

GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH



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17th November, 2022



Message from the
Principal/CEO
Ms. Valerie Thompson

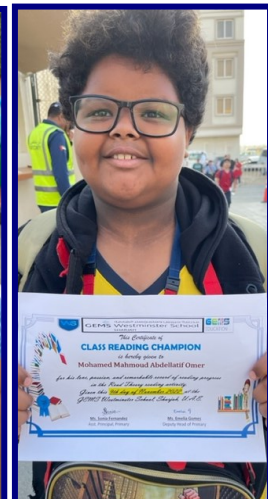
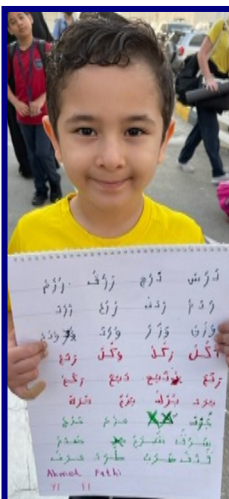
Dear WSS Parents,

Parent Satisfaction Survey

Many thanks to the 33.3% star parents who have now completed the latest GEMS parent survey. We are looking forward to receiving the positive points from the remaining 66.7% of star parents. Please balance your WWW & EBI positive-ly, as we want to appreciate the teachers, & scores less than 7 show as negative detractors, which we want to avoid. Many thanks for all the kind feedback so far.

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Details
From Wednesday 23rd November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam timings for all FS1-Y10 students (all students will leave at 12pm daily until end T1) Normal lessons for Y11-13 (Board Exam classes)
Tues. 29th Nov.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Day Celebrations. Students may come dressed in UAE National flag colours & bring traditional food. There will be a PPP Greetings Card competition.
Mon. 12th Dec. to Sunday 1st Jan. 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School closed for Winter Break. School resumes for T2 on Monday 2nd January, 2023. Please note that T2 school fees are due. Thanks you.



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

مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر الشارقة



النشرة الإخبارية رقم 12
17 نوفمبر 2022



رسالة من
المديرة / الرئيس التنفيذي
السيدة فاليري تومسون

أولياء أمور مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر
الشارقة الأعزاء،

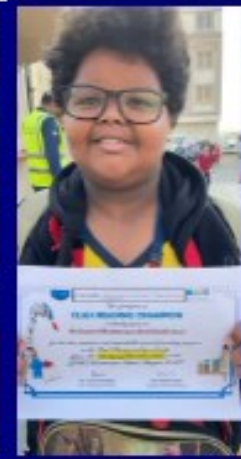
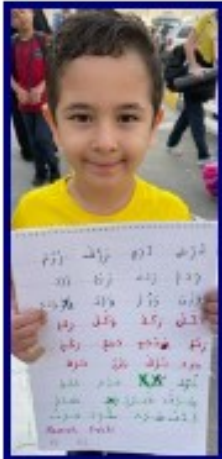
استيقاظ رضا الوالدين

شكراً جزيلاً للآباء والأمهات بنسبة
33.3% الذين أكملوا الآن استطلاع
رأي الوالدين الأخير لبرنامج
GEMS. نتطلع إلى تلقي النقاط الإيجابية من الـ 66.7%
المتبقية من أولياء الأمور المتأيقنين

. يرجى معاملة WWW و EBI بشكل إيجابي ، لأننا نريد
تقدير المعلمين ، وتظهر الدرجات الأقل من 7 كمتنقنين
سلبين ، وهو ما نريد تجنبه. شكراً جزيلاً لجميع ردود الفعل
اللطيفة حتى الآن.

المواعيد

التفاصيل	التاريخ
مواعيد الاختبارات الطلاب Y 10—FS 1 (سيغادر جميع الطلاب الساعة 12 ظهرًا يوميًا حتى نهاية T1)	من الأربعاء 23 نوفمبر
احتفالات اليوم الوطني. يمكن للطلاب المقدم مرتدين ألوان العلم الوطني للدولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة وإحضار الطعام التقليدي. ستكون هناك مسابقة PPP Greetings Card	يوم الثلاثاء 29 نوفمبر.
المدرسة مغلقة في عطلة الشتاء. تستأنف المدرسة T2 يوم الاثنين 2 يناير 2023. يرجى ملاحظة أن الرسوم المدرسية T2 مستحقة. شكراً لك.	الاثنين 12 من ديسمبر إلى الأحد 1 يناير 2023



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

Whole School News; Lifelong Learning (Staff CPD)!



Ms. Manju, Ms. Anju, and Ms. Smitha attended the MENA STEM conference on Saturday 12/11/22, and shared key takeaways with SLT. It was encouraging to see that we are already practicing some of the features at WSS that were recommended at the conference.



Session 1 SEA PLC for Inclusion

Presented by
Catherine O'Farrell
&
Harmeet Kaur Dhillon
Founders
INCLUZUN.COM

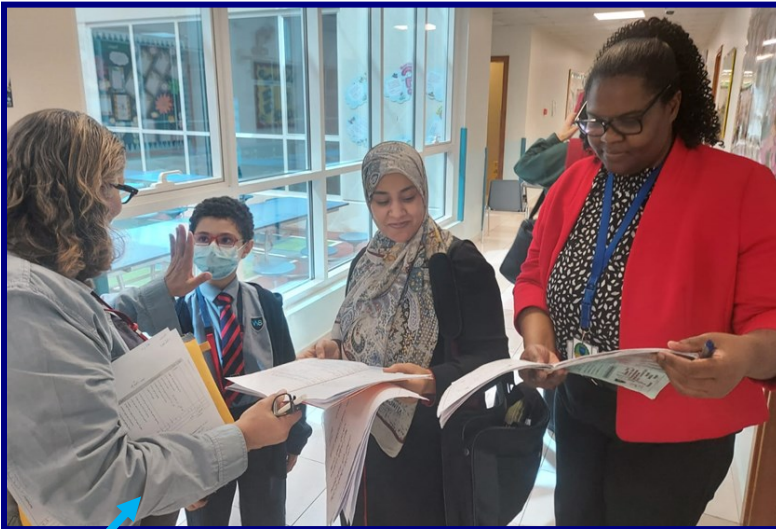
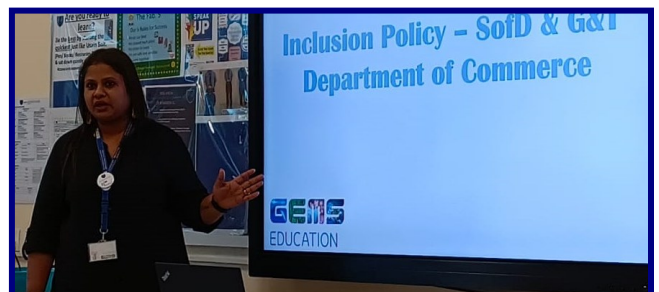
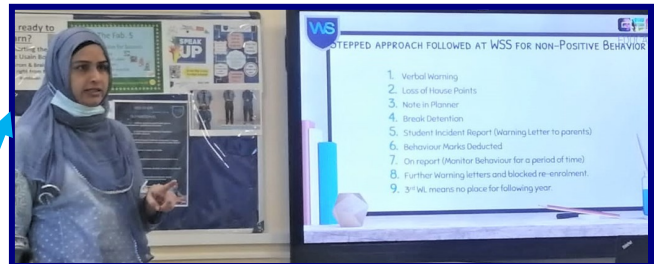
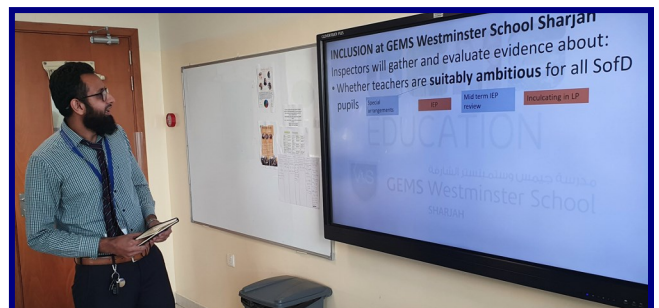
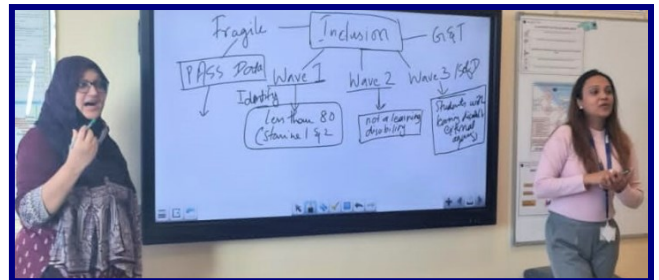
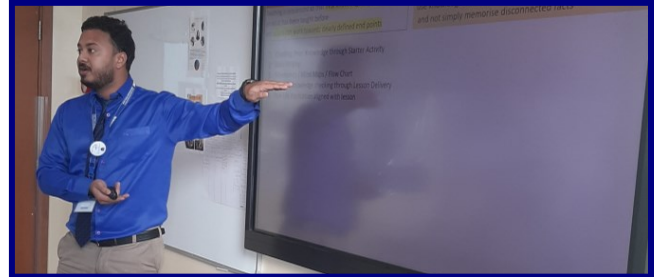
Head of Inclusion Ms. Re-ma & Guidance Counsellor Ms. Gincy James attended a Sharjah Education Academy training session on Inclusion, on Saturday 13/11/22. Inclusion and quality provision for SEND SofD students is a key requirement for schools.



WSS was fortunate enough to welcome Ms. Rana to WSS this week. She is the SPEA Improvement Advisor for Arabic. She delivered a very helpful training session to all WSS MOE subject specialist teachers, and conducted lesson observations to share good practice. Thank you for your support, Ms. Rana!



Whole School News; Lifelong Learning (Staff CPD)!



Ms. Rana (SPEA Improvement Advisor for Arabic) returned to WSS on 15/11/22 & spent much of the day doing joint lesson observations & work scrutiny with Mr. Osama (HOD Arabic) & Dr. Lisa (Learning Coach) to track the quality of student Arabic learning across the school, then giving individual feedback to the teachers to support the implementation of additional pedagogical strategies.

Thank you so much for your time & support, Ms. Rana!

The Secondary SLT conducted a few refresher workshops with the team on various important WSS policies. This was to ensure consistency of approach across the school, so it was very encouraging to see teachers' engagement, along with the new joiners.

Whole School News; T1 After-School Programme (ASP) Report!



ASP T1
Phase 2

Art ASP with Ms. Surbhi

Storyboard on Term 1 Assessment Preparation

Mohamed, our final assessment in Term 1 will start on 23rd November, have you prepared already?

Yes, I have started to prepare since last week so that I will be able to get good marks this Term.

Did you check the emails?

Our teacher sent the assessment topics and timetable for our upcoming exams.

The teacher sent emails to our parents for us to be guided and be informed accordingly about exams. I received the following:

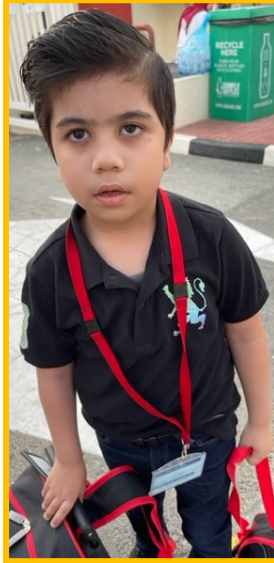
1. Assessment timetables and T1 Final exam topics.
2. Revision materials.
3. Home learning worksheets.

What do you think are the strategies or study tips to prepare for our exams?

Here are the tips:

1. Make sure to check the teacher's email and uploaded study materials in the phoenix classroom for the exam contents and schedules.
2. Create your own study guides and ask questions during revisions.
3. Make sure not to miss revision lessons and start revising at home.
4. Reorganise your notes and prioritise your study time according to schedule.

Whole School News; Happy Birthdays!



Happy Primary Birthdays!



WSS PPP Superstar Champions!



We thank the PPP for their ongoing support of school; here we see PPP (Positive Parent Partners) members engaged in Y3 & Y4 Maths classes offering additional support in class, as part of our 'Beyond the Gap' Primary Maths T1 improvement strategies.



WSS Y5 & Y6 Primary Superstar Champions!



WSS Superstar Champions!

To my dear sister Asma,

I wanted to write to you to thank you for your interest in Adam, and I am very happy with the exam scores, and this is sure the result of your efforts with him and your help me so that he loves the Arabic language.

The day I attended the exam, he told me that I can and am now able to speak and read in Arabic, I love the Arabic language.

Your encouragement increased his self-confidence. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

May God reward you with all the best.

With Regards

Umm Adam



Y4 Times Tables winners for the week!



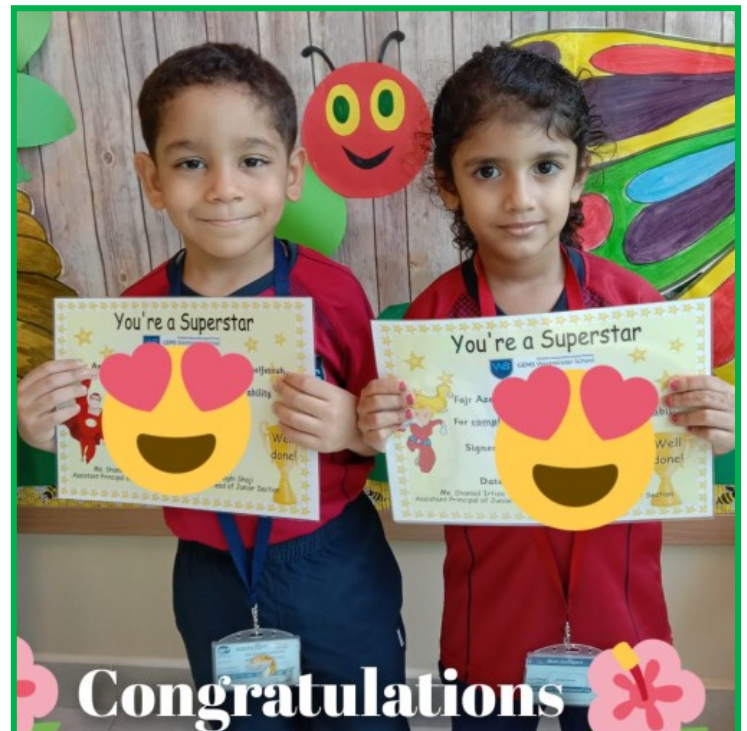
Primary Class Champions of the week; Class Dojo, Wellbeing & Reading.



WSS Superstar Champions!



We were Class Champion Superstars of the Week, so got to take home Teddy & write an exciting diary about our adventures with Teddy!



WSS Library & Reading Superstar Champions!

LIBRARY COMPETITION WINNERS

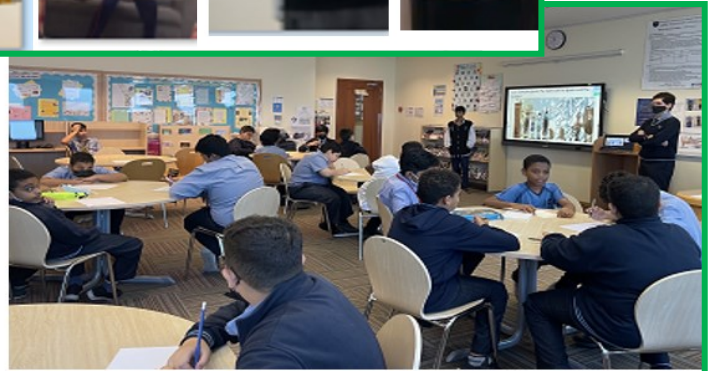
With Ms. Siji

CHARACTER HUNT WINNERS

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 st MARIA ALMONTE Y8GF1 | 1 st ARJUN SUJEEV Y9BH1 |
| 2 nd ADEENA MARIAM Y9GF | 2 nd ABDUL MUIZZ Y8BH |
| 2 nd HANIA SHERIF Y11GH | 3 rd OMER ABBAS Y8BH |
| 3 rd MUSKAN YOUNIS Y9GF | |

BOOKFACE WINNERS

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 st NABIA AHMED Y9GS | 1 st FAHAD ABDUL BASSIT Y8BF1 |
| 2 nd PARISA FAROOQ Y7GF | 2 nd ALI TABISH Y10BS |
| 3 rd SYEDA FATIMA Y7GF | 3 rd MUHAMMAD TAHIR Y8BS1 |



WSS Superstar Champions!

Dear Ma'am (Ms. Laneetha),
 Happier to heard about my son "Star student award" as per the below emails.
 It's our collaboration efforts (we & you) and we all make assure to continue the all required support for him in coming days too.
 Many congratulations to all teachers and would see more these kind of certificates to encourage Mohammad Yasin for the his future success.
 Once again thank you so much for your non- stopping support.

Best Regards,
 Mohammad Rafiq

Y4S1 Champions



Dojo Champion
 Besan Omar
 Ahmed Elsaid
 Hamam



Dojo Champion
 Lara Shady
 Abdalla Ibrahim
 Aboushanab



Dojo Champion
 Hibah Binti Irfan



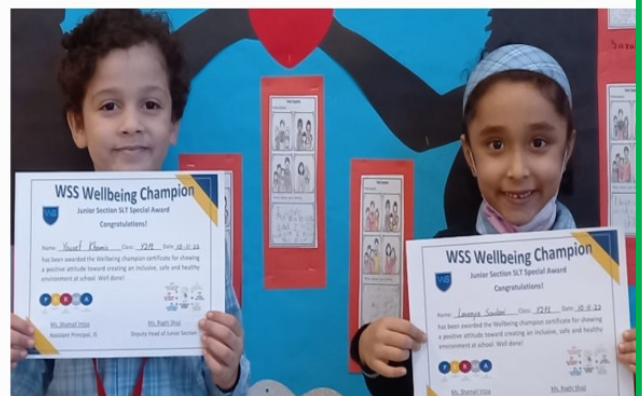
Reading Champion
 Hibah Binti Irfan



'I was a Class Superstar so got to take home Teddy!'



Y2F1 Superstar and Wellbeingchampions



WSS Environmental Recycling Superstar Champions!



WSS Sporting Superstar Champions!



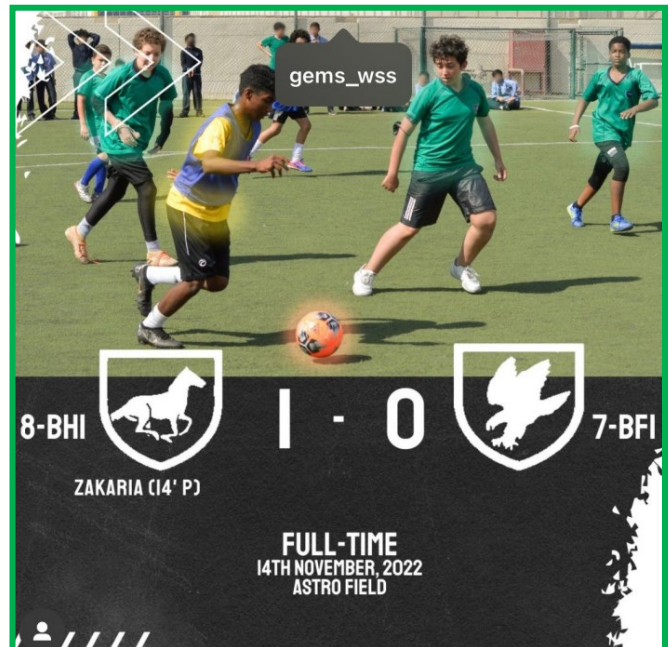
Congratulations & well done to Muhammad Moosa (Y2S2) who won a gold medal in a tournament at the National Soccer Academy Sharjah. Super effort and focus, Muh'd!



Congratulations to Selim Amr (Y4S2) who won a gold medal in the UAE Open Karate Championship for individual karate for the sports season 2022-2023. We love your grit & perseverance, Selim!



WSS TI Break Busters Champions!



WSS Superstar Champions!

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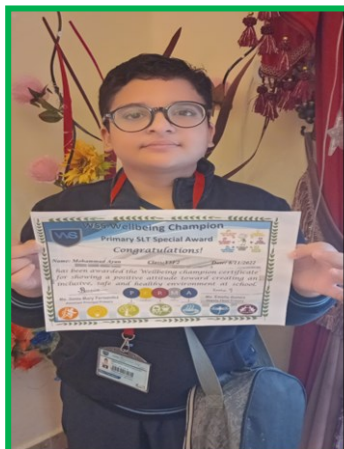
BADMINTON FINALS

Year	Finalist 1	Finalist 2
Y8G	Zyva Nauman	Zahra Adnan
Y9G	Roha Waqas	Aimen Khan
Y10G	Nandini Harish	Javeria Karim
Y11G	Ananya Kumar	Lizel Dsouza
Y12G	Gloria Thomas	Humaira Tasnim
Y13G	Kawthar ElSayed	Doaa Khan

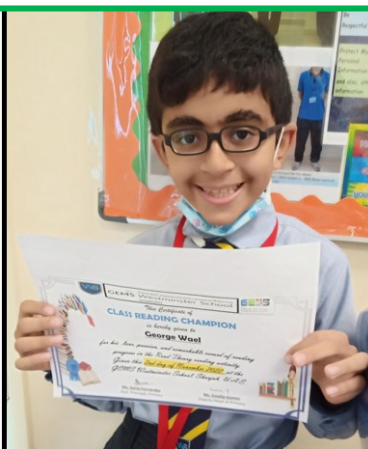
21 NOV 2022, MONDAY
AUDITORIUM

First three matches during First break and the last three matches on Second break.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT SPORTS CLUB

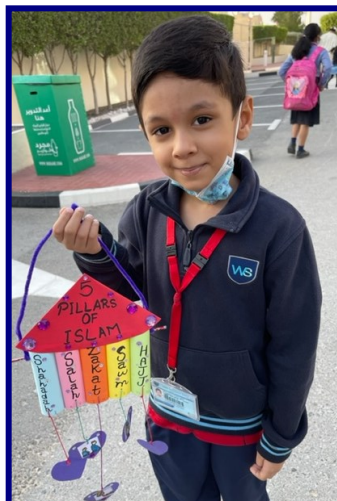


Mohammad Ayan
Y5F2



George Wael
Y5F2

Junior Section News



Junior Section News



Y2F1



Music

Y2F1 session

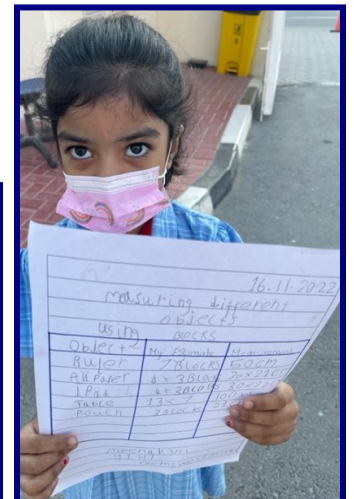


Math OLA session

Junior Section News

Y2F1

Needs of plants to grow and stay healthy



Thank you to Syed Talha Ahmed (Y2S2) & Syed Taha Ahmed (Y2-S2) for sharing their cute & confident video on learning Arabic verbs at home. Well done!

Junior Section News



Y2D1 Music lesson with Mr. Dineshlal



Y2D1 with Ms Shai and Ms Ashika



Science experiment!



Science experiment with Ms Shai and Ms Ashika- Y2D1



Scintillating Science in Y2D1 with Ms. Shai & Ms. Ashika



Junior Section News



FS2D1 Arabic homelearning



FS2D1 making their favorite minibeasts



FS2D1 at the playdough and creative station



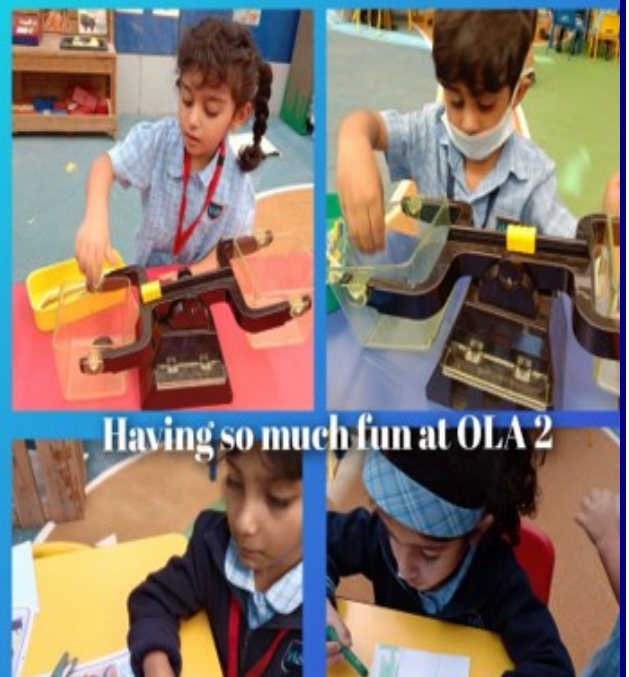
FS2D1 making number "6" in different ways



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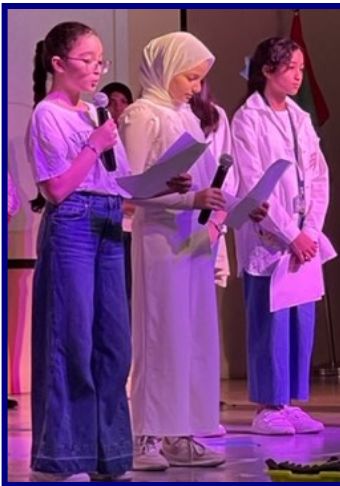
Junior Section News

FS2 S1 with Miss Jobelle and Miss Monika

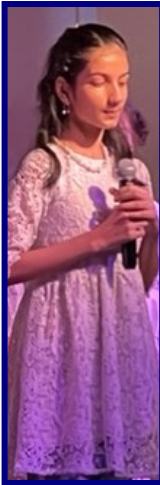
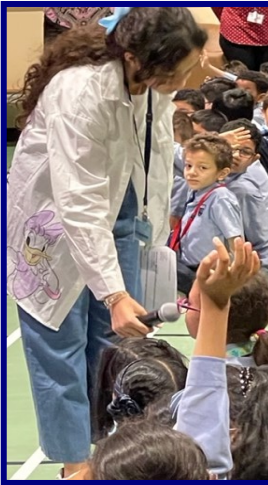


With Ms. Jobelle

Primary Section News; Assembly Time with Y6GF1!



The important Assembly theme was 'Tolerance'. We learnt that we need to respect & accept others' differences, which will make our friendships & teamwork stronger.



Primary Section News; Assembly Time with Y4F2!

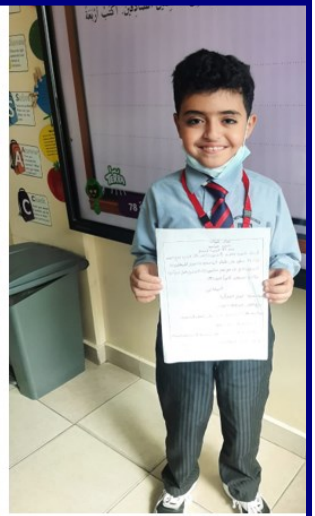
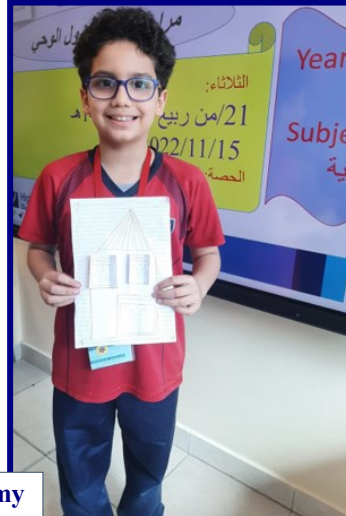
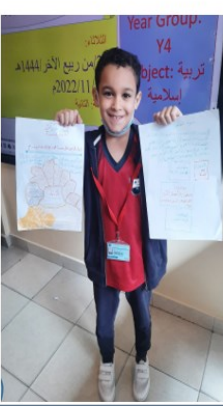


The important Assembly theme was 'Unity'. We learnt that we unity is strength, as it links to Teamwork, our vision to achieve more together.

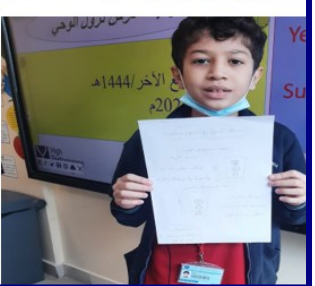


Primary Section News; Awesome Islamic Activities!

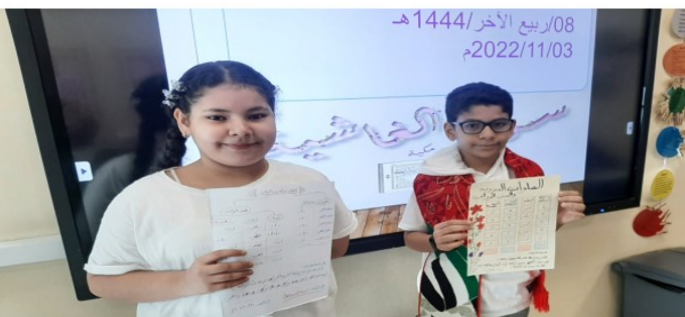
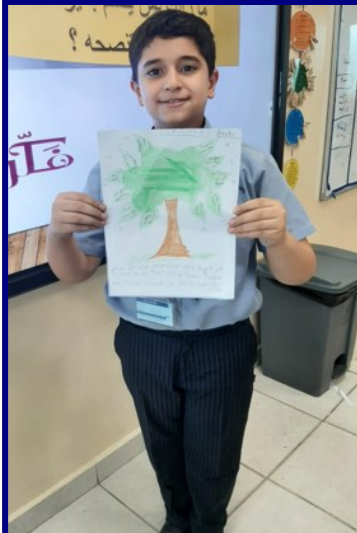
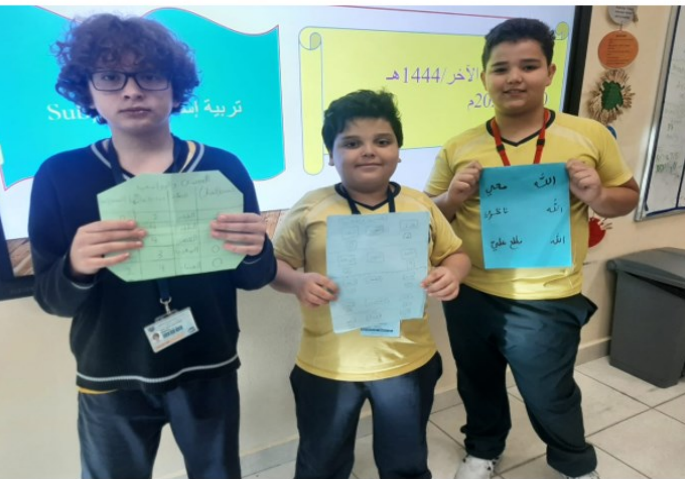
Supplications for entry and exit from the house Y4S1S3



Y4 Islamic activities with Mr. Ahmed Fahmy



The names of the wives of the Prophet Muhammad and the Sunnah Y5F3F2



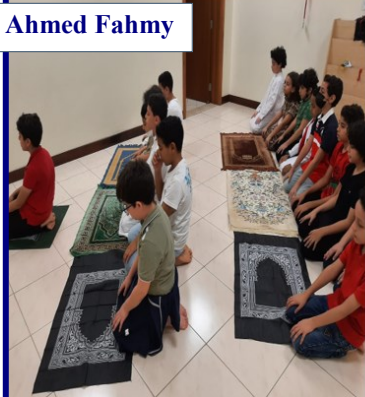
Y5 Islamic activities with Mr. Ahmed Fahmy

Primary Section News; Awesome Islamic Activities!

Practical application for the lesson of prayer in the mosque Y6BS



Y6 Islamic activities with Mr. Ahmed Fahmy



Parent Partner with Y4 D2 Students



A TRIP TO KIDZANIA



Primary Section News!

Y4 S3 World Science Day Activities.

With Ms. Lavita



Y3 Trip to Kidzania



World Science Day



Y3H2 with Ms. Anshy

Primary Section News!

Science Activity- Healthy food



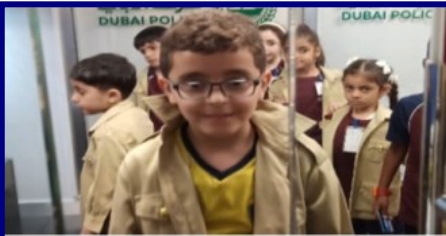
Y3H2 with Ms. Anshy



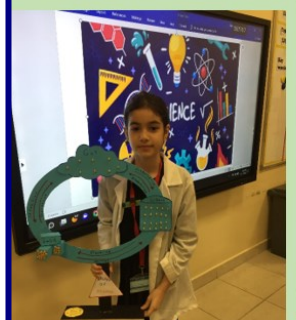
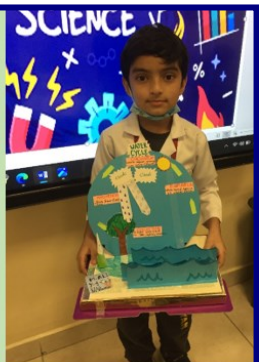
Timed Pair Share



Maths- How do I use RUCSAC method to solve word problems?

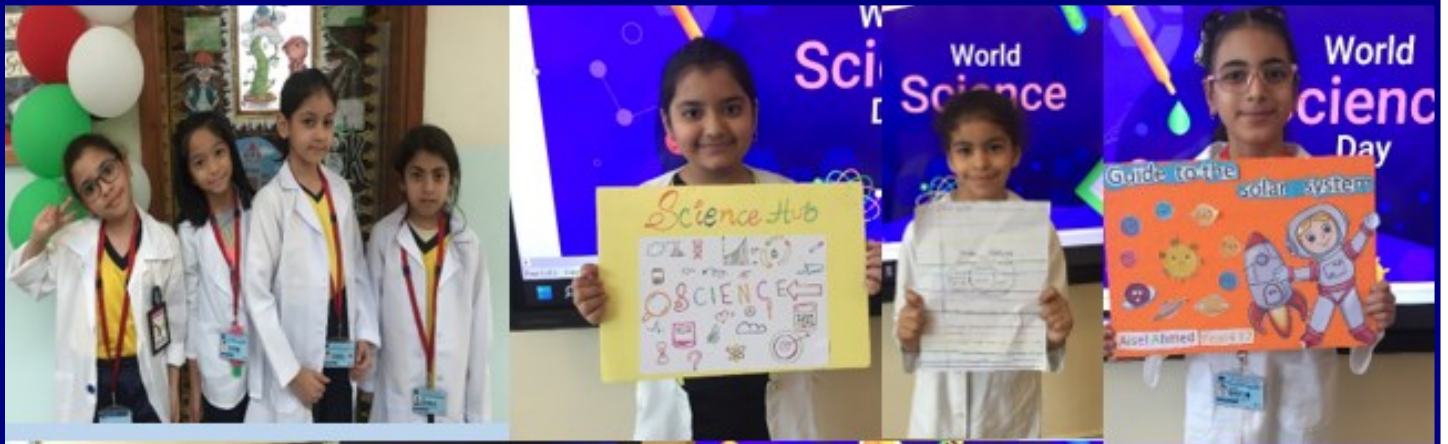


Science Day with Y4S2 & Ms. Saranya

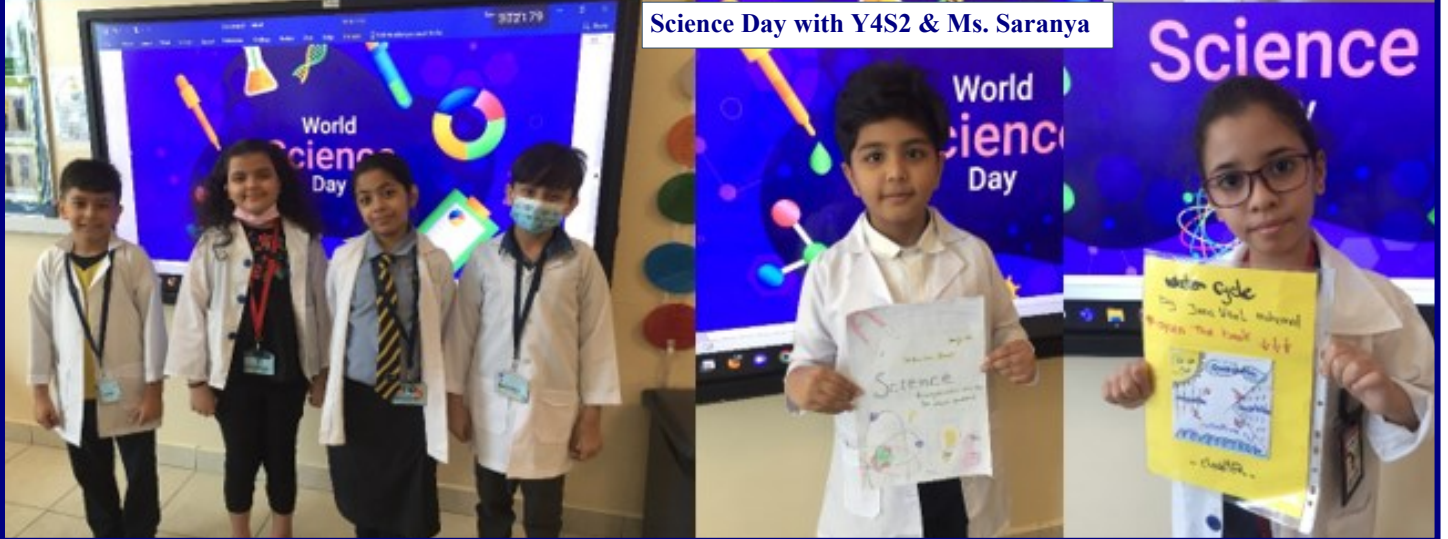


Glimpses of Kidzania Trip (Y5 F2)

Primary Section News



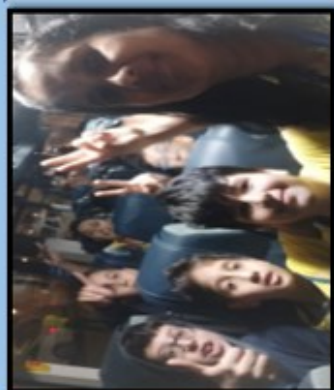
Science Day with Y4S2 & Ms. Saranya



Field trip to Kidzania-

Y6BF Exploring the different real-world profession

Preparing for the future



Primary Section News; Trips are Back on the Menu!

Y5 H1 Students are in KIDZANIA



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Primary Section News; Trips are Back on the Menu!

Y5S2 Trip to Kidzania

With Mr. Arvie



Y3F2 trip to Kidzania

Y3F2 with Ms. Sangeetha

Primary Section News; Trips are Back on the Menu!



With Ms. Deepthy

Primary Section News; Trips are Back on the Menu!

Y4 S3 Trip to KidZania: Learning and Wellbeing.



Y4S1 Trip to KIDZANIA



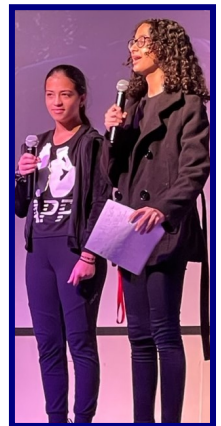
Secondary Section News; ECHO STEAM Assembly, 14/11/22!



This amazing STEAM invitation was designed & created by Adham Ehab & Mostafa Abdelrahman using a 30D printer. It looks good enough to eat!



The STEAM (Science, Technology, English, Arts/Athletics/Arabic, Maths) Assembly theme was ECHO (Enlighten, Create, be Heuristic, be Optimistic), creatively based around Roald Dahl's popular story 'Charlie & the Chocolate Factory'. Thanks Ms. Sony & team!



Secondary Section News; ECHO STEAM Assembly, 14/11/22!



Secondary Section News; Football Break Busters!


WS
**FOOTBALL
BREAKBUSTER
2022**
STAY TUNED...




Year: 7-13 Boys
Venue: WSS Soccer Field
Date: Monday 14th November
Poster By: Sameer Y12BF



BREAKBUSTER



VS



8-BH **7-BF**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH

MADE BY:
ADRIAN Y-13BH



BREAKBUSTER

START 12:20 P.M



VS



7-BD1 **7-BS1**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH



Secondary Section News; Football Break Busters!



Man of the Match



Secondary Section News



Secondary Section Student Leaders with their smart, new duty jackets. Our student leaders are contributing significantly to the overall safety & wellbeing of the Section, as well as developing their own confidence, organisation & leadership skills.

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**FOOTBALL
BREAKBUSTER**
2022

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