

From the Academic Director...

Dear Multinational School Families

As we come to the end of the academic year, it is a good time to reflect on what we have achieved, update you on the changes that are taking place and look forward to an even more successful 2022-2023.

I would like to thank you for your wonderful support throughout the year. We managed to relocate to our new building in less than a month while keeping Covid at bay. We progressed from a hybrid classroom to complete face to face teaching. We re-established pastoral care and a discipline committee and started with our after-school activities and day trips.



Our first group of students have appeared for their Cambridge external examinations. The management and teachers worked together to make all of the above possible, and I wish to thank all our stakeholders for their continued dedication and support.

We excitedly look forward to the start of the new academic year in 2022 – 2023 and our partnership with Reigate Grammar school. Over the summer we will be adding four more shaded areas, re-decorating our interiors, improving the sound system in the auditorium, and shifting the Early Years to the second building while improving our facilities there. We also hope to start the school canteen, invest more into technology and re-start GL assessments for our students.

Although our student enrollment has increased and new staff will be joining us next year, we will also be sadly saying goodbye to a few of our founding staff members. Mrs. Shaney (our Early Years Coordinator) will be temporarily leaving us to settle her daughter in South Africa. Mrs. Michelle Coetzee (our librarian) will be also going back to South Africa. We wish them all the very best and will miss them for all their hard work and dedication to our school.

I look forward to meeting you more often during the next academic year as we will once again have our Introductory Evenings and Open Days at school. I wish you all a great summer, safe travels and look forward to our students returning refreshed and rejuvenated for an exciting new year.



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Early Years

Our Early Years children had both a busy and fun-filled year full of fantastic learning experiences, hard work and wonderful event days. This has provided them with valuable opportunities for learning, being creative and building their confidence. They adapted very well to the change of venues throughout this Covid-challenging year, with them finally settling down in their 'new home' in our brand new building with excitement.

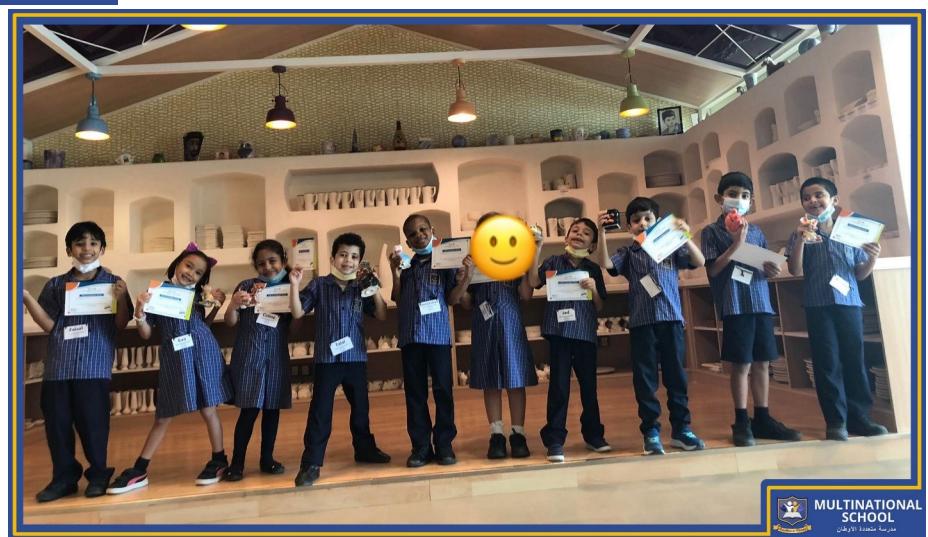


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The multitude of Early Years events throughout the year, proved to be very successful. Saudi National day allowed our children to celebrate being part of this great nation. Some events such as Health and Wellness Day and MasterChef Week in Reception, promoted a healthy way of life where following a healthy diet, exercising, and taking care of your body were the focus. Safari Day was a huge success where the parents enjoyed watching their children take part in fun, relay activities where the children showcased their Gross Motor Skills.



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Crazy Hair Day and Fairytale Dress-up days not only gave the children, but also the teachers the opportunity to be creative, choosing the characters they wanted to be for a day. Our year culminated with two wonderful events: Water Fun Day and our first real (not virtual) field trip to Café Ceramique. The Early Years Team would like to thank all the parents for their continued support throughout the year. We look forward to another successful year ahead working together with you!



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Primary School

Dear Parents,

This year has been another unforgettable year for many reasons. We have had lockdowns, whole school closures, bubble closures and periods of individual self-isolation for many and a change of the school building. We have faced numerous challenges.

On the positive side what we have experienced is a great level of versatility, creativity, resolve and above all else fantastic teamwork. We have found new and exciting ways of working, many of which we will be able to carry forward.

From Online teaching, to hybrid teaching, Cultural day celebrations to a Dodgeball Competition, Poetry recitation, Book Character Day, Community Helpers Day, the much-awaited Cafe Ceramique trip and the Water Slide day, this year was truly a joyful celebration of learning! The feather in the cap was the ‘Primary Evening’ where each year group performed to a different theme:

YEAR 3

Year-3 students showcased the need to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle, discarding the belief that someone else will save the planet, and showing how every individual could do their part. A reminder to everyone “We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors but borrow it from our children.”

YEAR 4

Year-4 students celebrated the works of Dr. Seuss — truly a magnificent performance of the Seussical songs that unveiled the fact that Year-4 students were never meant to fit in; they were born to stand out!

YEAR 5

Year-5 students’ theme was Unity in Diversity. Their scintillating performance was worth a loud cheer. They demonstrated through songs and dances that ‘we are only as strong as we are united and as weak as we are divided.’

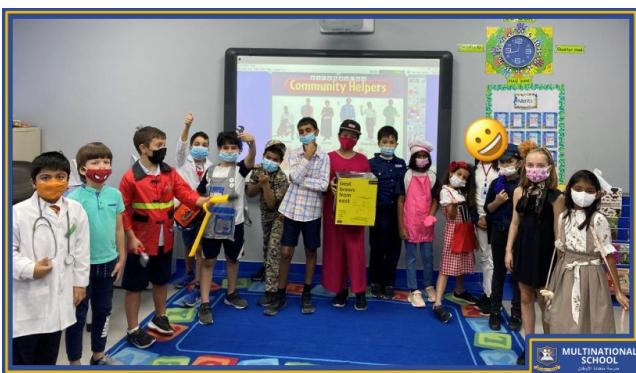
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I am extremely grateful to, and proud of the Primary school pupils of Multinational School. They are a joy to teach, and they make all our efforts worthwhile. They have soldiered on with the changing times and demands.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all the Primary staff. Without exception, everyone has gone above and beyond, covering any roles necessary to ensure disruption has been kept to an absolute minimum.

Last, but certainly not the least, thank you to all parents: you have continued to show great patience in the face of change, and proven that whatever situation we find ourselves in, our children will thrive when school and home work together. At times, you have had to manage your own commitments, whilst also helping your children with their learning at home. I know that has been difficult, but I hope you feel it was worth your while. In continuing to support your children to catch up, I am sure you will also work closely together with the staff at school next year.

For those families who will be returning in August, this is a reminder that **school will begin on August 28th**. Due to the number of families moving in and out of MNS over the summer, class lists will be revised up until the beginning of the new school year. I do not want to create anxiety for a student should he/she have to change classes at the beginning of school. Parents should also recognize that the students will not move up with the same set of peers in the next year's class. The new class lists will be up on the bulletin boards outside on the first back-to-school day for students. If you are not returning to MNS with your children after the holiday, we wish you good luck and all the very best.

Thank you once again for working with us to ensure our pupils are safe and happy, and encouraging them to 'dream, believe and achieve' as they work towards their goals and ambitions.

Please remember to keep up to date with more school news on our school website and emails.

Have a wonderful Summer everyone and we look forward to seeing you all in August.

Sheeja Kurian

High School

High school life is the most formative period of a person's life. The various concepts of life become clear here and the students get a glimpse of how the real-world works. Just like in the real world, high school life too has two prominent aspects: the fun side and the working/studying side with a grey area in between, for activities such as hobbies and interests.

Our teenagers and pre-teens are exploring their worlds and developing a sense of responsibility apart from studying. They have fun, yet they grow from strength to strength. They start forming groups with other like-minded individuals. Reading enthusiasts find their way into the library, musicians' bond over notes, athletes build friendships by dodging the ball, the artists express their worlds in colours and shapes, orators hone their crafts in elocution competitions, while journalists get busy drafting their journals for the school magazine. Multinational School becomes the stage that cultivates the individual learners and molds every student into a young adult – capable of negotiating the many journeys ahead.

Our teachers work in harmony to blend the fun times with the hard work that high school learners naturally need to put in to achieve their academic aspirations. Our teachers blend various tools of effective pedagogy like Differentiated Instruction, Flipped Classroom, Inquiry-based Learning, and Game-based Learning with plenty of starter activities, revision work sheets, pop-quizzes that ensure full engagement and establishes learning beyond the classrooms

A few milestones in our journey....

Science Fair

We conducted the annual Science Fair competition through the months of February and March 2022. The aim of Science Fair competition was to encourage the students' creativity and the practical application of science beyond the classroom. Additionally, having students work in teams taught them valuable lessons about the importance of collaboration in the success of any endeavour.

The winners of the Science Fair were:

- 1st Place-Jad Nachabe, Fransisco Bueno and Taim Suleiman
- 2nd Place-Hyunseo Song and Jannah Mujahid
- 3rd Place-Caterina Mazzaiochio and Taima AlGhanim



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Sports and Games

We had two house weeks this year- Dodge ball and water games



Our students have great talents and creativity. Some of them have created their own logos for '**The House Logo Competition**'. Teachers voted for the best logo from each house and the winners were awarded certificates.



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Desert Camp



Exploring the desert of Saudi Arabia is one of the greatest adventures. High school students had ventured on an exciting camping trip to the Red Sands. They had immense enjoyment experiencing sand boarding and buggy rides. They had the opportunity to ride a camel and a horse. After dinner, they had a great time around the campfire making roasted marshmallows and s'mores.

The next day they visited the Saudi National Museum which is famous for its magnificent architecture and eight "Exhibition Halls," each of which is themed around a different part of

the region's history, such as Saudi heritage, Islamic culture in Arabia, Arabian kingdoms, The Prophet's Mission, and Islam in the Arabian Peninsula.



End of year activities to celebrate a successful school year and to give an opportunity to the students to create fond memories of the high school life. Water games at Romaizan compound, Sky zone trip, Escape room were all thoroughly enjoyed.



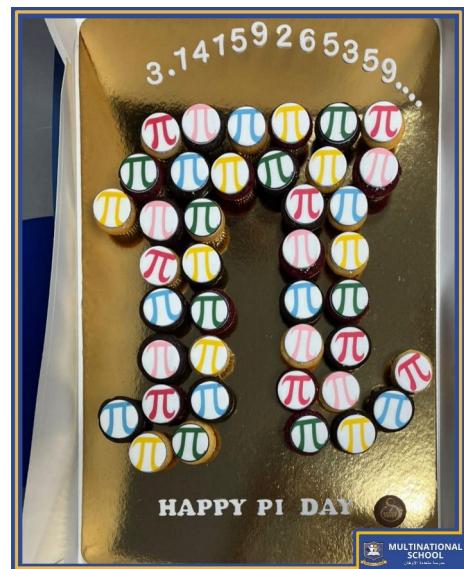
Educational field trip

In Year 6, the mathematics students learn about percentages, profit, and loss. To give them an actual learning experience, we planned an educational visit to the Granada mall. The students have enjoyed learning how to calculate discount on items ranges from 20% to 50% in several shops. The students found that this learning through real-life experience was fun, memorable and wished to do such educational trips more often.

Pi Day is celebrated on March 14th (3/14) around the world. Pi (Greek letter “π”) is the symbol used in mathematics to represent a constant. Various activities were organized for the High School students during their regular Math lessons. These activities were designed to learn more about the number Pi in creative and fun ways.

Students took part in the following two activities:

1. Pi T-shirt: Designing a T-shirt in a creative manner
2. Assembling a Pi-Day paper chain.



French/ Arabic Food Day

Organised by the LOTE department, the Arabic and French culture was showcased through their cuisine. This was also a fund-raising event for the departments. End of year activities to celebrate a successful school year and to give an opportunity to the students to create fond memories of the high school life.

World Science Day was celebrated on November 10th. Students worked on fun experiments during their science lessons to develop their interest in science.

World Math Day: was celebrated on Oct 14th, 2021.

Students had fun Math- based activities during their regular lessons. The finals of the Mental Math competition were also held on that day.

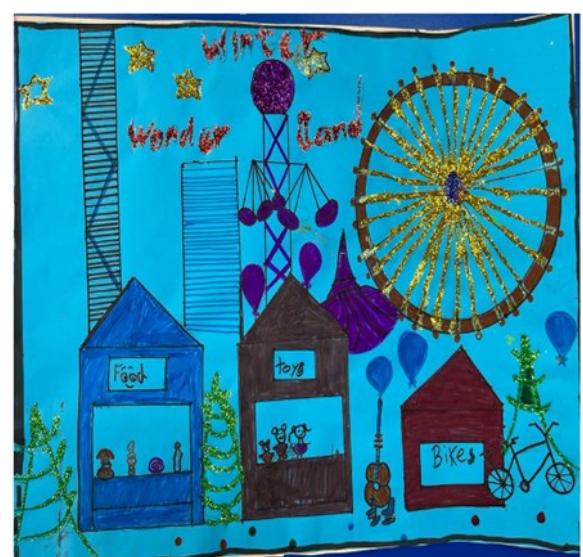
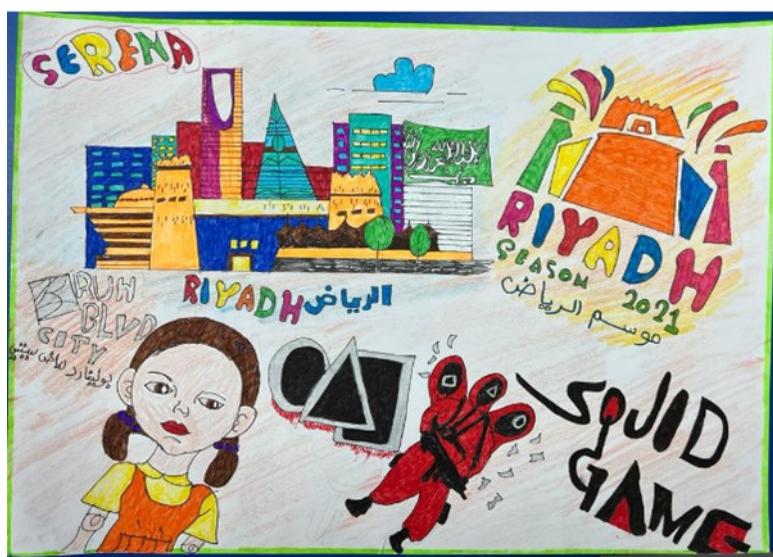
Among the winners were Sevin Fernando, Aangana Brahma, and Shifa Khashif from Years 10-12, Aman Kuppertil, Hani Bamragha, and Remas Baraka from Year 9, and Jad Nachabeh, Francesco Bueno and Jannah Mujahed from Year 8.

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Annual Art Competition

The school organized its Annual Art Competition on the topic 'Riyadh Season'. The aim was to motivate students and encourage them to explore their artistic skills. Students from all year groups enthusiastically took part in it and showcased their creativity through multimedia, painting, and drawings.



Drama classes at Multinational School Riyadh – High School

Drama classes took place amongst Key Stages 3 and 4. In Drama, pupils have the opportunity to develop their social and performance skills by engaging in the texts that they have studied in class and making them a reality. Pupils responded positively as it allowed them to move and interact with others in an imaginatively and fun way.

Pupils in Key Stage 3 took part in practicing and acting from three of Shakespeare's plays, such as A Midsummer Night's Dream, Merchant of Venice and Macbeth. The pupils decided amongst themselves which scenes that way found the most striking and collaborated amongst themselves to create their very own drama class production.

This allowed them to improvise, adopt a role, devise scripts, explore characterizations through the use of masks, costumes and props as well as allow them to evaluate their own work.

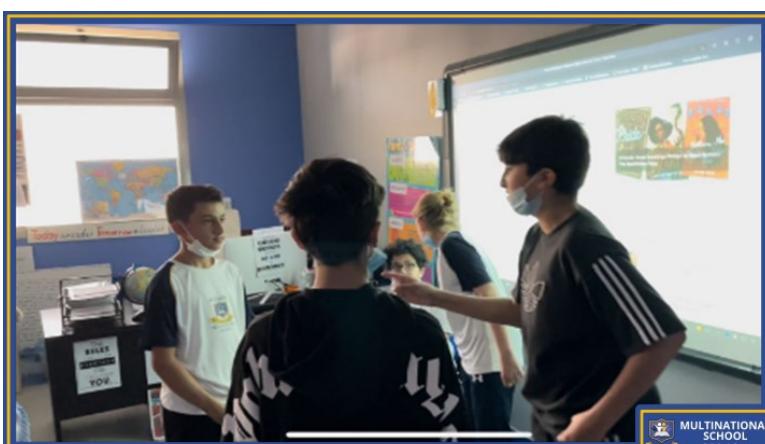


Pupils in Key Stage 4 took part in creating their original script based on two novels that the students were studying. They were 1984 by G. Orwell and Life of Pi by Y. Martell. The pupils then created their original script based on two novels that the students were studying. They were 1984 by G. Orwell and Life of Pi by Y. Martell. For the former novel, students were attracted to the chapter that involved the readers seeing how the ideology of the 'big brother' had influenced the behaviour of the young children in the story. The pupils then

created their play which consisted of three scenes that outlined the central idea of the novel. Pupils were divided into committees, such as props, writing the script, directing, lighting & sound committees that were headed by two members of the class.

As for Life of Pi, the pupils decided to give an overview of the novel in a play form and wanted to focus on the unusual relationship of the protagonist – Pi Patel and the Bengal tiger – Richard Parker. The pupils also wanted to add some dark/ subtle humour alongside the central idea, and they successfully achieved that through working systematically and improving their performances. This was a challenging play to perform in class, as it required a great deal of imagination and creativity that needed to be showcased for their audience so that the audience could appreciate the novel in the same way the pupils did.

Overall, the Drama classes were successful, and the teachers and students alike are looking forward to creating more Drama classes in the new academic year.



Cultural Shoe Box Exchange

Since the beginning of Semester 2, Multinational School was proud to collaborate and work with “**Wenhua Elementary School** in Taiwan” to undertake a cultural shoe box exchange. The aim of this project was to help students to broaden their horizons and understand more about multicultural societies around the world.

The task was set, and the energized students got going with their brilliant plans and ideas on how to create beautiful masterpieces which would be presented to their new friends in Asia! Students from both schools were notified that they would present their boxes to each year group via a video conference online.



Wenhua warriors presented first, their work was excellent, and the high bar was set! All MNS students felt the pressure was on and they had a week to go to exceed the expectations! The hard work and effort put in by the students in Multinational is a testament to the determination and willingness to accept others for who they are, work together as a team, and represent our school as one. Always willing to do better, always willing to push farther, this is what makes Multinational a place to be!