



DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
RAWDAT CAMPUS

Secondary School Weekly Information Letter Thursday 2nd February 2023

Dear Parents,

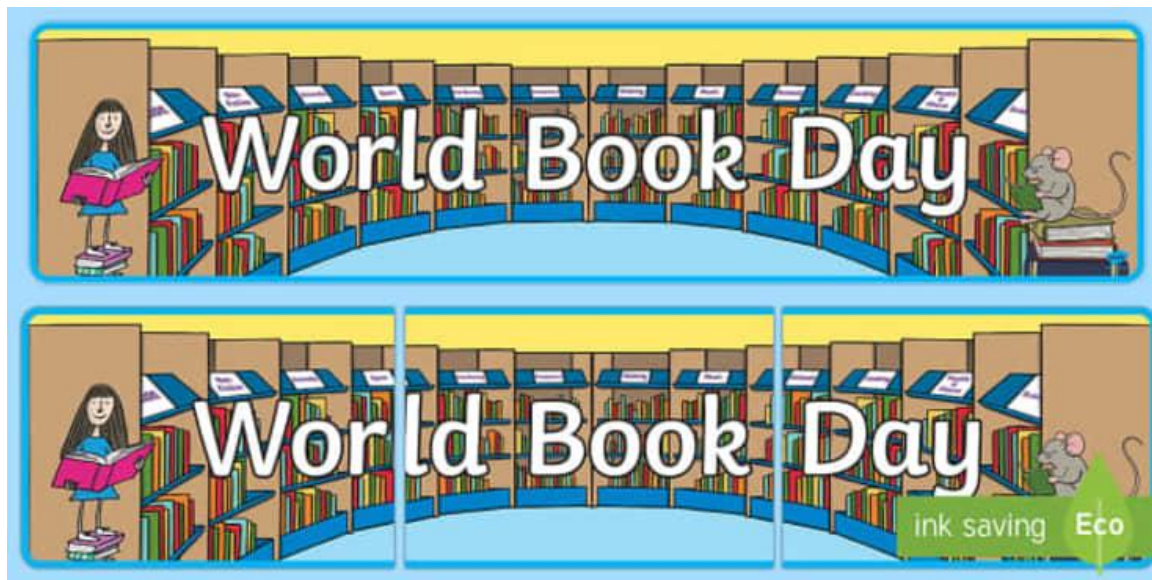
Please find below, key dates and information pertinent to the Secondary section of DBS Rawdat Al Hamama

Dates for you Diary

Date	Event
Sunday 5 th February	STEAM week
Wednesday 8 th February	Year 7 Reports issued
Thursday 9 th February	Year 8 Reports Issued
Thursday 9 th February	Secondary School Sports day (Sports week)
Sunday 12 th February	Sports Week
Thursday 2 nd February	Year 10 Art Museum trip
Tuesday 14 th February	School Closed – Qatar Sports Day
Thursday 2 nd March	International Book day
Sunday 20 th March – Tuesday 22 nd March	DBS Rawdat Book Fair

World Book Day

World Book Day will be celebrated on Thursday 2nd March 2023



The theme for Secondary pupils this World Book Day follows the message "You Are a Reader," and there will be a focus on reaching children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

We are fortunate to live in Qatar, where disadvantage is not as prevalent as elsewhere in the world. Students across the world are disadvantaged in lots of ways, but we want to focus on the positivity of education and the particular magic that reading can bring to individuals. On world book day we will be asking students and teachers to dress up as a character from a book that they have read who has had to overcome harsh barriers or general adversity in order to succeed.

Examples range from: Katniss Everdeen in The Hunger Games to Pip in Great Expectations, or the Monster in Frankenstein to The Old Man and the Sea and beyond.

Please remind your child to adhere to Qatar's modesty laws and avoid any controversial characters that could offend.

There will be prizes for the best outfit per year group, to be voted on by teachers.

Our 1st Secondary School Assembly

During the period of school closure whilst the FIFA world cup was on, work on the DBS Rawdat Auditorium was completed. Over the last couple of weeks' students and staff have been very keen to make use of it. On many an occasions students have asked me "when will we be able to use the auditorium", "when can we have our first assembly". Their patience finally paid off on Wednesday 1st of February, we had our first whole school Secondary assembly. It was led by Mrs Lorente and the theme was making resolutions, and looking at how to make a good resolution and sticking to it.



Sports Day

Qatar Sports Day is an annual national holiday celebrated on the second Tuesday of February. It is a day dedicated to promoting sports and a healthy lifestyle among the people of Qatar. On this day, various sporting events, competitions, and activities are organised across the country to encourage citizens and residents to participate and enjoy physical activity. The day is also marked by public displays of physical fitness and demonstrations of traditional sports and games. This year Sports Day will fall on Tuesday 14th February.

As a way of supporting Qatar Sports Day, promoting physical activity and healthy lifestyles among our students, the secondary school will hold a sports day on Thursday 9th February. Students will engage in a day of fun activities. With most of the activities being held outdoors, please remind your child to bring, sunglasses, hat, and sunscreen to protect themselves from the sun's rays. Additionally, to stay hydrated they should bring a refillable water bottle.

Students are expected to wear their PE kits and a t-shirt the colour of their house, if possible. Looking forward to a great day in the sun!"

Swimming Lessons

Just a quick reminder that the boys will have one swimming lesson per week for the next 5 weeks as part of their physical education program. The second lesson will be either badminton or athletics, this is to prepare students for the QUESS tournament. Please make sure your child comes prepared for these activities with appropriate clothing and equipment, such as a swimsuit and towel for swimming, and their normal PE clothes for badminton and athletics.

Swimming lesson will as follows:

Year 7 Boys - Tuesday

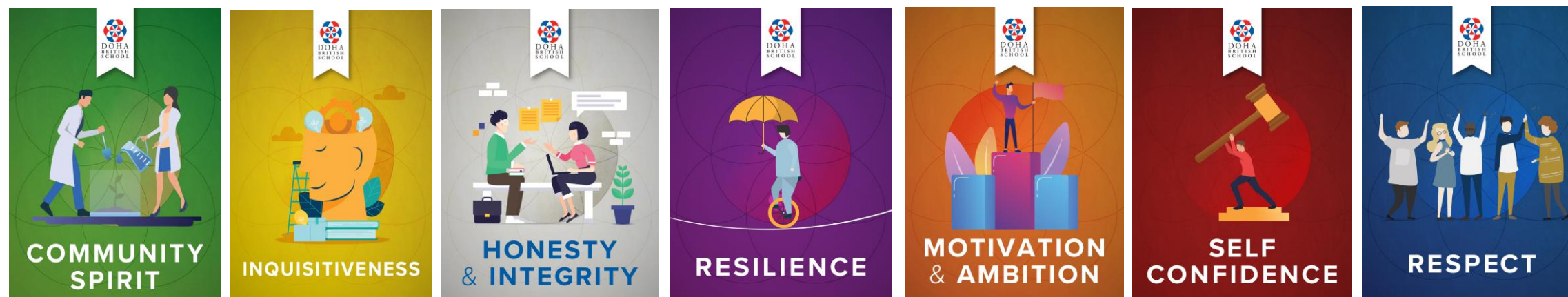
Year 8 Boys - Monday

Year 9 Boys - Wednesday

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: Teejay Gnanam,

★ Y8: Lamis Abdelnaby

★ Y9: Ammar Hassan

★ Y10: Margarita Malochka.

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

[Ongoing reminders from previous weeks and for New Parents \(Please click the title\)](#)

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Kind Regards



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