

مدرستنا الثانوية الانجليزية - الفجيرة OUR OWN ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL - FUJAIRAH

# Insight



"The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill; the willingness to learn is a choice."

Brian Herbert

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# From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Students,

As the new academic year begins, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our students, especially to our little ones joining us for the first time. We are thrilled to have you all as a part of our school community.

At our school, we strive to create an environment that is safe, nurturing, and engaging for our young learners. Our curriculum is designed to foster creativity, critical thinking, and a love for learning, while also emphasizing the development of social skills and emotional intelligence.

Our faculty and staff provide a supportive and challenging academic program that meets the needs of all our students. We believe that every child is unique, and our goal is to help each student reach their full potential by providing them with the tools they need to succeed.

We look forward to a successful and exciting academic year ahead, filled with new opportunities for learning, growth, and discovery. We encourage you to be actively involved in your child's education and to take advantage of the resources and programs available at our school.

**Mr Syed Tahir Ali** Principal



# Headmaster's Message

Dear Parents and Students,

On behalf of HIS HIGHNESS SHEIKH ABDULLAH BIN HAMAD BIN SAIF AL SHARQI and all staff at Our Own English High School, I wish you all a pleasant new academic year (2023-2024) Every new academic year brings new hopes, new goals for life and a fresh chance for a new beginning again.

Let us start our new year at school with hopes and dreams and do our best to achieve them. Well dear kids, I am very glad this year to see you all come back to school with great happiness and eagerness to learn new knowledge and skills.

Every new academic year is a blessing as you progress in learning and stepping ahead in life finding new ways and methods to make life better for future.

Dear Parents, on behalf of our staff, I am happy to welcome you to the 2023-24 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential.

We recognize that to be successful in school, our children need support from both home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a significant difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

Our theme for this year is: Promoting Excellence Through Determination and Hard work. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning.

Please do not hesitate to contact or book an appointment to see the School Management if you wish to discuss any issues or challenges regarding your child.

I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to meeting you.

Dear students, I feel proud to welcome you to our school wishing you the best of year ahead, be at your best and Almighty Allah will help you and do the rest.

After all, "Patience and Perseverance" are a couple of secrets to success. And once again, welcome back to Our Own English High School.

Have a wonderful New Academic Year.

**Mr Bassam Al Koussi** Headmaster

# Academic Leader's Message

Dear Parents and Students,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all to the new academic year. This is an exciting time for our academic community as we embark on another year of new opportunities, learning, research, exploration and innovation.

The Glyph Pennant activities marked a joyous start to the academic year, 2023-2024, for the CBSE Middle School at Our Own English High School Fujairah. Our teachers carefully designed these welcome activities to create warm learning environments that prioritise community, relationships, and caring. As the academic year unfolds, exciting monthly activities are planned to observe significant events closely aligning with the curriculum.

As we start the new academic year, I would like to remind everyone of the importance of academic excellence and the pursuit of knowledge. Our goal is to provide the best education possible to our students and to conduct world-class research that makes a positive impact on society. I encourage everyone to get involved in the academic and extracurricular activities.

I take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to the school management, our honourable Principal, Mr Syed Tahir Ali, respected Headmaster, Mr Bassam Al Kousi and the parents for their constant support and encouragement for the learning and development of our students. Finally, I want to thank our beloved teachers for their hard work and dedication to our academic community. With their support and commitment, we will continue to strive for, and achieve great things.

Best wishes for a successful academic year ahead.



Ms. Manpreet Kaur Middle School Supervisor (CBSE)



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# EMBRACING LEARNING TOGETHER: A HEARTFELT WELCOME TO THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2023 - 24!

## Welcoming the New Academic Year

"I've always loved the first day of school better than the last day of school.

Firsts are best because they are beginnings."

#### Jenny Han

It's a new year, filled with new discoveries, new friendships, and new learning opportunities under the nurturing and caring watch of our teachers.

The school's academic session for the year 2023-2024 commenced on the 10th of April 2023. Although, the first day of the school can be an exciting time for students, it can be an anxious time too. A cheerful 'welcome" helps children to enthusiastically and positively begin their academic journey. To make this journey an exciting, successful and happy experience, the CBSE Middle School organised a "Welcome Day" Activity on the 10th April of 2023. Students engaged in different types of activities and confidently displayed their excellence in art and craft.



# Welcoming the New Academic Year



### World Heritage Day

World Heritage Day is an international observance held on 18 April each year around the world with different types of activities, including visits to monuments and heritage sites, conferences, round tables and newspaper articles. The biggest significance of World Heritage Day is basically the protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Our Own English High School also have celebrated this day with great pride, introspection, and retrospection. The importance of celebrating this day is to highlight the conserved treasure of any heritage site around the world and valuing the effort of mankind in the ancient times. The students of Grade VI and Grade VII have taken immense effort and time to conduct the activity of creating a collage on the above subject. The outcome is worth commendation.



# World Heritage Day









#### Ramadan Kareem

Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic calendar, is also the month during which Muslims around the world fast from sunrise to sunset. The CBSE Middle School celebrated Ramadhan Activity Day on April 17, 2023. The Middle School conducted activities across the section, from Grades 3 -8. The students used their creativity and imagination to create models, drawings, charts, calendars, calligraphy and online quizzes regarding Ramadhan. Students practised keeping fast. They not only refrained from eating and drinking, but also practised giving charity in this blessed month.





#### **World Art Day**

On the 22nd of April, on the occasion of the celebration of the Art World Day students were engaged to show their innovation to express the importance of this event.

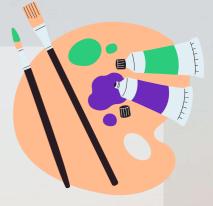


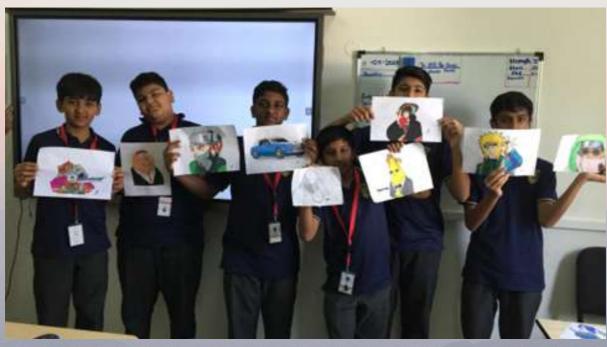




















#### World Earth Day

The Middle School observed Earth Day on 24th April 2023. Students were assigned different age-appropriate tasks to create awareness among the student community and thus positively influence society. Students took the mission of spreading the theme for Earth Day, "Invest in Our Planet", in its true spirit and with great fervor. Students of Grades 3 to 5 created Seed Bombs that attracted everyone's attention. They prepared a soft roll of mud to plant different seeds, and they sprouted, bringing forth fresh green leaves. The students of grade 6 exhibited their creativity in turning useless things into beautiful and useful objects, such as wallets, paper bags, flower vases, etc., from domestic waste material. They set an example for the elders on how to reduce, reuse, and recycle. It was a lesson in simplicity calling all of us to return to nature.

Grade 7 students grew attractive microgreens, including moong, coriander, horse gram, mustard, etc. and helped their parents prepare healthy and delicious salads.

Grade 8 students wrote articles on the causes and consequences and offered measures to prevent the phenomenon, Global Warming, thus protecting our home, Earth.

In an earnest attempt to protect the catastrophic phenomenon of Global Warming, the students wrote wonderful essays on its causes and consequences. They even listed a few remedial measures to minimize the impact of global warming.





# **World Earth Day**







"That's the thing about books. They let you travel without moving your feet." Jhumpa Lahiri

"World Book Day', also known as 'World Book and Copyright Day', or International Day of the Book, is an annual event organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to promote reading, publishing, and copyright. It is observed on April 23.

This year it was celebrated on the theme "Indigenous Languages". It highlighted the rich cultural heritage and the importance of native languages in literature and storytelling. Different activities were conducted by the Language Departments of Middle School. Students of Grades 3-8 participated in these activities. The activities included a variety of language-related tasks such as story writing, creating picture books, writing about authors. The activities aimed to help students hone their language skills and develop a deeper appreciation for the language. their language skills and develop a deeper appreciation for the language.



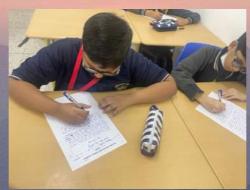
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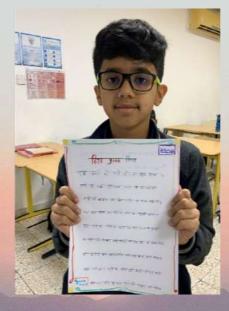




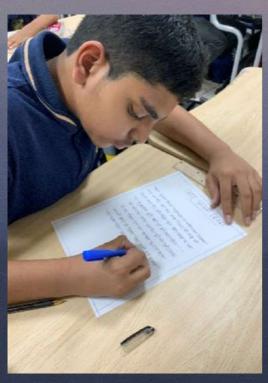




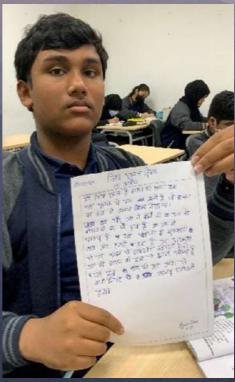




















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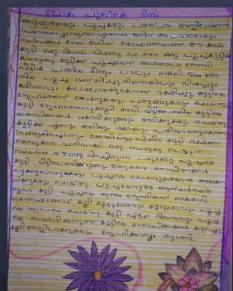




















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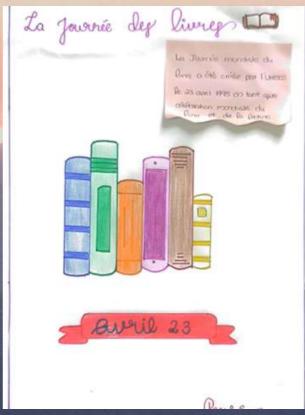
Devika Rajeev



#### World Book Day FRENCH











# SCINTILLATING MOMENTS OF JAN. - MAR. 2023

# 'ELOQUENT EXPRESSIONS' INTRA SCHOOL ENGLISH ELOCUTION





CBSE English Department conducted **ELOQUENT EXPRESSIONS**-an Intra School Elocution competition on Thursday, 5th January 2023. It was indeed impressive to see how beautifully students had expressed their thoughts, insights and humour.

The finalists' displayed oratory skill with zeal and enthusiasm. The competition was culminated with a few words of encouragement by our respected Principal Mr. Syed Tahir Ali, Headmaster Mr. Bassam Al Koussi, Senior School Supervisor Mr. Tamoghna Chakraborty and Middle School Supervisor Ms. Manpreet Kaur.

Ms. Sheela Biju, Ms. Deborah Daniels, Ms. Suganthy and Mr. Krishna Kumar were the chief judges.

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#### World Technology Day

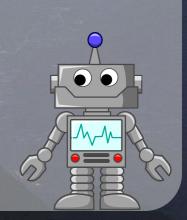
National Technology Day on January 6th recognizes how technology changes the world and looks to the future of technology. Each year, from the wheel to smartphones, the day honors technological achievements that impact our daily lives.

The CBSE Middle school celebrated National Technology Day on January 11, 2023. The Middle School conducted activities across the section, from Grades3 -5. The students used their creativity and imagination to create robots of various sizes and colors.































# Republic Day Celebration



The Republic Day in India, celebrated on January 26th every year, commemorates the adoption of the Indian Constitution in 1950. The CBSE Middle School, conducted various activities across the section. Each grade was assigned different activities to mark the celebration of Republic Day.

Following are the activities:

Grade 6 - Poster designing/poem.

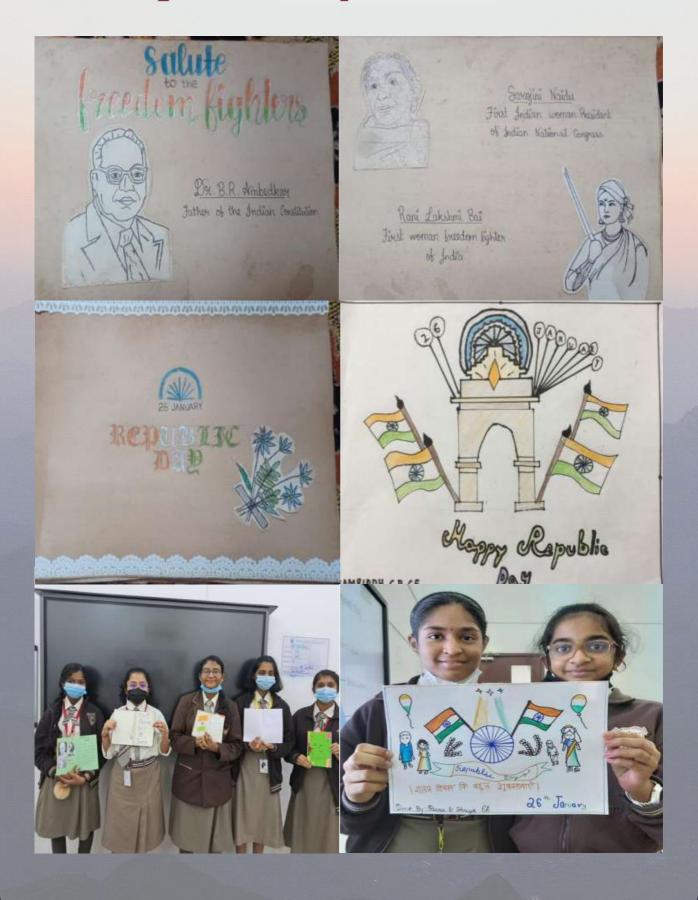
Grade 7 - Collage on making of the Indian Constitution.

**Grade 8** - Create Scrapbook (collect newspaper cuttings/articles related to the history of Indian Constitution).

Students enthusiastically took part in all the activities assigned and shared their views, expressing gratitude towards the sacrifices made by the Indian freedom fighters and others involved. Students watched the programme live and discussed it with their families.



# Republic Day Celebration



### Field Trip: Grades 3 - 5

#### Sharjah Desert Park

The students of grades 3, 4 & 5, accompanied by their teachers, went on an excursion to the Sharjah Desert Park in Sharjah. The students were thrilled to see several animals, including the Arabian Oryx, the UAE's national animal, and the Arabian leopard, the region's famous big cat. These endangered animals, with their own large, landscaped enclosures, were a joy to watch. Students enjoyed looking at the various kinds of snakes, frogs and toads, hedgehogs, and other desert animals. The aviary, which housed various kinds of birds, including flamingoes, was another major attraction. The children's area that featured a petting zoo and the Children's Farm was another favourites.





# Field Trip: Grades 3 - 5



#### Field Trip: Grades 6 - 8

#### Motiongate, Dubai

On the 20th of February 2023, the students of grades 6 to 8 were taken on an excursion to Motiongate in Dubai. The students started at 8:30 am on a two-hour journey. Motiongate Dubai has four themed lands. The students, accompanied by the teachers, began the trip by riding the fast, turbulent roller coaster - the Capitol Bullet Train. Next, they proceeded to the DreamWorks Complex, which is one of the most impressive areas of Motiongate. It had numerous rides including the Kung Fu Panda 3D ride, Madagascar Mad Pursuit, Shrek and How to Train a Dragon roller coasters. Each area had one major attraction; a shop linked to the ride. For lunch, the students were provided with food coupons when they visited the Smurfs Village. The students later advanced to the River Land Expedition, a themed water rapid ride. Following that, we moved on to the Aerial Tour rollercoaster. Last but not the least, the students rushed to Blast Off! - a high-speed, rapid ride that gives a bird's eye view of Dubai.



# Field Trip: Grades 6 - 8



# **Annual Prize Day**

The CBSE Middle School celebrated the Annual Prize Day on the 18th of February, 2023, with pomp and show, on the school premises. The 'Galactic Dreams' programme showcased the talent and excellence of the students. The occasion was graced by the Guests of Honour, Mr Shabbir Raja, the Finance Director and Mr Mohamed Heshmat, the Legal Advisor, the Senior Leadership Team, members of the Parent Council and our parent community.

The Principal, Mr. Syed Tahir Ali, in his Annual Report, highlighted the achievements and the best practices of the CBSE Middle School. The shining stars of Grades 3-8 were felicitated for their academic brilliance. Teachers were also felicitated for their exemplary performances.

The cultural programme included three dance forms - 'Arabalous Glitz', a traditional Arabic dance, 'Rhythmic Thunder', a hip hop dance and 'Phantasmagoria', a fusion of folk dances native to various states of India. In addition, the talented CBSE Middle School Choir rendered two popular songs to thunderous applause.

The parents thanked our supervisor Ms. Manpreet Kaur and all the teachers for their dedication, initiatives, efforts and positive approach towards making Annual Prize Day a memorable one.





# **Annual Prize Day**



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### **Special Assembly**

On the Monday of March 20, 2023, a special assembly was held after the completion of the Annual Examination. The assembly was hosted by Aditi Majmundar and Venkata Naga of Grade 4A. The assembly commenced with the National Anthem of the UAE, followed by the recitation of a Surah from the Holy Quran by Abdul Muqeem, and its translation by Aleena Khan of Grade 4B setting a spiritual and reflective mood for the rest of the proceedings.

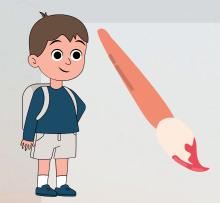
Other students then took the stage to share the thought for the day and news updates from around the world. Certificates for the winners of the Quran Competition and students with 100% attendance were distributed.

Ms. Jayalekshmi led the CBSE Middle School's Girls Choir, which bid farewell to the students of Grade 8, ready to step into the next phase of their academic life - the senior school. Harry George of Grade 7E presented the farewell address and wished the students of Gr 8 the very best.

Our Principal, Mr. Syed Tahir Ali, Headmaster, Mr. Bassam Al Koussi, CBSE Middle School Supervisor, Ms. Manpreet Kaur, and Operations Manager Mr Ahmad Hassan congratulated the prize winners and motivated the students of Grade 8, wishing them the best. The assembly ended with a heartfelt speech by Abigail Mathews of Grade 8B, who was articulate about her memorable years in Middle School.

# **Special Assembly**



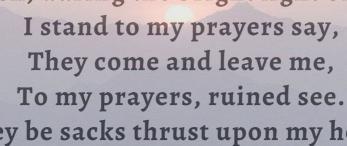


#### **Creative Minds**

#### **Desires**

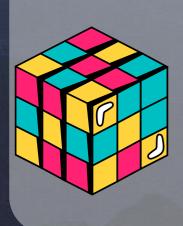
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And day by day, every day,
They grow more and more,
And roam me astray from my way
When, during the bright light of day,





They be sacks thrust upon my heart,
They be clanging chains of the devil,
Who from me refuse to part?
Tis the spider's web,
I be the fly,

Away they my heart have sweb,
As I walked towards that which was built so sly



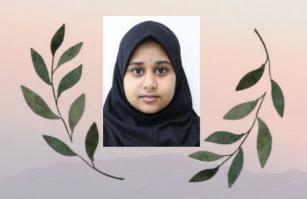


Munazah Hassan 6A



#### LAURAL'S AND ACCOLADES

# Congratulations



Arabic Competition Ayesha Fathima (4B)



Arabic Competition Munazah Hassan (6CA)



Meritorious (Award from Science India Forum 2022 Divyadharshini Panchatcharam (5(A)



Vian Bawa
Poetry Writing Competition
(Four Skills - English
Literature Fest 2023)

#### Teacher's Corner...

#### നമുക്കും ചെയ്യാം ചില നല്ല കാര്യങ്ങൾ

"നല്ലത് ചൊല്ലുക നല്ലത് ചെയ്യുക "ഏറെ കേട്ടു മറന്ന വാക്കുകൾ ആണെങ്കിലും കാലികപ്രസക്തി ഏറെയാണ്. എവിടെത്തിരിഞ്ഞൊന്നു നോക്കിയാലും അത്ര സുഖമില്ലാത്ത വാർത്തകളാണ് കേട്ടു കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നത്.വഴിതെറ്റിപ്പോകുന്ന ഒരു യുവത്വം യുവത്വം മാത്രമല്ല ബാല്യവും കൌമാരവും ഒക്കെ ഈ വഴിക്കാണ് പോകുന്നത് . പ്രവാസത്തിൽ നാമെല്ലാം സുരക്ഷിതരാണെങ്കിലും എന്നെങ്കിലും അഭിമുഖീകരിക്കേണ്ടി വരുന്ന

ഒന്നും ചെയ്യാൻ ആവില്ല എന്ന വിമുഖതയ്ക്ക് പകരം നമുക്കും ചെയ്യാനുണ്ട്ചിലത്.കുഞ്ഞു മനസ്സുകളെ പേടിയിൽ ചെറിയ തെറ്റുകൾക്ക് കഠിനശിക്ഷ വിമുക്തരാക്കുക ചെറിയ കൊടുക്കുന്നത് അവരുടെ തുറന്നു പറച്ചിലുകളെ അടിച്ചമർത്തുന്നു അച്ഛൻ,അമ്മ,ഗുരുനാഥൻ ആരോടെങ്കിലും എന്തും മനഃധെര്യം കുഞ്ഞുങ്ങൾക്ക് ഉണ്ടാകേണ്ടത് പറയാൻ ഉള്ള ആണ് . പരീക്ഷയിൽ അല്പം മാർക്ക് കുറഞ്ഞാൽ അക്രമാസക്തർ ആകുന്ന മാതാപിതാക്കളേക്കാൾ കൂടെ ചേർത്ത് പിടിച്ച് ഇനി വരുന്ന പരീക്ഷയെ നേരിടാനുള്ള ഒരുക്കങ്ങളും ആത്മവിശ്വാസവും ആണ് അവർ കാംക്ഷിക്കുന്നത്. ഈ വിശ്വാസം മതി പറയാൻ എന്തും തുറന്നു അവരെ പ്രാപ്തരാക്കാൻ.വിശ്വസിക്കുന്ന ഏതാണെങ്കിലും മതം പ്രാർത്ഥനയും പരസ്പരബഹുമാനവും സഹാനുഭൂതിയും ഒക്കെ ജീവിതവിജയം ഇളംമനസ്സിലേ സ്വയത്തമായാൽ അവരുടെ സുനിശ്ചിതം ആണ്.

"ദൃഡനിശ്ചയം ചെയ്തവർക്ക് എന്തിനേയും മറികടക്കാൻ കഴിയും" എന്ന ആപ്തവാക്യം മനസ്സിൽ ഉറപ്പിക്കുക.



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