



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

NEWSLETTER TERM 2 (2022-2023)

THEME- AGLITTER

YEAR 3

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.



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

“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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THE GREATEST GOOD IS WHAT WE DO FOR ONE ANOTHER



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



GIVING IS THE GREATEST ACT OF GRACE

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REVIEW VISIT

The performance of every school in Sharjah is regularly inspected to monitor the progress of the school. The report includes a summary of overall performance, highlighting the key strengths and recommendations, along with 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.



ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

SPORTS DAY

After the pandemic, maintaining our good health is the most important thing. Physical activity or exercise can improve our health and reduce the risk of developing several diseases. Physical activity and exercise can have immediate and long-term health benefits. Most importantly, regular activity can improve our quality of life.

Sports and games are not only for physical activities. It also helps to boost the confidence of a person, manage their competitiveness, and learn to accept losing a game. Students also learn how to follow the rules in games. This year, we were fortunate to have fantastic weather for our Annual Sports Day. Students were competing as individuals amongst their team hoping to gain the best times or distances overall. The participants were supported so well by our cheer leaders and enjoyed every minute. All children competed in a variety of different events. All students did fantastically well. A big thank you to everyone who attended the day and a big well done to all the children- they all showed fantastic 'School of Knowledge Attitude'.

May these activities help you to have some fun in school, to be fit and healthy.



**“Winning isn’t
everything, but
wanting to win is”**

GLIMPSES OF THE ANNUAL SPORTS DAY



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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 4th 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

4th 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.*



International Day of Human Fraternity

4th February, 2023



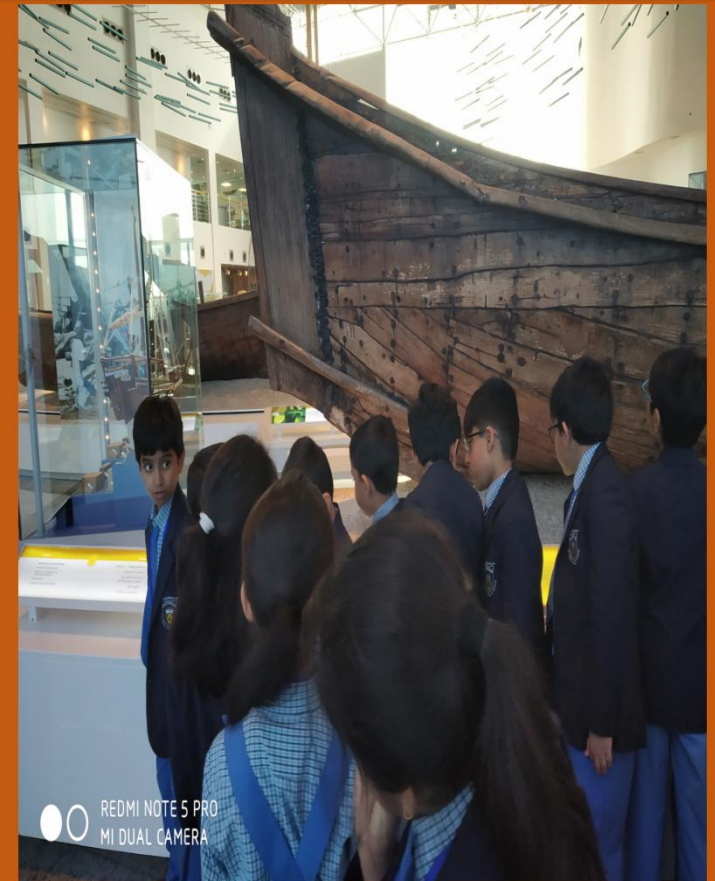
Field Trip

Memories of school Educational trips are among the most prominent of the formative years, largely because they are a welcome break in the routine for both students and teachers. While their purpose is essentially to educate, they can also be a fun bonding experience for everyone involved. Going on an Educational trip means more than simply leaving the school grounds. Educational trips always have a major educational element, but the impact of Educational trips can extend much further.

The importance of Educational trips includes giving students the chance to build closer bonds with their classmates, experience new environments and enjoy a day away from the classroom. Getting away from the everyday atmosphere of the classroom gives students an opportunity to spend time with each other in a new environment. They may be able to connect on more of a personal level without the structure of the normal school day. Students may be able to spend much of the Educational trip day in small groups, observing, chatting and learning about each other.

School of Knowledge arranged a field trip for the students of Year 3 on January 30th, 2023. The students were taken to Sharjah Aquarium and The Museum. All the students were excited to explore the aquarium and the museum. They were awestruck by the different species of fish and mesmerized by the ambience. They enjoyed a lot and had a wonderful day.

TRIP TO SHARJAH AQUARIUM



STUDENTS' VIEW

I went to the Sharjah Aquarium I saw many kinds of fishes like Snappers, Gold Fish, Sharks, penguins and Star Fish. Some people were diving under the water. There was a fish it was too long and looked like a snake. After we finished the tour of the aquarium we went to the museum. We saw some ancient artefacts. We watched a video about the old times. We went to the park. It was a great education trip and we had a lot of fun.

Burhaanuddin

Year 3 E

Recently, I visited the Sharjah Aquarium with my school. I loved that place. There were so many sea creatures under one roof. I saw sharks, lobsters, sea horses and many more. Me and my friends had a great time. Sharjah Aquarium is a must visit place.

Arwa Shiraz

Year 3 E.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

GO GREEN



Morning assemblies are a very important part of the school culture. A high quality school assembly is one of the most important aspects of a school's curriculum. Assemblies are the best platform to encourage the students. This encouragement gives them the enthusiasm to achieve more. It helps in building a culture of communication and representation of academic and co-curricular activities. It also helps students to gather a lot of energy to do well and be good in their day.

TOPIC-SAVE NATURAL RESOURCES



SUSTAINABILITY



PEACE AND HARMONY

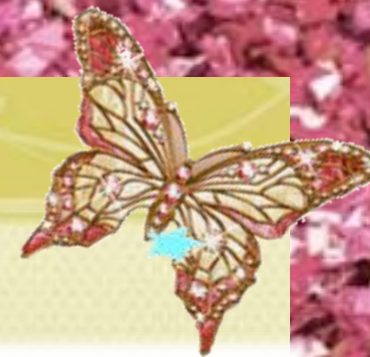


INVEST IN YOURSELF



IMPORTANCE OF READING





Al-Isra wal Miraj

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.





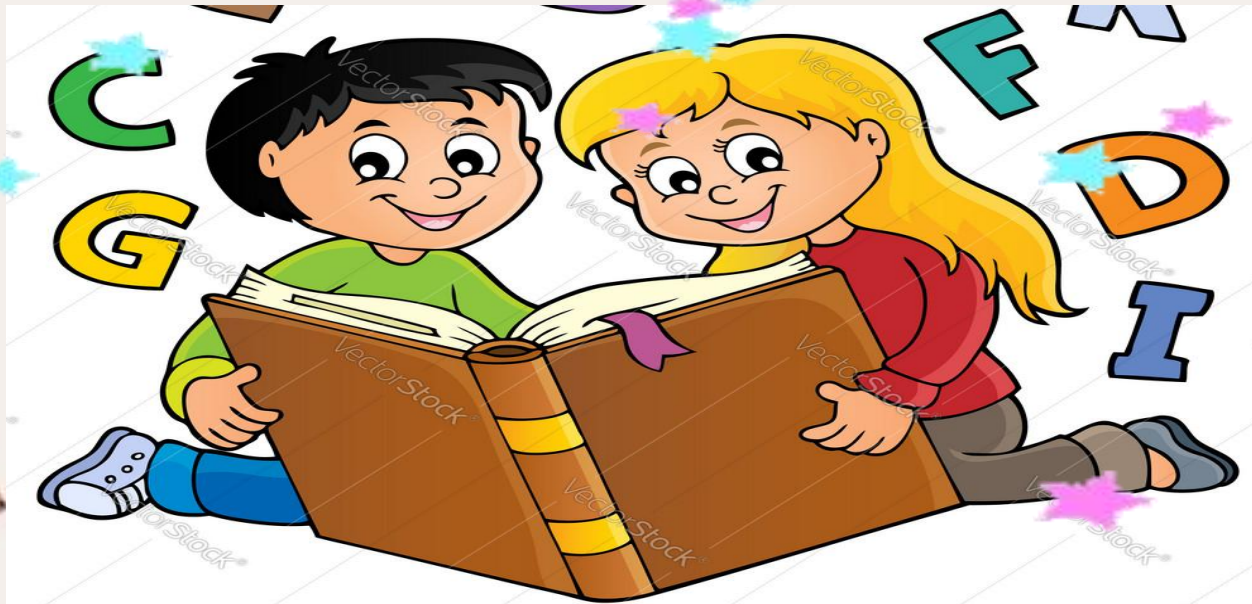
ARABIC



Clock Activity

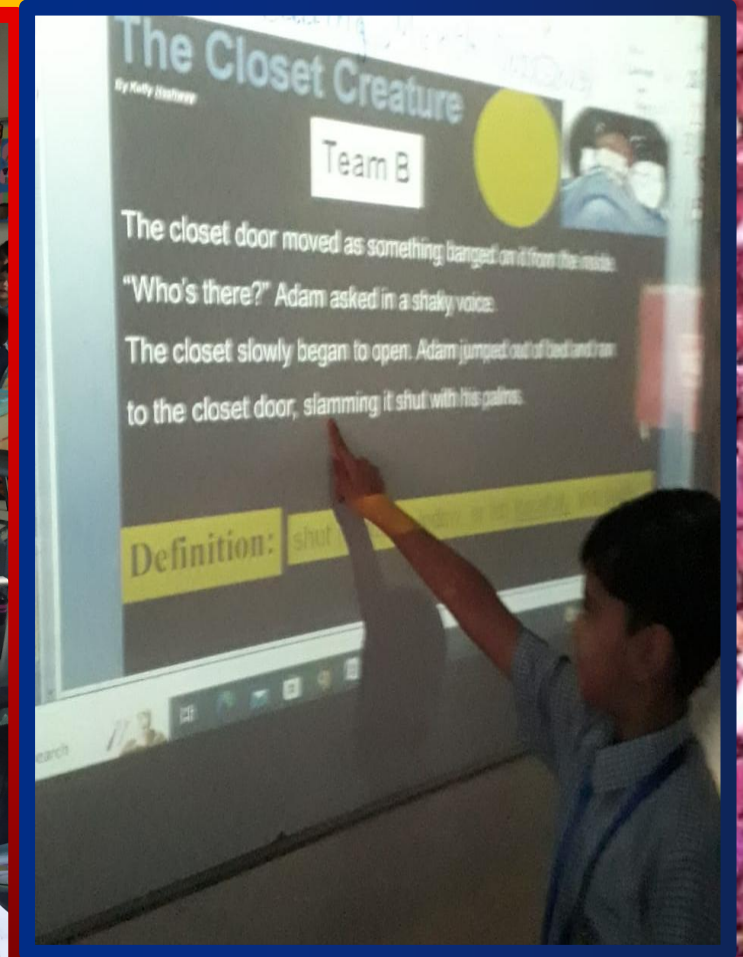


English



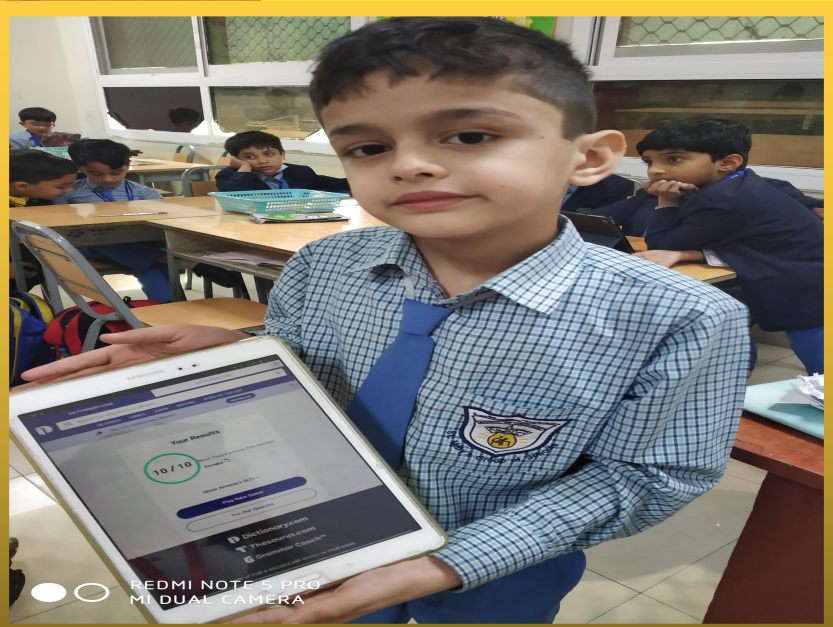
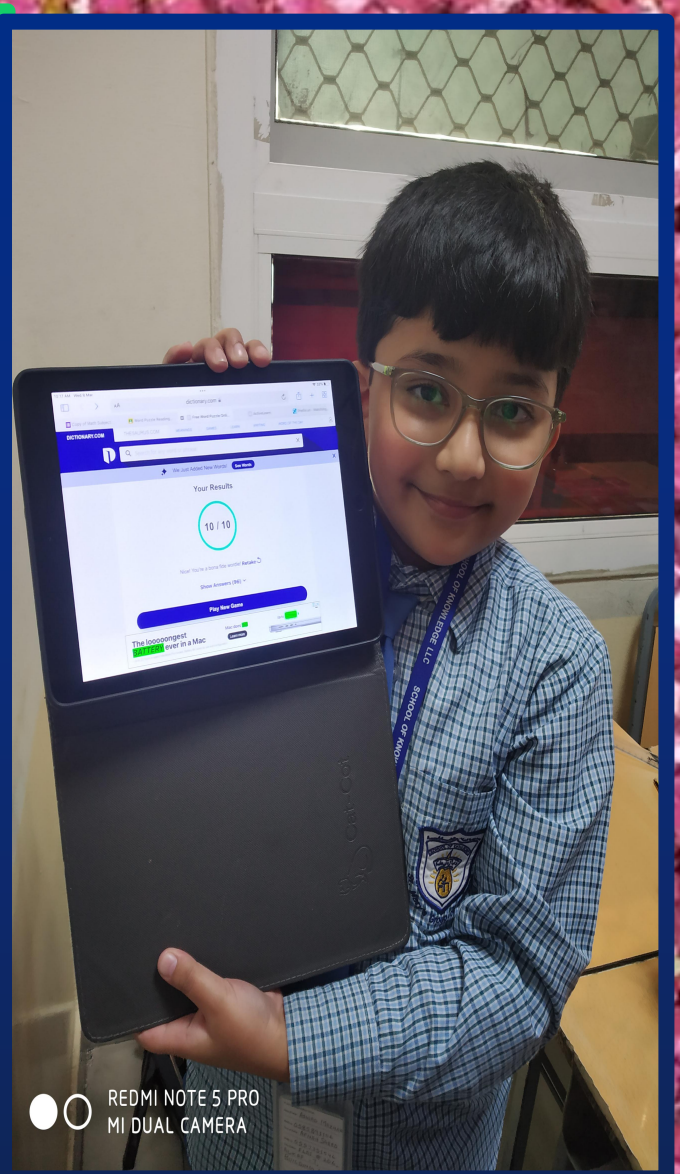
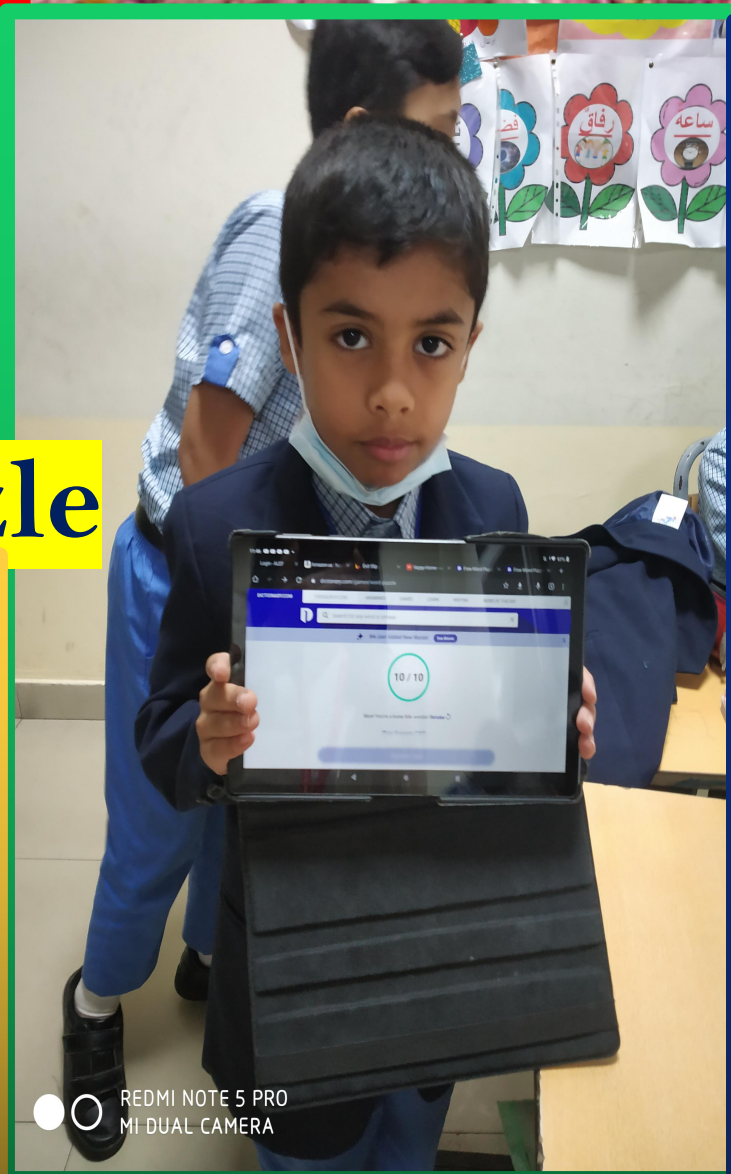
UAE'S MONTH OF *Reading*

Hunt for the word from the meaning





Word Puzzle



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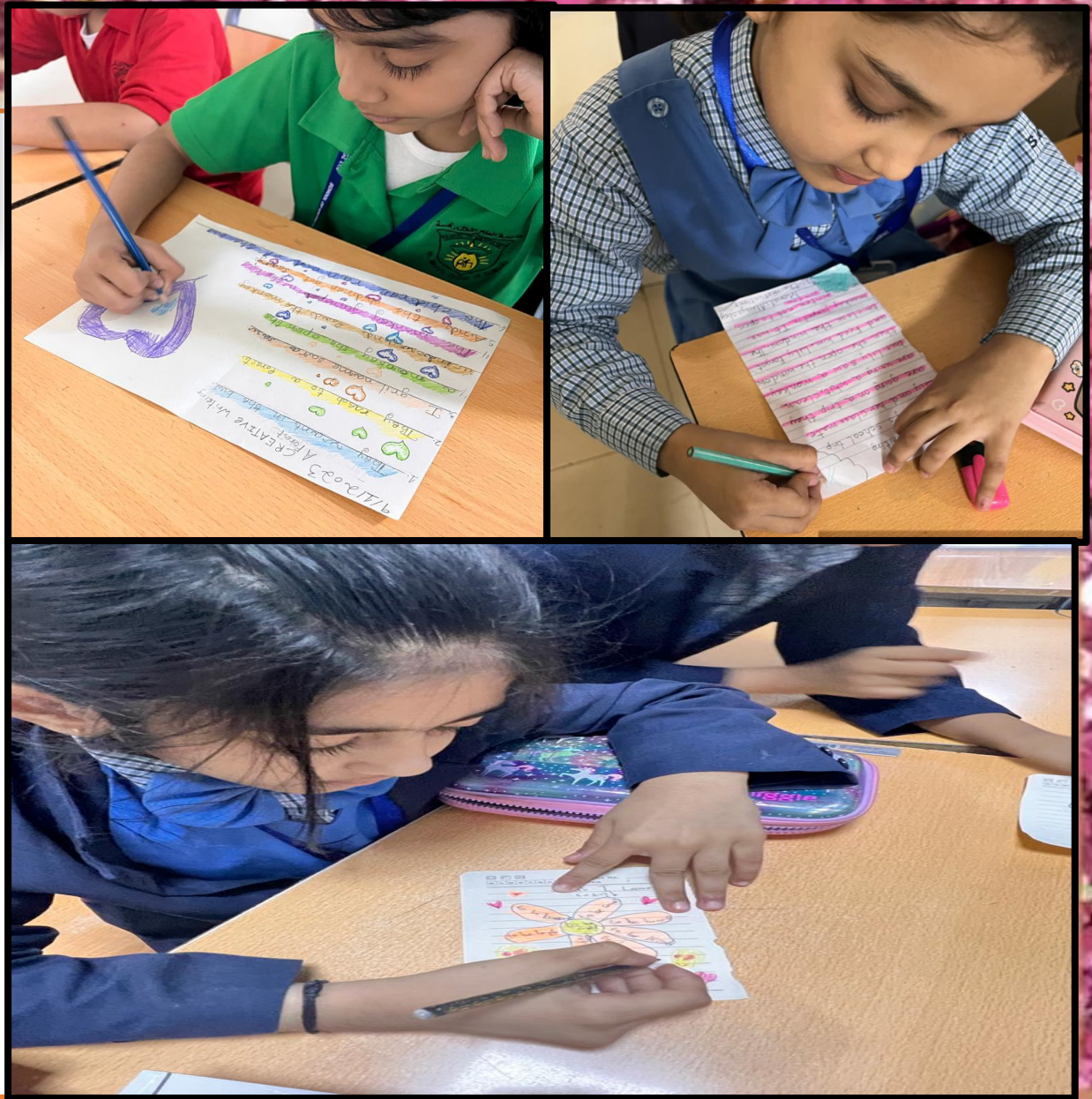
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A Creative Writing competition was held on 9th January, 2023 for all the students of Year 2-7. The main objective behind this competition was to help students develop creative thoughts and to boost their imagination and thinking skills. It was a great platform for the students to showcase their imaginative thoughts on the topics provided.

This competition really helped the students to unleash their creative side and express it in the form of meaningful words.



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 4 .



ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PUPPET SHOW



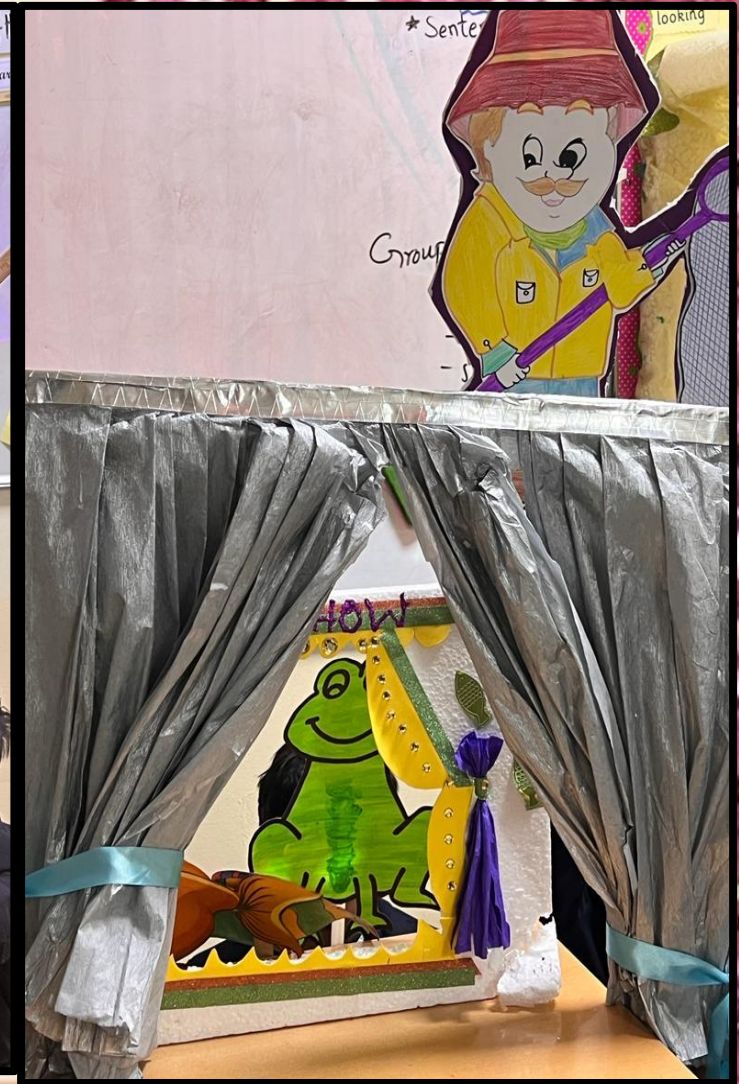
Puppet Theater Class Activity

A Puppet show was conducted for Year 3 and 4 students on 9th February 2023 during the Club Activity period where students creatively demonstrated their learning to their classmates. 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 provides 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 can demonstrate their learning through the art created for the puppet show and through their performance. This task engages linguistic, interpersonal, spatial/artistic and kinesthetic learning modalities.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PUPPET SHOW



Puppet Show



My Views About The Puppet Show.

- 1 Kids were playing the same characters but in different voice.
- 2 We enjoyed a lot as the kids bought different props.
- 3 There were even a stage setup.
- 4 There were five groups showing the puppet and saying but in five different ways.

By Jiya Mary Sino
Yr 3-H

POETS FOR THE FUTURE

MY MOM

My mom is the best,
She helped me learn for my test.
She told me not to stress,
So, I gave my best.
My friends were all impressed,
My prayer is that my mom is
always the best.

Nasir

Year 3 E

Friends in the School

Friends in school can play and share,
Friends in school are kind and fair.
Friends in school will read together,
When the exams will be there.
Friends in school will talk to you,
When you are feeling sad and blue.
Friends in school are sweet and sour,
Friends in school are the best of all.
I am blessed. I have a lot of friends,
They are with me, when I am in need of them.
Friends in school will have fun together
We will make our future bright together.

Burhanuddin

Year 3 E.



Mathematics



MATH QUIZ



Math Quiz

Italian polymath astronomer, physicist, engineer, philosopher and famously said,

“Mathematics is the language

With which God

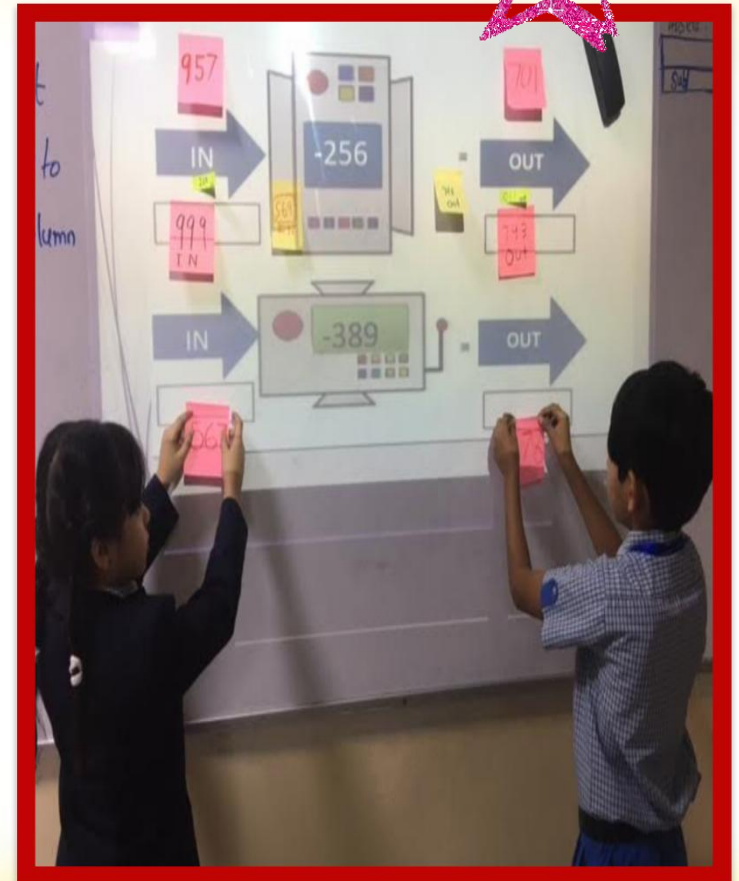
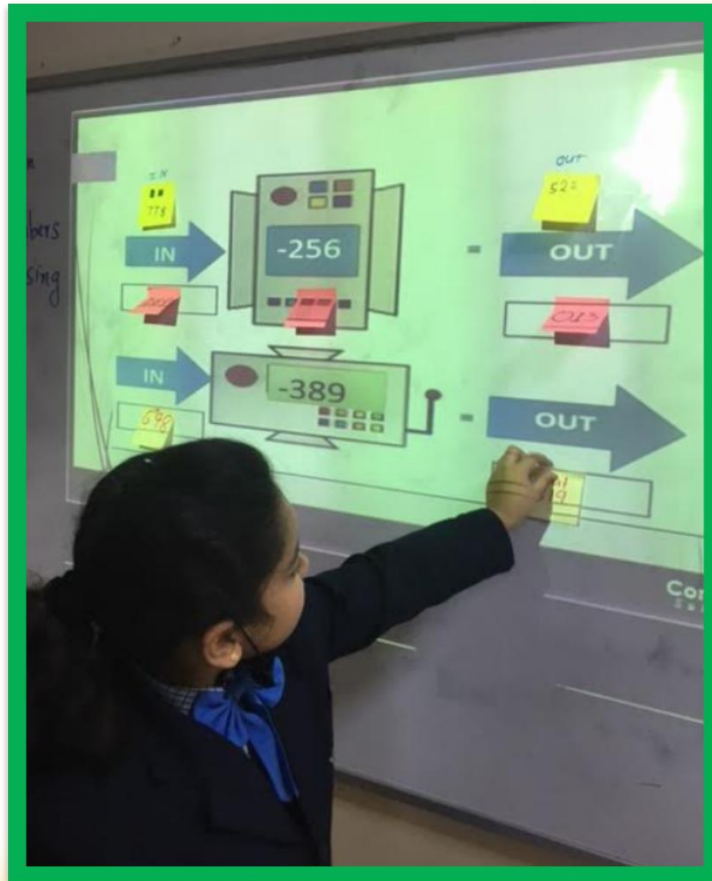
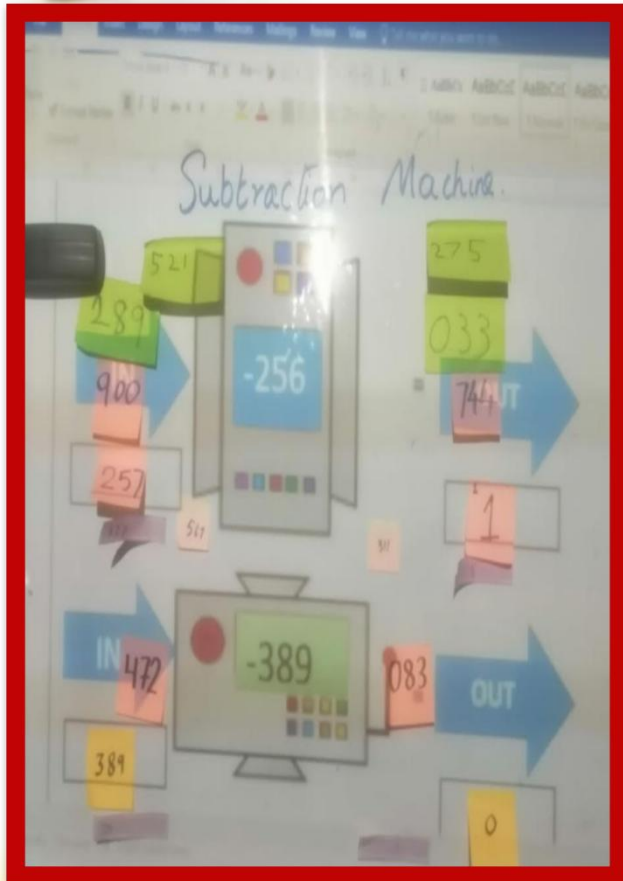
Has written the universe”.

Mathematics is an integral part of our lives. Hence, to motivate students to study mathematics not only as a subject but to make it interesting with activities a Math Quiz had been organized for pupils of Year 3. They had to solve the mathematical problems through various activities to complete the race. Students worked as a team to complete problems.

It gave students an opportunity to explore fundamental concepts that they had learnt in class.

It also encouraged students to explore patterns and other important mathematical concepts. The students enjoyed the opportunity for reflection and self-assessment. Students were engaged in problem solving and put all their efforts to reach level 3. Students actively participated with keen interest and curiosity. The Mathematical Quiz helped students to experience a joyful way of learning Mathematics. It helped them to unify Mathematics with Sports.

Subtraction Machine activity





SCIENCE

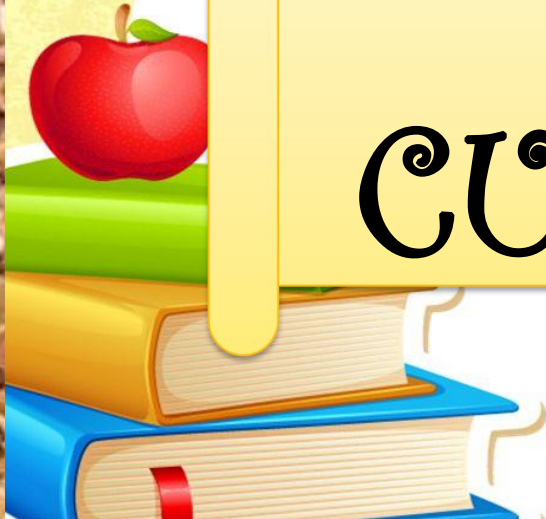


Students learned that how fossils are made and they created fossils using clay.





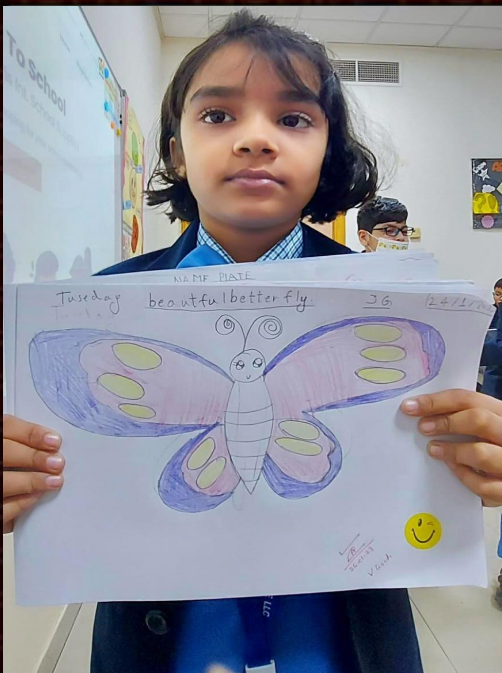
MORAL, SOCIAL CULTURAL STUDIES



Learning about objects used in the past.



ART AND CRAFT



Upcoming EVENTS

- **World Health Day**
- **Voice '23**
- **Parent- Teacher Meeting**
- **Earth Day**
- **World Book Day (International Reading Day)**
- **World Environment Day**

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, studying or volunteering your time and talents to a worthy cause – remember to use your sound judgement.

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.





Thank You