Our core 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: To be a vibrant, welcoming international school that provides a first-class class education enabling pupils to thrive within a dynamic, global environment Our Mission: To prepare all pupils through a relevant, challenging curriculum and well-resourced facilities, to become lifelong learners contributing to a global community.





SECONDARY SCHOOL WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 4th January 2024









Dear Parents



A very warm welcome to term 2.

Please find below, information pertinent to the Secondary section of DBS Rawdat Al Hamama.

Dates for you Diary

Upcoming events	
Date	Event
Tuesday 2nd January - 11th January	Year 11 mock exams
Wednesday 10th January at 7:15 am	Parent Coffee Morning at DBS Rawdat Al Hamama

Further ahead	
Date	Event
Sunday 4th February	U14 Boys Basketball at Qatar International School and Hamilton
Sunday 4th -12th February	Sports week Cross school sports fixtures
Wednesday 7th February	Year 9 and 11 Parents / Options Evening
Sunday 11th February	Parent workshop: Safer Internet
13th February - 15th February	Half -term break
Sunday 18th February	U13 Girls Basketball at Qatar International School and ACS
Tuesday 20th February	U12 Girls Basketball at Qatar International and Park House
28th February	Wear it Pink Day - Cancer Awareness

Important Notice for Parent & Guardian Campus Access



For the continued safety and security of our entire school community, all parents, drivers, nannies, and guardians who need to enter the campus for child drop-off or pick-up must visibly wear the red parent lanyard.

Please ensure you have your lanyard displayed. Entry to the campus will not be permitted without it. If you do not have a lanyard, you can order one from the main reception desk after being signed in by security.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in adhering to this policy and ensuring the safety of our staff and students.

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 instill the following values:



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.

This week's Stars of the Week are:



For the full list of students who were nominated please use the following link: Star of the Week

Computer Science Awards Certificates

As Term 1 concluded, our Computer Science students exhibited exceptional dedication to learning new skills such as programming and coding to control.

Sphero robots, alongside meeting deadlines and cultivating both self-confidence and a strong community spirit. Their efforts have been duly recognised with various accolades for these significant achievements and endeavors.

Please join us in congratulating the students on their remarkable achievements:







Year 7

7A: Halla S, Clarissa, Almayassa, Abdulraham, Ayman.

7B: Reem, Mustafa, Marwan, Layan, Khadija, Hussain, Calista, Maleka, Haya, Hamad and Hayk

7C: Jenna, Hassan, Shanzay, Nai, Arianna, Alma, Ahyan, Abdulla

Year 8 8A Yos

8A Yosser, Teejay, Saad, Roshnay, Hana Allie, Anas

8B: Yamen, Mohammed B, Hana A, Fizza, Ali

8C: Mohammed K, Kina, Karim, Arsen, Aisha Ali

Global Citizenship

Students in years 7, 8 and 9 were asked to select a country of their choice and research human and physical aspects of Geography.

Several students demonstrated their global citizenship skills by researching countries to which they had no personal connection. Many concentrated on Palestine as it has been prominent in global news, and following on from year 11 students presented an assembly raising awareness of the current issues.

All took the opportunity given to present a poster on Palestine based on his research, to the rest of the students in class.

He included information about previous rulers of the territory and information about the Palestinian diaspora. His work was informative and well-received.





Ongoing Reminders

Secondary Library Website – Information on how our students can access the free e-books library from home and more

School Calendar 2023/24 - Calendar 2023/24 School Uniform and School Shoes 2023-24 Staff email contact list Welcome to Secondary - Handbook/Teacher contact details Google Classroom

Kind regards,



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