

# NEWSLETTER TERM 2 (2022-2023) THEME-AGLITTER

YEAR 2

## A little glitter makes everything better.

Term 2 is now almost completed - and what a phenomenal term it has been! Over the 12 weeks of learning, our students have continued to show a fantastic willingness to learn. They have continued to sparkle and deserve a big applause. This is a great time to reflect on the learning journey while setting an intention for the next term ahead.

Welcome to 'Aglitter' the newsletter through which we will provide you with exciting information about the recent achievements, latest activities and important updates related to the students at SOK. Our aim is to build a community of enriched students who not only excel in academics but also in other, much wider areas.



#### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

"AGLITTER" Aglitter represents the spark within each one of us that shines and ignites others when we pursue our goal with passion and strive for excellence. It symbolizes the shimmering brilliance of our dreams and aspirations, and the hard work and determination it takes to make them a reality. As students, you are at a stage in your life where your potentials are limitless. Whether it's excelling in academics, sports, arts, or any other field, you have the power to shine and make a positive impact in the world around you. You have the limitless sky to spread your wings wide and reach the destination. Do not miss the opportunities that come your way. Remember that the journey of learning is a lifelong one and each step you take towards your goals brings you closer to realizing your full potentiality. I encourage you to embrace the theme 'Aglitter' and use it as a source of inspiration as you pursue your goals. I have no doubt that with your hard work, dedication and commitment, you will continue to dazzle and shine, making us all proud of your accomplishments. Let your light shine brightly and may you be a beacon of hope and positivity to those around you. I look forward to seeing your contribution with creativities and innovations shine through in the pages of this second term's school magazine. I wish you all the very best to ignite and motivate, enthrall and inspire, illumine and enlighten all.

God Bless you all.



Our Director Sr. Bobina Soares

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

'Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out."

- Robert Collier

I am delighted to see the incredible progress our students have made so far. We had a busy term of purposeful learning witnessing hard work, dedication, perseverance from both the students and teachers. It's been a privilege to watch them grow and learn together. Our school's spirit has been aglitter, with students enthusiastically working to achieve her/his fullest potential. Innovation and creativity will continue to drive all educational practices at SOK. Our students have demonstrated commitment to their studies, their personal growth, and their community as well, and I am inspired by their dedication every day.

I enjoy celebrating successes and acknowledging the hard work of staff, students, and the SOK family. As we close the curtain on this term, it is just the perfect time to revisit the term gone by in a manner to cherish those memories that made us smile like field trips, campaigns, Inter-house sports days, school performance review visit, community outreach programs, etc.

To quote John Hattie's words; "teachers should build classroom climates where errors are welcome, student engagement is the norm, questioning is highly challenging, and students gain reputations as effective learners."

I want to remind our students that they are capable of achieving great things. Every day is an opportunity to learn something new, challenge ourselves, and become better versions of ourselves. It's also important to embrace challenges and not to be afraid of any failures.

As we move forward into the third term of this year, I urge our students to continue their efforts with the same level of enthusiasm and dedication that they have shown so far. I also encourage parents to continue supporting their children and help take our school to the next highest level of excellence. At our end, we shall continue working together to ensure that our students receive the best possible education and are well-prepared for the challenges of the future.

Let's continue to make the rest of the year aglitter with our bright minds, compassionate hearts, and shining personalities.

Thank you and God Bless!



Our Principal
Ms. June Amanna

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE GUEST EDITOR

Congratulations!! Dear students on completing yet another successful term! Term 2 was a time of growth, learning and discovery, and I'm proud of all that you've accomplished. We learned new skills and concepts in our classes, worked hard on our assignments and projects, and faced challenges with determination and perseverance. We also had some fun and memorable experiences together, such as field trips, events, and class activities to name a few. The recently concluded School Performance Review was a success, and we received positive feedback from the inspectors. They praised our dedicated teachers, engaged students, and supportive school community. The Term 2 break will help our Islamic students, staff and families as they enter the Holy Month of Ramadan. Ramadan is a month of fasting, Prayer and reflection in the Islamic Faith when Muslims around the world come together to strengthen their faith and seek spiritual renewal. As we move into Term 3, I want to share a quote from Theodore Roosevelt that I find inspiring: "Believe you can and you're halfway there." This quote reminds us that self-belief and determination are keys to achieving great things. I encourage you to set goals for yourself and work towards them with confidence. Remember that mistakes and setbacks are a natural part of learning, so don't be discouraged if things don't always go as planned. Keep pushing forward and believe in your ability to succeed. Everyday is an opportunity to learn new things and explore new interests. Whether it is through art, music, writing, science, or other areas of interest, there are many opportunities for you to express your creativity and showcase your innovative ideas. So don't be afraid to take risks and try new things in Term 3, and remember that creativity and innovation are key to achieving success and making a positive impact on the world around us. I hope you all have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you all in Term 3! Wish you a Very happy and Blessed Ramadan!



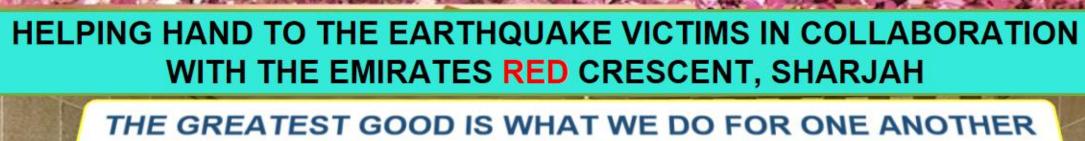
Ms Binu Paul Coordinator Year 5 -7

# HELPING HAND TO THE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE EMIRATES RED CRESCENT, SHARJAH



"The only way you can serve God is by serving other people."

Our school believes in these words and we put it to action. In collaboration with the Emirates Red Crescent organization, the management, staff and students of School of Knowledge collected a generous donation for a noble cause. The Red Crescent is considered as Asia's second best humanitarian organization. This step was taken owing to the earth quake which occurred in Southern Turkey near the border of Syria. Students Scouts represented the School of Knowledge at the Emirates Red Crescent Organization's office, Rahmaniya and gave a helping hand to all the people who were affected by the earthquake. The school appreciates all the generous donations and contributions given by the parents of our students who donated food, clothes, medicines and many other items to help the victims. The students were very much motivated by this kind act. These activities help them to realize that the world needs a helping hand at times. The school management appreciated the parents for their enthusiasm and cooperation.





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## **Sports Meet 2022-2023**



The Annual Sports day for Year 2 was held on 18th January 2023 which was filled with a lot of excitement, along with thrills, team spirit and cheers. All the students were very excited about the day, and the activities that were going to be carried out throughout the day. It was an outstanding program of the year.

All the students had taken part in different kinds of games where they were able to show their sports spirit as well as their collaborative participation. Students were already divided into different houses, like Apollo House, Neptune House, Hercules House, and Atlas House..

Different races were conducted and the winners were awarded.

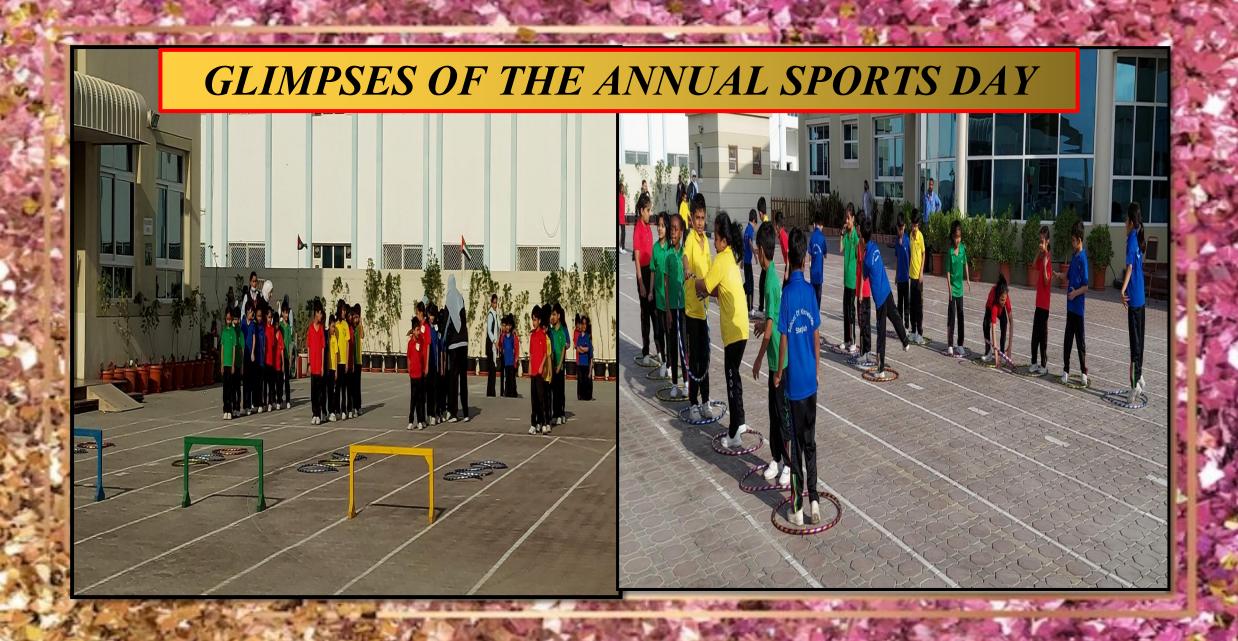
## GLIMPSES OF THE ANNUAL SPORTS DAY





















#### **Sports Meet 2022-2023 - Year 2**

I have always been a good runner and wanted to participate in a race competition.

Our school conducted a running competition on 18th January 2023, in which I was very excited to participate.

I warmed up on the day and started the race. I tried my level best and came second. A medal was given to me that made me very happy. Healthy competitions are always good for the kids.



Arhum Asim Year 2C

The sports day was celebrated in my school on 18th January. It started on time. Different sports activities were arranged for students. Our Principal and guests were there. I took part in a race and got the 2nd position in it. My team was very happy for winning a silver medal. It was my first sports day in the school. I felt very happy and excited. Our teachers were happy for us. I liked my sports day very much.

Arfa Zeeshan Year 2C



# I am a Winner "Sports Meet" 2022-2023 Presented by

Hello! I am Mareesa.

I am a student of Year 2E.

Today is my Sports Day.

We first stood in a line.

3-2-1 "Go..."

I ran so fast.

I got the 1st position in the race, and I was awarded a medal.

It was gold in color.

I like races and I am so proud of myself.



Mareesa- (Year 2E)

Sports are very important for the physical and mental health of an individual. My school's Annual Sports day was held on 18th January 2023. My sports teacher selected me and some students from my class. We participated in an obstacle race. We did practice for the race and we won the first place. We got a medal and certificates. We were very happy.

My Karate Sir always says "It is not important to win to get a medal, it's important to participate.

Khalifa Muhammad Year 2A



### SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REVIEW VISIT

The performance of every school in Sharjah is regularly reviewed to monitor the progress of the school. The report includes a summary of overall performance, highlighting the key strengths and recommendations, along with a more detailed analysis of areas including Progress and Attainment, Personal and Social Development, Teaching and Assessment, Curriculum, Leadership and relationships with parents and the community.

Our school had inspection from 6th February till 9th February 2023 in which our school performance was reviewed.



Students make models to represent electric circuit.







## PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

A Parent-teacher conference is held regularly where a face-to-face meeting between one teacher and one or both parents (or guardians) of a student are conducted. It is an opportunity to discuss a student's academic progress and social behavior.



# International Day of Human Fraternity 4th February, 2023

A special assembly was conducted on the International Human Fraternity Day where the importance of Human Fraternity Day was highlighted.





# International Day of Human Fraternity 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

A POWERPOINT BASED ON HUMAN FRATERNITY
DAY WAS SHOWN TO THE STUDENTS
HIGHLIGHTING THE UAE'S ROLE TOWARDS
HUMAN FRATERNITY.







Students made cards to represent different ways of Human Fraternity.



# International Day of Human Fraternity 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

Students Performed a role play on how F r a t e r n i t y encourages peace between people and help us realize the beauty of diversity and makes our life full of happiness.







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# FIELD TRIP TO THE FIRE STATION

- Field trips provide students experiential learning opportunities by connecting classroom learning to the real world.
  - We organized a field trip for the students to the Fire station on 17th January 2023.
- A brief introduction of the fire station was given by firefighters and information about different situations causing fire was shared.
  - At the fire station, students were exposed to different techniques to extinguish the fire.
  - Students gained knowledge about different types of fire extinguishers.
  - Firefighters demonstrated different water hoses used for firefighting.
  - Different parts of the Fire engine were shown.
- It was indeed immense learning and fun experience for our students.

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Last week our school had conducted a fire drill. We were taught how to deal with fire emergencies. The fire alarm rang at a different time of the sch day.

We turned off the lights quickly and made a line and rushed towards the emergencies & normal exits of the school building. It was a great experience, what to do if there is any fire emergency in the school.

Later, our school took us to the fire station, and we met fire fighters and saw different equipment they use while emergencies.



Written By: Dua Imran





This was our first visit from SOK with my class friends and teachers. We visited a fire station. We saw fire trucks with lights tools, water and sirens. We learnt fire fighters keep us safe. Also never go inside a burning building. Never will I forget this day.





Yathriba Muharriam & Wania MuharrimYear 2B









## **Edutainment Trip Year.2 Sharjah Aquarium**

The Year 2 students went on a very first field trip on the given days from 25th & 26th January 2023. They visited the Sharjah Aquarium for experiential learning in marine life. The Sharjah Aquarium recreates different local aquatic environments, from coral reefs and rock pools.

Our students explored the fascinating hidden world of the deep sea with its amazing creatures. The variety of fishes like shark, stingray, starfish, moray eels captivated our students' attention.

Each one of them had an opportunity to navigate around the aquarium at their own pace, they enjoyed the sight of their favorite fish. The students enjoyed the tour at their leisure. The teachers spoke to the students about protecting the marine life which would allow us to enjoy these beautiful creatures for many years to come.

# **Edutainment Trip Yr.2 Sharjah Aquarium**

Topic: Field Trip (Sharjah Aquarium)

**Date**:25.01.23

**Location**: Sharjah Aquarium **Traveled By:** School Bus

**Best Memory**: I enjoyed by seeing all the sea creatures like fish, turtle, plants. Some fish were small, and I saw a big fish too. I liked the blue fish and that was looking so beautiful. I took rides at the playground. I played with my friends in the tree house.

**I Learned**: About fish habitats and different types of fish. I learned about sea plants.

Muhammad Shazim Year 2D **Topic: Field Trip (Sharjah Aquarium)** 

On January 25 we went to Sharjah Aquarium. I traveled by school bus with all of my class fellows and teachers.

On the Field trip: I saw a lot of fish, turtles, seahorses & sharks.

My Best Memory: I saw tiny fish as well as a very big fish. Seeing them with my friends and teachers was such fun.

On the Field Trip: I learned about different underwater species and their habitats. Our teacher guided us very well about the underwater world.

It was a great day and I enjoyed it a lot!

Ayat Tufail Year 2D

# **Edutainment Trip Yr.2 Sharjah Maritime Museum**

After the aquarium tour, the students enjoyed Sharjah Maritime Museum visit, where they observed the Sharjah's heritage.

Sharjah Maritime Museum provided different and enjoyable learning methods for students. Students interacted with educational specialists through a discussion-based tour.

They explored the history of the traditional fishing methods, sea songs, pearl diving and diverse aspects of the sea-related life that had such a great impact on Sharjah's heritage.

They understood and explored the traditional wooden seafaring dhows used for fishing, trading, and pearl diving.

They enjoyed the beauty of the genuine Arabian pearls collected by our ancestors from the deep blue waters of the Gulf, which still possess the same luster and glamour today as they did when they were first harvested.







## **Edutainment Trip Year 2**

#### **Sharjah Maritime Museum**

**Topic:** Field Trip (Sharjah Maritime Museum)

**Date:** 25.01.23

**Location:** Sharjah Aquarium and Museum

We traveled by: School Bus

**Best Memory:** When I entered the museum, I watched a video. It was about the past of the UAE. I saw boats which were used in the past and I saw deep water

pearls.

Muhammad Ibrahim Year 2D

**Topic: Field Trip** 

(Sharjah Maritime Museum)

Date :- 25th January 2023 Location Sharjah Museum Traveled By: Our School Bus

Best Memory: Learning about U.A.E's Heritage

presented in the beautiful art gallery and the other parts

of the museum.



Mariyam Zeeshan Year 2D

## **CLASS ASSEMBLIES**

Year 2 students conducted assemblies on motivational and moral based values.











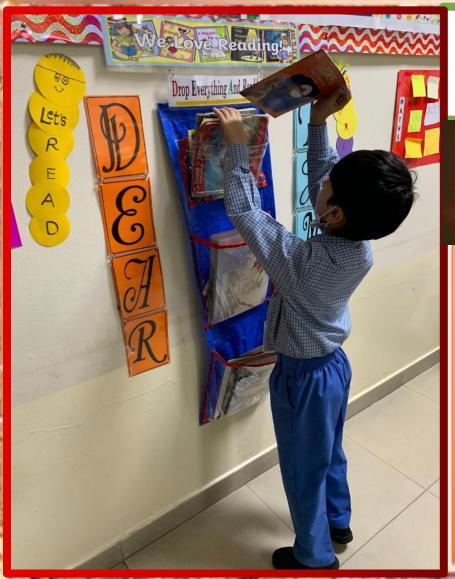


Isra and Miraj activities were conducted by the Islamic Education Department during the Holy month of Rajab to mark the Prophet Muhammad's (S.A.W.) ascension to heaven, where he was able to have direct communication with Allah and receive the commandments of Islam. A special assembly was organized to raise the importance of this event in Islam.









### DEAR TIME

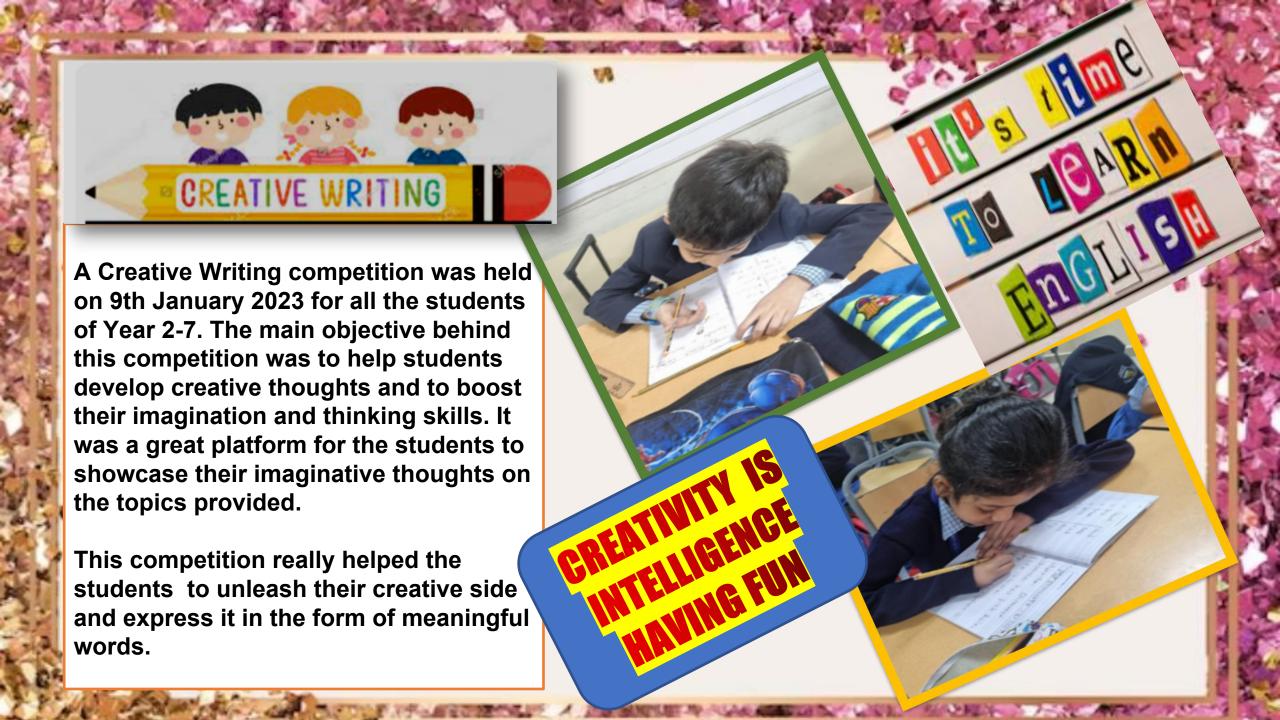




# Reading increases students self- confidence:

Year 2 students enjoy DEAR TIME.

It is conducted everyday for five minutes after the second break. During this time students take their favourite book / story book and read it.



### SPELL BEE COMPETITION

"Spelling is important because it aids in reading. It helps cement the connection that is shared between sounds and letters."

Language plays an important role in the all-round development of a student. Appropriate words with correct spelling conveys the right message.

The Spell Bee Competition is conducted to give students a platform to learn spellings in different ways, enrich their vocabulary, learn concepts and develop the use of correct English. The objective of the competition is to enhance the spelling and literary skills of children by encouraging them to explore the English language, expand their vocabulary and improve their communication and comprehension skills. This helps students to improve spelling, vocabulary, learning concepts and pronunciation.

Preliminary round for the Spell Bee Competition was conducted in Term 2 in Year 2.





### Puppet Show Class Activity

A Puppet Show was held in the classes. The Puppet Show allowed students to creatively demonstrate their learning to an audience (classmates) and their teacher. Students contributed individual perspectives and ideas to the project, which enriches the assessment process and encourages students to learn from one another.

Students must have a solid understanding of the content and be able to "Think outside of the box" to adapt their themes and ideas into an original script.

This task provided several ways for students to demonstrate their learning through modes of expression that are not solely language based. In addition to working collaboratively with peers on the script, students demonstrated their learning through the art created for the Puppet Show and through their performances.

This task engages linguistic, interpersonal, spatial/artistic and kinesthetic learning modalities.



I enjoyed this 'Puppet Show' very much. My friends brought many ocean habitat animals like octopus, fish, jellyfish, starfish, seahorse and crab. I brought an octopus and told its facts and special abilities. The Puppet Show was fun, and we learned about the aquatic animals by creating our own story...

Heesha Year 2-G



## **UAE READING MONTH**



# **MATHEMATICS**







#### **MATH QUIZ**

"The only way to learn mathematics is to do mathematics."

- Paul Halmos

To enhance students' interest in the subject and to create a conducive environment to work in groups. A Math Quiz was conducted to engage students into a challenging mathematical experience that is both competitive and educational.



#### **MATH QUIZ**

On16th February 2023 our teacher conducted the Math Quiz. All the classmates were excited for the quiz. Our Math teacher divided all the students into 5 groups. My group members were Khadija, Yousuf, Hassan and Ajaib.

Our teacher explained to us about the quiz and its 3 rounds i.e Knowledge Round, Rapid Fire Round and Motor Skill Round.

For Round 1, we had to give the answer within 1 minute and it was carrying 10 points. If the group fails to answer the same question was passed to other group with 5 points.

After completing the Round 1 our group was more excited for Round 2. It was carrying 5 points each for 3 questions which we had to answer within 90 secs. The questions were getting difficult according to rounds but all of us were doing a great

job and successfully completed the Round 2.

For the Round 3, we had to make any 3, 2D shapes within 1 minute with the help of popsicle sticks and buttons that were provided by our teacher.

We all enjoyed and learnt to manage time with fun.

Hopefully our teacher was excited too. A big 'Thank You' to the management and our teachers for organizing the quiz to make us more aware that doing math is fun and quite easy.



Muhammad Azhaan Khan Year 2F

The Math's quiz that was conducted on 16th February 2023, it was fun and challenging at the same time. The quiz was divided into 3 parts.

The first part was Knowledge Round which I really enjoyed.

The second part was Rapid Fire Round which brought all of us on our

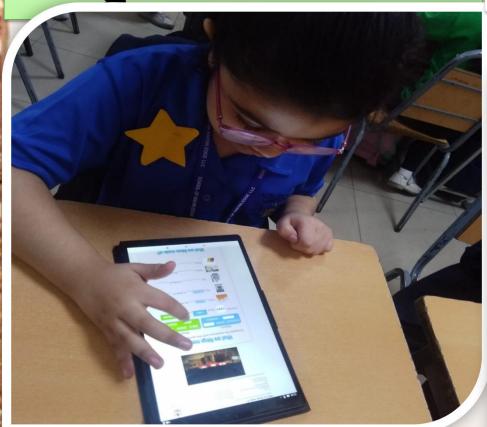
toes since we were against time.

The third part was
the Motor Skill Round this was
the most challenging round as we had
to assemble the objects to form 2D shapes.
As we were in different groups this helped
us to work in teams and collaborate.





Students were able to identify different types of materials and their properties.





Spring break is upon us. we encourage you to treat it as a reward. You deserve a fun, relaxing escape from the daily grind. But, of course, here comes the serious part to my message: We need your smiling faces back on campus happy and healthy.

No matter how you spend next week – whether it be faraway in a sunny paradise with friends, at home with family, volunteering your time and talents to a worthy cause – remember to use sound judgment.

We would like to thank you for making this year a very special one. As parents you have been a valuable member of our school providing support and inspiring us. We are glad to invite you for the upcoming events.



## Upcoming EVENTS

World Health Day

- Our Planet Our Health World Health Day
- Parent-Teacher Meeting
- Earth Day
- World Book Day (International Reading Day)
- World Environment Day



