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#### **Dear Parents**

As a School community of Doha British School, Ain Khaled, we recognise that the successful development of our students is codependent on an effective partnership of school, students and parents. We all three parties share responsibility for the development and achievement of each student.

Please see our updated home school agreement which outlines the expectations and responsibilities that we all share for the success and realisation of our collective aspirations for our students and wider school community.

#### **Primary Home School Agreement 2023**

To ensure the safety of all of our students we also kindly ask for your permission to use your child's photograph for marketing purposes within school. This includes ECAs, school events etc. Please use the Google Form to give your consent to photographs being used and to confirm that you agree to our home school agreement

#### Primary Home School Agreement Response Form

Please complete one form for each of your children by Thursday 2nd November.

Thank you,

#### **Primary Leadership Team**















# Preschool Newsletter Week Commencing the 19th October 2023



# COMPARATIVE **JUDGEMENT**

We are excited to announce the launch of Comparative Judgement as a powerful tool to enhance writing across our school. This innovative approach allows us to benchmark the quality of our students' writing, providing valuable insights into their individual strengths and areas for improvement. By embracing this method, we aim not only to evaluate writing more effectively but also to foster precision teaching tailored to each child's unique needs. This process aligns with our commitment to ensuring that every student thrives academically, and we believe that Comparative Judgement will be instrumental in refining and elevating the writing skills of all our students.

Watch this **short video** to find out more!





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# This week's

A<sub>resch</sub>ool update!





The children have had a lovely final week of their first term in pre-school. They have been engrossed in their learning all about fruits, and were able to try various types such as pineapple and banana in class. We certainly have some budding artists in pre-school, and the children have enjoyed using paint to paint pictures of their favourite fruits. In maths, the children developed their 1-1 counting skills by using tweezers to count out various objects and also focussed on the number 3. After the half term, the children will be learning about Nursery Rhymes with a focus on science exploration.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE TEACHER

Thank you for attending the parent teacher consultations, we really enjoyed sharing your child's learning with you.

After the half term you will receive a "Topic Overview" of the Nursery Rhyme topic to ensure that you know what is being covered in class, and how you can support your child at home.

# Home Activities

Have a lovely half term holiday!



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# Photographs

from the week





# Star of the Week

This week's Reception Stars of the Week are:

1.Purple: Blair
2.Red: Malek
3.Blue: Aser

4. Yellow: Dee 5. Green: Alia

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#### Dear parents,

I trust this message finds you well. It is my privilege and pleasure to introduce to you the dedicated members of our Friends of DBS (FoDBS) committee.

As we know, the Friends of DBS plays a crucial role in enhancing our school community. They are the driving force behind various events, initiatives, and support systems that make DBS a truly exceptional place for our students, parents, and staff.

These individuals bring their diverse skills, insights, and passions to our FoDBS community, and they are committed to making a positive impact on the school experience.

I encourage you to connect with these dedicated individuals, share your ideas, and consider joining our FoDBS family if you haven't already. Your involvement and support are key to the continued success of FoDBS and our school.

Thank you for your commitment to the DBS community, and I look forward to seeing the positive changes that this dedicated FoDBS committee will help us achieve.



#### FoDBS Committee Members

- Mostafa Mahmoud Chairman
- Lina Soliman Secretary
- Angela Lablache Treasury
- Michelle Hachem Sponsorships Coordinator
- Dana Ajailat Fundraising Coordinator



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# A DAY OF UNITY, PEACE, HOPE AND SOLIDARITY





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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted to announce Doha British School's first virtual Careers Fair #Sparkthatinterest.

At Doha British School, we believe in providing our students with comprehensive guidance and support as they explore their future pathways. The Virtual Careers Fair is an innovative platform designed to help our students understand the importance of transferable skills, connect their school subjects to real-life applications, and gain valuable insights into various career options.

We understand that parents play a pivotal role in shaping their children's aspirations, and we invite you to actively participate in this event. Your experiences, wisdom, and words of advice can have a profound impact on our students as they embark on their journey towards a fulfilling career. Your involvement will make this initiative even more enriching.





#### What We're Looking For:

We invite parents who are willing to be involved to create a 3-5 minute video recording in which you share your career journey, your current occupation, and offer words of advice and encouragement to our students. Additionally, we kindly request a short bio and a photograph to accompany your video. To make the process seamless, we will provide a link to a secure Google folder where you can upload your materials. Please rest assured that only you and the school will have access to this link, ensuring your privacy and data security.

#### **Why Your Participation Matters:**

This Virtual Careers Fair will serve as a powerful educational resource for our students. We will compile all the submitted materials into an interactive website, which will be accessible exclusively to the Doha British School community through DBS email addresses. This website will provide engaging activities and invaluable insights for our students to explore.

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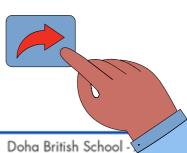
#### **Next Steps:**

This letter serves as **an initial expression of interest**. We will follow up with those who express their willingness to participate at a later date with further instructions and details.

Should you wish to be involved, please complete the <u>Google Form</u> by **Tuesday 31st October.** 

We look forward to your enthusiastic participation in the Virtual Careers Fair and the positive impact it will have on our students' futures.







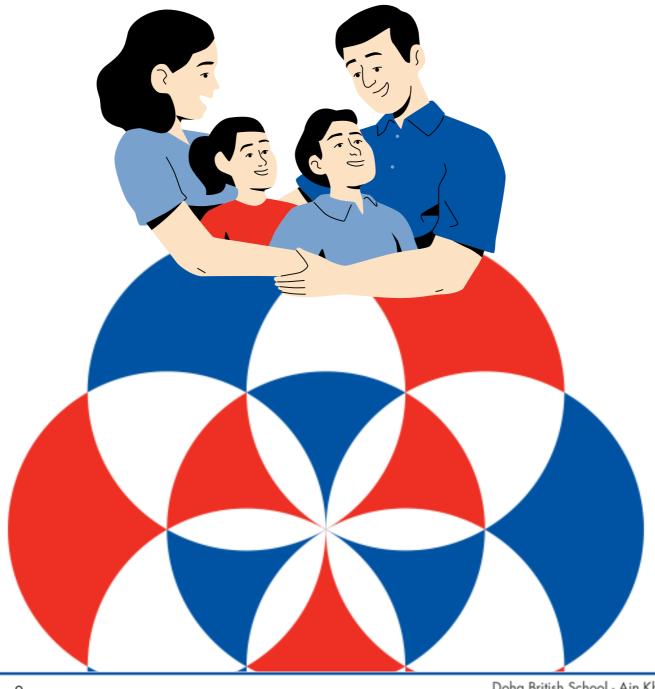
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We invite all parents to complete the following survey (link here).

Parent voice is an important and valued part of our school community.

This survey is designed to capture your insights and feedback on global citizenship and our DBS guiding statements.



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# TRAFFIC AWARENESS AT DBS AIN KHALED

- **Stop in a safe area:** Do not stop or unload passengers in the middle of the road. This can create dangerous situations.
- **No Overtaking:** Refrain from overtaking into oncoming traffic. Everyone is waiting their turn, and patience is vital for safety.
- **Seatbelts:** Ensure that all children wear their seatbelts correctly in the car. Seatbelts are essential for their safety.
- Speed Limit: All drivers should maintain a maximum speed of 30 KPH near the school. Slower speeds greatly enhance safety.
- **Slow Driving:** Drive very slowly around the school, especially during peak drop-off and pick-up hours.
- Crossing the Road: Please ensure that children are encouraged to look both left and right for traffic when crossing the road and all Primary students to hold hands with an older sibling, parent, family member, nanny or driver.
- Supporting Security: Please cooperate with the security and senior staff as they manage traffic flow. Their guidance is crucial for the safety of everyone.
- Kindness and Respect: Please be kind and respectful to fellow drivers and DBS staff. Keeping children safe is of the utmost importance.





Thank You