

December 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The winter break is now upon us after another busy and successful term, where we have seen another student gain the Highest in the World award for their exam results. Ghayth Aldirbashi aced both of his A/S Maths papers with 100% and was awarded the title at this years annual Cambridge Outstanding Learners ceremony in Dubai last week.

Alongside Ghayth, Ishmal Khalid gained the Highest in the UAE award for her A Level Chemistry paper.

This followed our very own Mr Abass, achieving the ADEK Teacher Appreciation of the Year Award, as he completes almost 20 years of teaching, here at the school. Our World Scholars Cup competitors gained qualification to compete on the global stage and we have finished the month with some wonderful winter concerts both here in the school, as well as in the community.

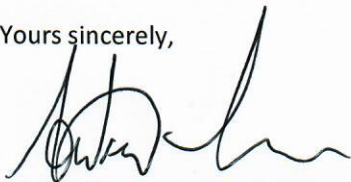
The school turned 40 years old too, and there is a party planned when we return in the new year. Alongside this, am anticipating the latest inspection report. The school was inspected at the end of November, and as soon as the report is published, I will of course share it with you. I am confident it will lead to more celebrations as the school continues to develop.

But we haven't stopped! Over the winter break our teams will be preparing a new shaded area between the PE building and the new primary building, and we will start preparing the ground in readiness to build the much anticipated tennis courts at the back of the school.

It is also time to say goodbye to one of our long serving members of staff. Our Director of Nursery, Charlene Van Wyk, leaves us after 9 years of dedicated service. Charlene heads to Australia to be reunited with her parents, where she will take up a new post in teaching there. I'm sure you will join me in thanking her for her care, support and love that she has given every child that has been fortunate enough to pass through her classroom, and we wish her and her family the very best of luck in their new adventure.

And so, I thank you all for your continued support and I wish you a very peaceful and happy winter holiday and a prosperous new year.

Yours sincerely,



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