



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
AIN KHALED



Secondary Newsletter

18th January 2024

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



This week in Secondary

Dear Parents,

Week 3 of Term 2 is now drawing to close and we reflect on what we have experienced and achieved. Some highlights of calendar dates are below and we thank everyone for their attendance at last night's Year 11 parent and options evening. We look forward to the opportunity to meet all our Year 9 parents at next week's event also.


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Term 2 Highlights			
7th Jan	ECA 2 begins	21st Jan	Languages week
8th Jan	AS and AL exams begin Year 11 Options Assembly	23rd Jan	Learning communities
9th Jan	Data CPD session Year 9 Options Assembly	24th Jan	Year 9 Parents Evening Year 9 Options Evening
16th Jan	Department time	25th Jan	International Day
17th Jan	Year 11 Parent Evening Year 11 Options Evening	Feb 18th	Sports Week - over 2 weeks W/B 18 Feb for Sec (over 6 days)

Please also be aware of the collective importance of road safety around our Ain Khaled Campus. We acknowledge it is a very busy and a congested time for drop-offs, but we have a collective responsibility to safeguard our students in every and any way we can.

Finally we are looking forward to celebrating International day next week with you all, and we will be sending more information regarding what that will look like.

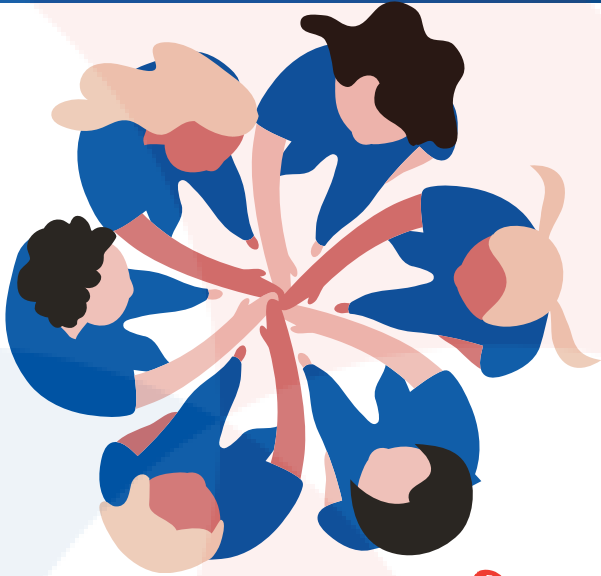
As always thank you for your continued support and I wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable week ahead.


MARK HEALY



HEAD OF SECONDARY





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PARENTS SURVEY 2023-2024

Start of Term ²

Dear parents,

I trust this message finds you and your family in good health and that you enjoyed a rejuvenating winter break.

As we embark on Term 2, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the unwavering support and commitment you consistently provide for your children at DBS Ain Khaled.

The upcoming term holds the promise of exciting learning opportunities and the potential for continued successful outcomes. Your dedication to ensuring your children maintain a high standard of uniform, attendance, and punctuality is truly appreciated.

Beyond the regular timetabled lessons, we are thrilled to announce the resumption of after-school extracurricular activities, sports fixtures, musical events, and a host of opportunities for your children to engage in additional academic pursuits. Educational trips will be organized, offering unique experiences, and the much-anticipated Secondary school production of "The Wizard of Oz" promises to be a highlight of the term.

At DBS Ain Khaled, we are committed to continuous improvement, and your feedback plays a pivotal role in this ongoing process. Your insights help us understand what we are doing well and where we can make enhancements to better serve our students and families. Please take a few moments to share your thoughts and experiences with us. Your honesty and openness are appreciated, and rest assured that all responses are confidential.

I am confident that, with your continued support and active involvement, Term 2 will be a period of growth, learning, and memorable experiences for your children. Thank you for being valued partners in their education journey. As the school continues to strive for excellence, **please complete the [Parents Survey \(English\)](#) / [Parents Survey \(Arabic\)](#) by Wednesday, 31st January.**

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Warm regards,

Simon Berry- (Acting) Executive Principal





Year 7 and Year 9



DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Project Outcomes

Students have almost completed their final outcomes - Here are some examples.

Year 7

Year 7 have been introduced to basic manufacturing processes in the DT workshop and were given the task to use their new skills to produce a mixed material animal.



Year 9

Year 9 had their first experience of working with electronics. They soldered an LED circuit and then designed and manufactured a unit to contain the light.





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1 Explore your interests
2 Determine your ideal career- Get a mentor
3 Set Goals
4 Make a Plan
5 Expand Your Job Skills

**CAREERS PLATFORM
COMING SOON!**

Behind the scenes, our team has been hard at work, using the fantastic content you and other contributors have submitted. Your invaluable insights are shaping an engaging and innovative platform that will allow our students to explore the world of work like never before, aiming to **#sparkthatinterest!**

We want to express our heartfelt gratitude to those who have already shared their biography, short video, and other content. Your dedication is the driving force behind the creation of an immersive experience for our students.

For those yet to contribute, there's still time to be a part of this transformative event. Your unique journey and expertise will play a crucial role in guiding the students as they navigate their future paths. Just complete the [Google Form](#) and we will be in touch with next steps. Thank you once again for being a part of this exciting initiative. We can't wait to unveil the platform and witness the positive impact it will have on inspiring the next generation.



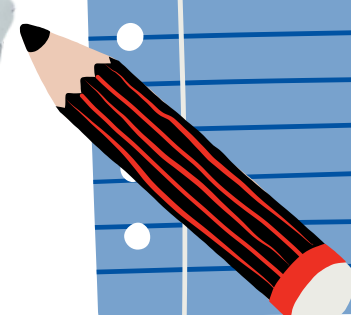
Year 6 TRANSITION IDL Lessons

Some of our Year 6 students had a IDL Design Technology lesson, taught by our secondary teachers, Mr. Jeeve, Mr Ali and Mr Hoque. They were given an imitation project brief to design and create a sustainable city. "As the Expo gets underway in Qatar, students had the challenge of creating a free standing sculpture, structure or building that could be added to the amazing displays at the Expo.

Students were asked to ensure that their design would encourage children to visit Expo and stand out to the audience. They had limited materials in order to take sustainability into consideration." In doing so they developed an understanding of structures and construction and how to design according to the needs of a specific target market.



If you would like to know more, please visit the following [link](#)





Commencing on the 14th January, Listen to a story/watch a movie while snuggling down and drinking hot chocolate with marshmallow!
(Ever Sunday, Monday and Thursday during Lunchbreak)

Sundays & Mondays- English Stories **Thursdays- Arabic Stories**

- Sign up in the Library prior to event
- Bring your own favourite mug (optional)
- Hot Chocolate and Marshmallows will be provided



Classic Literature Month

THIS WEEK'S PICK

SNUGGLE & READ

In the Secondary Library





Thank You