



DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
RAWDAT CAMPUS

Secondary School Weekly Information Letter Thursday 10th November 2022

Dear Parents,

Please find below, key dates and information pertinent to the Secondary section of DBS Rawdat Al Hamama

Dates for you Diary

| Date | Event |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| WB Sunday 13th November | Anti-Bullying week |
| Thursday 17th November | International Day |
| Thursday 17th November | Last Day of School - Term 1 |
| Monday 2nd January | First day of School - Term 2 |

BSME Languages Competition

BSME (British Schools in the Middle east) is an organisation that offers high-level sporting, academic and performing arts events for member schools. Traditionally a lot of these competitions have been face to face and have been hosted by one of the schools in the BSME organisation. To ensure that students continue to have opportunities to participate in competitive events, until we can fully resume face to face events, BSME has organised a series of online competitions.

The first of these was last week. Our Spanish students in KS3 participated in the BSME Language Championship across the Middle East, achieving excellent results. 22 schools participated in the event across the Middle East, to name a few, Abu Dhabi International School, Brighton College, Jeddah Prep and Grammar School and Park House.....so how did we do?



1st in Qatar in Spanish.



1st in Qatar across all languages.



1st in the under 50 students school category across the Middle East.



1st in Spanish across the Middle East.



4th across all languages in the Middle East.

I would like to pass on my congratulations to all our students who participated and I am sure you will agree that this is a remarkable achievement.

International Day - 17th November

A reminder that on Thursday 17th October, we are having our annual International Day to celebrate the incredible cultural diversity here at DBS- Rawdat. We will be having two main events to celebrate International day. The first is the parade, to which all parents are invited and the second will be the sharing of food. If you would like to stay after morning drop-off to watch the parade, you are welcome to wait in the Canteen.

We would like to ask for your support in the following ways. If possible, children should come to school in their national dress costumes or wearing clothes that represent the colours of their country. Another major part of the day is the sharing of food that may be representative of a student's home country, we ask that each student bring one dish **(should be nut free)**.

Arrangements for the day:

- Children arrive at school dressed in their National dress or wearing colours of their home country by 7am.
- Secondary students should drop of their food items in reception (please label the food item with the name and country)
- Students should then make their way to morning registration as normal
- 7.30am students will make their way to the field for a parade **(parents welcome to attend and view from the basketball court)**
- By 8.30am students will return to classes.

Star of the Week

As a school and in line with the 'DBS way' our core purpose is to ensure that every child or young adult, who comes through our doors, gains as much from the experience of being here as possible. We base this on our belief that all learners can, need and want to achieve. We will, therefore, provide the highest standards of teaching and learning together with substantive support for character development. We want our students to complete their education here as well-rounded individuals.

Whilst students are at DBS, we aim to develop and instil the following values:



Character development does not happen in isolation, for it to be effective, it needs to permeate all layers of your child's education at DBS. Within the classroom we aim to develop and recognise many of the facets of character development. One of the ways we recognise this is through our 'Star of the week'. Each week teachers nominate a student in their class that they feel has exhibited one or more of the character traits we aim to develop. The student(s) who receive the most nominations are awarded our star of the week. Although we normally only have one or two students in each year group who are awarded the Star of the week, many other students are nominated. To celebrate all our students' success we will share with you through the newsletter all the nominations. If your child has been nominated or has been awarded the Star of the week, then please recognise their success with them.

★ [Star of the Week](#)

Y7: Ibrahim Al-Rumaihi ★

Y8: Fahad Alkuwari ★

Y9: Zaki Akif ★

Y10: Emjay Simbulas Gnanam ★

The full list of nominations can be accessed through the following [link](#)

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Kind Regards



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