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"Our Mission"

Inspired by the principles of Islam, the mission of Dhahran Ahliyya Schools is to empower each student to be a compassionate, thinking, lifelong bi-lingual learner, who makes a positive difference locally and globally.

"Our Vision"

Our vision is to provide a world class education with an Arab and Islamic identity through a pioneering learning community that is sustainable and socially responsible.

Our school is supervised by the Ministry of Education and accredited by The Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI)



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DAS Hosts the "Personal Skills Development Program"

In partnership with MAWHIBA, DAS hosted the "Personal Skills Development Program" from February 2 – March 9, 2019, with a total of 30 hours. The program aimed at offering training to 70 male students and 75 female students. The speakers highlighted different topics that develop the skills of leadership and creativity. Additionally, every participant worked on producing an individual creative project.

Mr. Nawaf Al Bugmi extended his thanks and appreciation to DAS for hosting this program that contributes to making a new generation who master the skills of leadership, creativity and

MAP Tests

MAP Tests for grades 2 – 10 students will begin next week (week 12) starting Sunday, March 24 and for 3 weeks.

MAP Reading will take place on Saturday, March 30 and MAP Math will take place on Saturday, April 7, 2019, for grades 6-10 only. Please refer to the schools' website to see the Saturdays' schedules.

Fathers' Visit

We would like to welcome the fathers to visit the girls' schools, both branch and main building (all grades), on Wednesday, March 27th, 2019, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM.

Students from Kindergarten and Elementary only can accompany their fathers during the visit.

You are all welcome.

Grade 8 Students Visit Fatat Al Khaleej Community

As part of their Community Projects requirements, a group of grade 8 students visited **Fatat Al Khaleej Community** on Sunday, March 10, 2019.

This visit aimed at introducing the activities of the community including the program of supporting libraries of government schools. The school collaborated with the community in this project and our students collected different books and donated them. This project was supervised by Ms. Rana Abdullah, Mrs. Ameena Abdussamad and Mrs. Kaval Mukhtar.





Community Projects (3)

At the start of the year, the eighth grade student embarked on a wonderful journey of learning and exploration through completing the mandatory Community Projects course. A Community Project is an in-depth inquiry that focuses on community and service, and aims to help students raise awareness, participate actively, research, inform others, create/innovate, change behavior, or advocate. It encourages students to explore their right and responsibility to participate in service as action in the community. This newsletter will present some of our students' projects over the next coming weeks.

Ms. Genan Abdulhameed and Ms. Hagar Khadr supervised four projects:

Students	Project
Deema Al Hindas Najla Al Yami Mariam Al Mulhim	Creating an Instagram account to spread information about "Diseases" and how to prevent them @be_aware2019
Salma Al Namer Jana Al Sanad Hala Al Anzi	Raising grade 6 students' awareness about bullying
Ghadeer Al Hamoud Jwuan Al Ghanim Joury Al Muraihel	Teaching Quran to the Elderly with explaining verses and reasons of the descent

In addition, Ms. Samar AbuAbah and Ms. Kaval Mukhtar supervised 4 projects:

Students	Project
Azza Otaishan Sara Almosallam Madhawi Alayed	Reading Buddies: To read books for first graders to increase their reading skills
Randa Anraout Basma Alothman Haya Bousholeih	Donating books to a government school's library and holding a reading contest for grade 3 students
Zaina Alafalig Madhawi Aljomaih	Volunteering at a veterinary clinic and creating an Instagram account posting information about pet care @animal_care_community
Sarah Alnaser Hessa Alzamil Nora Aldakheel	Raising awareness about first aid



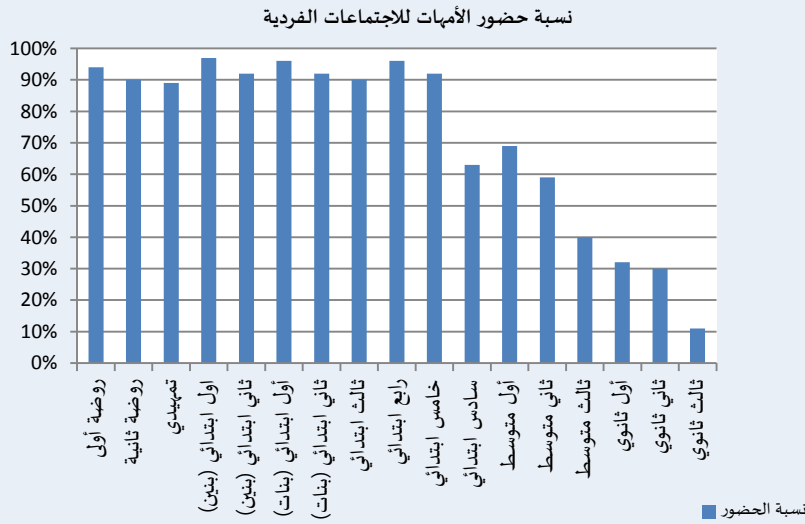
Trip to the Farm

Invited by the mother, DAS grade 3-5 students visited Al Gossaibi Farm. The students enjoyed nature and observed the different animals. The farmers accompanied the students and explained the types of birds and how to take care of them. Also, each student planted a plant. Then, they enjoyed their time at the farm. We would like to thank Al Gossaibi Family for their hospitality.



Thanks and Appreciation

Thanks and appreciation are extended to all the mothers for attending the Parent-Teacher Conferences last week. Those conferences aim at boosting students' performances and efficiency in the different skills and strengthening the home-school communication. The Parent-Teacher Conferences provided a great opportunity to share our students' academic and behavior progress. Both parents and teachers discussed the students' strengths, needs, behaviors, and learning styles. We hope the conferences were fruitful and beneficial. Please provide us with your feedback about the conferences as we always strive to improve the future conferences.



PTA Corner

On Wednesday, March 13, the DAS PTA organized the 2nd annual Math Jeopardy competition for grades 3-5. This activity promotes students being Risk-Takers, Thinkers, and Communicators and fosters the attitudes of Confidence and Cooperation. Thank you to the teachers for their cooperation and to the volunteer mothers for their hard work in organizing the event. Congratulations to all the participants for their achievements. The following are the teams who placed 1st by grade level:

Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Haya Maghrabi	Lama Bukhari	Heba Oraiqtat
Jumanah ALSaadoun	Fajer Qatinah	Lamees Naji
Sireen ALShehri	Dana AlRoomi	Hawra ALSabti



"Mommy, I Enjoy and Learn"

Family has an essential role in the students' academic progress and personal growth throughout an effective home-school partnership.

"Mommy, I Enjoy and Learn" is one of the programs where mothers can follow up with their children's progress. They have the opportunity to walk around the centers inside the classrooms. Children lead their mothers throughout their portfolios and they reflect on them together. Therefore, children feel confident and proud of their achievements.

We hope this meeting fulfilled its goals. Please note that mothers may contact homeroom teachers in case they need an individual meeting.



2019 Annual Toastmasters Contest

It gives us great pleasure to share with you the result of the **Elites Gavel Club - 2019 Contest** that was held on March 2, 2019. **First Place** winners will be competing in Riyadh as part of the Saudi Arabia Annual Toastmasters Contest on April 5, 2019. We thank all the participants, judges and all the support teams.

Following are the results:

International Speech Contest Winners are as follows:

1. Humaid Al Huthali
2. Basmah Al Fayez
3. Jumana Al Mishkaf

Table Topics Contest Winners are as follows:

1. Humaid Al Huthali
2. Lana Al Habal
3. Basmah Al Fayez

Congratulations

KG 2 End of Theme Celebration "Sharing the Planet"

The mothers of KG 2 students participated with their children in the "End of Theme Celebration: Sharing the Planet" with its central idea "Living Things Interact Differently in Different Environments".

Inspired by the concept of protecting the environment, this project aimed at teaching the children to recycle items they bring from home. Also, every child chooses an animal to speak about its features and how it adapts with its environment. The students displayed a variety of communication skills including self-confidence and independence.

