



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
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Secondary Newsletter

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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



Greetings, my name is Mrs Cherie Crouse and I'm the Head of Higher Education & Careers Guidance Department in Sixth Form. I facilitate in selecting a potential career path that interests the students and then assist them to navigate the often tiresome application portals from as many as six different countries simultaneously.

Throughout my 18 years in Qatar, I have attained valuable experience as both educator and parent of 3 children that have traversed in the education platform in Doha. This parental history in addition to my studies and employment history within Doha has enabled me to better guide and support young students when making suitable career pathway choices and providing them with valuable insights as they make the transition from high school to university.

I am privileged to be working with DBS Sixth form this year. I have enjoyed the challenges thus far of working with the sixth formers, sharing ideas of what to expect next and embracing the challenges of the application process. DBS sixth form students have displayed resilience, strength and independence when applying to universities from around the world, as no country shares the same application process.

I look forward to witnessing the growth of DBS Careers department, especially as we welcome DBS Al Wakra students and counsellors into the fold. We have developed into a highly skilled and passionate team that will endeavor to ensure each students career objectives and academic achievements align with the vision and values they are seeking to achieve in their futures.



Please feel free to contact me if you have any enquiries on cherie.crouse@dohabritishschool.com



GCSE Art Exam

This week our Year 11 Fine Art & Textiles GCSE students have been working hard on their final exam. The 10 hour exam took place over 3 days with students putting all of their ideas and hard work together to create their final pieces.

Well done to all students for all of your hard work.



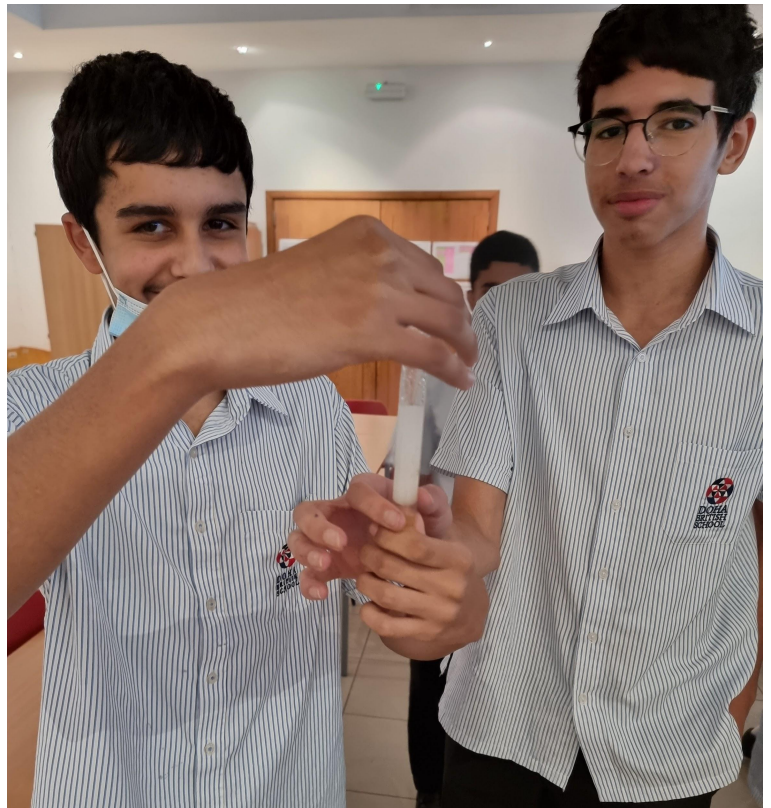






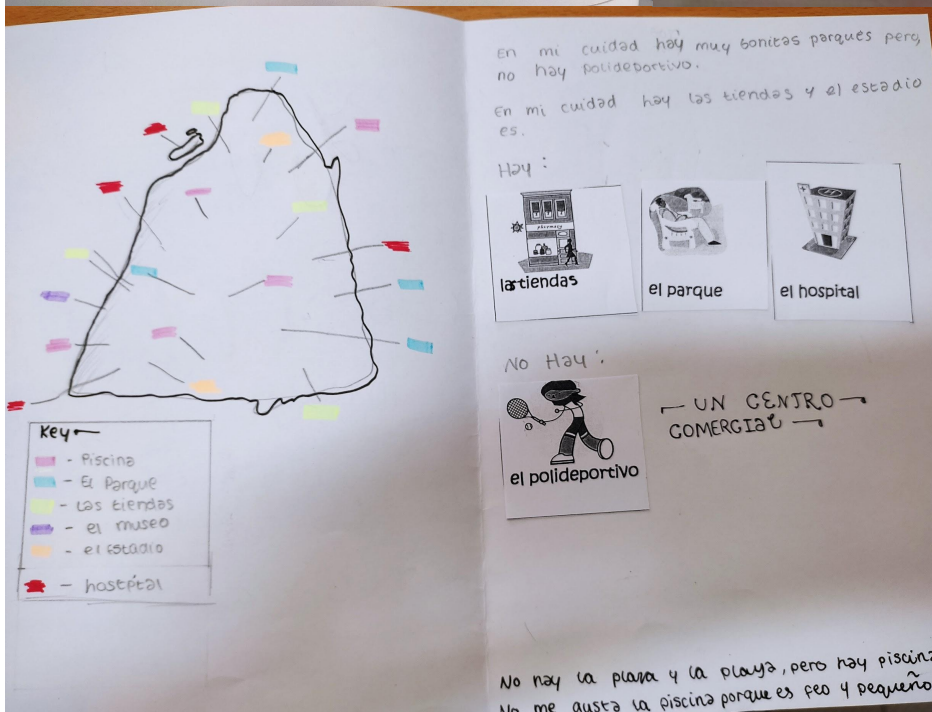
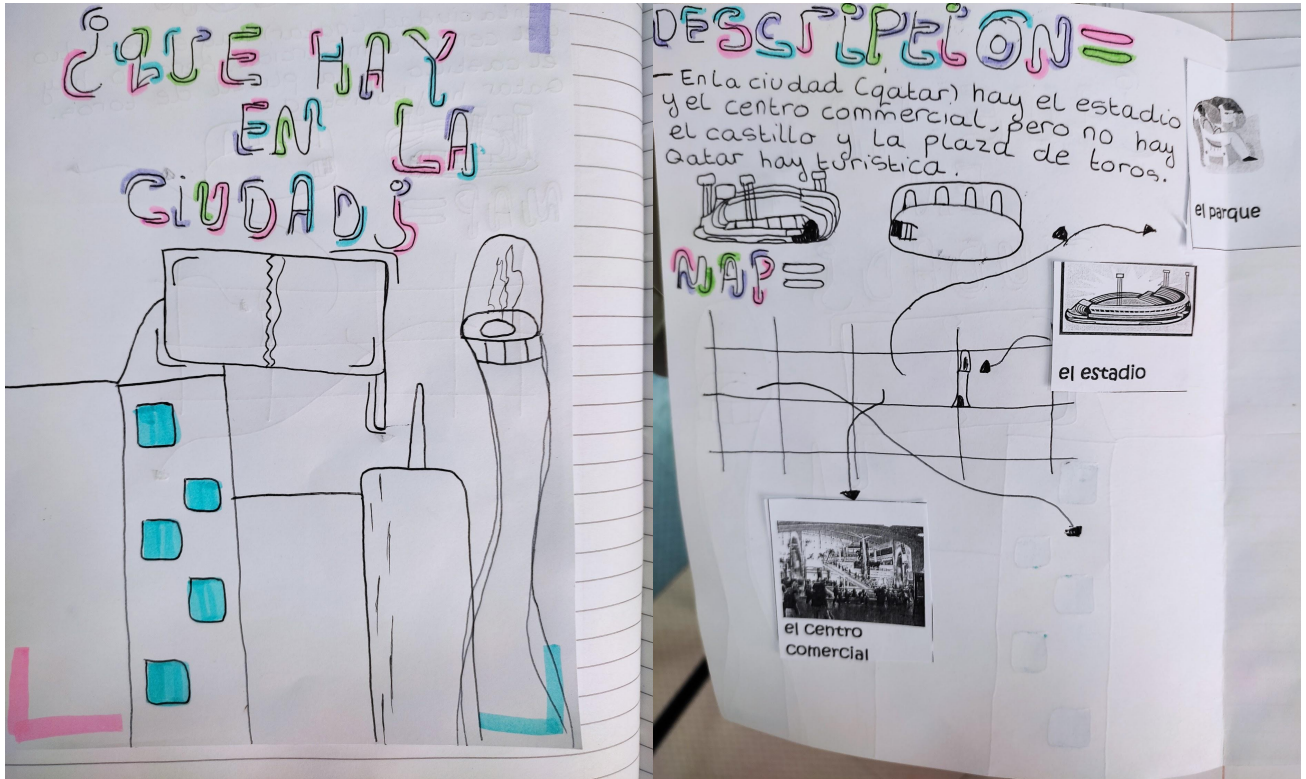
Mr Graham's Year 9 students have completed their first required practical as part of their IGCSE Biology course. Students used their learnt knowledge and investigative skills to identify different biomolecules found in everyday foods. 9C are now able to explain what chemicals are used to identify proteins, lipids, glucose and starch, and state what results indicate a positive test.

Great work Year 9!





Mr Salhiu's Year 7 Spanish class have been carrying out a project where they have had to draw a map of their city and write a description and point out places that they have learnt in Spanish. Keep up the great work Year 7.





International STEM Olympiad

Our school prides itself on having many talented students. Amongst them are Adam Benade, a Year 7 student who won a Bronze medal and Muhammad Khan, a Year 10 student who won a Silver medal in the International STEM Olympiad. Students were given challenging mathematical problems to solve in number, algebra and geometry. Both students have shown strong mathematical skills in problem solving and critical thinking.

This is a remarkable achievement and we wish them great success in their future studies.





Year 12 IB Biology & ESS

Mrs Gogin's Year 12 IB students have been extremely busy recently with different practical lessons. They have undertaken plant surveys looking at species diversity in disturbed v's undisturbed garden areas in school, as well as modelling population sampling with beans!

It is great to see our Year 12 students engaged in practical ways of learning. Keep up the great work Year 12.





Sixth Form Leavers Assemblies

This week saw us say goodbye to our Year 12 and Year 13 students as they leave us to start their study leave in preparation for their exams. The leavers assemblies lead by Mrs Walton were full of laughter, fond memories and a time to celebrate everyone's time together at DBS. We wish all of our students the best of luck with their upcoming exams and we look forward to celebrating with you at graduation and prom.



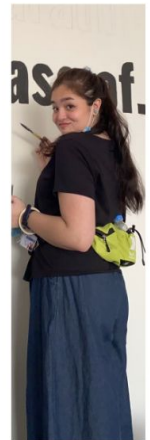
The awards from your teachers!

The student who makes us laugh the most ...



The awards from your teachers!

The most resilient student...



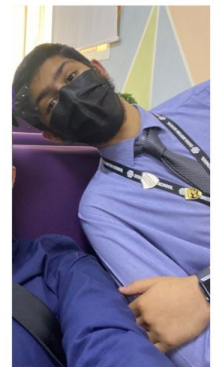
The awards from your teachers!

The student who goes above and beyond in class...



The awards from your teachers!

The best leadership qualities ...



The awards you voted each other for!



Most likely to become a doctor...



The awards you voted each other for!



Most likely to become a rockstar...

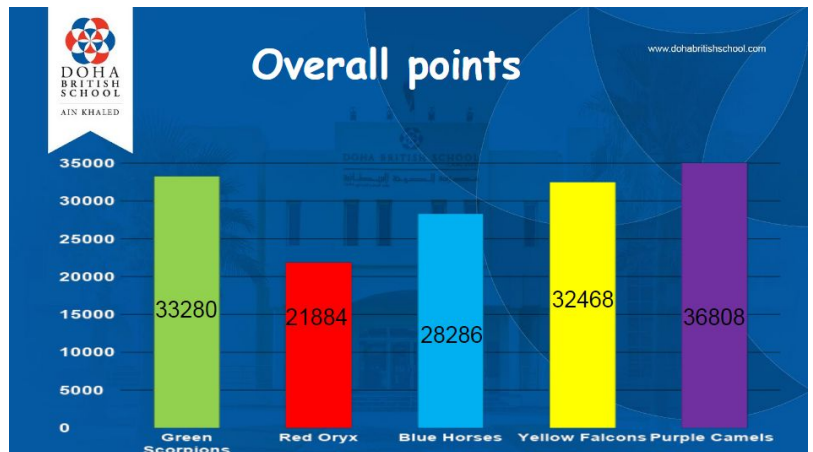
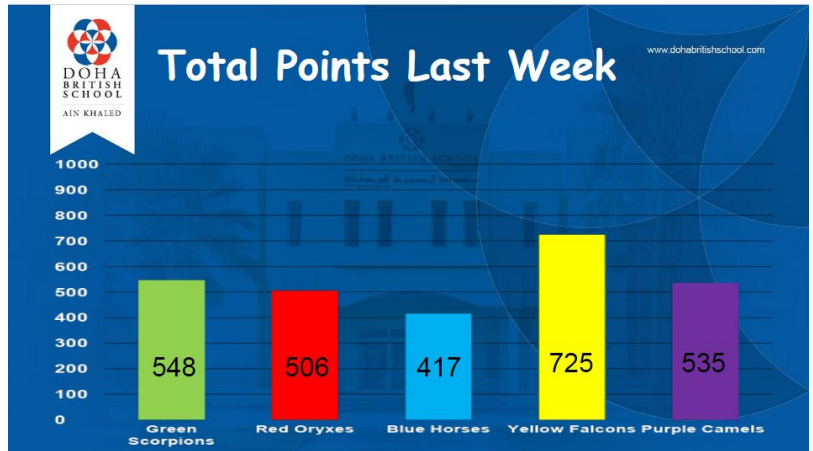


House Competitions



It has been a good week for the Yellow Falcons with an impressive 725 house points meaning that they are closing the gap on the Green Scorpions who are still managing to hang on to second place.

With the final half term of school nearly upon us, the Purple Camels are still out in front, but have they done enough so far this year to hang on to top spot and be crowned champions at the end of June?



STARS OF THE WEEK!

Green Scorpions	Blue Horses	Red Oryx's	Yellow Falcons	Purple Camels
Yousef El Settawi	Abdulaziz Al Marri	Aneta Androvicova	Hissa Al Mannai	Adham Elkadim
Aline Meira	Jouri Bilal Al Zoubi	Simao Antunes	Waad Elrefaey	Lukas Juncker
Amogh Sahishnu Vadamani	Ahmed Al-Baiti		Fatima Salah Idris Hamad	Mays Ruagh



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award



A huge congratulations to 4 of our Year 13 students who have been awarded the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. Zeynep, Lavanya, Malaaika and Aysha have shown great resilience, ensuring that all of their paperwork was completed after completing the practical side of the course pre covid.

We wish the girls lots of luck as they prepare for exams and university and we hope that they pursue the silver Duke of Edinburgh course.





Last Thursday was Earth day and we marked the occasion at DBS by thinking about what we can do to make the earth a better place. All staff and students were asked to make a pledge so that we can all work together to make the earth a better place.

How can you contribute to a better earth, what is your pledge?

PLEDGES BY 8C

- Use paper bags instead of plastic
- Bring reusable water bottles
- Take public transportation or walk instead of driving
- Plant more trees
- **Pledge from Mrs Walton** - I pledge to have quicker showers, use less water when brushing my teeth, and always switch the AC and lights off when I'm not in a room.



PLEDGES BY 10 O

- Use a reusable water bottle
- Use bamboo straws
- Use less plastic products
- Recycle plastic through art projects
- Reduce my use of electricity e.g. switching lights off when I leave a room
- Invest in sustainable fashion
- Use environmentally friendly products
- Use more renewable materials
- Turn off the computer after every use



PLEDGES BY 10 S

- We pledge to take part in more beach cleaning activities
- We pledge to buy fewer clothes
- We pledge to reuse more so there is less waste
- We pledge to use our devices less
- We pledge to use the metro more often
- We pledge to eat more organically



Leena Frahait

Published Work



A huge congratulation to ex student Leena Frahait who has had her article published in the academic journal "Routes"

This is a piece of research Leena completed in Geography during the pandemic. It has taken two years to get published due to peer-assessing and edits from feedback.

This is a piece on "The role of a refugee camp in a global pandemic", and Leena was able to get in contact with real people for her research.

Mrs Walles-Butler, Leena's former Geography teacher, along with all of us at DBS are extremely proud of Leena's achievement and we are sure she is continuing to succeed and impress at University in The USA.

You can read Leena's article through the link below.



<https://routesjournal.org/2022/04/07/r2057/>

R O U T E S
The Journal For Student Geographers



Rebecca Meets Malala

Year 8 student Rebecca, was given a wonderful opportunity last week to attend an event with Malala. Here is what Rebecca had to say about the event:

Last Monday, I was invited to a private event at Qatar National Library by Doha Debates Town Hall, featuring a conversation with Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai. Moderated by award-winning journalist Nelufar Hedayat, the conversation focused on Afghan girls' education and ways in which we around the world can help ensure these young women are given the opportunities to pursue their studies given the Taliban shutting down secondary girls' schools in Afghanistan.

During the conversation, Malala opened up for the first time about what it was like to speak to the Pakistani Taliban gunmen who shot her years ago- she also talked about how to engage Afgani girls in education in the present time.

I immensely enjoyed the event and learnt a lot: I felt extremely inspired and speaking of such unfortunate circumstances for these girls, it makes me feel so grateful and lucky to be a girl studying at an international school with good resources and facilities in Qatar!



Library Lessons

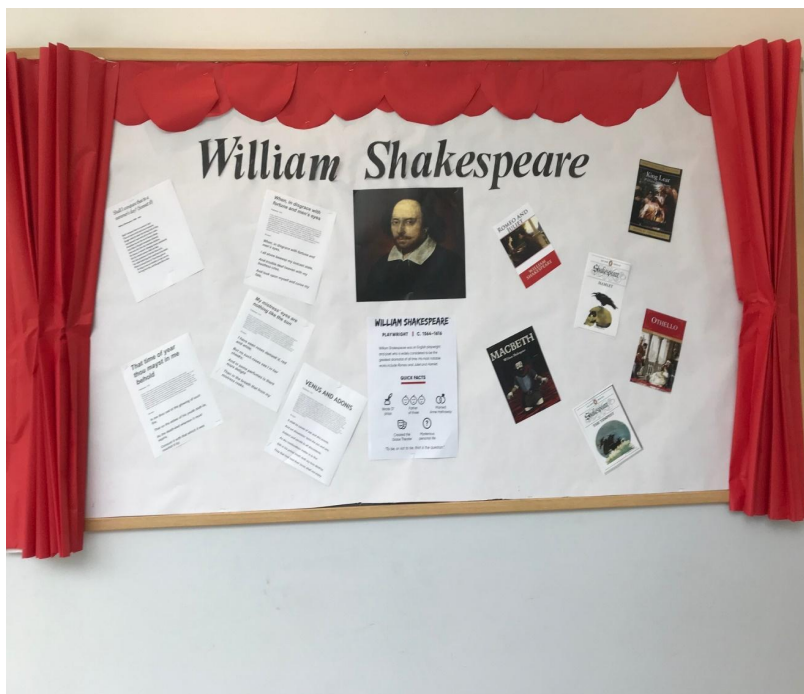
Year 9 Shakespeare



William Shakespeare was born 26 April 1564 and died 1616 in Stratford upon Avon. He is regarded widely as the greatest writer in the English language. In the library we commemorated his birth and life by designing a notice board dedicated to some of his books and information about him to remind our students and ourselves of how great Shakespeare was as a poet and playwright.



Library lessons for Year 9 students during the week of celebrating Shakespeare's life were designed to quiz our students' knowledge of Shakespeare's collection in the library. We had a great time and had some amazing answers and no doubt our knowledge has improved.



Anvitha Erini

Sporting Achievements



It has been a busy few weeks for Year 13 student Anvitha who has competed in a number of sporting events, which will more than likely be her last time competing in Doha before she moves abroad to study in September.

1. Ooredoo Marathon - 10k run - in 57 min and finished 12th in the women's category.
2. National Cycling Road Championship - 30km - alone junior participant under challenging conditions in Dukhan.
3. Ultimate Race Sprint Triathlon at Katara - first under junior category.

Anvitha believes her sports participation and regular practice have improved her studies and overcoming challenging situations.





Thank You