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الرّؤية تسعى أكاديميّة قطر – الدّوحة إلى تمكين طلّابها من تحقيق مستويات عالية من النّموّ الأكاديميّ والرّفاه الشّخصيّ ليصبحوا مواطنين مسؤولين متجذّرين في ثقافتهم المحلّيّة ومنفتحين على العالم Vision Empowering students to achieve high levels of

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

## Upcoming events

From April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Ramadan timing

### **Primary School**

8.30am – 1.15pm Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

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**April:** Autism Awareness month

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## رسالة المدير العام

أولياء الأمور الأعزاء،

خلال هذا الأسبوع ، كتبت إلى جميع أولياء الأمور لإبلاغهم بأوقات الدوام خلال شهر رمضان المبارك، حيث تلاحظون أن دوام الطلبة سيبدأ الساعة 8.30 صباحًا كل يوم ، وأود أن أطلب منكم توصيل أطفالكم إلى المدرسة في الوقت المناسب كي يتسنى لهم الوصول إلى فصولهم الدراسة الساعة 8.30 صباحًا.

تختلف أوقات المغادرة بين الأقسام المختلفة بالمدرسة ففي مركز التّعليم المبكّر و الرّوضة يتنهى دوام الطلاب الساعة الواحدة ظهراً.

أما في المدرسة الابتدائية يتنهي دوام الطلاب الساعة 1.15 ظهرًا و في المدرسة الثانوية في تمام الساعة 1.30 ظهرًا في أيام الأحد والاثنين والأربعاء والخميس.

ستكون أوقات المغادرة كل يوم ثلاثاء أبكر وذلك لإتاحة وقت للموظفين للاجتماعات التعاونية - ينتهي الدوام في مركز التعليم المبكر ومرحلة ما قبل المدرسة في الساعة 12 ظهراً والمدرسة الابتدائية الساعة 12.15 ظهراً والمدرسة الثانوية الساعة 12:30 ظهراً. اليوم هو آخر يوم للتبرع بالحقائب الرمضانية لتوزيعها على الأسر الفقيرة في قطر. بلغ إجمالي عدد الصناديق المتبرع بها هو 1238 ، وهو عدد هائل جداً! شكراً جزيلاً لجميع طلاب المدرسة الثانوية وعائلاتهم على كرمهم. وسيتم توزيع الصناديق بعد ظهر اليوم على وقو عدد هائل جداً! شكرالسيدة رولا أبو رمضان على جهودها الرائعة ودافعها لبناء فريق والحصول على الكثير من الدعم من مجتمعنا. إنها رائعة حقًا وأشكرها جزيل الشكر نيابة عنا جميعًا.

بالأمس ، أعلنت وزارة التربية والتعليم العالي أنه اعتبارًا من يوم الأحد 3 أبريل ، لن يُطلب من جميع الطلاب ارتداء الأقنعة بعد الآن في المدرسة وأن ارتداء الأقنعة أمر اختياري للطلاب الذين يرغبون في القيام بذلك. لكن سيستمر الموظفون في ارتداء الأقنعة، ومع ذلك ، لا يزال من الضروري أن يواصل جميع الطلاب والموظفين غير المحصنين وغير المتعافين إجراء اختبار المستضد السريع الأسبوعي وتقديم النتائج إلى المدرسة صباح يوم الأحد.

أتمنى لكم عطلة نهاية أسبوع جميلة مع أطفالكم.

أطىب التمنيات،

ستىفن مىك

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## Director's Message

Dear Parents.

During the week, I wrote to all parents to inform them of the Ramadan Hours which the school will be following during the Holy Month of Ramadan. You will have seen that we start at 8.30am each day and I would ask you to drop your children at the school in time for them to enter the school and to get to their classrooms for an 8.30am start.

Departure times vary between the different sections of the school – EEC and Pre-School 1.00pm, Primary School 1.15pm and Senior School at 1.30pm on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. The different times mean that families are not needing to collect children from different parts of the school at the same time.

Departure times on Tuesdays will be earlier, to allow staff time for collaborative meetings. – EEC and Pre-School at 12.00 Noon, Primary School at 12.15pm and Senior School at 12.30pm.

Today is the final day for the donation of Ramadan Suitcases to be distributed to poor families within Qatar. The total number of donated boxes is 1238, which is a quite phenomenal number! Thank you so much to all of our Senior School students and families for their generosity. The boxes will be distributed this afternoon to 500 families. Once again, I thank Ms Roula Aburamadan for her remarkable effort and drive to build a team and to get so much support from our community. She is quite amazing and I do thank her enormously on behalf of us all.

Yesterday, the MOEHE announced that from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April all students are not required to wear masks anymore in school and wearing a mask is optional for students who wish to do so. Staff will continue to wear masks.

However, it is still a requirement that all unvaccinated and non-recovered students and staff continue to perform the weekly rapid antigen test and to bring the results to school on Sunday morning.

Have a lovely weekend with your children.

Best wishes,

Stephen Meek

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## Principal's Message

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## Ramadan Timings Primary School

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#### Dear Parents,

As we enter into the Holy Month of Ramadan, please note the revised school timings that have been shared with you. I have included them again here.

We deeply respect and support the impact the spirituality and changes that take place in the home and in the community, indeed globally during the Holy Month of Ramadan. At this special time we will manage the students accordingly. There will be sensitivity around our older student's physical needs and capabilities as we offer them fasting spaces, prayer and reflection time.

The curriculum is condensed to meet the changes, but the expectations of students remains the same, such as Attendance in school and Effort needed.

The students and staff at the school are very excited and prepared for Ramadan. Thank you to our Islamic staff who have helped them understand the significance of this Holy Month and who have helped them make the fabulous traditional lanterns.

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From Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April there will be changes to dismissal in KG-G5 using Ramadan Timings as mentioned.

We will still follow the Gate procedures in the same colour order (next academic year we will reverse it, so that other families get to go first)

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday & Thursday collection will be:

Green 1.15pm

Yellow 1.20pm

**Red 1.25pm** 

Blue 1.30pm

<u>Adults will first enter the building at **1.10pm**</u> and go direct to classes to collect their children. Please remain in your vehicles until your allotted gate time as the weather is getting hot.

Tuesday will be an hour earlier (Adults will enter the building at 12.10)

Green 12.15pm

Yellow 12.20pm

Red 12.25pm

Blue 12.30pm

The staff will use 12.30-1.30pm on a Tuesday to plan to collaborate on school business.

Drop off in the morning will remain the same with Parents whose children are in KG, Preschool and Early Years only, entering the building and handing over their child. We have found this to be efficient as it has enabled G1-G5 classes, to start promptly with minimum distractions. If you wish to see the Teacher (G1-G5) then please adopt the usual channels, not the mornings.

As ever, here at QAD, there are lots of events happening that enrich students' education by giving opportunities, so take a look at this edition of Akhbar at your leisure. Please encourage your child to enter the Writing Competition with the theme 'Ramadan' and submit their entries to Mr Lewis. See a separate post sent on Dojo this week.

Thank you to all our Parents and Staff and Community Members who are acting as a 'HUMAN LIBRARY' to assist our G5 with their research for preparation for their Exhibition. Please see some articles included in this edition of such collaboration. Special thanks must go to our President of PUE, Mrs Abeer Khalifa and Dr Amal Al Maliki Founding Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences College – HBKU, Dr. Georgios Mikros and Dr. Joselia Neves also at HBKU.

Best wishes in preparation this weekend for Ramadan.

Kindest

Marie

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## **Getting Ready for Ramadan**

On the occasion of the Holy Month of Ramadan, Primary School students created Ramadan lanterns from used materials and decorated the school entrance.







بمناسبة قُدوم شهر رمضان المبارك، أبدع طُلاَب المرحلة الابتدائيّة في تصميم فوانيس رمضان من موادّ مستخدمة، وقاموا بتزيين الباحة الخارجيّة للمدرسة بها.













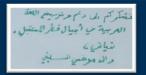


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يوم "اللغة العربيّة"



## يا له من أسبوع رائع وممتع أمضاه تلاميذ التمهيديّ في أكاديميّة قطر-الدوحة!

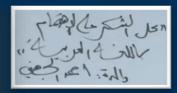
كان الأسبوع الماضي أسبوعًا ممتعًا للتلاميذ والهيئة التعليميّة في أكاديميَّة قطر-الدوحة! أسعد تلاميذ التمهيديّ تقديم إسهامات خاصَّة في يوم "اللغة العربيّة"، حيث توجَّهوا إلى باحة التمهيديّ وشاركوا في مختلف الأنشطة التعلّميّة، كلعب الأحاجي وصيد السمك والسكرابل، وكم استمتعوا حين لعبوا لعبة القفز لقراءة الكلمات بهدف الوصول إلى نقطة النهاية والفوز! كلّ ذلك ضمن برنامج يوم "اللغة العربيّة لصفوف التمهيديّ ".

كما أنّ وجود معظم الأمّهات والآباء قد وطّد التواصل والترابط بين التلاميذ في المدرسة وأولياء أمورهم.

> شكرًا لتلبيتهم دعوتنا لحضور يوم "اللغة العربيّة"! وقد شكّل نجاح الاحتفال تعزيزًا للغة العربيّة التي تمثّل وعاء ثقافة وقيم مجتمعنا.













What a wonderful fun week that our KG students spent at Qatar Academy-Doha!

KG students were happy to make special contributions to the "Arabic Language" day, as they visited the KG Atrium and participated in various educational activities, such as puzzles, fishing, and Scrabble.

Imagine how excited they were while jumping to read words to reach the end point and win!

All this fun was part of our "Arabic Language Day" program!

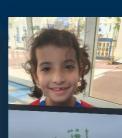
Let us not forget how the presence of many parents, who were able to participate, has motivated the students more, shown through the way they communicated confidently. Moreover, it was an occasion to strengthen the bond between our school community, including our active learners, and their parents. Thank you for having kindly accepted our invitation! Promotion of the Arabic language that represents the culture and values of our society was once again successfully

achieved!















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## **G4** and **G5** went on a field trip to Multaqa theatre for a **World Water Day** Trivia!







Agenda

•What is water?

\*Water Footprint Quiz Time!





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## **QAD FALCONS**

For the first time in two years, Qatar Academy Doha participated in a football tournament against other teams in the Qatar Foundation League. It was certainly a night to remember.

The QAD U9 boys had two teams participate and played well enough to get into the finals. In the final stages the B team played some fantastic football and managed to secure  $3^{rd}$  place, earning the bronze medal. The A team played an exceptional game in the final which resulted in a draw, this lead to a penalty shootout. Ghanim, our goal keeper, had a superb first save, which allowed our boys to continue to attack their penalties with total success. All of our three penalties were executed with precision, leading to our QAD A team becoming the victors of the night earning the gold medal and trophy.

Our U11 footballers were in an eight team competition, the final of which was played by QAD A Team and QAD B Team, showing the strength and depth of our boys. The QAD A team managed to narrowly beat our B team, resulting in the teams taking the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place trophies and medals. What a fantastic night for Qatar Academy Doha's football players.





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Grade 5 QAD footballers got off to a great start this week, as 3 teams of girls entered the competition with determination! It was their first competition in 2 years against other Doha schools. The girls took 1<sup>st</sup> place Gold and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Bronze! The competition was organized by QF and Falcons strike again! Both Girls and Boys have been displaying their talents in our QAD Road to 2022 and their practices and commitment has paid off.







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## Dr. Hani Al Khatib of QMA visits our QAD Grade 4 String Orchestra

Last Sunday, we were fortunate to have a visit from Qatar Music Acadamy's violin teacher Dr. Hani Al Khatib. During his visit the students played several music pieces for him to hear and then afterwards, Dr. Al Khatib talked about his music education and his primary job at QMA. He played several music pieces using his Western violin and also did a little lesson about bow grip and violin playing posture. Dr. Al Khatib played a classical piece to introduce some bow articulations and to make the visit enjoyable for students, he introduced some tricks on how to create animal sounds on the violin. He also played his Arabic violin and explained it's differences to the Western violin. Dr. Al Khatib was very generous in answering all the questions of our curious orchestra students.

If you are interested to have a private violin lesson with Dr. Hani Al Khatib, or to know more about the programs that Qatar Music Academy is offering, click this link and fill out the form.

https://gmaadmin.com/public\_applicationprocess.html



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## **Spartans Community Assembly**



Ms Melissa Woods brought the Spartan Cummunity together to celebrate with an assembly.

Thank you to all who participated. It was great to see our 4 year olds (Super Abdulla!) together with racing partners of all ages.

We look forward to the next Spartan event.

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## **Preschool Spartans**











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## IT TAKES A VILLAGE...

### **G5** Exhibition Thanks.

On behalf of the Grade 5 students at Qatar Academy Doha, we wanted to extend a huge thanks to our experts. Mrs Abeer Our President, Dr. Al Maliki, Dr. Georgios and Dr. Joselia.

You were such an inspiration, the students valued all that you shared with them and are extremely excited about sharing what they have learnt in their final presentations, their research and knowledge. Some of their projects include research on Inclusion in Education and tackling Racism.

Some feedback from the students;

- "The best day of school...EVER!"
- "I want to come here every day!"
- "I learnt so much in that time!"
- "I found out about things I hadn't even thought about!"
- "The donuts were AMAZING!"













