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#### **OUR VISION**

### **OUR MISSION**



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

Our Own English School – Sharjah, is a diverse learning organization comprising of educators, students and parents who share mutual trust and high expectations and together strive to achieve high standards of holistic education and learning for life in an inclusive environment



## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



#### INDIA BOOK OF RECORDS

#### SCINOVATION









Elizabeth Maria Celestine of KG2-N has been added to the esteemed India Book of Records 2021 for being able to recall the capitals of 70 countries in a record time of one minute.

Annanya Simit Shah of KG2-H secured the Second Position in the Virtual Live Interschool Competition on Science & Technology organized by JSS Private School, Dubai The theme for KG2 was 'The Sustainable Recreators'.

#### **SCINOVATION**







Parvathi Harish of 2N with her impressive collage on 'Sustainable Initiatives Around Me' won the First Prize in the Interschool Competition Scinovation '21 organized by JSS Private School.

## K S VARKEY ENGLISH INTER-SCHOOL ELOCUTION CONTEST



Our Own English High School, Sharjah(Girls) proudly brought home the coveted KS Varkey Rolling Trophy on the 8th of November 2021 for the second consecutive year. The competition witnessed the exceptional performance of 105 contestants from 29 schools across UAE. Zainab Imran(Sub-Junior), Angelin Bijoye(Junior), Sarah Mariam Sunil(Sub-Senior) and Evelyn Tessy Emmanuel(Senior) won individual positions in their respective categories.

#### CALLESTHENIC DRILL



'Kalos Ritmo 2021', the 3rd Primary Inter-School Callisthenic Drill Display Competition -NMS was held on11th November 2021. The students of Grades 3, 4 and 5 paid tribute to the front-line heroes of the UAE through their drill display – RECONNAISSSANCE, which bagged the Third Prize in the competition.

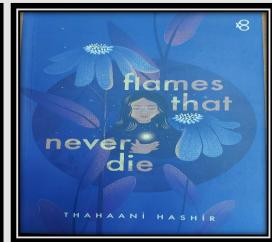
#### ONE MIND, ONE BODY





#### **BURNING WITHIN ETERNALLY....**

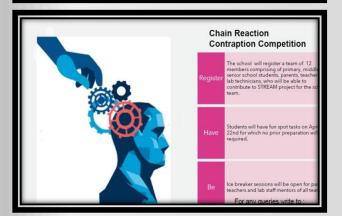




Badra V S of Grade 5, stood First in the World Dancers Online International Dance Contest 2021- Season 4 - ANASS India and Third in the Sharjah level online Bharatanatyam and Folk Dance Competition conducted by YUVAKALA SAHITHY, UAE.

Thahaani Hashir of 81 has meticulously crafted her book - 'Flames That Never Die' - a collection of thirty poems that was released at the Sharjah Book Fair Festival, in the Writers' Forum on 5th November 2021.

# The judges will choose a few teams presentation to a panel of judges on Rovember 8". Once the project is submitted, a video and written paper to score it for due to the form of the form



#### BIG IDEAS ARE BORN OUTSIDE THE BOX





STREAM challenge chain reaction contraption competition was a part of SAPERE AUDE, an interschool Science Fest, organized by the GEMS Modern Academy School. The main objective of the competition was to aid every participant with out of the box thinking. Padmapriya Raman(8G) and Mahalekshmi Dev(8K) represented the school from Grades 7 and 8 and the school won the Overall Runner up Trophy for the best chain reaction contraption. The project of the OOS team was 'La Terra Restituo'- "Restore the Earth" which proposed a solution to two pressing problems - sustainable energy and water usage.

#### DON'T SHUSH SPEAKER ONLY ONE PLANET







#### **CREATING IMPRESSIONS**







Sarah Mariam Sunil of 10 E was awarded the Certificate of Merit for winning the First Position in 'Don't Shush Speaker Only One Planet Competition' organized by GEMS Legacy School, Dubai. She was complemented for her outstanding resilience in completing the Global Social Leaders' Global Goals Competition 2020-2021.

An inter-school contest was organized by the Science India Forum based on the theme, 'The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods' on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 to celebrate the World Ocean Day. Harsini Karthikeyan of 7 E bagged the **First Prize** for poster making. Anuva Subudhi of 8J secured the **First Prize** in Photography contest for the picture she captured of the amazing marine life of a red – eyed terrapin.

#### SUNDEEP BATAVIA INTER SCHOOL COMPETITION 2021-22









| Name  | Grade  | Category & Position                                |
|---|--------|--|
| BHARTI BALEASHWAR                                   | 7M     | Shotput(Under 13) <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Position</b>   |
| HARSHINI V.M  | 7D     | Chess (Under-18) 2nd Position                      |
| ASHIKA<br>RADHAKRISHNA<br>LEKISHA NASIKA            | 8L, 7I | Table Tennis( Under16)  1st Position               |
| DIYA YOGESH &THARA<br>KALYANI PROMOTH               | 8 H    | Table Tennis( Under16) <b>2</b> nd <b>Position</b> |
| VAISURUTHI MAHENDR<br>AN RADHA & HITAISHI<br>NASIKA | 9C 9B  | Table Tennis( Under18)  1st Position               |
| HITAISHI NASIKA                                     | 9B     | BEST PLAYER (UNDER 18)                             |

Sundeep Batavia Inter School Athletic, Chess and Table Tennis Tournament,2021 was conducted by the Delhi Private School, Sharjah from 26<sup>th</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021. OOEHS earned 96 points in the girls' category.

#### DPS VIRTUAL INTER SCHOOL FESTIVAL 2021-22







| Name   | Grade    | Category & Position                             |
|--|----------|---|
| NEETHA MARIAM<br>ABRAHAM                     | 9 G      | Badminton<br>1st Position(Under18)              |
| PRITHYA RAVICHANDRA<br>&<br>APARNA VENKATESH | 9 J , 9H | Chess<br>2nd Position (Under-18)                |
| FARIHA FATEMA<br>MOHAMED                     | 9E       | Cricket Bat Tap<br>2nd Position (Under-18)      |
| AADHYA AMITABH                               | 10 H     | Long Jump<br>1st Position (Under-14)            |
| SUBIKSHA<br>SRI SUBRAMANIAN                  | 91       | Ping Pong Racket Tap<br>1st Position (Under-18) |
| ALEENA PREETHA MANU                          | 8L       | High Jump<br>2nd Position (Under-14)            |

#### **UAE NATIONAL ANTHEM CONTEST**



Ardra Praseed of 10B and Anam Aslam of 7G took part in the UAE National Anthem Singing Contest organized by SPEA as part of the Flag Day celebrations and emerged winners with their melodious rendition.

#### Q'RIOUS-INTERSCHOOL QUIZ COMPETITION



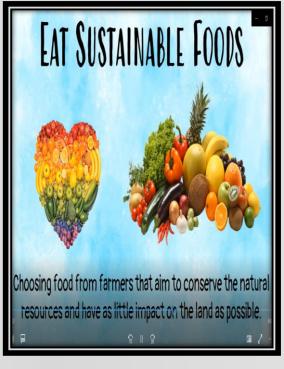


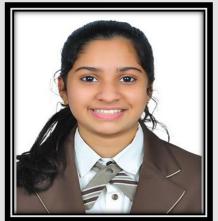
Amanda Rachel Biju of 11-D and Nada Nazeer of 9F represented OOS for Q'RIOUS, the Interschool Quiz Competition conducted by Abu Dhabi Indian School, Al Wathba. They secured the 4th position in the finals.

#### **CREATIVELY SUSTAINABLE!**











In the 'Build the Planet' Inter-School Competition organized by the GEMS Legacy School along with SCOPE, an international forum for students, Narmin Fathima of 8 I won the 1st Runner Up in the Short Story Writing Contest and Neha Santhosh of Grade 9 D attained the 2nd Runner Up for Animat (E)arth. They voiced their perceptions on climate change and sustainability.

#### YKS ENGLISH STORY WRITING COMPETITION



Liah Murali of Grade 9-H won the First Prize in the Yuvakala Shaithy English Story Writing Competition in the Sharjah Zone level. The story was penned on the topic 'Outside the Window'. Her story 'Where I Lost', won the Second Prize at the National level.

#### **TAMILNADU STATE AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP 2021**







Amritta Ravikumar of 10J bagged the silver medal in 400 meters Individual Freestyle swimming. She also won a bronze medal in 800 meters Free style swimming .She qualified for the Nationals held in Bangalore .

#### SHARJAH CLASSIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

#### **UCMAS NATIONAL COMPETITION 2021**







Prithya Ravichandran from 9 J won the Best under 14 Female Player Award in the tournament conducted by the Sharjah Classic Chess Championship – Virtual in Lichess.com.

Shravani Kadali of 9 B was awarded the certificate and trophy for being the First Runner Up of the UCMAS Online 17<sup>th</sup> National Competition 2021.

#### SCOPE 2021





OOS, Sharjah took part in the second edition of the unique student led conference and learning experience 'SCOPE-2021 – School Conference of Parties Expo' between 26th – 28th October 2021. Students of OOS competed with the schools from the Middle East,, Africa, Europe, India and North in the various events. Liah Murali and Malavika Anil Kumar Nair of Grade 9 H became the First Runners Up in the Story Writing and Art Competition respectively.

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#### **BUDDING POETESS OF OOS**







Vanessa Damani of Grade 10 H had her two poems named 'Homesick' and 'Warm' published in an anthology titled 'Unsaid Feelings'. This anthology was compiled by Samrin Nisha and published by Subharambh Publication House in Odisha, India. The book is available on the online markets including Amazon and Flipkart.

#### ANNUAL INTER -SCHOOL DEBATE, 2021

#### HARVARD MODEL UNITED NATIONS, INDIA





The Annual Inter -School Debate 2021 conducted jointly by GEMS Our Own Indian School and the Consulate of India, took place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2021. The topic of the debate was "The Impact of Influencers and Virtual Education". Sneha Banerjee (12B) was awarded the First Runner-Up Trophy (Best Speaker- Against).

Izma Fatima of Grade 12 was awarded the 'Honourable Mention' for representing the 'Libyan Arab Jamahiriya' in the United Nations Environment Program on the topics-Marine Pollution, Ocean Acidification and Industrial Fishing.

#### **GSL WINNERS-APRICUS ON AIR**





The team Apricus, the founders of Small Little Things from OOS with their project which targets young people in need of support in conflict- stricken areas, went on air with 100.3FM radio and shared their efforts towards a Sustainable World. The innovative team includes students from Grade 12- Sharanya Sanalkumar, Dhwani Arun, Devaki Melath and Teresa Kuruvilla.

## INTERSCHOOL PROMO VIDEO CONTEST -A BLESSING



Izma Fatima, Nandita Pramod, Srinidhi Gautamsarathy, and Siva Nanda Rajesh from Grade 12 participated in the Interschool Promo Video Competition conducted by Sunrise English Private School, Abu Dhabi. The team made a 3-minute promo video titled 'A Blessing' to raise awareness on clean water shortage and how we can combat this ever-growing crisis. They bagged the First Position for the competition.

#### SHEIKHA FATIMA AWARD WINNER



Neola Jennica Castelino is the proud winner of the prestigious Sheikha Fatima Bint Mubarak Al Nahyan Award for Excellence for the year 2021. Neola Jennica Castelino truly deserves this award for creating an indelible impression with her positive and distinctive contributions and her outstanding leadership qualities.

#### I CAN CHALLENGE



'Design for Change' is one of the largest global movements that empowers children to unleash their 'I CAN Superpower'. Over 22 schools participated in this challenge on the 9th of November at EXPO 2020. The Senior School Students of OOS presented their Innovative Ideas 'Ozonator' and 'Small Little Things' which left a magnificent impact on the jury comprising of experts in the field of entrepreneurship, artificial intelligence and intellectual property.

#### **UNSC CHAMPIONSHIP**



#### OOS -the reigning victors once again!

The Senior School students Izma Fatima, Aneira Pereira, Siva Nanda, Amanda Rachel Biju, Jeevanaa Suresh Babu and Srinidhi Gautamsarathy brought home the United Nations Simulation Conference Championship Trophy, **for the 4**<sup>th</sup> **Consecutive Year.** The conference was organized by Our Own Indian School, Dubai on the 13<sup>th</sup> of November 2021.

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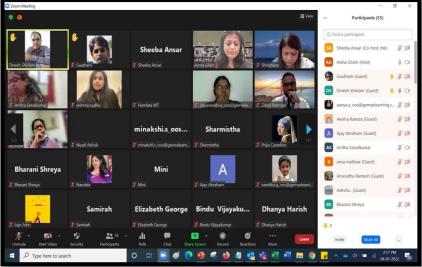


## **SCHOOL EVENTS**



#### THE LOCAL ADVISORY BODY MEETING





A Local Advisory Body Meeting was held on 4th January, 2022. This was presided over by the Principal/CEO Ms. Asma Gilani . Ms. Hemlata Thawani ,Vice Principal, the Senior Leadership team, Supervisors and Grade wise Parent representatives attended the meeting. The Principal welcomed and wished everyone a great, peaceful, healthy, pandemic free year ahead.

The members were briefed on the school safety protocols, mode of learning, extended school timing, after school and extra curricular activities. The Principal also addressed various issues put forth by the parents. She expressed deep appreciation for all the support and concluded the meeting on a positive note with a hope to meet all face to face in the next meeting.

#### UAE-YEAR OF 50TH - CELEBRATING THE GLORIOUS JOURNEY



The school celebrated the 50 glorious years of the formation of the UAE with great fervor. Students across the school enthusiastically participated in a variety of events presenting shows, songs, poems and dances as a tribute to this amazing nation highlighting the tradition, culture and the vision of the great leaders of the country.

#### INNOTECH - INTERSCHOOL DIGITAL FEST













INNOTECH [an inter school competition] launched this year, is an initiative taken up by the Innovation team to promote technology, innovation and unlimited possibilities. It is a platform for our future leaders to showcase their unique business ideas. Out of the 9 schools that registered, Our Own Sharjah-Girls walked away with 6 prizes followed closely by Our Own Sharjah- Boys with 5 and Aspam International with 4 prizes.

#### LET'S REMINISCE - VIRTUAL STORY DRAMATIZATION









"Let's Reminisce" KG2 Virtual Story Dramatization portrayed the spirit of solidarity and unity that represents the proud nation UAE. The air turned vibrant as the little ones confidently enacted stories that connected the viewers to the rich history of the country.

#### ONE WORLD MANY NATIONS -KG2 SOUQ DAY













#### THE GLORIOUS 50 -KG2 SPORTS DAY









As UAE commemorates 'The year of the 50<sup>th</sup>' the students of KG2 celebrated the wonderful nation through the 'Souq Day- **One World Many Nations**'

The students of KG2 rejoiced 'The Glorious 50' of UAE at the KG2 Sports day. Every race focused on the sustainable development goals of UAE, the students crossed hurdles, crawled into tunnels and ran with spirit to glorify the achievements and the future the nation holds.

#### CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

#### WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY

















Dolled up in their favourite coloured outfits, the students of KG celebrated Children's Day engaging in fun filled activities with great enthusiasm and vigour.

World Children's Day was observed on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November to raise awareness and support children's welfare across the globe.

#### **UAE FLAG DAY CELEBRATION**









A thoughtful mind, when it sees a nation's flag, sees not the flag, but the nation itself. The Principal, Staff and students of Our Own English High School Sharjah girls celebrated the UAE Flag day at the stroke of 11am on the **3rd of November 2021** expressing their love and respect for the nation.

#### DIGIFEST

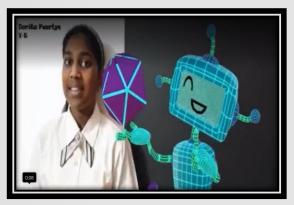












Digifest is a platform for students to exhibit their innovative skills and prepare for the digital challenges ahead. The winners were felicitated in a Virtual Award Ceremony held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

#### PRIMARY ANNUAL SPORTS DAY





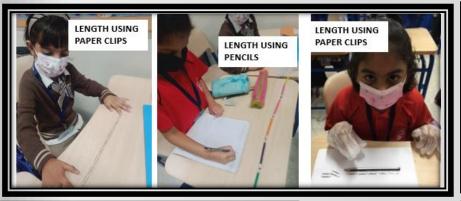




The Primary Annual Sports Day witnessed the enthusiasm and true spirit of sportsmanship among students. The students competed in various races and fun games in an atmosphere filled with cheering and tons of encouragement. The fun games were related to Sustainable Development Goal-16 supporting global peace, justice and equality.



#### MATH WEEK

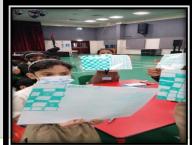












#### Math beyond the classroom!

The Primary Department celebrated the Math Week engaging in various activities applying the mathematical skills whilst developing logical curiosity, problem solving and critical thinking skills.

#### INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY





The students of Grades 1 to 5 celebrated the International Literacy Day 2021 on 19th September. The Cultural ambassadors of the respective grades shared the history ,the importance and the theme of International Literacy day. This was followed by a fun word search puzzle activity.

#### **WORLD GRATITUDE DAY**







The Primary Department celebrated the World Gratitude Day 2021 on 21st September. The Cultural Ambassadors expressed their gratitude towards the UAE culture of welcoming all to this land. The students across the primary section recited the prayer of gratitude followed by the thought for the day.

#### SECOND LANGUAGE WEEK













The students from grades 1-10 celebrated 2<sup>nd</sup> language week with an array of activities to enhance students' linguistic skills. They took part in Elocution, Recitation and Poster making in their respective languages.

#### RUHAANIYAAT ISLAMIYAH









The Our Own Inter School Islamic Festival-Ruhaaniyaat Islamiyah was conducted on the 10th of November with the aim to encourage students to participate in the recitation and memorization of the Holy Quran with proper Tajweed. Several schools participated in various competitions, namely, Hifz-e-Quran, Al- Hadith and Innovative Project – A Futuristic Islamic City. The Rolling Trophy was bagged by Sharjah Indian School.

#### INTRA CLASS QI'RAT COMPETITION











Intra Class Qi'rat Competition conducted virtually on 12th September 2021 for Grade 1 students was organized to develop interest to recite the Holy Quran.

| WINNERS OF THE COMPETITION | Position        | Grade and Section |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Irha & Aliya Yasmeen       | 1st<br>Position | 1-M               |
| Hibba Fatima               | 2nd<br>Position | 1-F               |
| Maiza Mirshad              | 3rd<br>Position | 1-K               |

#### INTERNATIONAL PEACE DAY



#### May Peace Prevail On All!

The students watched a video on the need for peace and learnt the significance of working together with mutual respect, tolerance and patience. They also depicted the role of inspiring world leaders and advocated the message of peace.

#### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF TOLERANCE









#### **Hands & Hearts that Spread Tolerance!**

On the occasion of International Tolerance Day the students watched a video on the importance of tolerance in maintaining peace and harmony in our life and also took part in the activity which emphasized the various values of tolerance.

#### **ENGLISH WEEK**



















The English Week conducted in the months of June, October and November across Grades 6-12 served as a platform creating an array opportunities for students to flaunt their literary talents. The students amazingly showcased their skills in Poetry Out Loud, Mono Act, Spell Bee, Elocution, Debate and various creative skills. The winners were awarded with certificates.

#### **ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET 2021**













The 33rd Annual Athletic Meet of Our Own High School, Sharjah was a much awaited opportunity for all the young athletes after being in flux since the pandemic. Their bottled energies and vigor was seen in action on the 3rd of November 2021 at the Annual Athletic Meet which was an onsite event.

#### ANNUAL PRIZE DAY -2021





OOEHS took pride in celebrating and honouring the outstanding achievements of students on the occasion of the Annual Prize Day on the 23rd of September 2021. The Principal ,Mrs. Asma Gilani, applauded the students for their diligence and commitment through her inspiring speech. The event was graced with the presence of Dr. Shambavi Rajagopal, the founder of SSS- Save, Scrap & Sew in Dubai. A stunning musical titled 'Motunui to Seventeen' brilliantly performed by the students on the theme 'Sustainability for a better world' portrayed the students' talents and school's commitment to a Sustainable World.

#### FOR A GOOD CAUSE..

# LIGHT FOR LIFE



Rithika Brijesh from Grade 8L attended the leading Education Conference and Exhibition in the Middle East region GESS Dubai, that was held on 13th November 2021. She presented her innovative project 'Light for Life' which is a Covid-19 protection bag created with the help of coding.

#### **SALUTING BRAVERY!**





The UAE Commemoration day was observed across Grades 7&8 on 30th November as a mark of respect to the brave souls who sacrificed their lives for the country. They penned poems and designed creative posters honouring the Martyrs.

#### **BRAIN CHALLENGE CONTEST-SPEA**





SPEA invited the schools to participate in the Brain Challenging Contest as part of the Sharjah International Book Fair. Prithya Ravichandran 9J, Devangana Aneesh 9 I and Jennifer Maria Tenny 9F competed with Ibn Khaldon Private School in the final round and won the 2nd Position in the competition. As a token of appreciation, the students' received toolkits from SPEA.

#### **TANGLETHON**

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## INTRODUCING YOU TO

## **TANGLETHON**

Tanglethon prides itself on being UAE's biggest virtual ideathon.

Students from Grades 9 and 10 participated in a 5-day ideathon - Tanglethon to exhibit their talents to generate fresh solutions to an existent prominent challenge in our community.

#### PICTURESQUE-2021









**Picturesque**, the Annual Photography and Painting Competition conducted by the Student Council aims to provide a forum to the budding photographers and talented artists to showcase their talents. The winners of the Photography Contest were Rebecca Elza Varghese-10I(1st Place), Rithika Mahesh Kumar-9 J(2nd Place) and Maryam Sultana 9C(3rd Place). The winners of Painting Contest were Malavika Anilkumar,9 H and Lilla Maria Jose ,10L in the 1st and 2nd Position respectively.

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#### INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SHOW





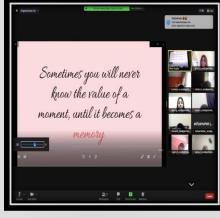




The students of Grades 9-12 had the opportunity to attend the International Education Show held on 19th October 2021 at the Expo Center – Sharjah. An array of carousels and display stalls of various universities along with one-on-one talks with university representatives enlightened them on a variety of specializations in reputable institutions to pursue higher studies..

#### TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS





#### DUBAI AIR SHOW





The students of Our Own English High School, Sharjah celebrated Teachers' Day on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. The Deputy team of the Prefectorial Board put together a heartwarming video for the teachers expressing their love and utmost gratitude for their dedication and passion in this selfless profession.

Students of Our Own English High School, Sharjah (Girls) were delighted to take up the opportunity provided by the Ministry of Education to visit the spectacular Dubai Air Show on the 18th of November. The flying display of colours was one of the top highlights of the event.



## **TEACHING AND LEARNING**



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#### TWINNING WITH MY DOLL









To enhance the social skills, along with their imagination, emotional, and communication skills, 'Twinning with my Doll' activity was conducted in Kindergarten 1 on 24th June 2021.

#### LET'S BLEND AND BUILD









#### A head start on the Reading Journey!

The 'Blend & Build' event was conducted on the 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021 through fun and easy activities where children reviewed and explored the letters and put the letter sounds together to make words.

#### READING WEEK



#### Kindling the spirit of reading!

KG1 children were exposed to an array of reading activities from 26th to 30th September 2021 through online games and apps.

#### MY WORLD OF MATH









'My World of Math' was conducted from 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The hands-on Math activities helped the students to be acquainted with counting, creating patterns and above all, having fun with numbers.

## SCIENCE WEEK - 'STEM-AZING'

















#### **Explore the Magic of Science!**

The students of Kindergarten1 had a 'STEM- AZING' week from 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021 with a wide range of activities where the children made their observations while they actively interacted and participated in discovering the world of science.

#### SPOT AND STRIPES DAY













To further explore and enhance their learning about the animal kingdom, kindergarten conducted "Spots and Stripes Day" on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2021. The children enjoyed dressing in spots or stripes costumes.

#### PICTO-PLOTS









'Picto-Plots' week was conducted in Kindergarten 1 from 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Children collected, organized and put together various information through activities.

#### **OUR LITTLE YOYAGERS**

## MY FAVOURITE SEASON - SHOW AND TELL ACTIVITY



















Little Voyagers learnt about the planets and the home star, the Sun through videos, presentations and models.

Spring, Summer, Winter, and Fall, Which season is best of all?

The young observers of KG2 shared their thoughts about their favourite season and why it is so special with palpable enthusiasm.

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## PLAY WITH PATTERNS







The students of KG2 went around a pattern hunt and created various patterns using colours, shapes, blocks, numbers, letters and much more.

#### LAND OF DREAMS - USA









The tiny-tots with great curiosity, ingenuity and fervor created models using recycled materials related to the facts they learned about the "Land of Dreams- USA".

#### THE PICASSO IN ME









An exciting week at kindergarten as the students of KG2 experienced the wonder of art and colour through the famous works of the Spanish artist 'Pablo Picasso'.

#### ORGANIC BIRD FEEDER







#### For our feathery friends!

Students went plastic free as they used coconut shells, fruit shells and tetra packs to create an organic bird feeder which they filled with grains and millets for the birdies to feed on.

#### **AUSTRALIA- THE LAND DOWN UNDER**









The Kindergarten Explorers explored the country of Australia. They were super excited to make a 'rain stick', the musical instrument used by the Aborigines, using recycled materials.

#### PASSIONATE ABOUT PIXELS













"Passionate about Pixels" was a fantastic opportunity for the students of KG2 to enhance their connection with the digital world, they associated pixels to images they see every day on their laptop, tablet or mobile phones.

#### ANIMAL PARADE









The culmination activity of the Animal Week witnessed the students' parade in their favourite animal costumes holding the placards with powerful slogans on saving animals and birds.

#### **ENTRE - WISE**









The **Entre-Wise** numeracy activity conducted from the 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2021 reinforced the basic awareness on UAE currencies.

#### THEMATIC WEEK-INTERLINKED TO SDG -12









An integrated approach to learning was ensured by linking various subjects to Sustainable Development Goal No. 12 – 'Responsible Consumption and Production'. Research on ways to protect endangered animals was the task in Science while a story on recycling was chosen for listening skills.

## TALENT WEEK-PRIMARY





















# Talent is like a flower which you need to tend if you want to get something beautiful at the end.

To nurture the intrinsic talents of the students, Talent Week was organized from 13<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> September with an array of events. It provided a platform to the young performers to express themselves and supplement their learning experience. The students made the best of it by exhibiting their talents in singing, dancing, art, craft and much more. The programme was a delightful experience for all.

#### POSITIVE DIGITAL FOOT PRINT





A series of events were conducted on 27th of June 2021 as part of the Digital Citizenship Activities for K-5 Distance Learning'. This helped Grade 4 students to develop an understanding on the importance of  $5 \, \text{Ps} - 5$  Positive Digital footprints and cyber ethics . Students participated in a collaborative board activity and shared their views on the rules that would make online games fun and friendly.

#### CHILDREN'S DAY









Students celebrated Children's day on 11th November 2021 making it a bookless day and students came in coloured attires. The teachers left no stones unturned to make the day memorable for the students.

#### **VOCABULARY WEEK**

























Vocabulary enables us to interpret and to express. In order to focus on improving vocabulary skills, interesting vocabulary week activities were conducted in Grades 1-5.

#### **ENGLISH WEEK**





















Students created vivid stories based on Sustainable Development Goals which reflected children's meaningful line of thinking. Advertising a product creatively with jingles and props provided the students the platform to enhance their communication skills.

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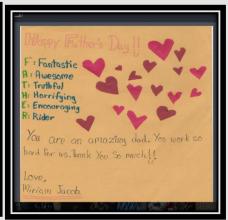
## FATHERS' DAY



















Behind every good kid is a great dad-Celebrating the great Fathers!

#### **WORLD KINDNESS DAY**













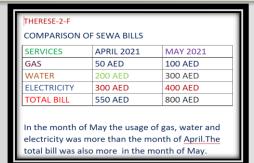




The students of Grade 1 celebrated World Kindness day on 15<sup>th</sup> November by making posters to emphasize the importance of kindness and compassion. A special activity on Random acts of kindness (**Roakdiy**) was conducted where students performed an act of kindness every day and recorded in the planner. It helped in instilling a sense of gratitude in the students.

#### DIGITAL INITIATIVE







Digital SEWA bill comparison to reduce consumption of natural resources





Digital Wizards using simple level coding program-Scratch

The students were challenged to exhibit their creativity on the digital platform – 'COSPACES' showcasing critical thinking and problem solving skills for a sustainable future. Dialogues and voice over provided an edge to their project.

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#### HAPPINESS DAY









Happiness is a choice.
Choose it every single day!

#### CHILD LABOUR DAY







A happy childhood is perhaps the most fortunate gift in life.

#### **CONFLICT RESOLUTION**





The students of Grade 4 watched a video about conflict resolution as part of the life skill activity on 26th October, 2021. Students learnt the importance of being honest and admitting their role in the conflict.

#### HAPPINESS IS IN YOU







Grade 5 students displayed their hidden talents in the 'Show your Talent' event organized for them. The celebration encouraged a happier classroom environment with a realization that children who are happy perform better academically.

#### TERRA HISTORIA



#### Jingle

Theme park filled with thrills, journey through this makes our dream fulfill.

Trip to this ancient land, makes us go back to the early sand.

Don't worry about your health, robots are there to help.

Keep your mind happy, with this amazing mental therapy.

Ferris wheel that has touch screen, inspires young minds to

experience history.

If you are one of the early birds, you can go free! Children below 12 are also free, people above 12 only cost AED 35. Go with your family, for a family package of AED 200. Join our awesome wonderland, to be cheerful and delighted.

Gifted and Talented students of Grade 5 designed a theme park named **Terra Historia,** a place filled with thrills,maze, magic and inspires young minds to experience history.

#### STUDENT LED CLASS

#### **URDU - IQBAL DAY**













The Grade 6 'Radio Jockies' with their captivating scripts, enthusiastic presentation, interviews and interactions kept their listeners interested and entertained .The task related to the English lesson, 'The Special Prize' connecting to *Sustainable Development Goals* encouraged the students to be creative and proficient in their own learning.

The Urdu department celebrated "Iqbal day" on the 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021 in remembrance of the famous poet, Allama Iqbal . Students prepared presentations on the poet and performed skits.

## LEARNING

# INGENIOUSLY





Radio Jockey and Press Conference are two collaborative activities which foster confidence and enhance linguistic skills. The students are provided an open forum wherein they engage their peers in critical thinking and analytical approach.

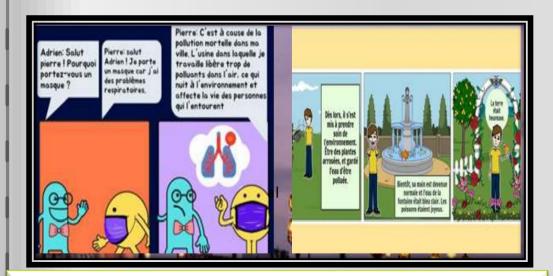
#### **PERCEPTIONS**





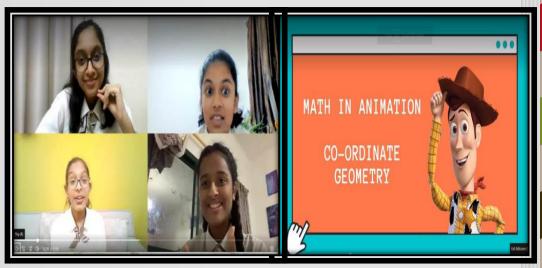
The Visual Storytelling workshop, held by the Manipal Academy of Higher Education was conducted virtually on the 21st of November 2021 helped in honing the participants' passion in visual storytelling through films. The workshop organized by the School of Media and Communication (SoMC), MAHE Dubai was hosted by Mr Jay Jammal, who provided a new perspective for the participants in a thought- provoking manner which led to further interest in mastering the art of filmmaking.

#### A STORY IN THE STORY BOARD



This activity was conducted for the students of Grade 10 on 15th September 2021. The process of visual thinking and planning allowed a group of students to brainstorm, placing their ideas on storyboards and then arranging the storyboards on the wall. This innovative activity helped to cultivate writing skills and creativity using technology.

#### MATHEMEDIA' MATH WEEK 2021



Math Week of Grade 9 and 10 was conducted on 31st October with the goal to demonstrate how Math is incorporated in Animation. Students worked in groups to research and create informative and innovative videos which included mathematical concepts like geometry, algebra, trigonometry, linear equations etc.

#### IN-NO-WAIT TO LEARN













The students of Grades 9&10 ventured into a week of learning through collaborative team work by testing and trying various innovative techniques to show case their understanding of concepts and information related to their curriculum and exhibiting it in the classrooms from 24 June to 1 July 2021.

#### SPIN THE WHEEL AND TALK



French Spin the wheel and talk Competition was conducted on16th September 2021 to encourage students to develop their speaking skills.



### **ECO ACTIVITIES**



#### **WORLD OZONE DAY**



















World Ozone Day was celebrated with varied activities by students of Kindergarten to Grade 12. The presentations, animated videos, role-plays and posters conveyed messages and information on how to protect environment, measures of protection from excessive UV radiation and how to select goods without ozone depleting substances.

#### MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE - BE KIND









Our kindergarteners learnt about the importance of being kind and doing good deeds through short story narration. The students were motivated to speak a few lines about their kind deeds during JAM session the conducted in class.

### WORLD OCEAN DAY



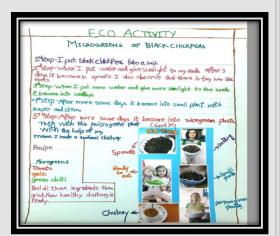
We are here to find a solution to stop ocean pollution!

#### **GROWING MICROGREENS**







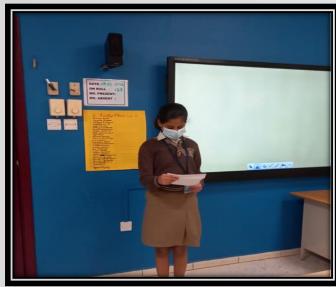


As part of Eco holiday homework, the Grade 1 students were encouraged to grow microgreens such as spinach, sprouts, lettuce and cucumber in their home and make healthy dishes out of the produce. The students made a brief report on how the microgreens were grown with the pictures of various stages along with the recipe of a dish prepared from the microgreens.

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#### **ECO ACTIVITY**







#### Way forward for a better environment

Students creatively expressed their vision and ideas for a better environment through Poetry, Comic Strip, poster making and Interview Videos of parents and grand parents. The students enjoyed the opportunity given to ignite their passion and drive them to do their part to take care and enjoy the beautiful Earth.

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#### TREASURES UNTOLD







The students of Grades 7 and 8 made cloth coasters and cloth mats from old fabrics as part of their eco activity for the month of November. They emphasized the importance of the 3Rs, which subsequently plays a major in eco sustainability.

#### THE GREAT BATTERY CHALLENGE









The students of Grades 7and 8 put their best foot forward by collecting the used batteries for contributing towards the 'Great Battery Challenge' initiated by EEG. The students were made aware of the improper disposal of batteries leading to adverse human health effects and environmental pollution.

#### **GEMS PLOGGING**









#### Choosing the green side!

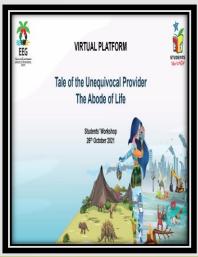
GEMS Ploggers initiative was held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November 2021. Students of OOS, always keen to involve in environmental protection efforts, assembled at Al Mamzar beach. The day's activity started with a warm up session followed by the clean up drive. It was a fun filled day as the students jogged and picked up trash embracing the benefits of fitness and wellness habits while caring for the environment.

#### **CLIMATE ACTION & GENDER EQUALITY**

#### ECO FORERUNNERS IN THE MAKING









Dyuthi Vasupal of 9C attended a webinar on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021 which was a side event for the CogX2021 Festival. She spoke insightfully about the importance of climate justice and how it is distressing the world. She also added on the significance of including women and girls in climate change negotiation process to make the world a better place for everyone.

The Emirates Environmental Group Student Workshop titled, 'Tale of the Unequivocal provider: The abode of Life, was conducted virtually on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, 2021. The workshop was attended by the student representatives Aahana Amith Palled, Adrija Manoj and Sana Sanil from Grade 7 and Ms. Anila Murali as the teacher representative for the school. The objective of the workshop was to understand the ways in which we can work with nature to maintain sustainability.

#### SEWA DAY

#### **CAN COLLECTION DRIVE**









The Students of Class 10 went on a mindful nature walk through the school's rock garden listening to the sounds and observing the movements in nature. It was also a time to reflect on the sustainable ways of living.

Students of OOS enthusiastically participated in the 25th cycle of the Can Collection. Drive organized by the Emirates Environmental Group (EEG). The event witnessed the gathering of more than 200 entities from across the UAE contributing towards a sustainable future.



## **HEALTH, SAFETY & WELL BEING**



#### WITH HEALTHY WAYS - HEALTH STAYS

#### **ASSEMBLY-HEALTHY FOOD**



















To create an awareness about healthy lifestyle and good dietary habits, Kindergarten 1 organized 'With Healthy Ways- Health Stays'.

A short skit and a dance by the students depicting the importance of having healthy food.

#### **WELL-BEING ACTIVITY ON 'FRIENDSHIP'**







Grade 1 students learnt about the importance of friendship in one's life as they recollected their happy moments with their best friends and made colourful friendship bands for them.

# VALUE ENRICHMENT AND MOTIVATIONAL TALK





Grade 1 department has initiated the Value Enrichment and Motivational Talk (VEM TALK) session to inculcate positive attitude and values in students. In the maiden session ,Ms Shahnaz Dalal addressed the students on how she pursued and achieved her dreams through hard work and efforts.

### WELL BEING-EYE EXERCISE









Exercise is the key not only to physical health but to peace of mind.

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#### LIFE SKILL-EFFECTIVE TIME MANAGEMENT

#### LIFE SKILL-EMERGENCY NUMBERS









Time management begins with planning.





Make safety a way of your life.

#### LIFE SKILL ACTIVITY



#### HEALTH AND WELL BEING



Grade- 3 participated in a life skill activity to inculcate the value of respect and appropriate behavior among the students on the field during the Sports Day

Grade 3 conducted a series of activities to raise awareness about the importance of nutritional and adaptive eating habits.

#### **WELL BEING SESSION**

#### LIFE SKILL ACTIVITY









The care and well-being activity was conducted on 31st August 2021, wherein the students guessed the songs from the tunes played and grooved to the last song which energized their mind and body for the rest of the day.

Grade- 4 participated in a life skill activity on 8th September celebrating the National Nutritional Week. The students were enlightened with different methods of preserving nutrients in food while cooking.

#### INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY









International Yoga Day was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 at OOS, Sharjah(Girls). Ms. Bhavisha Gokulan, Yoga therapist and an alumnus of Our Own conducted the session for the students highlighting the importance of yoga in our daily life.

#### HEALTH TALK









A health talk was conducted by Dr. Farhana Rasool on 21st September 2021 for the students of Grades 6, 7 and 8. This session enabled the students to understand the significance of a healthy lifestyle and awareness on menstruation.

#### INTERNET SAFETY SESSION



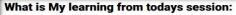




#### Vyga Shyjoy Nambiar 6-D

If someone asks me my personal details I would not reply, I would block that person and close the tab. I would also inform my parents about this.

If I am facing some issues in school I would inform my teacher who will inform the other teachers. I can also ask my parents to email it to the teacher. but if they are not there. I would email it to my teacher and CC to my to parents.



Aileen Anna Alex 6 -

I learned: some safety tips to use while online and how we have to react when someone tries to cyberbully us.

How was the session: The session was really nice, Vyga explained very well and I understood every point she said.

What more safety topics do you want Vyga to include?: Vyga



E-Safety Ambassadors of Grade 6 conducted Internet Safety Awareness Session for their respective classes during the ICT period. The students were briefed about various kinds of dangers they could encounter while using the internet that called for vigilance. The OOS E-Safety Leaders were introduced who would look into the e-safety issues.

#### MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK-LUMOS















The mental health awareness week-'Lumos 2021' was organized by the OOS Student Council with the objective to bring awareness on the importance of mental well-being along with physical fitness. A thought-provoking live session with clinical psychologist Ms. Lakshmi Vipin was conducted.



## PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT



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#### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT WEEK ACTIVITY

















#### **Upholding the value of togetherness**

The Parental Engagement Week witnessed the enthusiastic parents participating in programmes and sharing their valuable thoughts on insightful topics.

#### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY - BE SMART BE SAFE















'Be Smart, Stay Safe', was conducted on Thursday, 28th of October' 2021. Parents addressed the students on the online platform and discussed the importance of eating healthy and staying fit and ways to stay safe.

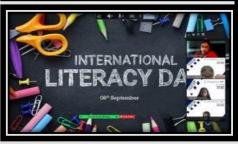
#### INTERNATIONAL DAY OF LITERACY

















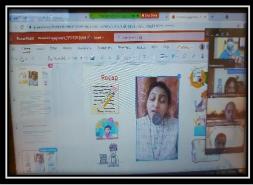
### "Children are made readers on the laps of their parents"

It was a stimulating experience for kids when the parents took time off to read stories with much patience and expression . This activity instilled the joy of reading in the minds of students and opened a new world for them.

To spread awareness on the importance of literacy for all, the students of Grade 6 celebrated "International Literacy Day" on Wednesday September 8, 2021. Along with various literary activities ,a parent volunteer from each section spoke to the students about the importance of reading and spoke about the books that he/she had read as a child...

#### ONE MIND ONE BODY





#### PARENT TALK

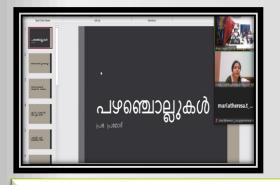


Effective time management tips were shared with the students of Grade 5 as a part of the Parental Engagement activity which motivated the students to become more organized and confident.

Dr. Shiefa Sequeira, Clinical Scientist, parent of Anisha Salomi Sequeira from 12D, enlightened the students of Grade 11 on the importance and sources of Vitamin D. She also briefed the students on the diseases caused by the deficiency of Vitamin D.

#### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT -MALAYALAM WEEK ACTIVITY

#### PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY - SCIENCE WEEK









A parental engagement activity was conducted for the students of Grade 6 on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, by Ms. Prabha Promoth. It was truly a wonderful introduction to the ancient proverbs and beliefs that existed in Kerala and those which are still in use.

Videos prepared by the enthusiastic parents of Grade 6 students on the topic-'Carbon footprint impact on future **generation**', as a part of the parental engagement activity, reminded students of the simple, practical, everyday things each one can do to reduce their carbon emissions.

#### BEING HEALTHY

#### CHERISHED MOMENTS OF JOY.....















An interactive session 'The Ethnic Food Habits and Lifestyle - A Small Journey into Kerala's Age-old Customs', was conducted on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November as part of the Parental Engagement activity by Prabha Promoth, the parent of Thara Promoth (8 H). She enlightened the students about simple home remedies and made them reflect on the present day lifestyle that causes many serious illnesses.

As a part of the Parental Engagement Week, the students and parents of Grades 7&8 engaged in various activities from 21st to 25th November 2021 like Pen A Pal, Thanks giving messages to Parents, Dad's Involvement, Cook A Meal and Good News Strategy. The parents also found time to display their talents along with their wards by participating in Sing A Song, Yummy Treat and Talent Show.



## **ARABIC ACTIVITIES**



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#### ARABIC WEEK















Grades 1-5 conducted the Arabic week with a special assembly and activities where the students spoke in Arabic and performed, expressing their views on the SDG goal 'Zero Hunger'.

#### FATHER'S DAY (ARABIC)









To honour fathers for the role they play in shaping the lives of their children, the students of Grade 6 celebrated Fathers' Day on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. The students were involved in a variety of activities with their fathers and they made a wallet with a message expressing gratitude.

#### **ARABIC THEATRICS**





OOS students grabbed the attention of the audience with their proficiency of the Arabic Language coupled with their brilliant dramatic skills at 'My Favourite Book' - An Interschool story dramatization competition conducted at the 'Sharjah International Book Fair'.

Humairah Mukhtar 9D - 1st Position Hessa Nasser 6F - 2nd Position Syeda Ghousia 9D - 3rd Position

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