

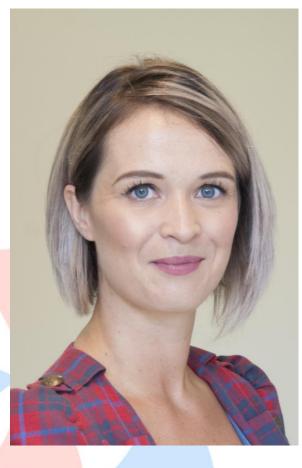
# Secondary Newsletter

Week Commencing 6<sup>th</sup> of December



# Staff Spotlight - Meet our SLT

My name is Mrs Walton and I am a teacher of Business **Studies** Assistant Head Teacher responsible for Sixth Form. In my role, I oversee the pastoral and academic care of all the students in Year 12 and 13. I work alongside Mrs Prince in supporting students with their university applications. We are currently in the process of working with Year students in deciding which pathway and subjects they would like to study when they finish their IGCSEs. We are be able to offer four proud to pathways in Sixth Form, the IB, AS Level, A Level and BTEC pathways. These provide unique learning opportunities for our students. Feel free to contact me to discuss any Sixth Form related issues on:



MENTORING

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## Doha British School Mentoring Programme - Sixth Form

According to the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF), Peer-to-Peer Tutoring adds, on average, 5 months' progress to the academic performance of a student. We are using the positive trajectory of this intervention as a model to encourage our Sixth formers to reach out to Year 11 in a structured 8-week Mentoring programme. Starting this week, Mentors will be formally trained and then begin this exciting phase of pastoral activity, motivating and raising the aspirations of junior students who will tackle external exams and related work this academic year. We are extremely proud of the Community Spirit shown by Year 12 Mentor volunteers as they endeavour to offer insights and support from their experiences at school. We hope the Peer-to-Peer engagement will benefit all at this time.

Mrs K Walton, Mrs F Khan, Mrs E Walles-Butler

# **Teaching & Learning Spotlight**



## Virtual Keyboards in Music lessons

Despite the current Covid restrictions KS3 Music students have continued to perform music using their iPads. This has meant that we have been able to create practical classes that are fun and engaging. It's pretty easy to persuade

pupils to use their tablets!

They have been given lots of tasks on virtual keyboards and we can only imagine how much they would have missed out on without this - It has made such a difference! Covid need not stop everything for our practical subjects!



Mr Brown

# Task Magic

One of the fantastic improvements we have made to our VLE since the pandemic, is diversifying our panels of online software's to support the learning of our students. The most recent one that our teachers have had some training on is called Task Magic and was initially designed as a Languages software but has incredible potential to raise the engagement of students in the lessons by making a targeted list of key terminology or formulae into games and puzzles for students to practice, solve and work on their recall techniques. We strongly believe that having fun whilst learning is the key to great progress and happy students make for more successful students.

Mrs Jugue

Below are some photos of Task Magic being used in Ms Shahid's Maths class.







# QBBF





# ART COMPETITION ENTRIES

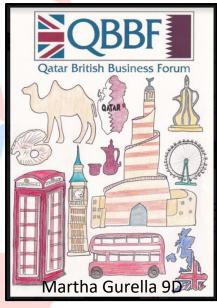


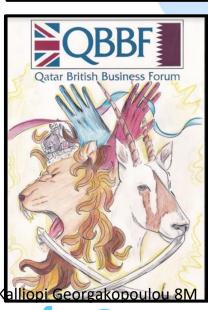










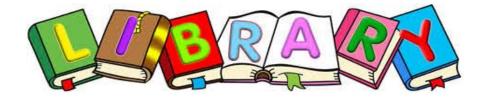








In Art lessons our students have been working on their aBBF competition entry. They were asked to Design the front cover for the aBBF business directory 2021. The design had to reflect aatar and the UK. The aatar British Business Forum is a nonprofit organisation which was established in 1992 to promote trade between the United Kingdom and aatar. We had so many amazing entries! Well done to everyone that entered!!!



## **Fantastic Month of Reading**

Our celebration of International School Library Month came to an end on Tuesday, 30 November.

With great pleasure we witnessed some of our enthusiastic readers from Year 7 up to Year 9 reading according to their chosen line of genres in their Genre Bingo Cards.



Half way through the month the reading competition heated up between Year 7 readers. They were competing against each other, not only to complete a line of 4 genres to earn a house point but to complete the whole card.

We presented the readers who completed the Genre Bingo Cards with book vouchers, as way of showing our appreciation, acknowledging their efforts and encouraging the habit of good reading. We will no doubt keep the joy of good read going.

Well done good readers and a big thank you to all Year 7, 8 and 9 who participated in the celebration.

Watch this space for more reading competitions/awards to come.

## Sho<mark>e Box</mark> Appeal

Can you help people in need in Qatar this winter?

Please donate any items from the list or can you fill and empty shoebox and earn house points for yourself and your form. Show your form tutor your donations and then please put your donations in your house box in the Quad.

#### Thank you.



# Donate anything from the list below! Please, bring shoe boxes that you are not using anymore!

### SHOE BOX APPEAL

#### What can you donate? ★ toothpaste ★ first aid kit ★ toothbrush ★ sewing kit ★ razor kit ★ deodorant ★ shower gel /shampoo ★ gloves ★ soap ★ scarfs **★** washcloth ★ comb ★ non-perishable food ★ socks ★ canned food ★ clothes

We will make boxes with those items, which will be donated to people in need in Qatar!



On Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> November three of our teaching staff took part in a long distance cycle spanning all 8

2022 World Cup Stadiums.

Mr. Egan, Mr. Fewster and Mr. Quinn started the tour in Al Khor and cycled south <u>120km</u> weaving through Lusail, Doha and Wakrah.

Is it the first time all of the world cup stadiums have ever been cycled to in one day?



















