



School of Knowledge, Sharjah
(St. Mary's Group of Schools)

Year 3

Newsletter – 2022-2023

THEME - EXCELSIOR



**SCHOOL OF KNOWLEDGE
ST. MARY'S GROUP OF SCHOOLS**

Pulse of SOK

November 2022-2023

What a fulfilled, action-packed two months of learning we have had at SOK. The only word that perfectly illustrates the amazing learning that has taken place is just- **WOW!!!**

The return of school events and parental involvement were the highlights of the term. Thank You for all your support,
Dear Parents!



EXCELSIOR

'Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success'.

We thank the Almighty as we have successfully completed the first semester in this Academic Year 2022-2023.

Looking back at the days gone by we have seen students progress in many areas. Apart from regular learning with fun filled activities, students have also participated and excelled in various other activities that will help them to become successful individuals and face the challenges of the 21st Century.

We had activities in school based on global events that are celebrated across the world to create awareness and benefit people. These activities not only inculcate positive habits in daily life but also keep students abreast with the happenings around the world.

Our Newsletter for this semester will show you glimpses of how our students have acquired the necessary skills that will help them to learn, grow and confidently move ahead in life.



VISION OF THE SCHOOL

**Striving for excellence,
striding towards success and
seeking new horizons for
personal growth and worth.**

MISSION STATEMENT

**Each toddler walking through
the gates of the School of
Knowledge is viewed as a talent
reserve and the school works
relentlessly towards
empowering each and every
child.**

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Good wishes for a beautiful and cooling winter season to you dear Staff, Parents and beloved Students. May this season chill out the heat from everywhere. We are truly happy and proud of 'School of Knowledge' which is esteemed to be 'par excellence' in education. The theme for the newsletter of this term is Excelsior which means the high quality of education given by the school which moulds the students in the field of academics, discipline, commitment and above all in social and moral values of life for the growth and welfare of the society. Efforts are made to make our pupils independent, innovative and creative learners so that they become confident, excellent and productive individuals in future. Hence the theme for this academic year has been 'Aiming for excellence through creativity and Innovation'.

Education is the most empowering force in the world. It inculcates wisdom and knowledge, builds confidence and hope, and breaks down barriers and hurdles to avail opportunities. Today Education is recognized as an instrument of social change and social development. Our school demonstrates relentless commitment to STUDENT-LED INITIATIVES and I congratulate the Leadership team and staff for their efforts and I'm sure these initiatives will create a generation of critical thinkers and collaborators in the society who can be the stalwarts and community builders of the country in the future.

The first term of 2022-23 has come to an end with lots of educational and extra-curricular activities, with parents' involvement in students' projects and specially in 'Go Green' activities, need of the day. We continue to look forward for a close and collaborative partnership with parents in order to enhance the students' participation in varied activities for their welfare.

The School management also looks ahead as we march towards the expansion and promotion of the school from Year 7 to Year 8 and Year 9 in the coming academic year 23-24. It's indeed an encouraging and joyful news and moments of pride to the school and to all of us as our Year 7 students can continue their further studies in their own school. Let us be happy and feel proud that our SCHOOL OF KNOWLEDGE(SOK) is growing higher and marching forward to fulfill the vision of its founders.

Once again Good wishes and God's Blessings.
Let's enjoy the winter- break. Happy days ahead.



**Our Director
Sr. Bobina Soares**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

*"Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go. But don't forget to enjoy the journey."
" Michael Josephson"*

It is heart-warming to pull through to the end of a successful term. I'm pleased to note how far we have come as SOK family, celebrating our successes and building an education fit for the future. Our school focuses on adopting an educational approach that places students at the center of the process because it offers students the choice of what and how they learn and this independent approach also equips them with the key skills. It provides students with ample opportunities for self-direction, a powerful sense of ownership and the ability to explore topics that are meaningful and relevant in their lives. A big round of applause for our students who has made this approach a great success.

We are very proud of the academic progress and personal growth that each and every student has made. Student learning and growth have been visible all across the school and are evident from projects, assignments, Go-Green posters and activities, performances, research works, Project-based learning, STEAM activities, Club activities, Curiosity Walls, Brain Gym corners, inculcate a Reading habit and other artifacts.

We continue to see students taking ownership and responsibility for their learning as they set different goals that they wanted to work towards, collaborated with peers, and shared their projects and learning which is expected out of them. We are committed to preparing our students for tomorrow's world, and empowering our young learners to shape the world they want to live in. A special appreciation goes to our Student Council and we are happy to see those champions in their areas of responsibility. Students, I appreciate you all for showing us each day that you are RESILIENT and REMARKABLE!

Next, Our Academic Staff members on the balancing hand have demonstrated unflinching commitment and continue to work round the clock to ensure high-quality learning is within every learner's reach.

And I would like to celebrate our PARENTS. You are truly our partners in learning. I feel elated by looking at your commitment in supporting all of the processes and expectations, such as monthly PTM, and for your endless hours of volunteering, and chaperoning, went above and beyond the call of duty to provide whatever was necessary to add rich school experience in all the parental involvement activities to support the school in moving forward towards the Innovative theme- Go Green, Inter-class competitive events, community involvement activity on UAE National Day, social awareness events like World Food Day and celebrating the success with our tiny tots in the Foundation stage.

With the holidays upon us, our students and teachers are looking forward to a chance to relax and rejuvenate ready for a very productive Term 2. We still have lots of work and learning to do, so we will continue to push hard, have high expectations, and celebrate each child's learning.

"We believe that all children are capable of great things." And let us continue our journey with more zeal and our unwavering commitment to giving you the best which still remains the focus. I hope you all have wonderful winter holidays; may you get some quality time with your families. We are looking forward to seeing you all in January'23.

God Bless!



**Our Principal
Ms. Junia Amanna**

From the Vice - Principal's Desk...

“All the world's a stage. And we are merely players”.

-William Shakespeare



Sr. Sarala FMCK
Vice-Principal

A school is one of the first and most essential stages for an individual where one shall learn one's and then get trained for the final and bigger acts later in life. We as mentors and guides, simply play our role in being the path enlighteners, enabling the children to trudge along until they find their confident footing. I feel proud & congratulate the SOK staff and the children that they exuberantly try to make this journey together in implementing a student-led learning approach & succeeding together, faltering & correcting together & making themselves Excelsior. Student-led learning, at its core, is all about prioritizing students' needs and valuing their ability to learn independently.

A full window glimpse into the immense talents and capabilities of the precious gems of SOK, along with a compilation of all the achievements of these same gems, is our e-newsletter; 'Pulse of SOK' A platform for showcasing where we have reached and where we want to see ourselves.

I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Director of our School Sr. Bobina, our Principal Ms. June Amanna, SLT and MLTs for their reaffirming unconditional support rendered at all times that assures peak performance without any compromises, be it curricular or co-curricular. .

I would also like to put on record the incessant assistance and cooperation of all the teaching & non-teaching staffs that help in smooth functioning of this institution.

Last and in no way least, a special thanks to all the parents to putting their faith and confidence in us. One last thanks to the editorial team for doing a wonderful job for compiling this e- newsletter. I wish you all good luck and let's work harder to achieve bigger and better milestones in the future. Remember, success is not final. Success is not resting on your laurels, but finding new laurels to rest upon.

WE WILL MOVE FORWARD, WE WILL MOVE UPWARD, AND YES, WE WILL MOVE ONWARD

From the Desk of the Headmistress

Every cloud has a SILVER LINING

The Academic Year 2022 - 23 is a time to celebrate, as we resumed classes with 100% students in the campus.

We have risen at each step, faced challenges during the pandemic times and are empowered to enhance and make a difference in the lives of students. The Vision and Mission is always at the heart of this Exemplary institution. We are committed to help to improve the quality of Education and **AIM FOR EXCELLENCE THROUGH CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION.**

At SOK we continue providing inspired leadership to the Academic Community in achieving New Heights Of Excellence.

You have to do everything you can,

You have to work hard,

You have to stay positive and then

You have a shot at **THE SILVER LINING.**



**Tasnim Saifee
Headmistress**

A MESSAGE FROM THE GUEST EDITOR

A step towards SUSTAINABILITY....

The theme for the year 'GO GREEN' has been integrated into the curriculum at SOK with the aim of developing a sense of awareness among the students towards adapting a more sustainable lifestyle. Students are encouraged to participate in various curricular and co-curricular activities to empower them to spread the awareness among the community.

Students at SOK are seen as a talent reserve and the school provides opportunities to them to apply the 3 R's, reduce, reuse and recycle in their day to day lives to imbibe the importance of conserving natural resources. By giving emphasis on environmental themes and sustainability education, students will be equipped with real-world skills to make the world a better place to live.



**HOD Science Department
Ms. Roopa Shenoy**

BIRTHDAY OF PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PBUH)

EID MILAD UN NABI(PBUH) ACTIVITIES

Islamic Education Department organized Eid Milad un Nabi activities during the Holy month of Rabi Ul Awal to promote the Seerah of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). Students from Year 2 - 7 participated in different activities like making of Milad Un Nabi cards, Darood o Salam, posters. A special assembly was conducted on Milad Un Nabi to seek blessings of Allah upon all Muslims.



International Peace Day: 21st September 2022



The International Day of Peace, also known as World Peace Day is observed every year on 21st September. This day is celebrated around the world to strengthen the ideals of peace, students of Year 4B conducted an assembly to spread the awareness of this important event and to promote peace among each other.

CELEBRATION OF SAUDI NATIONAL DAY

Relationships become better with love and respect. UAE and Saudi Arabia are two countries that have proved this. Saudi Arabia is an important country for Muslims worldwide. The Saudi National Day was celebrated in SOK on 22nd September 2022. Students witnessed a special assembly on that day.





They sang the National Anthem of both countries and learned many important facts about Saudi Arabia. We pray to the Almighty that may the bond between UAE and Saudi Arabia become stronger and stronger as the years pass by and may these countries prosper in every aspect.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY



World Teachers' Day (also known as International Teachers' Day) has been celebrated annually on the 5th of October across the world. The event was launched by the United Nations Organization for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO) to celebrate the anniversary of the adoption of the 1966 ILO/UNESCO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers. This was when governments unanimously recognized how important it is that society contains competent, qualified and motivated teachers.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

On 5th October 2022 (Wednesday), School of Knowledge organized Teachers' Day and the program was conducted by Year 2-4 students. Along with the Director, the Principal, Vice-Principal and the teachers of the school were present at the function.

Students expressed their feeling of gratitude towards teachers by reading out heartfelt quotes and poems in addition to heart-warming gratitude cards.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY



Students organized a variety of programs for the teachers.



Nature is a gift from God to us living beings and it is our utmost duty to take care of this beautiful gift. Due to various reasons the wonderful creations of God are harmed and destroyed. As children of today are the future of tomorrow, they have taken it in their hands to save the planet. The students of SOK pledged to join hands with the world to make this planet greener and happier. Students made charts on the theme Go-Green and held it high in a parade within the school premises. Their message was loud and clear that we all have to start working towards a greener tomorrow and save our mother earth.



GO GREEN ACTIVITIES



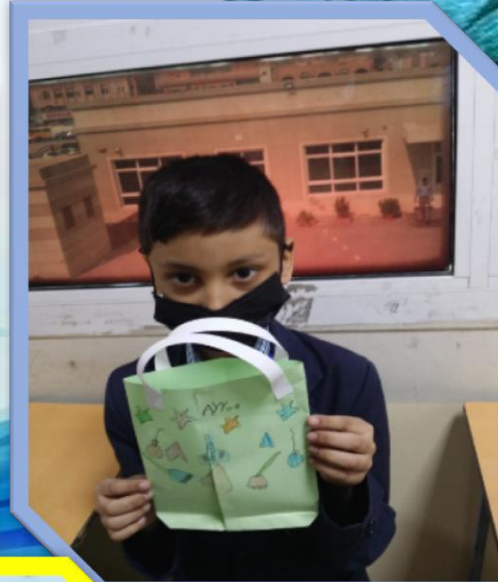
Crafts



CRAFT ACTIVITIES

The students of Year 3 were engaged in various interesting craft activities and demonstrated creativity.

These activities help to improve their fine motor skills. Students made colourful birds, butterflies, paper bags, etc during the activity period. Students showed enthusiasm and actively participated in these activities.



GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY



It is said that doing something regularly becomes a habit in the long run. Hand washing is a practice which is followed since ages, and has become more important since the Covid pandemic. We at SOK give utmost importance to health and hygiene. It is the need of the hour to know the correct technique of washing hands and we need to remind our students of the same.

Global Handwashing Day was celebrated on the 13th of October at SOK. Students were told the importance of washing hands and shown the way to wash hands correctly through a presentation. Many students demonstrated the washing of hands at home and the same was recorded and sent by parents.



World Food Day- Healthy Corn Salad Activity



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HEALTHY CORN SALAD

YEAR 3

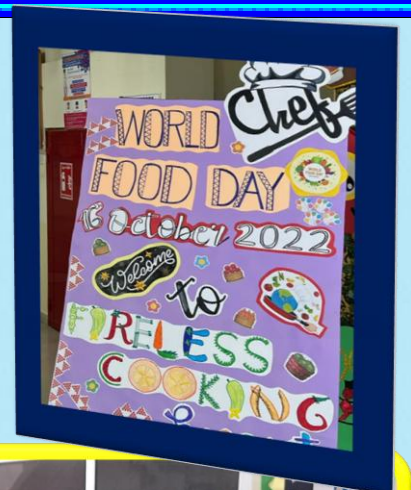
OCTOBER 17TH, 2022

MONDAY

'Health is wealth'. Eating healthy food every day is something that is taught to students at an early age in SOK. Students are encouraged to bring healthy tiffin boxes every day during regular school days.



World Food Day- Healthy Corn Salad Activity



World Food Day gives an opportunity to enhance healthy eating habits. This year World Food Day was celebrated on 17th October 2022 for the students of Year 3. They brought healthy ingredients to make the corn salad. They enjoyed eating this healthy salad with their friends and teachers at school. The teachers together with students demonstrated healthy eating through this activity. It was a day to remember for all.



Parent-Teacher Meeting

29.9.22 & 27.10.22

The main objective of the meeting was to create a common platform for the teachers and parents, where they could interact with each other regarding the overall development of the students and to enrich the student's educational experiences. To facilitate a fruitful discussion and to get a comprehensive feedback, a Parent –Teacher Meeting is arranged on the last Thursday of every month throughout the Academic Year, 2022-2023. The class teachers shared their comprehensive feedback. Questions, concerns and areas of improvement were discussed in the meetings. The parents felt delighted to know the interesting activities taking place in the class, to make the teaching learning process effective for the students. Parents appreciated the efforts being made by the class teachers for the all-round development of a child.



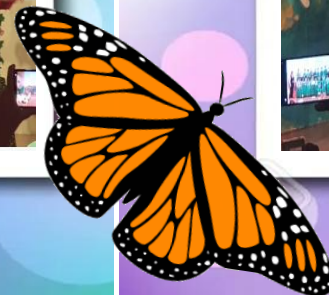
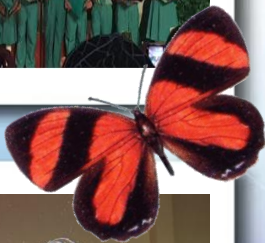
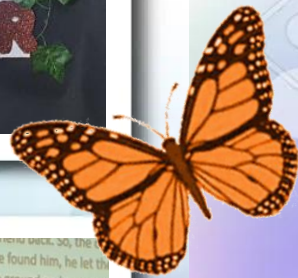
Read Aloud Competition

The students and teachers of Year 3 were all enthusiastic and excited for the Read Aloud Competition that took place on the 26th of October 2022. Parents were invited to view this event. Each class prepared a story to be read on the stage together, the students gave their best performance and made their parents and teachers proud.

Here are some glimpses of this competition.



Read Aloud Competition





UAE Flag Day

3rd Nov. 2022



UAE Flag Day

The UAE flag colours were spread across the school as students came to school dressed up in red, green, white and black T-shirts and caps. The morning of 3rd November 2022 was exciting as students gathered in the school auditorium for a special assembly on the occasion of the UAE Flag Day. The students and teachers grouped themselves according to the UAE flag colours and later arranged themselves to form the flag of UAE. All were excited to proudly represent each colour of the UAE flag.

At 11:00am students and staff again gathered on the school playground to hoist the UAE flag. The headmistress of the school hoisted the flag. The students saluted the flag and sang the UAE National Anthem. They raised the flags high during the assembly and expressed their love for the country. A presentation was shown to students that explained the importance of the day. The students learnt what each colour stands for and other facts about the UAE flag.

UAE Flag Day



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UAE Flag Day



UAE NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION

The 51st UAE National Day was celebrated with a mini carnival at School of Knowledge on November 29, 2022. The occasion was graced by the guest of honor, Ms. Ranah Nazzal, Arabic Advisor at Sharjah Private Education Authority along with the honourable Senior Leadership Team of the school. The center of attraction was a display of numerous UAE customs and traditions including the majlis, artifacts, Henna corner and Arabic food. Parents of Year 4 pupils in collaboration with the members of the Philanthropist and Entrepreneur Club set up stalls of Arabic food with the intention of using the proceeds for charitable purpose.



UAE Commemoration Day

UAE Commemoration Day was observed in the School of Knowledge on Wednesday, November 30th, 2022. The UAE National Flag was lowered in remembrance of the nation's martyrs.

Honourable Director, Sr. Bobina hoisted the UAE Flag at 11:31 am after a minute of silence was observed to pray for the martyrs.

The National Anthem was then played, and the UAE Flag was honored. Both Arabic and English speeches were delivered in honour of the martyrs. Students swore an oath to defend the nation's sovereignty. The importance of the day and its yearly commemoration to memorialize those who lost their lives for their beloved country were also explained to the students.



International Children's Day

(20th November 2022)



Children's Day!

A famous quote says that, “The best way to make children good is to make them happy.” The Children’s Day is a perfect opportunity to make children happy and show them how important they are to their parents and teachers.

Children’s Day was celebrated in SOK on the 21st November 2022. To make this day special various activities were planned for our students by the teachers. Students gathered in the school auditorium to witness an assembly programmed especially for them. The assembly commenced with the UAE National Anthem, teachers recited the Surah, School Prayer, Vision of the school and Mission statement. Our Principal June Ma’am wished the students and enlightened their minds with her words of wisdom. Teachers sang songs for the children in English and Arabic languages and wished our students in a unique way.

Children enjoyed eating popcorn while they watched a movie in class with their friends. Teachers of Year 3 made colourful cards and bookmarks for children with the words ‘Happy Children’s Day’. It was a fun filled day for all our students and a day to be remembered for years to come.

International Children's Day



International Children's Day



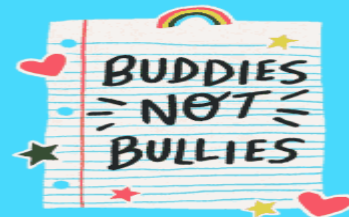


Anti-Bullying week



Students watched awareness video during anti-bullying week. It made them understand more about anti-bullying

Anti-Bullying week



Children made their own slogans to raise the awareness against bullying

Anti-Bullying week

Special assembly conducted on Anti-Bullying week



ACADEMICS

GLIMPSES OF LEARNING

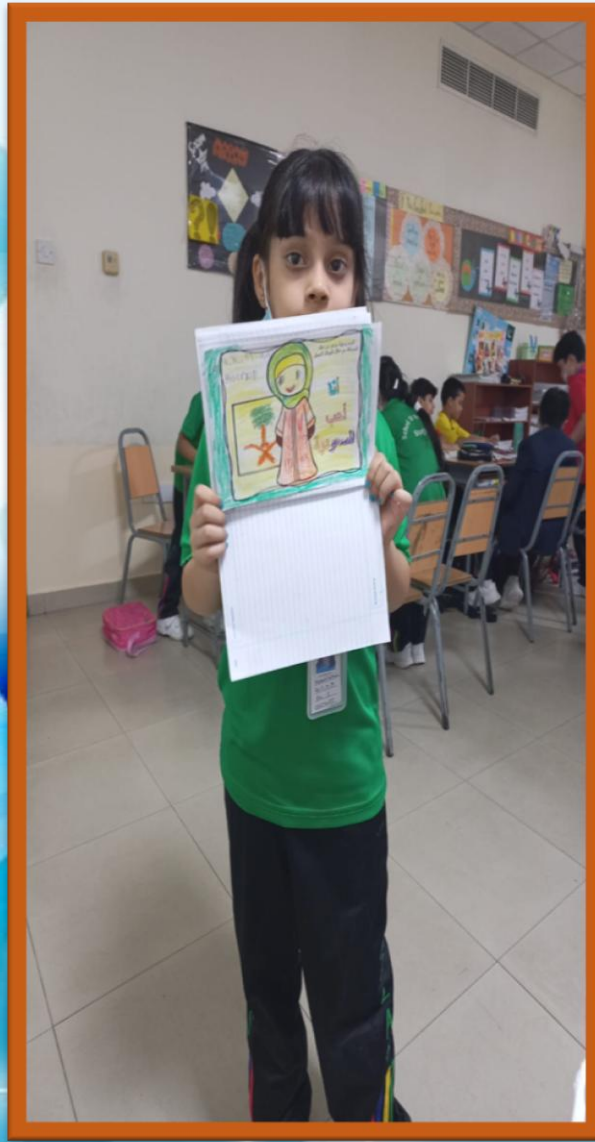
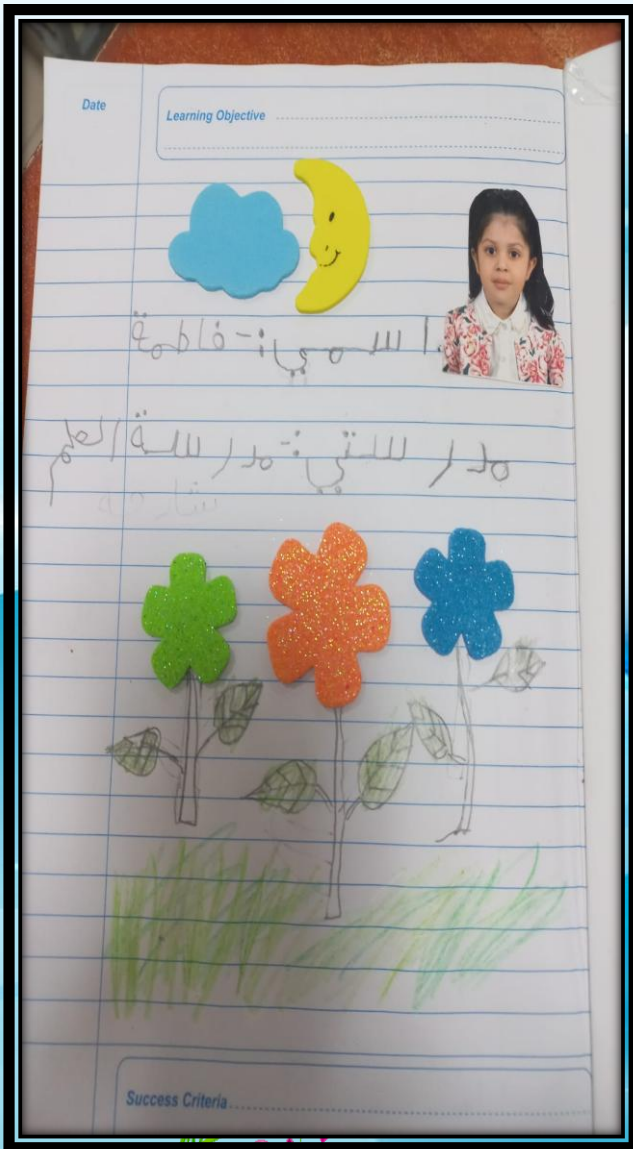
“EDUCATION IS THE
PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE,
FOR TOMORROW BELONGS
TO THOSE WHO PREPARE
FOR IT TODAY.”

MALCOLM X



Students wrote their names on plates in Arabic.





مسابقة الخط ومسابقة القراءة

Reading And Arabic Calligraphy Competition

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Arabic Calligraphy



مسابقة الخط العربي

Competition

الاسم: _____ الشعبة: _____ التاريخ: _____

أَسْخُ بِخَطِّ جَمِيلٍ مَعَ الْحَرَكَاتِ:

أنا أحب الإمارات.

أنا أحافظ على الصلوات الخمس.

مَنْ جَدَّ وَجَدَ وَمَنْ سَارَ عَلَى الدَّرَبِ وَصَلَ.

مع تمهيلاتنا بالتوفيق لنجاح المسابقة.

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Arabic calligraphy



مسابقة الخط العربي

Competition

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باب ، مدرسة ، ثعلب ، جزر ، خوخ

أنا أحب اللغة العربية.

مع تمهيلاتنا بالتوفيق لراعيها الصغار.

اقرأ الفقرة التالية في دقيقة واحدة

فصل الزبيح

حل فصل الزبيح ، فاختذت العصافير تُفَرِّدُ عَلَى أَغْصَانِ
الأشجار ، وتغلي الحانها رابعةً وامتلات الغابة بالأزهار
الجميلة

الطيور في الصباح

إننا اشرفنا الشمنن ، خرجت الطيور من أوكارها ،
واستقبلت بؤمها السعد نشيطة مسرورة .
وقد رأيت صباح اليوم غصنورة خرجت من غصنها ،
فغرنت بصوت جميل ، ثم طارت في الجو ، لتبحث عن
الزرقى .



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مسابقة القارئ الصغير

The little reader



تعلم مدرسة العلم بالشارقة عن قيام مسابقة

(القارئ الصغير) للعام الدراسي 2022-2023.

قارئ اليوم قائد المستقبل .

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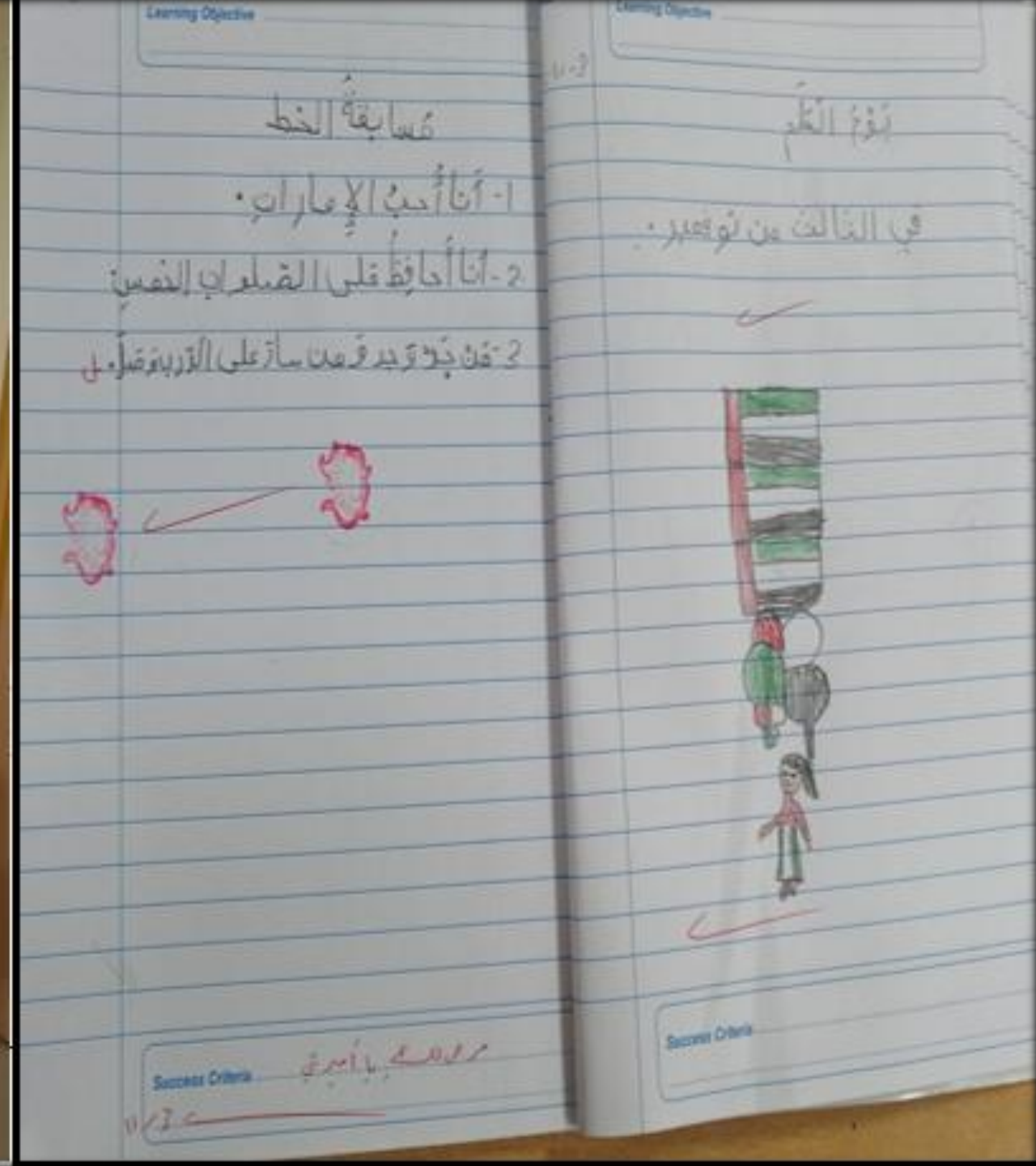
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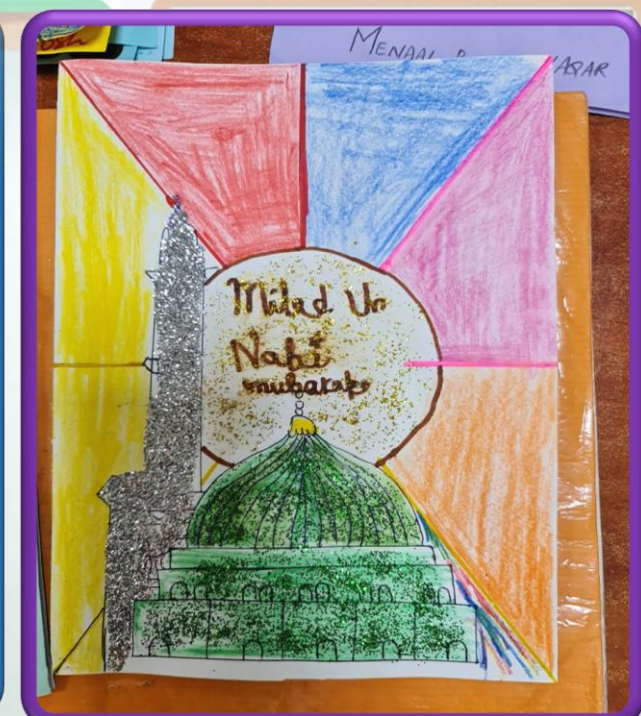
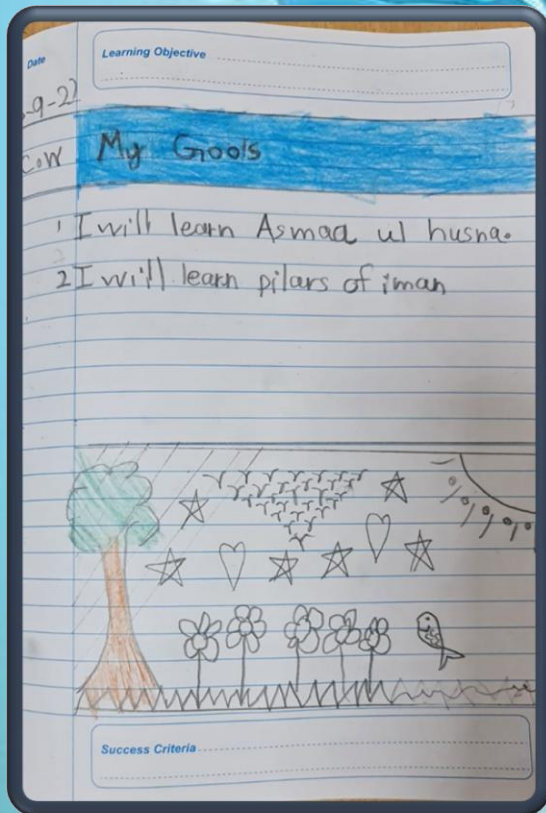
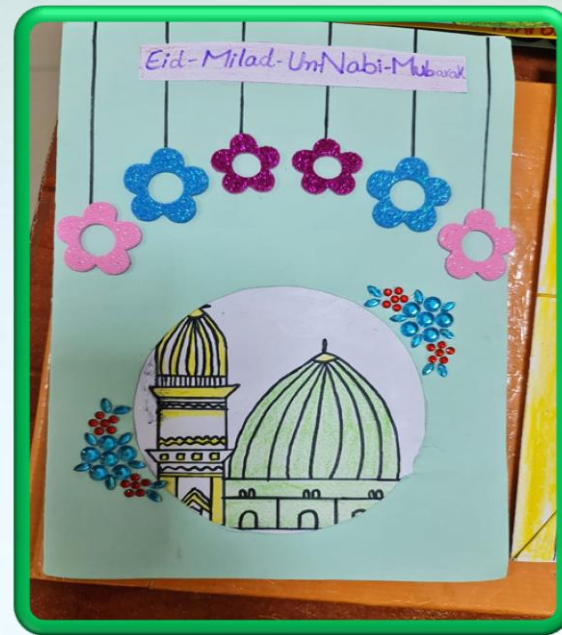
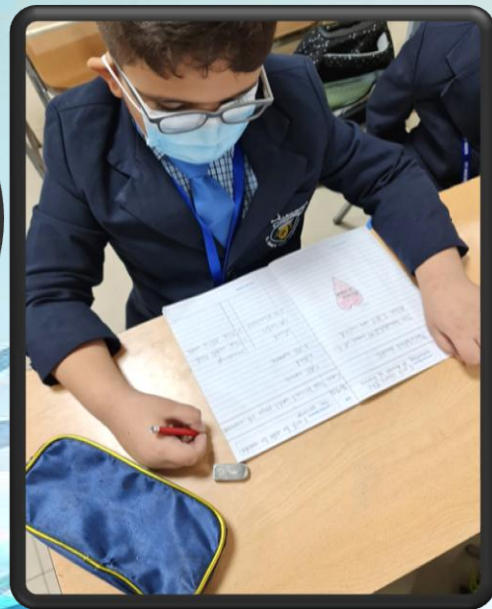
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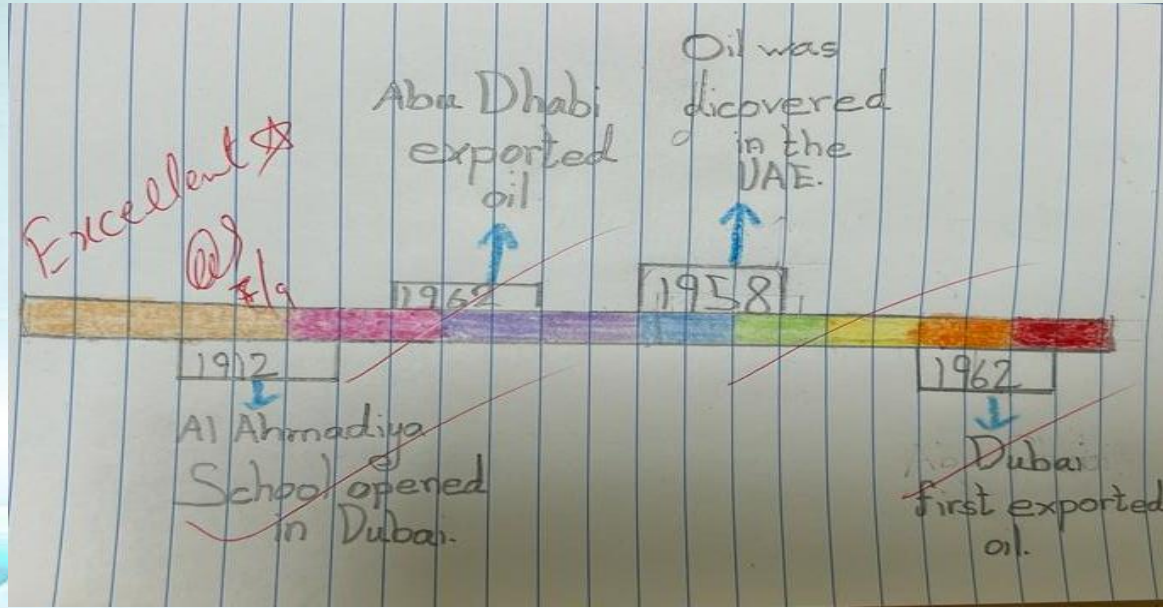
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ARABIC WEEK : YEAR 3





MORAL, & SOCIAL & CULTURAL STUDIES

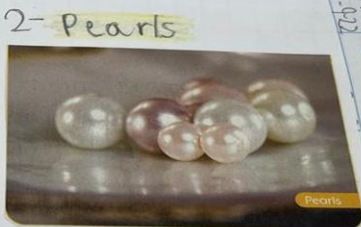


Two gifts of the sea are

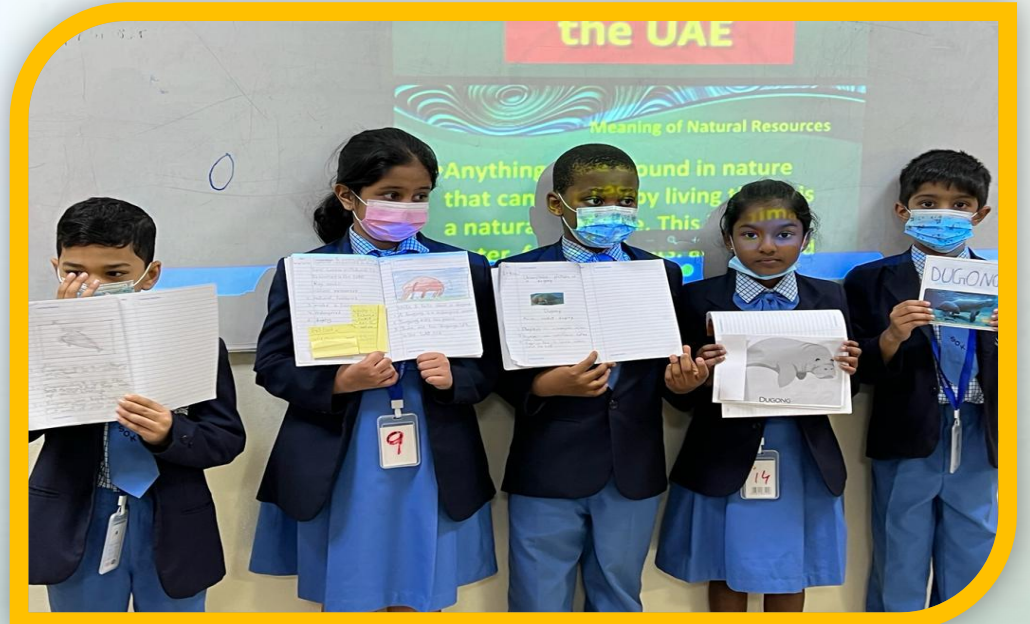
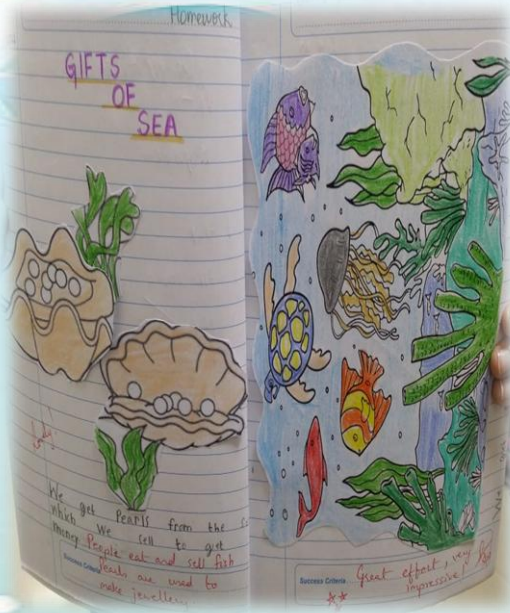
1. Fish
2. Pearls



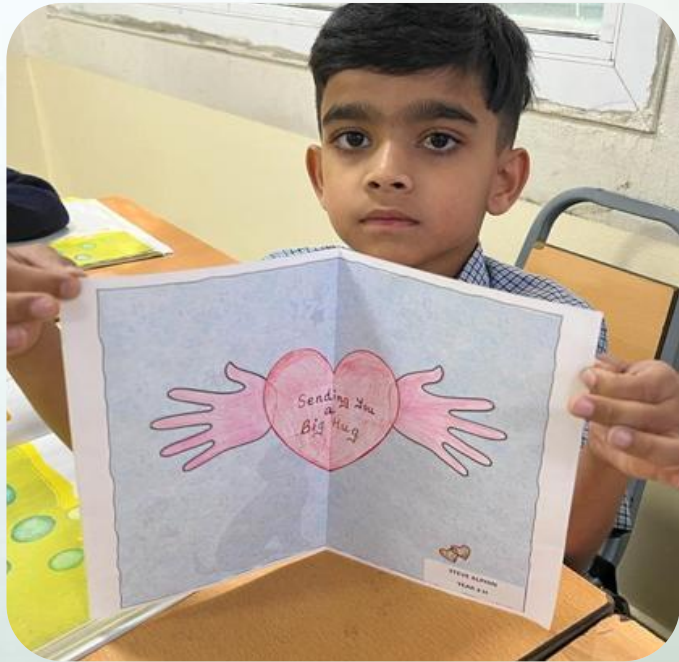
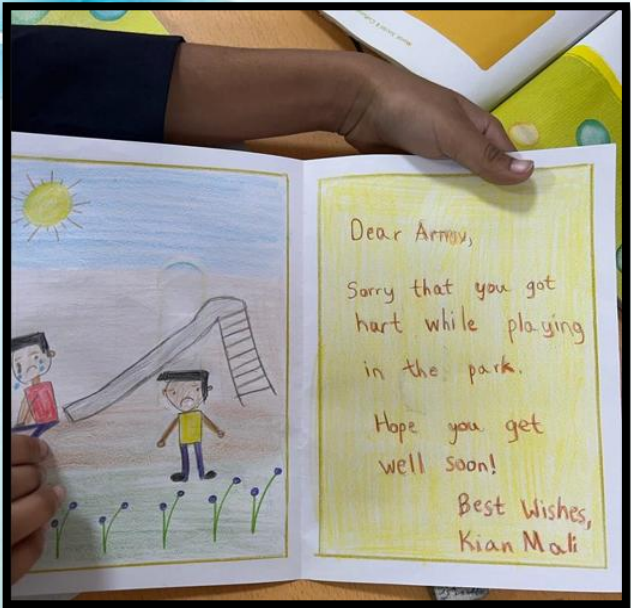
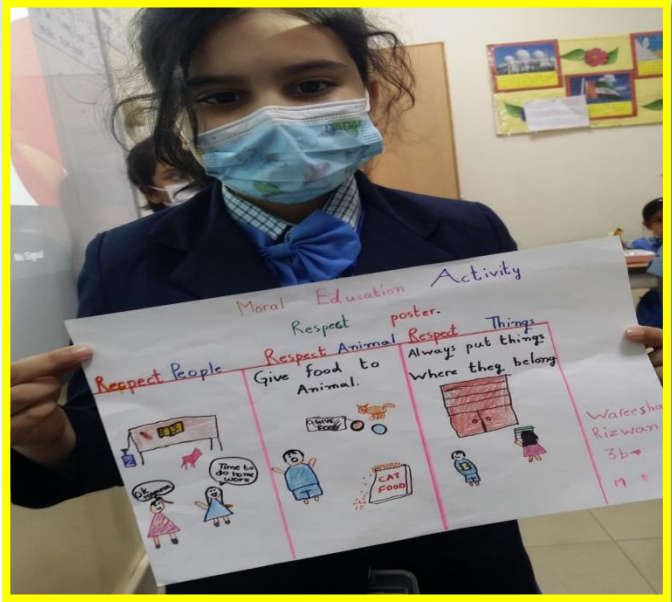
Fishermen catch fish to sell and eat.



Pearls are used to make jewellery.



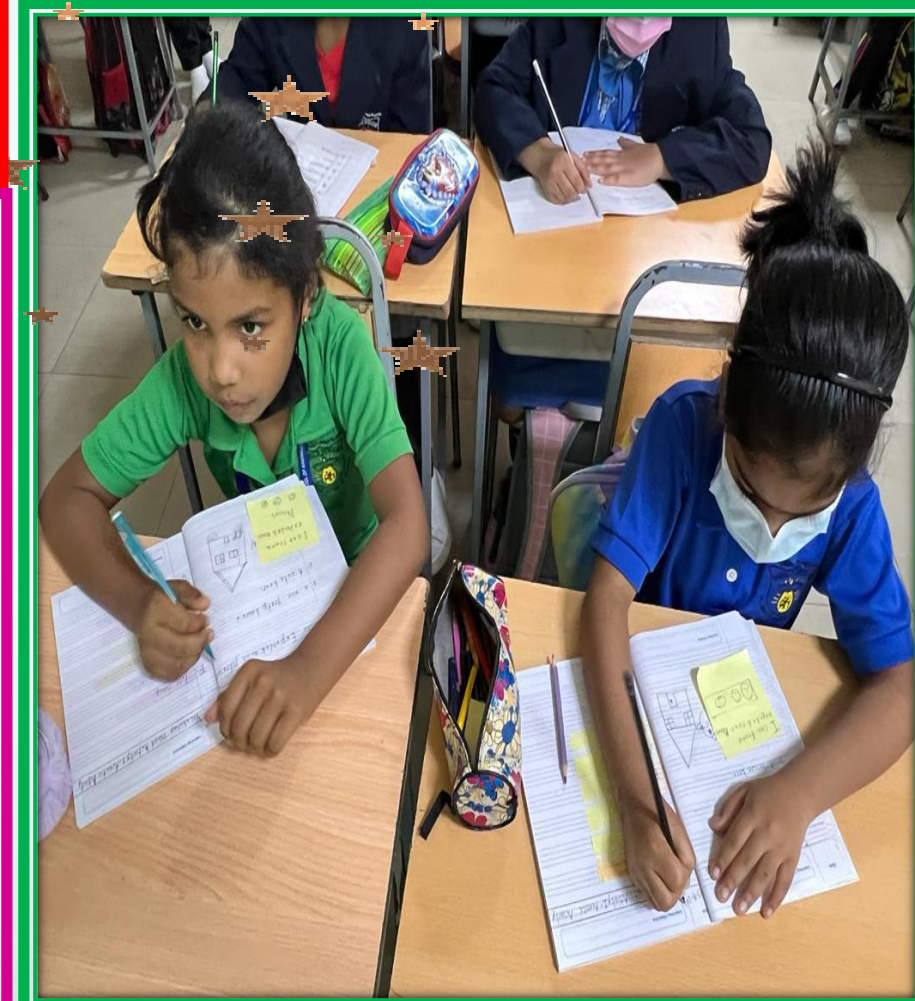
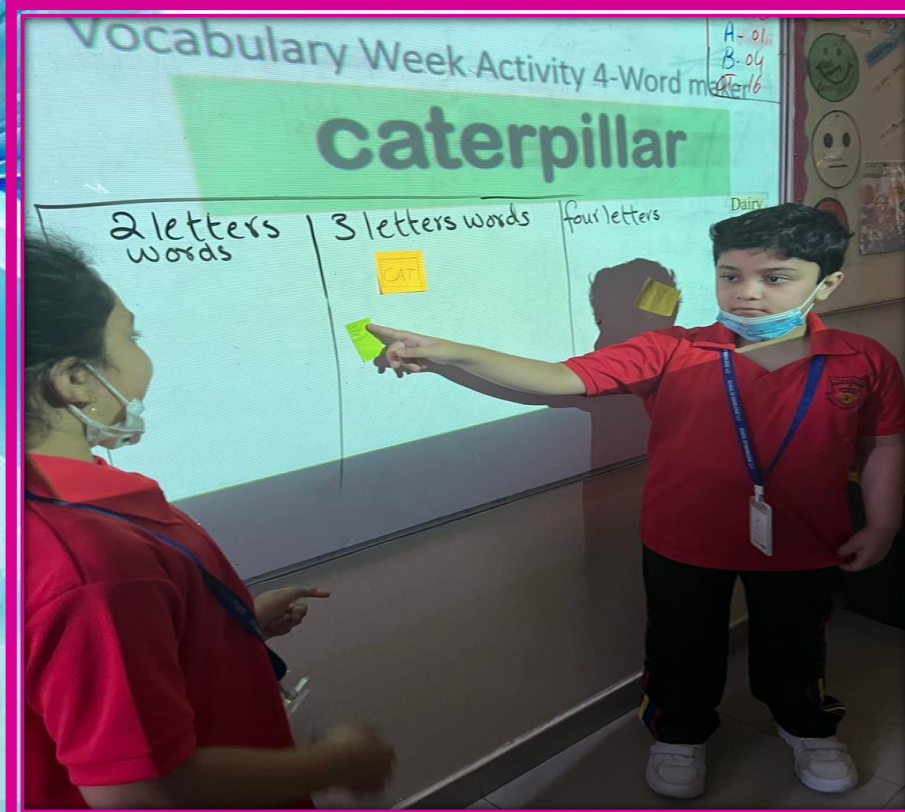
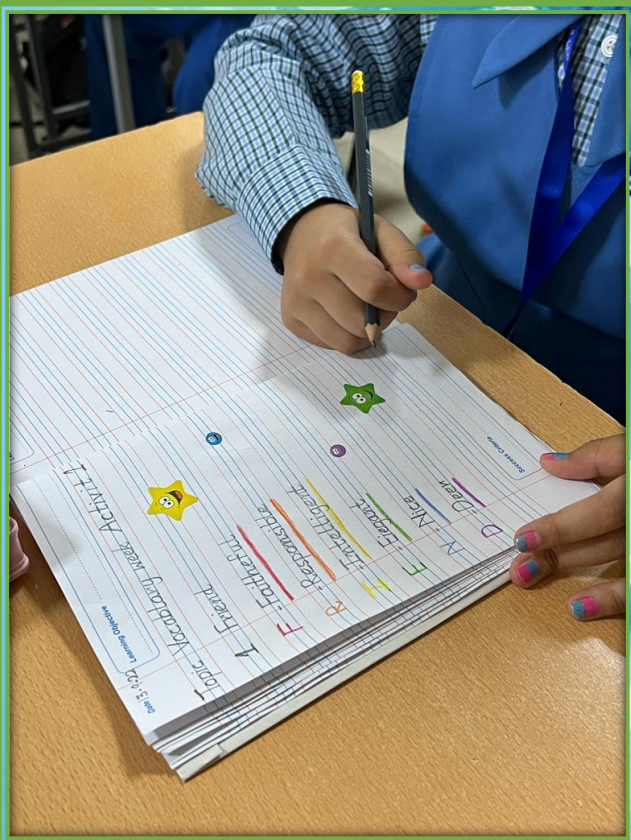
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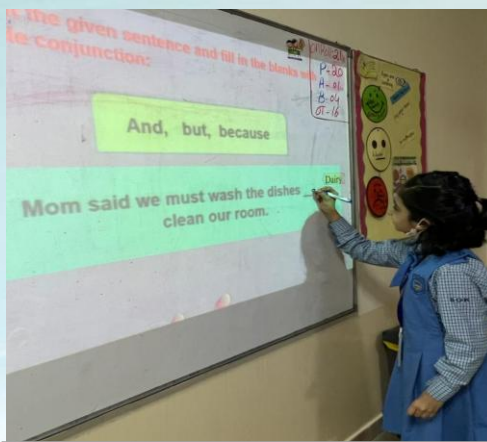
English



Vocabulary Week



English



Conjunctions activity

Activity on Conjunctions using sticky notes



Creating an Optical Illusion

Hands on activity



Present and Past Tense activity



Activity on Prefixes



WRITE -UPS DONE BY STUDENTS

DEAR TIME

I love DEAR time.

I feel very happy when I read during DEAR time.

I love DEAR time because it makes me happy.

DEAR time improves my reading.

DEAR time makes me learn new things.

DEAR time improves my knowledge and reading skills.

Written by: Sara
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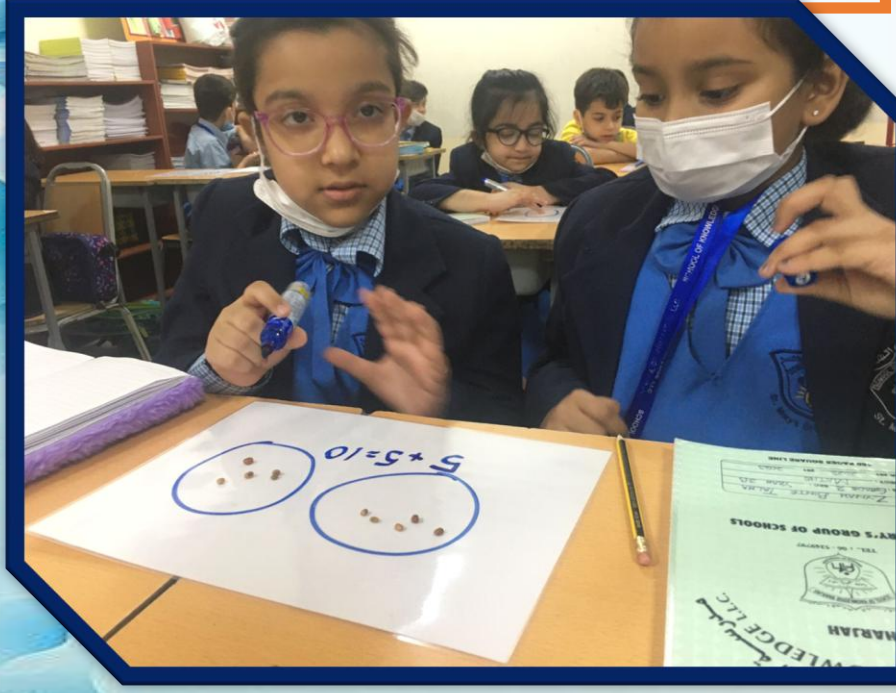
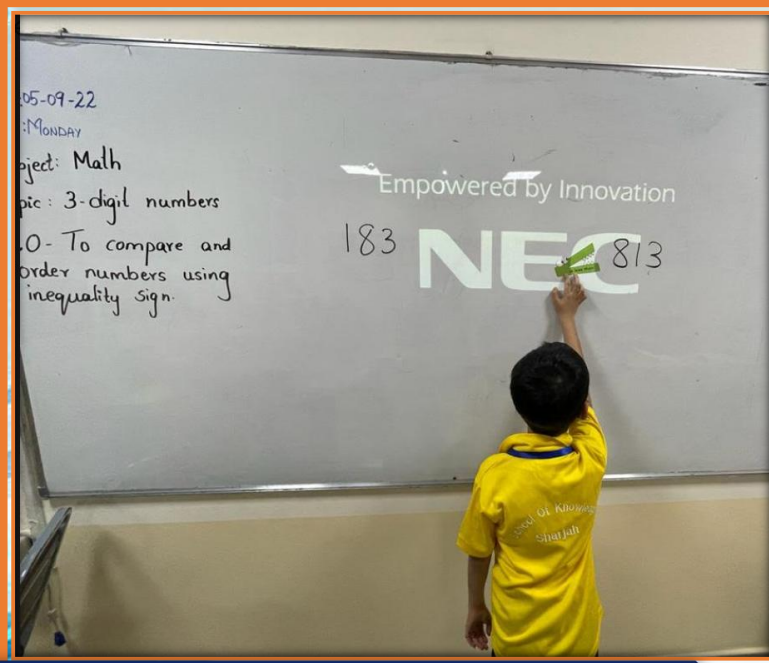
READ ALOUD COMPETITION

I enjoyed participating in the Read Aloud competition that was held in the School Auditorium. I read the story from my reading file. I used my expressions to read the story fluently.

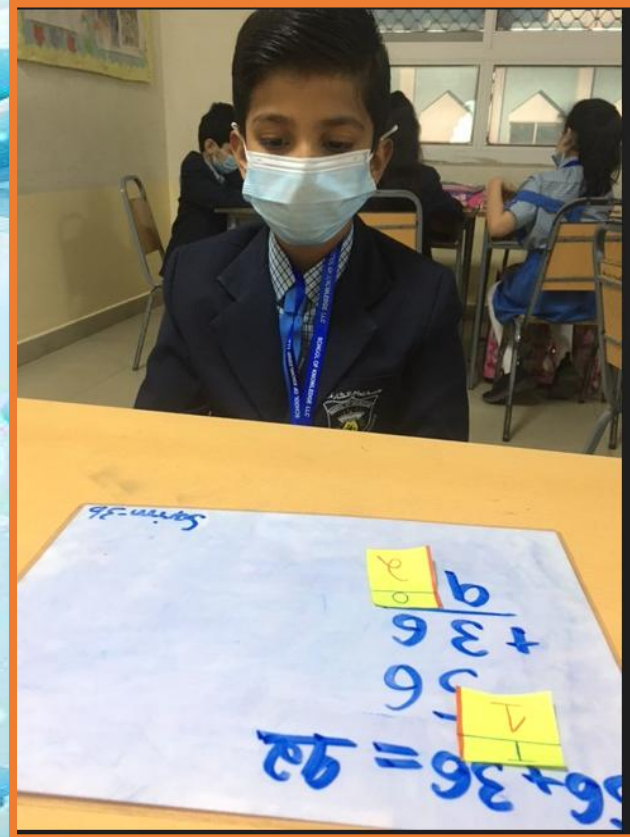
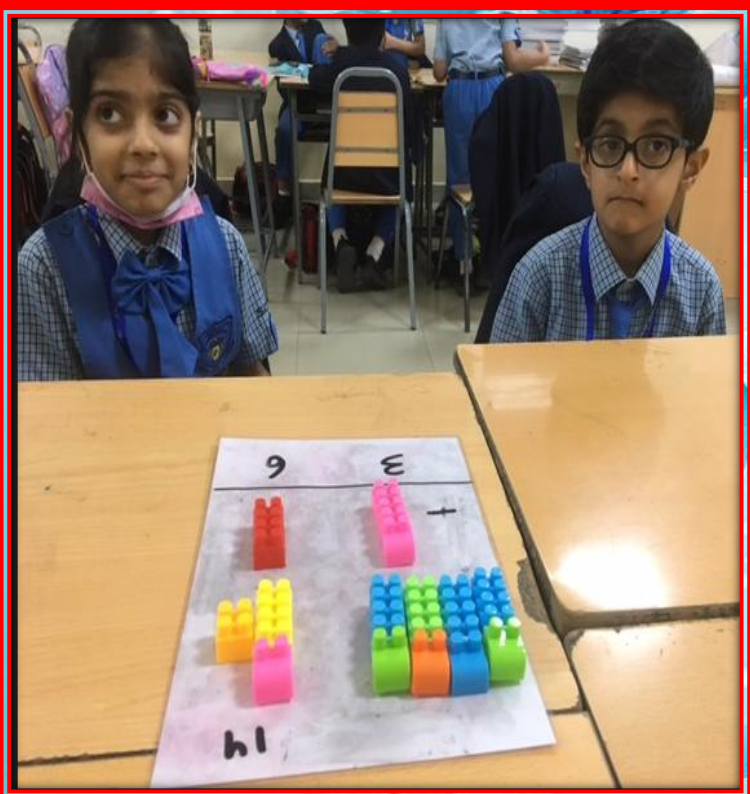
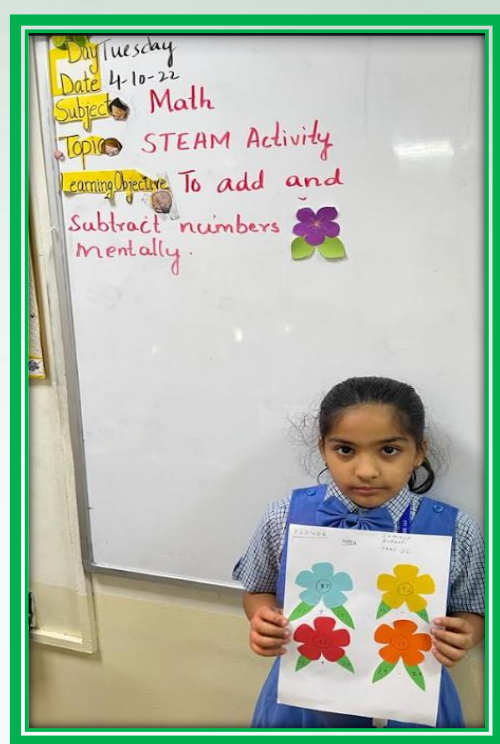
It helped me to enhance my reading skills and become a confident speaker.



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MATH



Math Race – 17/10/2022 TO 20/10/2022



To indulge students in physical activities using mathematical and analytical thinking, a math race was conducted in the outside area during the Math classes.

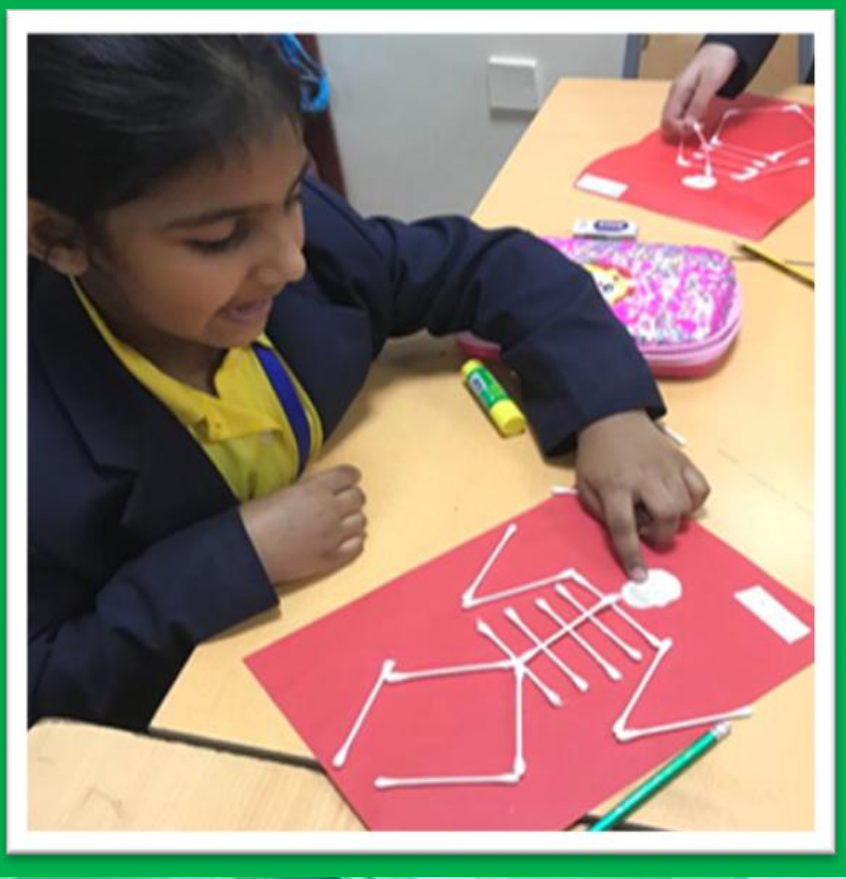
A competition was held among the students of each class and the students who took the least time to finish all the three levels were the winners.

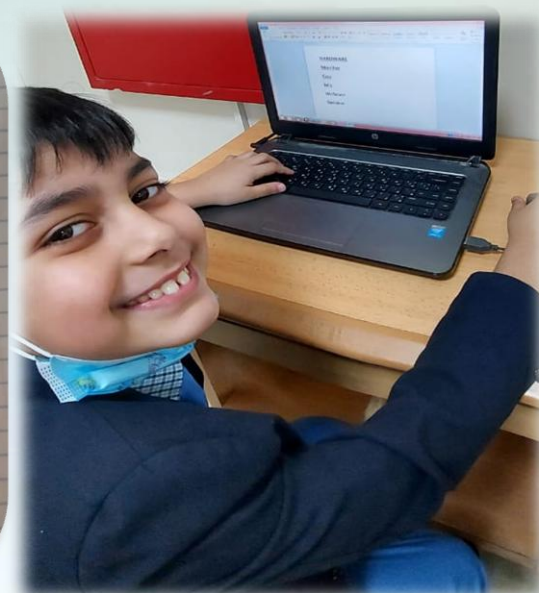


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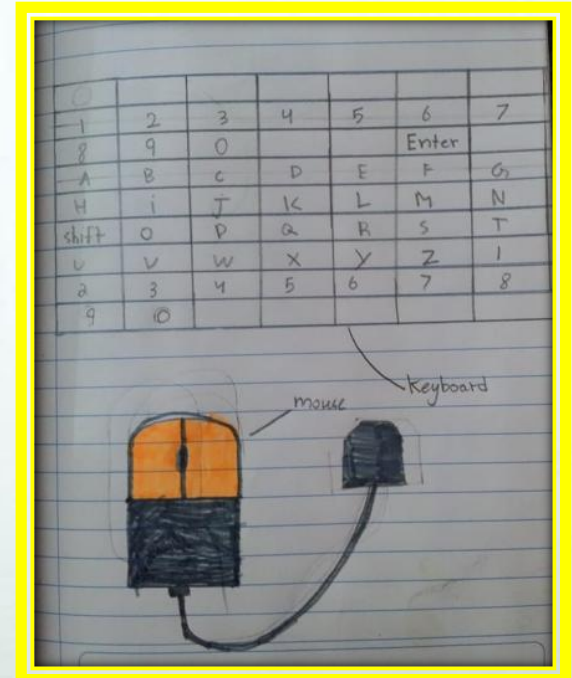


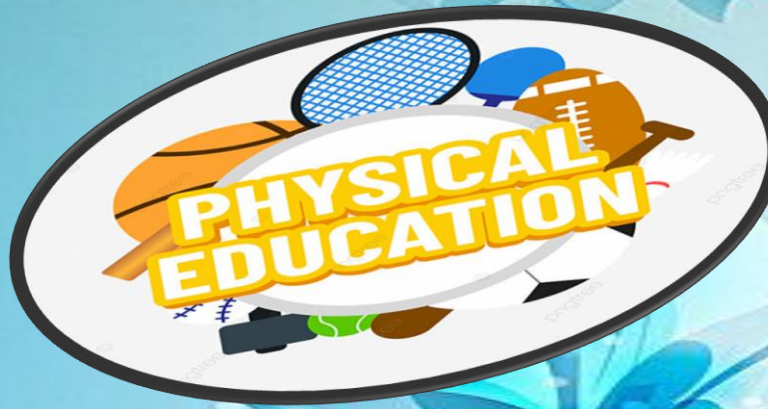
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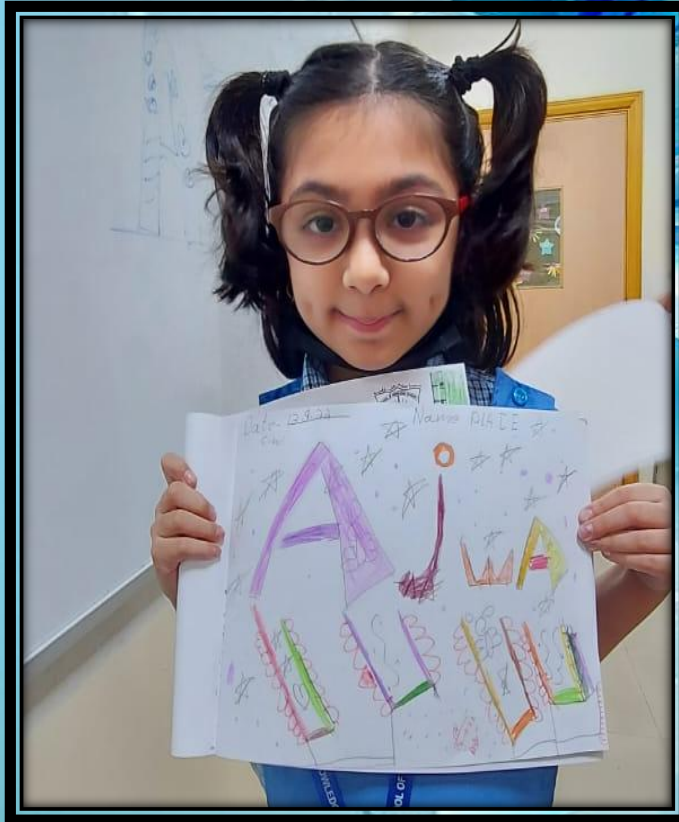


Students need to be given the chance to **CREATE** with technology, not just learn to use it





ART





Thank you!



Because of you we are feeling extra thankful this term. To show our gratitude, we'd like to invite you to our upcoming events.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2023

Parent Teacher Meeting
Creative Writing Competition
Annual Day
Puppet Show
Math Quiz
3D Model Making
Sports Day
UAE Reading Month
Mothers Day
World Water Day

