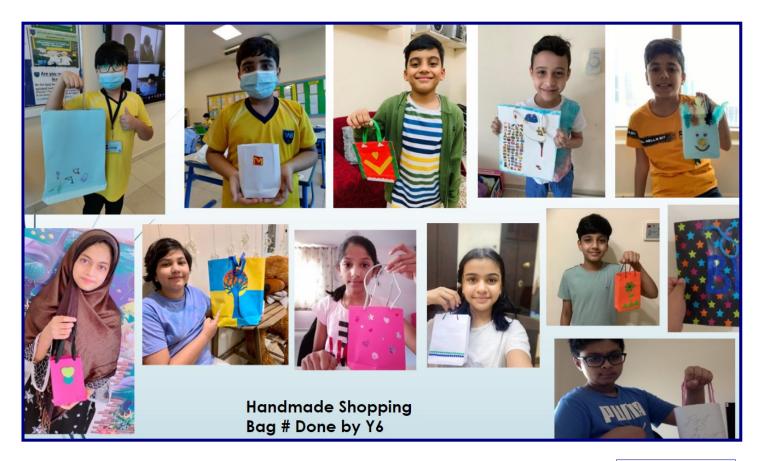
Edward Tellar





Life Cycle of

## Primary Section News; Artistic Achievement!



With Ms. Surbhi



#### Primary Section News

# $\label{eq:Science Investigation-Y4H1} Science Investigation-Y4H1 \\ How does the process of digestion happen in our stomach?$

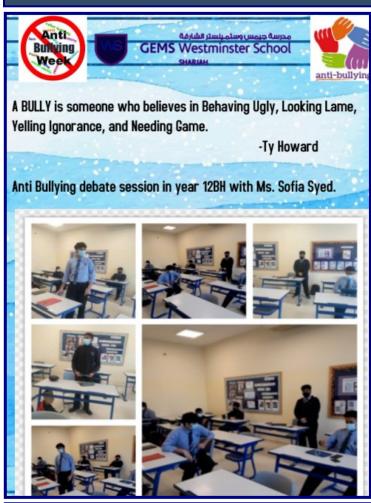


## World Teachers' Day- Y4 H1



With Ms. Lavita

#### Secondary Section News; Anti-Bullying Week!





# ANTI BULLYING CAMPAIGN Students of Year 1 2BS had a debate regarding bullying with Rushdan and Jonathan George speaking for and against it. The debate helped everyone understand how bullying contributes in a negative

way to the society.

"YOU NEVER LOOK GOOD TRYING TO MAKE SOMEONE ELSE MAKE BAD"

THOSE WHO JUDGE WILL NEVER UNDERSTAND AND THOSE WHO UNDERSTAND WILL NEVER JUDGE"





Our proactive Sixth form students lead 'Anti-Bullying Week'. Gatika Sunil Kumar (Y12GF) led the week full of activities for Years 10 to 13.

#### Secondary Section News



By: Burhanuddin Aliasgar (5544)

#### WORLD HEART DAY

#### WHAT TO DO?

We should eat in correct proportions, The right amount of Protiein, Carbohydrates, and other nutrients. and doing cardio atleast 3-4 times a week will reduce chances of heart attack by 70%

#### **About Heart**

The Heart is the most important organ in our body System, and its also Known as one of the most complex organ in our body.

#### Stay Healthy

To prevent any of Heart complications and deseases, we should maintain a healthy lifestyle. we should eat and drink healthy and Excersise on a regular basis.

#### **INFLUENCE**

By attempting these routines it would bring a Healthy change In your life and it may also influence other people to bring a change in their life.





Ali & Faisal (Y7 BS & H) shared beautiful confident videos of them reciting traditional Arabic poetry for Mr. Moh'd Elamir.



Below is a Noom project workshop. The instructions and materials were sent by Art Dubai. Students were asked to imagine a new planet named Noom, which doesn't have our global warming or environmental problems. Students had to imagine that world and create a design for towers or transportations that can be used on Noom.





#### Secondary Section News; Anti-Bullying Day!

Anti-bullying Day

#### #StudentWellBeing Eman Y7GH Hania Y7GH I Pledge To Amna Y7GH risten Y9BS Anti-STOP BULLYING NOW. or present of the Police is a state of their prison a li-TAKE A STAND AND helf a six by or play as by from two or work a green moving the proper Bullying !!! LEND A HAND being mean is the first sign of plantum to tempted with 18, to see \$4.5 dipop. \$45 h it had a failures Sara Y7GH MariamY7GH MI, I am Sugad Severed Hussain Badsha today I STRONG PEOPLE STAND UP FOR am going to talk about antibullying. THE WARNES What exactly is bullying? **Bullying** is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a THE STRONGEST real or perceived power imbalance. We need to stop bulling so come let's stop PEOPLE bulling. Too many children are not getting the support they need to grow up safe and and kids get hurt and we should't fight please STAND UP FOR happy. We're here to put this right. stop fighting help me stop bulling OTHERS Suaad Y7GH MekyleY8BH ANTI BULLYING / My Pledge on Anti BULLYING! I pledge to help children Y8BH who are getting bullied and stop the people who Zabdiel are bulling the children but in a kind and respectful manner MADE BY: HADIYA NADEEM Y8GD1

#### Secondary Section News; World Environment Day!







#### Secondary Section News; World Heart Day!

