



3rd March 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

# Message from Head of Secondary



# This week in Secondary

Dear Parents.

#### SLT coffee morning, March 4th

We are really looking forward to meeting with parents tomorrow morning at our first coffee morning of the year with SLT. This will give us the opportunity to speak around key aspects of our schools ongoing journey of excellence and allow time to reflect upon the key aspects of our CIS accreditation accomplishments.

## Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening, Wednesday, March 6th

Looking forward to having the opportunity to speak to parents and students as we celebrate achievements and progress. I would urge as many as possible to make this evening as it is indeed a chance for dialogue and honest reflection.

#### **Wizard of Oz Secondary Production**

It would be remiss of me not to mention last week's production and the two shows we were all privileged to enjoy. The standard of performance was breathtaking and we thank all staff and students for their collective hard work and efforts to make all of this happen.

#### **Art Exhibition**

In a similar vein, we were proud to present and enjoy our Art exhibition last week. The standard of work from Year 6 all the way to Year 13 was mesmerising and encapsulated fine art, textiles, design and technology and also the importance we place on the Arts as a pivotal metric of what a good, all round education should be.

Huge thanks and congratulations to all who made this event happen also.

Finally, I wish you a good week ahead and as always thank you for your continued support of our wonderful community.

Warm Regards,

Mark HEALY



# Message from Head of Deputy: Academics

# Whole School Message

#### What a fantastic week of sports it has been!

We witnessed incredible displays of athleticism, teamwork and sportsmanship from our talented students. From the exhilarating matches on the field to the spirited tug of war, every moment was filled with energy and excitement. A huge congratulations to all our participants for their dedication and passion. Many thanks to the PE department for their hard work and efforts in organising the games.

Let's also give a round of applause to our stars of the stage! "The Wizard of Production" was an absolute masterpiece, showcasing the creativity and talent of our students. Bravo to the cast, crew, and everyone involved in bringing this magical production to life!

But the greatness doesn't stop there! Our school continues to thrive with countless achievements and memorable moments each day. From academic triumphs to artistic endeavors, our students constantly impress and inspire us.

As we look ahead, we're eagerly anticipating the arrival of Ramadan, a time of reflection, unity, and giving. Let's embrace this upcoming month with open hearts and minds, cherishing the moments of togetherness and spirituality it brings.

Here's to celebrating our amazing school community and all the wonderful things yet to come!

**MOHAMMAD SALAM** 





# Save the date Dates to remember





10 March Science Week

17 March Maths Week and Pi Day

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







# Y13 MARIANO AYMERICH

#### **IB STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**



My name **is Mariano Aymerich** and I am a **year 13 IB** student.

In the International Baccalaureate pathway, we as students get to engage in a diverse range of activities. These include educational excursions to various destinations such as Virtuosity and the mangroves, which have significantly enriched our learning experience and contributed to the fulfilment of our final two years of schooling.

Additionally, the IB curriculum has been instrumental in preparing us for higher education, notably through its emphasis on essay writing skills. The structured approach to writing tasks in our internal assessments, TOK and extended essay has provided invaluable preparation for the academic rigor expected at the university

level, which has made me feel more confident and ready to go into further education.

In summary, the comprehensive nature of the IB program has not only broadened our educational horizons through experiential learning but has also equipped us with the necessary academic skills to excel in future endeavours.







Encouraging your children to join in badminton allows them to explore and build abilities that will benefit them throughout their life. Badminton is a technical sport that necessitates a high level of agility, flexibility, and reactivity.

# Preasons why playing badminton is good for your child...

- It is a low-risk, low-impact game
- It Helps in Improving Flexibility
- It Improves Strategic Thinking
- It Aids in the Development of Hand-Eye Coordination
- It Develops Team Spirit in Your Youngsters
- It Enhances Memory Power.
- It Helps to create a positive environment.
- It Aids in the Development of Mental Resilience
- It is a Healthier Alternative







#### MATHEMATICS COMPETITION FINALISTS



Carnegie Mellon University Pi Day Mathematics Competition 2024

Doha British School boasts a rich history of participation in the Mathematics Olympiad at the University of Carnegie Mellon, an event that draws schools from across the country.



Students compete in teams of four through two rounds of mathematical problem-solving.



The preliminary round identifies the top four teams, which then progress to the final round. This year, with 85 teams in contention, our school successfully secured a place in the final, ensuring at least a fourth-place finish. The final round is scheduled for March 16th



The students who have brought pride to our school are Sidhanth Erath 12H (left), Aleel Capule 13H (second from left), Muhammad Khan 12H (second from right) and Ahsun Zafar 12C (right).

Consistently, Doha British School has ranked among the top schools in this competition. We were declared joint winners of the competition back in 2020. And we will be competing in the finals again this year in 2024.







Qatar National Environment Day - Monday 26th February 2024.

Students took part in a variety of different activities including recycled origami and quizzes about Qatar's Environment.







#### Year 6 Transition IDL Lessons



#### MFL

This particular MFL lesson has been interesting as the first half of the lesson was taught in French and the second half in Spanish. The subjects that were covered were colours, animals and, as the topic of this lesson was based on the subject of ecosystems, habitats as well. The students were generally very interested and engaged in the topics as the lesson was

made as interactive as possible, and collaborated as a class to answer questions. They firstly learnt about the colours, then how to correctly describe animals with colours, followed by an interactive activity where students went around the classroom and stuck pictures of animals to each of their respective habitats.

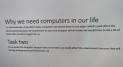
### **MUSIC**

As a part of their Year 6 Music IDL project, students have explored ways of utilising recycled items, in order to compose a group piece of music that was inspired by issues surrounding sustainability and pollution. The class used their previously acquired knowledge on rhythm and music structures to come up with

a short performance that would eventually be performed at the school expo. Students were actively involved in composing and performing the piece of music and selecting 'instruments' of their choice. This showcase will attempt to raise awareness of ongoing issues and try to send a message promoting recycling and sustainability.



















# WELCOME TO THE SECONDARY SCHOOL PRODUCTION











#### What a WIZARDING suggess!!

A standing ovation to everyone involved in the Secondary School's recent production of The Wizard of Oz!

The show was a phenomenal success, captivating the entire DBS community for days.

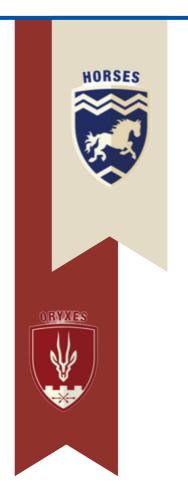
The students were truly outstanding, showcasing their incredible talents and leaving the audience in awe.

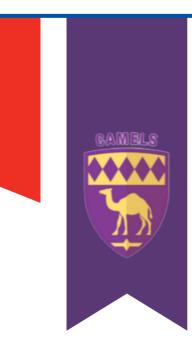




# STARS OF THE WEEK

#### **Another great week!**









#### BLUE HORSE HOUSE

- Izogin
- Mihailo Mohammed
- Faisal Sanosi
- Mohammed Mustafa

#### RED ORYXES HOUSE

- Badawy
- Mahmoud Hilani
- Leia Mendes
- Mark Alex

#### PURPLE CAMEL HOUSE

- Adam
- Muhammad George
- Andrea Phlemon Singh
- AryanVikram

#### GREEN SCORPION HOUSE

- Abu Hijleh
- Mohamed Mofareg Al-Hammadi
- Ebrahim Pillay
- Cherise

#### YELLOW FALCONS HOUSE

- Alardeh
- Zaina Al-Thani
- Alalya Ramadhani
- Hayyuna



Thank You