# FALCON PRIDE

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# PRIMARY SCHOOL AKHBAR



# Our Guiding Statements

#### Vision

Empowering students to achieve high levels of academic growth and personal wellbeing and to be responsible citizens who are locally rooted and globally connected.

#### Mission

At Qatar Academy Doha we offer a rigorous academic program with strong Arabic and Islamic Studies. Our school community develops and challenges learners to be active, internationally-minded citizens who demonstrate environmental consciousness.

#### Values

At Qatar Academy Doha we are **SAFE**, **RESPECTFUL** and **RESPONSIBLE** learners.

Cultivating a Sustainable Mindset



# Director's Message

رسالة المدير،

أولياء الأمور الكرام،

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تحتفل دولة قطر غدًا بيوم البيئة، وفي ذلك اليوم يسعى الجميع للعمل على زيادة رفع الوعي المجتمعي بأهمية إيجاد حلول صديقة للبيئة والتكنولوجيا الخضراء. كما يذكّرنا يوم البيئة بكيفية قيام كل منّا بإحداث فرق في مجتمعنا وبيئتنا وذلك من خلال أعمالنا اليومية.

إنه لأمر رائع أن نرى الجهود التي قامت بها المدرسة الابتدائية لرفع وعي الطلاب عن تغير المناخ في المنطقة المظللة ومشاركة الطلاب بأفكار وحلول و لوقف تغير المناخ. لقد قال أحد قادة العالم هذا الأسبوع، لا توجد قضية أكثر أهمية من الاستجابة للتهديدات الناشئة عن تغير المناخ. إنها قضية تظهر شغف الشباب ويرجع ذلك جزئيًا إلى أنهم يستطيعون رؤية أن مستقبلهم هو الذي سيتأثر بتغير المناخ. من الجيد أن نرى حرص وحماس طلابنا ووموظفينا في كل من المدرسة الثانوية والمدرسة الابتدائية لنشر الوعي حول ضرورة إعادة النظر في ما نقوم به وكيف يمكننا إحداث فرق ..

قتم طلاب الصف العاشر الليلة الماضية مشاريعهم الشخصية من خلال عروض تقديمية افتراضية . تعد هذة المرحلة من أهم مراحل برنامج السنوات المتوسطة . لقد كان من الجميل سماع الأفكار والقضايا التي تهم الطلاب ومعرفة الجهود التي بذلوها في تلك المشروعات الشخصية تماما كما هو الحال في السنوات السابقة . لقد أثار اهتمامي التنوع الهائل للموضوعات التي قام الطلاب بالبحث عنها والتركيز عليها بدءًا من قضايا الصحة العقلية ، إلى إعادة تدوير الملابس، إلى بناء مكنسة كهربائية معاد تدويرها للمساعدة في تحسين التواصل مع الصم . إنني معجب جدًا بما حققوه والتقدم الذي أحرزوه خلال العام . بالطبع كما هو الحال مع جميع مشاريع طلاب البكالوريا الدولية فإن قراءة أفكار هم في نهاية المشروع حول ما تعلموه وما يمكنهم القيام به هو أمر قوي للغاية .

لقد كان من الجيد رؤية عدد كبير من الموظفين يتلقون تطعيماتهم خلال الأسبوع الماضي. (لقد حصلت على الجرعتين ووصلتني رسالة مدرجة في تطبيق احتراز الخاص بي مفادها أنني تلقيت التطعيم!) تعد هذة المرحلة هي الخطوة الحتمية التي يمكننا من خلالها للعودة إلى الوضع الطبيعي.

آمل أن يعود المزيد من الطلاب إلى المدرسة في الأيام القادمة. في غضون ذلك ، آمل أن يستمر جميع الطلاب في ارتداء الكمّامات، واتباع قواعد التباعد الاجتماعي وغسل أيديهم بشكل متكرر داخل المدرسة وخارجها.

أطيب التمنيات،

ستيفن ميك



# Director's Message

Dear Parents,

Tomorrow is Qatar Environment Day, when all of us in Qatar are asked to do something to raise our collective awareness about the importance of environmentfriendly solutions and green technology. It is also a reminder as to how we can each make a difference to our society and our environment, through our daily actions. It is great to see the way that the Primary School has been illustrating the importance of Climate Change in the Tented Area and suggesting ideas which we can implement to combat it. As world leaders have been saying this week, there is no single issue which is more important throughout the world, than responding to the threats arising from Climate Change. It is an issue about which young people feel particularly passionately about, partly because they can see that it is their future which is going to be impacted by Climate Change. It is good to see that we have active, enthusiastic students and staff in both the Senior School and the Primary School eager to spread the message about the need for each of us to relook at what we do and how we can make a difference. These are all reasons why we have included the wish for our students to "demonstrate environmental consciousness" in our Mission Statement.

Last night the Grade 10 students presented their Personal Projects, one of the culminating parts of the Middle Years Programme. This year it was a virtual presentation, but once again it was so rewarding to hear about the ideas and issues which matter to the students and to appreciate, once again, just how much effort has gone into these Personal Projects. As in previous years, what is so interesting is the enormous range of topics which the Grade 10 students have decided to focus on, from mental health issues, to recycling clothes, to building a recycled vacuum cleaner, to helping improve communication with deaf people to... I am so impressed by what they have achieved and by the progress which they have made in the course of the year. As with all IB work, to read their reflections at the end of the project as to what they have learnt from doing it and in what they could do better next time, is so powerful.

It has been good to see so many staff receiving their vaccinations over the last week. (I have completed my two vaccinations and have the message that I have been vaccinated included in my Ehteraz!) It all helps to build confidence in the community and that is the crucial step to returning to normal. I hope that more and more students will return to the school in the coming days. In the meanwhile, I hope that all students will continue to wear masks, follow the social distancing rules and to wash their hands frequently, both within, and outside, the school.

Best wishes,

Stephen Meek



### QAD Book Fair

QAD Book Week: Feb 21 - March 4!

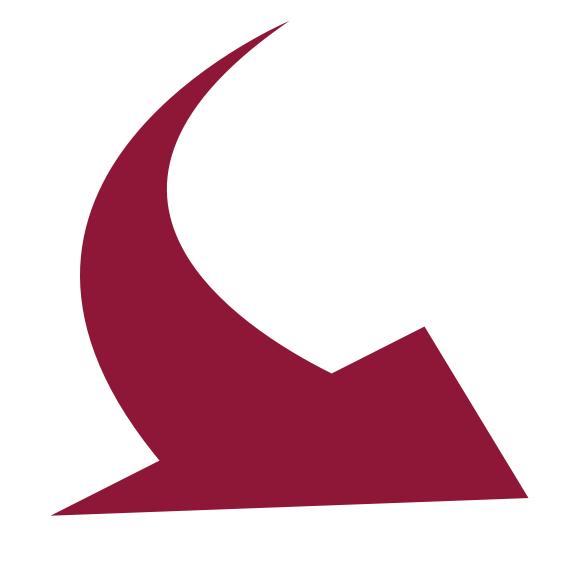
#### Virtual Author/Book Fair Schedules

أسبوع الكتاب في أكاديمية قطر الدوحة: 21 فبراير - 4 مارس جداول زيارة المؤلف الافتراضية / معرض الكتاب

Students at school will join with their teacher. Students at home, please join using the link next to the grade, time and day of the sessions you prefer.

There will be a Q and A session after each reading. Students can type questions into the chat box.

سينضم الطلاب مع المعلمين في المدرسة لجلسة المؤلف. يرجى من الطلاب المتواجدين في المنزل الإنضمام إلى الجلسة باستخدام الرابط المقابل لرقم الصف، مع اختيار الوقت واليوم. في ختام كل ورشة ستكون فقرة سؤال و جواب مع المؤلف/ المؤلفة. يجب على الطلاب كتابة أسئلتهم في صندوق المحادثة.



# Click here for more information



# Sustainability in Action

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Thank you to all the students who participated in activities for Qatar Environment Day!

We are continuing our celebration on Sunday.

SUNDAY: PLEASE wear a WHITE shirt or Eco Shirt

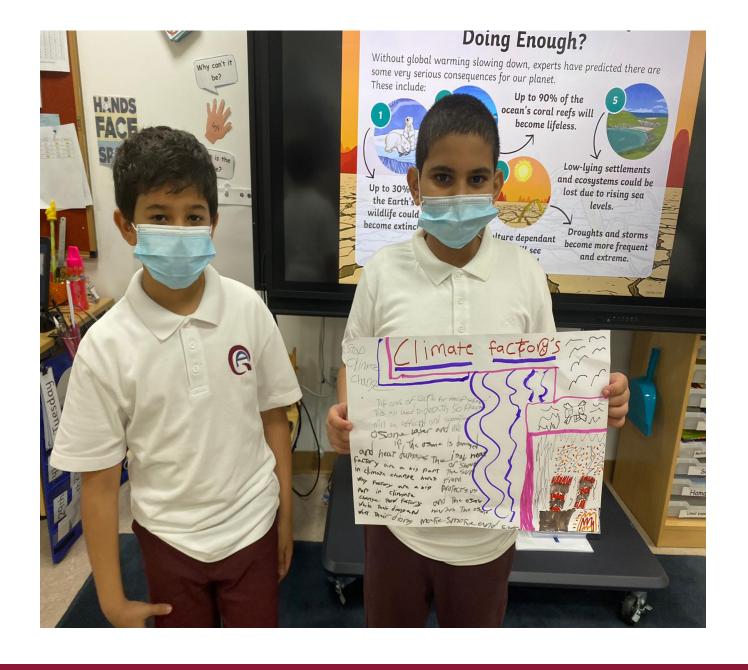
Why WHITE shirts? - student leaders went earlier this week to visit the Anooki. They were inspired to promote awareness about Climate Change to honour Qatar Environment Day. The kids feel the White represents the Anooki, but they wanted students to have a choice of either a White shirt or an Eco Shirt.

You might have noticed a change in our tented area. The students leaders were busy at work on Tuesday. We divided the tented area in half one side represents the Arctic and Climate Change impact (Anooki's home). The other side represents the planting and sustainable choices we can all make to take action against Climate Change.

We all need to be Activists in Action.

We hope you will join our student leaders both online and at school to raise awareness about the importance of Climate Change.









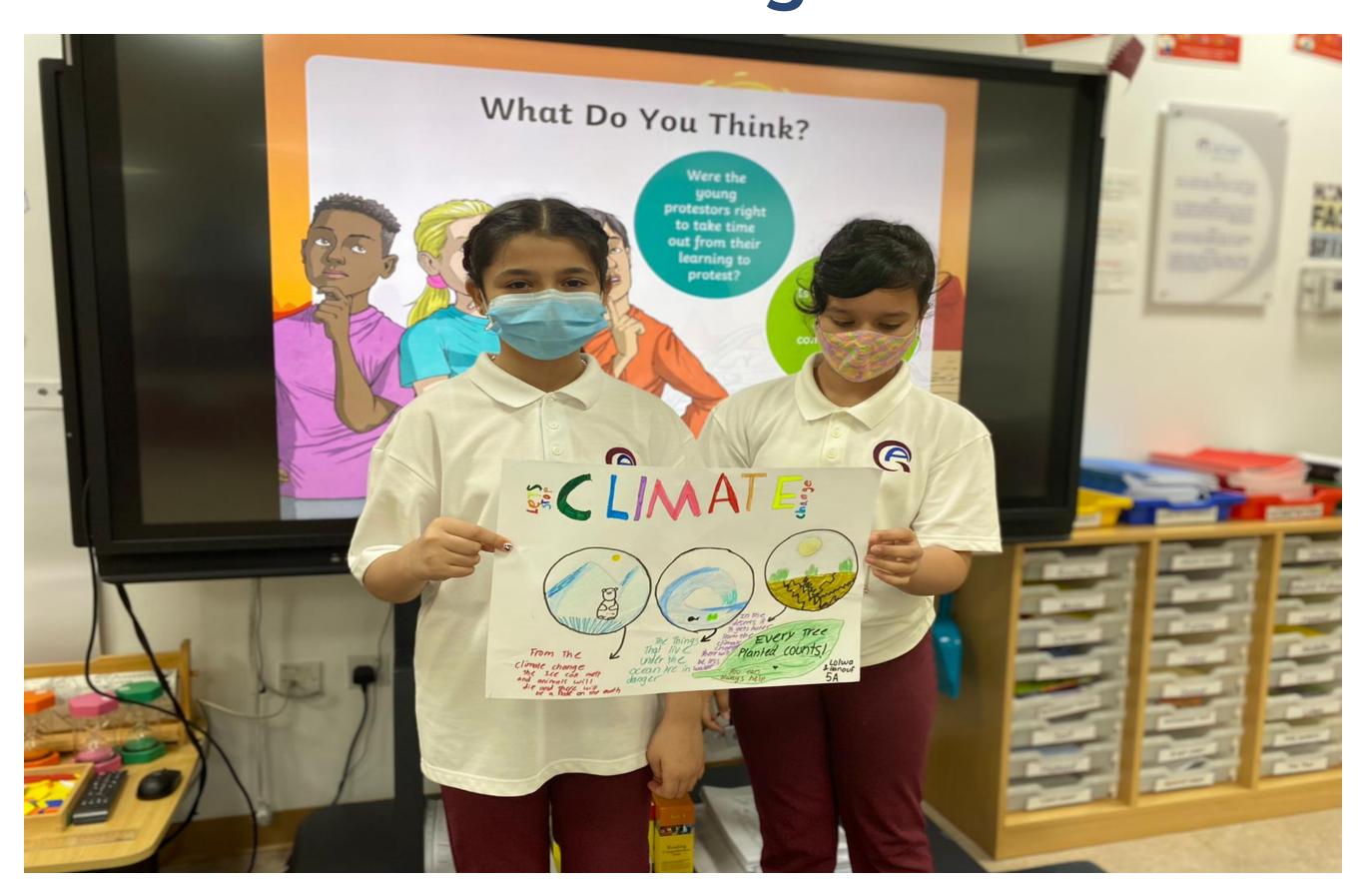


# Qatar Environment Day

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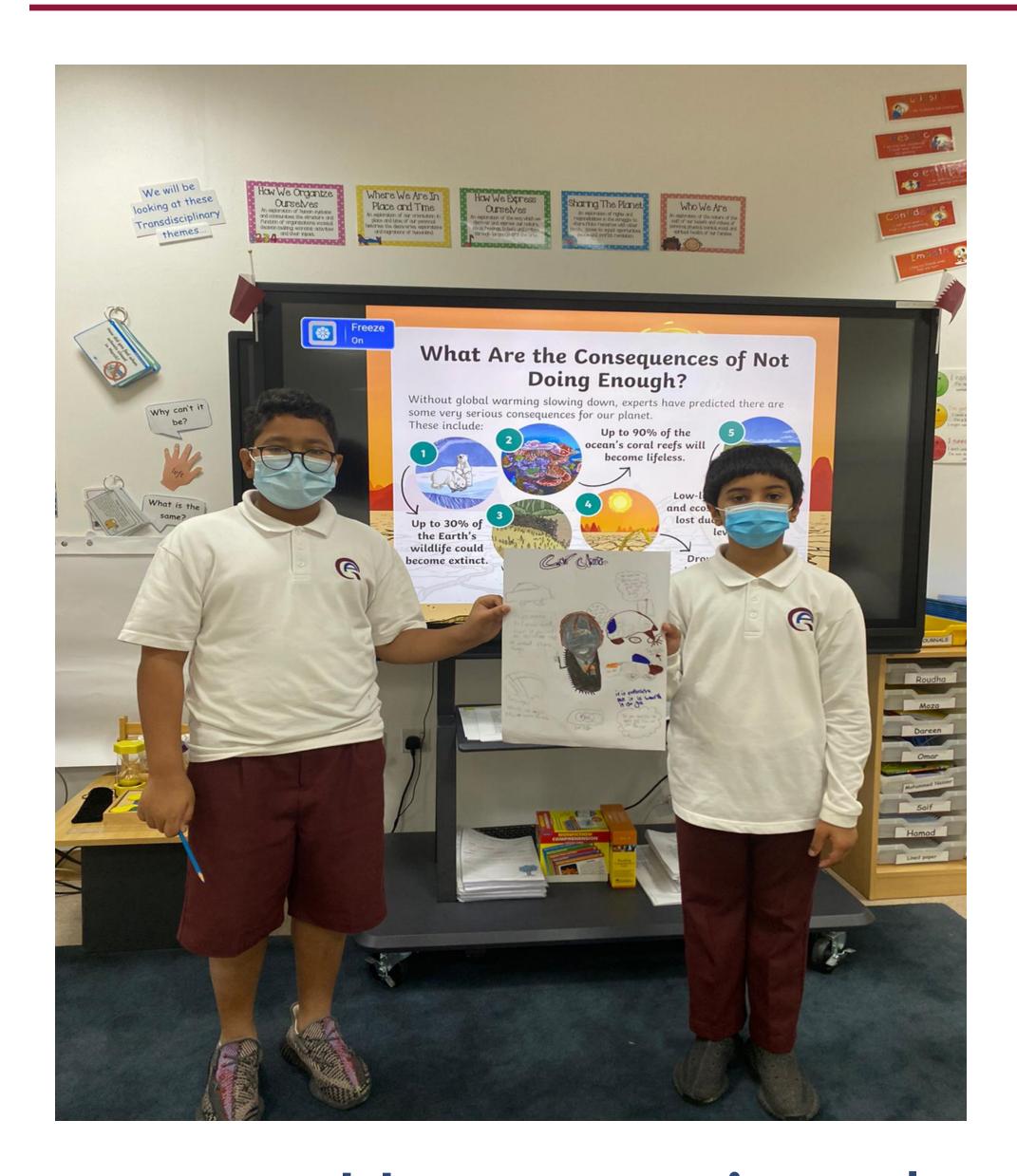


This week Grade 5A explored Climate Change





Young leaders all around the school showing their support for environmental action!



Have you signed the Activists in Action Petition to ban single-use plastic bags?

Click here and share this link

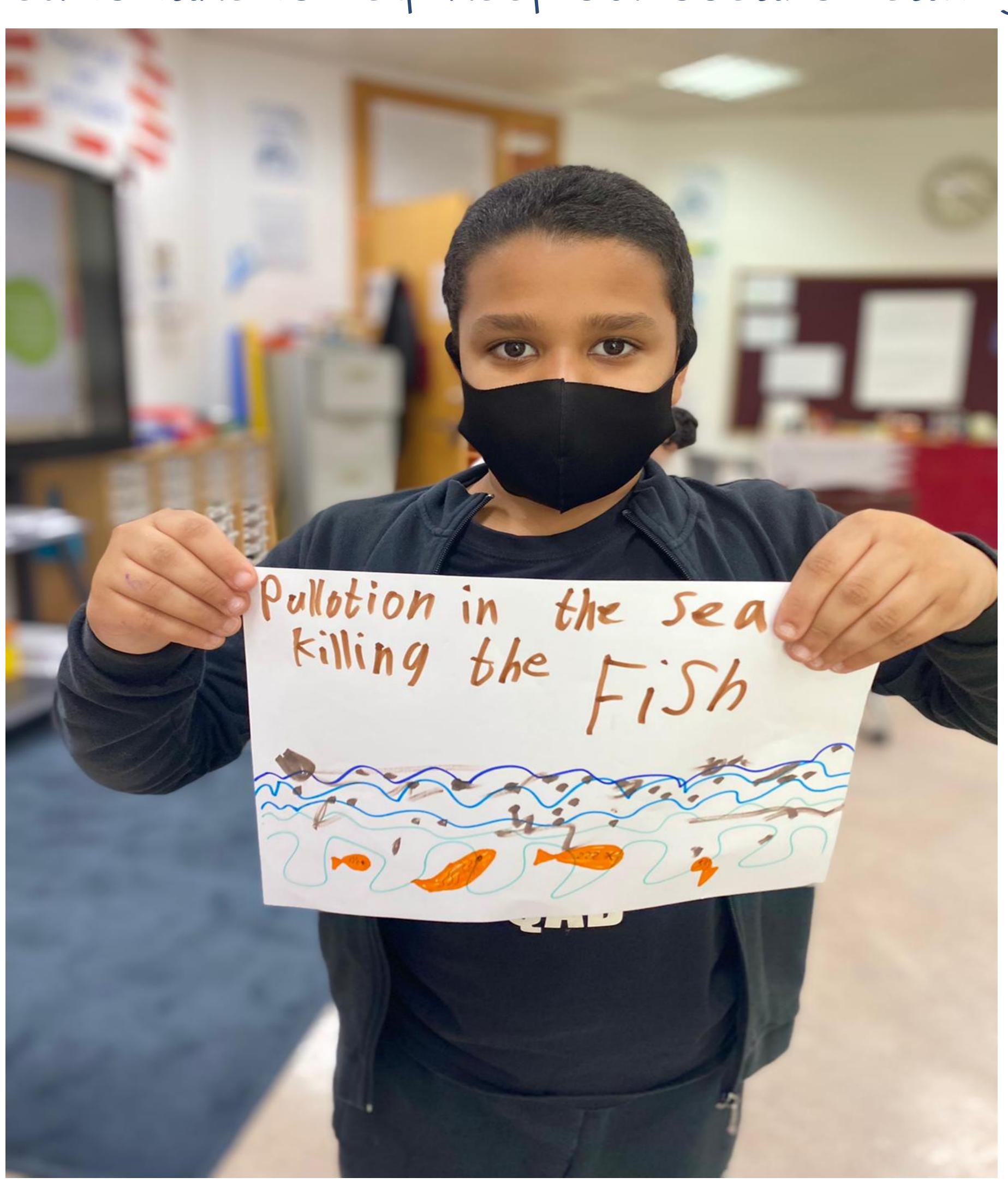




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## Sustainability.

QAD is proud to have 50 students March 2nd and March 9th participating in the Healthy Ocean Leadership Forum, host by Global Nomads Group Students will participate in two online events to learn and discuss the challenges and actions we need to take to help keep our oceans healthy.





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## Community Action

# **Empathy & Community Action**

# THANK YOU for Your Generous Donations

