



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
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Secondary Newsletter

19th of May 2022

Our Purpose

Is that every young person should gain as much as possible from our school, based on our belief that all learners can, need and want to achieve

Our Vision

Is to be a vibrant, welcoming international school that provides a first class education enabling pupils to thrive within a dynamic, global environment

Our Mission

Is to prepare all pupils through a relevant, challenging curriculum and well-resourced facilities, to become lifelong learners contributing to a global community



Hi, my name is Charlotte Davies and I am the Lead School Counsellor at DBS. I am based at the Ain Khalid campus, but also work with DBS Wakra and DBS Rawdat. I work across both the primary and secondary schools.

As a School Counsellor, my primary responsibility is to promote the academic, personal, and social development of all students. I want the students here to think of my office as a warm and friendly place, where they are always welcome. My office is also a safe haven – a place where they can get help if they feel confused or worried.

This is my third year working at DBS. Before moving to Qatar I worked as a Social Worker across Liverpool, England for 7 years, working with children being adopted or fostered. The thing I enjoy the most about working at DBS is working with so many different students of all ages. The students here are wonderful and they truly are what makes DBS so special.

I have had the pleasure of working with a large number of students this year at DBS, through small group counselling sessions and individual support. The small group sessions have covered a range of topics such as; self esteem, anxiety, stress management and social skills.

The groups have been popular and I am often in awe of the passionate conversations the students have, that are filled with empathy and understanding.

Aside from my role as a school counsellor I am also a proud mum of 2, to Olivia and Matilda. My daughters both attend DBS and it is great seeing them thrive here. We have found Qatar to be a very welcoming and friendly country and have settled well into life here.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to on

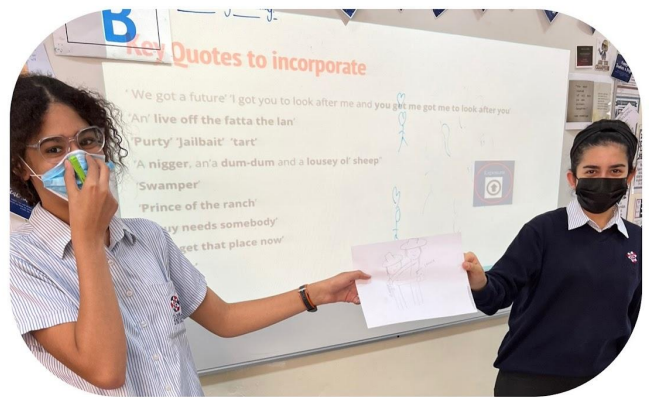
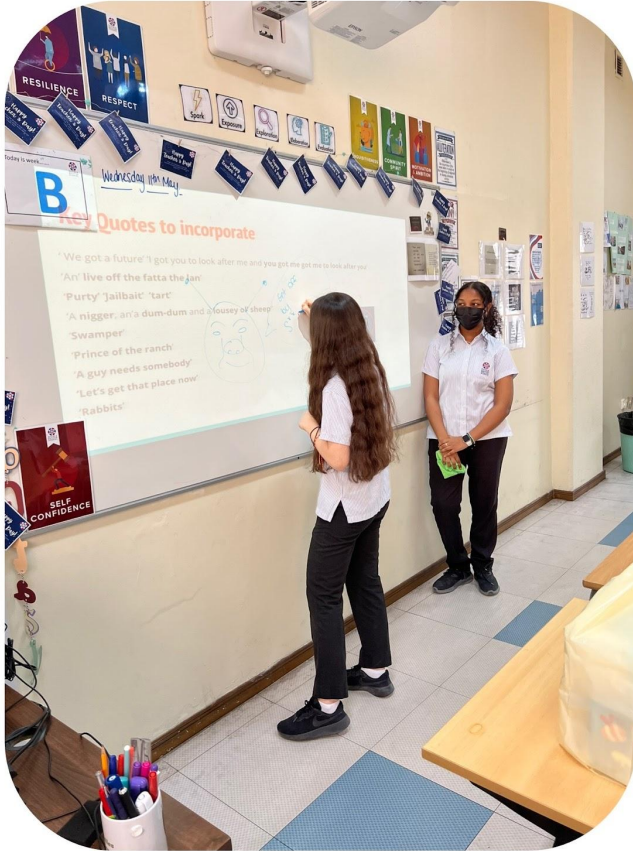
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Year 11 English Revision



Mrs. Kings used the arts to learn key quotes for the Literature Exam through memorising them via pictures, visualisation , mind maps and song. It was a great way for students to end their English lessons and will hopefully serve them well in their exams. We wish all of our Year 11 students the best of luck in all of their exams.

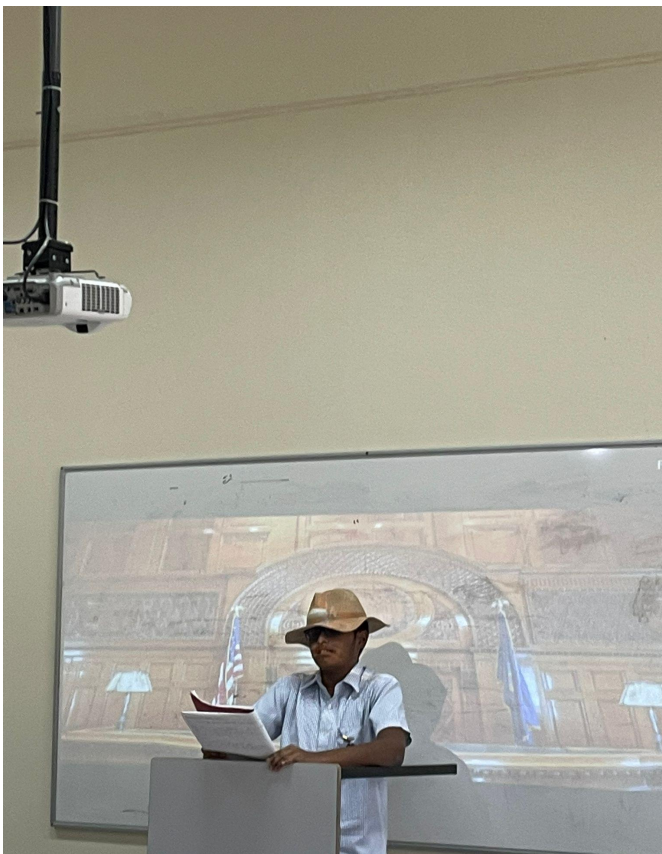




Miss Evans and 9S have been busy studying 'Of Mice And Men' by John Steinbeck, and decided to bring the story to life through a mock trial for the character Lenny.

Students played the parts of witnesses, lawyers and a jury, and they even brought their own props to help them play their roles.

A great job Miss Evans and 9S, keep up the good work!





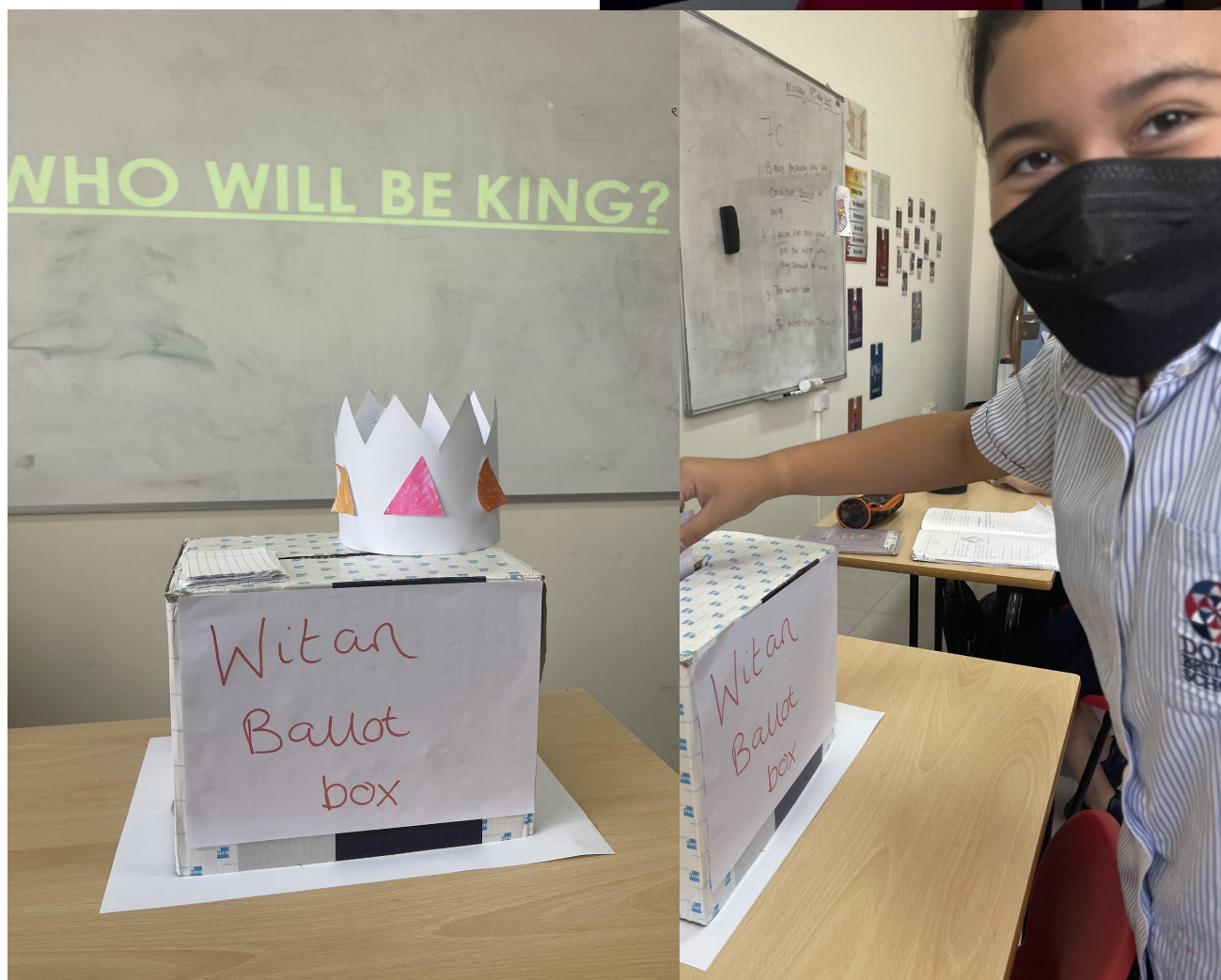


Year 7 History

Miss Porter and Year 7 have been looking at the battle of Hastings and the period of 1066.

They took part in a class vote to decide who should be king and ended the lesson with the crowning of the king.

Great work Miss Porter and 7C, it looks like you created some amazing learning in History.



Eco-Schools

Climate Awareness Week



Last week saw our Eco-Schools committee put together a number of activities to raise awareness of climate change. A huge thank you to Malaak & Drishika who did an amazing job!

"Climate awareness has and should be a part of our daily life as we fail to acknowledge the depth of the problems our environment is currently facing.

Hence, we decided to spend 3 days doing activities that might encourage students to play their part in order to help the environment.

On Tuesday we had a planting seeds activity where students got to plant seeds and take them home; on Wednesday we had a very exciting scavenger hunt where we gave donuts to everyone who took part and finally on Thursday, we had a t-shirt designing competition with the Earth as a theme.

We were pleased to see that many students chose to take part and enjoyed all the activities - this is one step to a greener and healthier Earth" - Malaak & Drishika

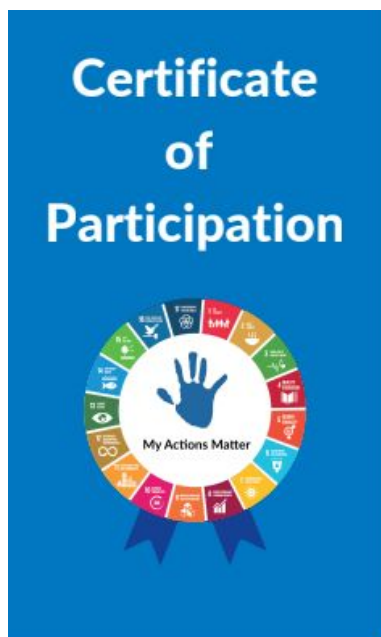




Global Action Day

A huge congratulations to Malaak and Drishika in Year 12 who have been awarded with their certificates of participation as part of Global ACTION Day. The girls contribute so much towards our school community and they are passionate about so many issues. We are extremely grateful of the support and contributions that they make to DBS.

"We are so pleased to have been able to take part in the Global Action Days this year and have the opportunity to reflect on our actions and how we can contribute to the environment. We hope everyone else benefited as much as we did and look forward to doing it again next year!" Malaak & Drishika Year 12



We acknowledge and appreciate your participation in FEE's Global Action Days

#MyActionsMatter

20 April - 30 April 2022

Pramod Kumar Sharma
Senior Director of Education
Foundation for Environmental Education



BSME Art Competition



The theme for this years BSME Art competition was “My City, My View” and back in December a number of students from DBS entered their artwork.

This week we had the wonderful news that 2 of our students have won awards in the competition which is open to all students in British schools across the Middle East.

Kalliopi Year 9 was a 3rd place runner up and Cassandra Year 13 was award with 1st place.

These are amazing achievements and everyone at DBS is extremely proud of the girls.





Assemblies Return

After a short break during Ramadan, this week saw the welcome return of house assemblies.

For the next few weeks our assemblies will all be student led giving our students the chance to work together and develop their self confidence by speaking and performing in front of an audience.

This week the fantastic 7S produced an amazing assembly on our school character traits. They performed role plays to give examples of how students can develop their character in school.

Thank you and well done 7S for getting our assemblies off to a great start!



Year 11 Leavers Assembly



Last Thursday marked the last day in school for our wonderful Year 11 students. We celebrated their Secondary years at DBS with an assembly looking back at the last 5 years with lots of laughter and fond memories.

The afternoon ended with pizza, a quiz and an opportunity for students to sign each others shirts.

We wish all of our Year 11 students the best of luck with their exams and for those students moving on from DBS we wish them lots of luck with their future endeavours.



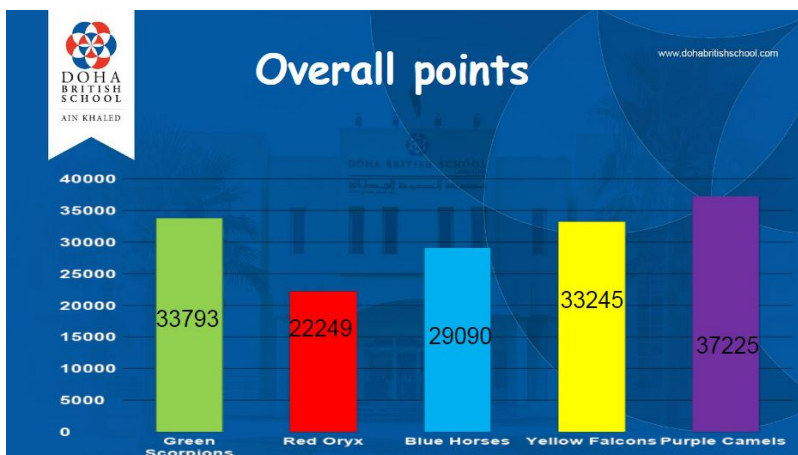
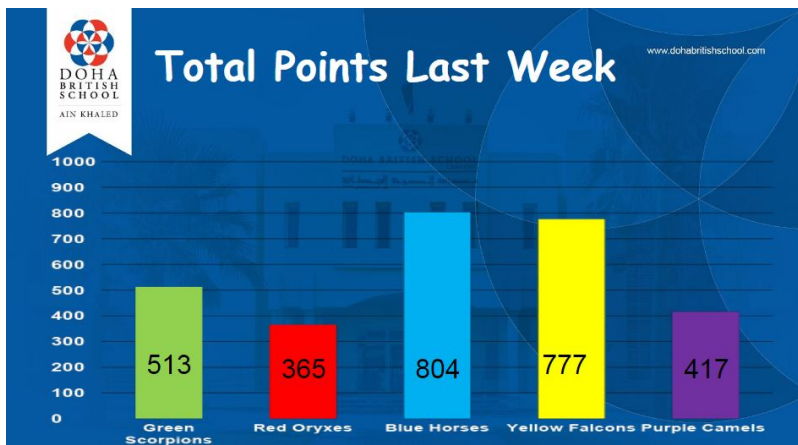
House Competitions



It was a fantastic week for the Blue Horses who earned a huge 804 house points.

The Yellow Falcons also had a very impressive week and continue to close the gap on second place.

The Green Scorpions, who were term 1 winners, finished in third place this week and are still slowly closing the gap on the Purple Camels, but with only 5 weeks of school remaining until the summer and the Purple Camels over 3000 house points in the lead, have the other houses left it too late?



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Green Scorpions	Blue Horses	Red Oryx's	Yellow Falcons	Purple Camels
Omar Krimly	Adham Abo Zahra	Waleed Hammoud	Mohannad El Shafei	Leanna Nasser
Katherine Georgia Ord	Amelia Isaacs	Joseph Ethan Quintos	Youssef Elderini	Abdulrahmim O.K. Abuoun
Samuel Salazar	Dihein Perera	Jianna Marie Abe Yutuc	Jude Erwee	Charles Aidan Henderson



On 4th March 2022, Year 9 student Chaitanya participated in the “Swim for a Cause” event organised by Sharq Village and Spa, Qatar Charity and H2O, where many swimming enthusiasts in Doha turned up in huge numbers. The event’s proceeds will be given to “Education above all Foundation” [Education Above All Foundation](#) and for Clean & safe drinking water for those in need.

Chaitanya says, “It was a first time that I had a chance to swim in the Open Seas on a Chilly Breezy morning and even I could not believe how I got the energy to swim a complete 1 KM (2 laps of 500m) – I was the only junior who swam the 1 KM and was placed at 4th Place Overall (including Adult’s timings). In the Junior category I clocked 16 min 16 s to be placed in the 1st position.”



A huge congratulations from all of us at DBS, this is a fantastic achievement Chaitanya, well done and keep up the great work





Women's Supersprint Triathlon

A huge congratulations to Olivia in Year 11 who took 1st place in the Women's Supersprint Triathlon event held in April. This involved a 200m swim, 10km bike, 2.5km run and is a fantastic achievement especially given that she is competing in the open age Women's category as a 16 year old.

Great work Olivia and congratulations from everyone at DBS.



USA University Fair



This week we had a number of Universities from The USA visit us to inform our students about the options available to them once they leave DBS.

It is wonderful to have visitors back into school now that Covid restrictions are being lifted, giving our students more opportunities to plan their futures.

It was lovely to see students from our younger year groups also coming along and planning early.





Thank You