

Parent Newsletter 5

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Welcome to our newsletter at Doha Academy Al Waab Primary. Here you will find the latest updates and news about our school.

DA Primary Leadership Team

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About Us



Our stated Mission is:

Doha Academy offers an education for life. We believe that schools should be happy and purposeful communities that enable children to achieve their best spiritually, morally, socially intellectually and physically.

Our stated Vision is:

To be a global leader in providing an accessible, outstanding, and all-inclusive education that reflects the principles and teachings of Islam.

Our Mission and Vision are our most important guiding statements. They synthesize the aspirations we hold for our students during their time with us and beyond. Together with our Islamic Values, it is important that we measure our progress towards and achievement of them. In the coming days we will be inviting your feedback and your participation in school to help our evaluation process.

Update - Assessment Week Timings



Gentle Reminder that next week is Assessment Week.

All students will be in school between 7am until 9.30am.

Please find below the Assessment Schedule for Term 3:

Sunday 05/06 - Writing

Monday 06/06 - Reading Comprehension

Tuesday 07/06 - Arabic

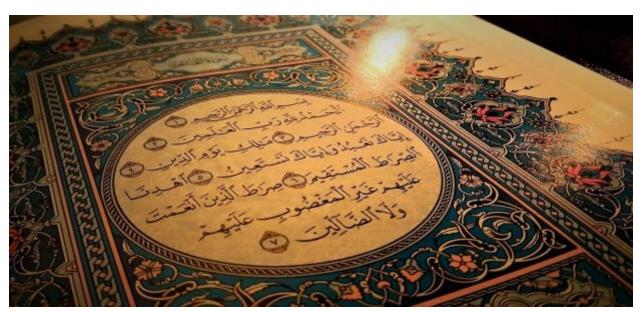
Wednesday 08/06 - Religion

Thursday 09/06 - Qatar History

All children, including KG and Reception students will be in school from 7.00am until 9.30am. Primary students will complete one assessment per day according to the above schedule.

The assessments will finish on Thursday 9 June.

Islamic Value Of The Week





As we come to the end of the school year, this week, students are exploring the important Islamic value of gratefulness.

In a Hadith on gratefulness, the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said,

"Whoever is not grateful for small things will not be grateful for large things. Whoever does not thank people has not thanked Allah."

Gratefulness in Islam

According to Islam, one of our foremost duties is to be grateful to Allah for all of His blessings. We can describe three levels of thankfulness:

- 1. To realise and appreciate all blessings within the heart.
- 2. To say thanks with the tongue.
- 3. To express gratitude by doing good deeds and showing kindness to others.

In other words, the first level is the appreciativeness and gratefulness that we feel in our hearts. Then we show that thankfulness through our speech. And the third level is when we prove by our deeds that we are truly thankful to Allah.

Examples of Gratitude from the Quran

Allah gives us an example in the Quran,

"We endowed Luqman with wisdom: 'Be thankful to God: whoever gives thanks benefits his own soul, and as for those who are thankless — God is self-sufficient, worthy of all praise'" (Quran 31:12).

Luqman is recognised with the title of "the wise" just because he is thankful to Allah. Luqman recognises that Allah is the one who grants everything so therefore He is the One who deserves thankfulness.

Prophet Abraham describes Allah's blessings in the most beautiful way:

- "...who created me, and He [it is who] guides me. And it is He who feeds me and gives me drink; and when I am ill, it is He who cures me; and who will cause me to die and then bring me to life; and who, I hope, will forgive me my faults on the Day of Judgment." (Quran 26:78–85).
- May Allah give us wisdom to give thanks for all the blessings by which we survive and thrive day after day.

A big thank you on behalf of our Doha Academy community, to the students, parents and teachers for their dedication. hard work and co-operation in ensuring a smooth and successful year in school.

Qatar National Identity



We have produced a set of guidelines for our staff as to how they can help promote Qatar National Identity as part of Qatar's 2030 Vision. At Doha Academy, we welcome students and staff from around the world and invite them to participate in and recognise the benefits we all enjoy living and working in Qatar.

With the majority of our students being from Qatar, we are fully aware of our school's context and hope to share this with our school community.

We would very much welcome your ideas as to how we can better promote Qatar National Identity. We would love to hear from Qatari parents who would like to talk to our students about their work, their culture or heritage. Please get in touch: https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/

Science Week 2022



Last week, Doha Academy students celebrated Science Week in school.

The goal was to encourage and inspire a love for Science whilst having fun at the same time.

Teachers prepared a range of activities and scientific experiments in school for all year groups, from KG to Year 6.

On Thursday, students and staff were invited to dress up as "Mad Scientists" to celebrate Science Week.

Well done to those students who did their own home experiments or investigations and presented to their class.

A huge thank you to parents who supervised the experiments at home and dressed their children up for Science Day.

It was truly a fun-filled week.



















Transition Day



On Sunday last week, students across the school - from KG to Year 6 - enjoyed a Transition morning.

The aim was to give students a feel and taste for what next year would be like. Students, with their classes, moved up a year group and enjoyed the opportunity to sit in new classrooms, meet the new teachers and take part in some fun transition activities.

For our graduating Year 6s, this meant spending the day in the Secondary sections - where they had a full day of lessons, breaks, an assembly with SLT and an opportunity to ask questions about moving up to Secondary School.

Thank you to all those involved in ensuring a smooth, enjoyable experience for our young learners.

QAFCO Art Competition Winners



Congratulations to our Doha Academy students on participating in the QAFCO Painting Competition.

From the many entries that were submitted from across schools in Qatar, congratulations to our winners:

1. Hamad Ali Al Sharim

2. Zaina Al Herbawi

Well done to all those who participated and our winners mashaAllah.

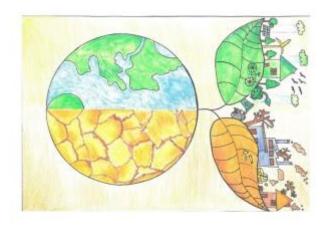


Zaina Tawfig Alherbawi



Age Group: 15-18 years





Age Group: 04-08 years 3rd Position: Hamad Ali Al Sharim

Quran Competition Winners



Congratulations to our Doha Academy students on participating in the Qatar Schools Quran Competition.

Hosted during Ramadan, the month of the Quran, students had to recite memorised portions of the Quran in front of a panel of judges.

This year, our winners from the competition are:

- 1. Mouad Arbi 5F
- 2. Ragad Mohammed 5B
- 3. Mayar AlMughir 6G
- 4. Ahmad Amir 6B

Well done to all those who participated, and our winners for their achievements. MashaAllah, we are very proud.

















Nasheed Competition Winners



Congratulations to our Doha Academy students on participating in the Qatar Schools Nasheed Competition.

Hosted during Ramadan, students had to perform nasheeds in front of a panel of judges.

This year, our winners from the competition are:

- 1. Hiba Yousef Ismail 5D
- 2. Mouad Arbi 5F
- 3. Adam Kohil 5F
- 4. Firdaous Semaoui 5F
- 5. Razan Abdelkarim 1D
- 6. Naya Mer'i 1D

Well done to all those who participated, and our winners for their achievements, mashaAllah!



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Celebration Awards









Congratulations to our Stars of the Week, Islamic Ethos Winners and Arabic Award Winners!

As a school we recognise the efforts and achievements of our students morally, socially, in tellectually and physically!

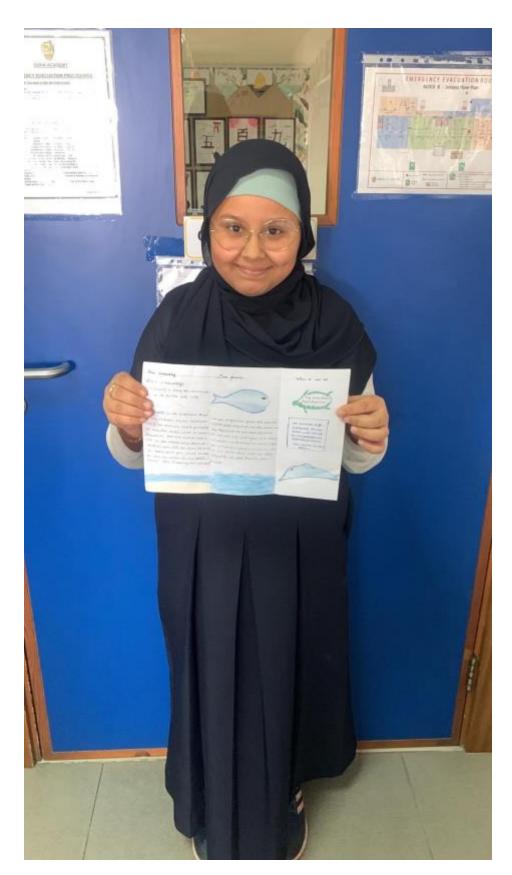
Please find the link to our recent Celebration Video below:

Celebration Video - Gratefulness - June 2, 2022.mp4

Year 6 - work to be proud of!



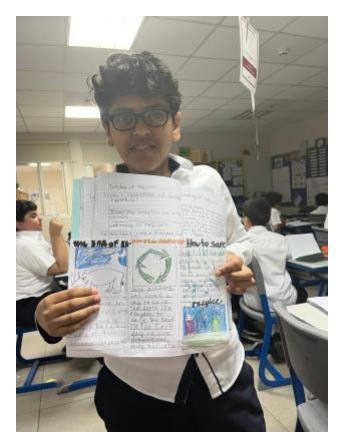
Year 6 students have worked very hard over the year. All of the students have done very well in completing their Primary education. Here is a sample of some the students' latest work on making a brochure.



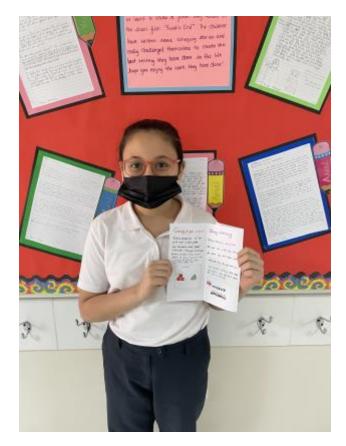
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2 - Fatima Omair - 6WG



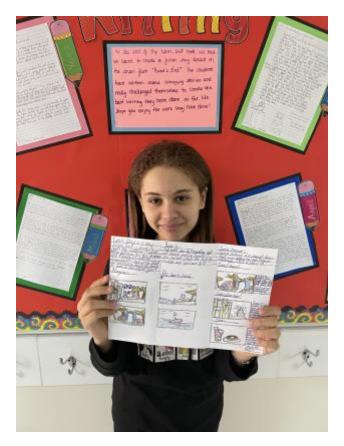
3 - Esmail Mohamed - 6WC



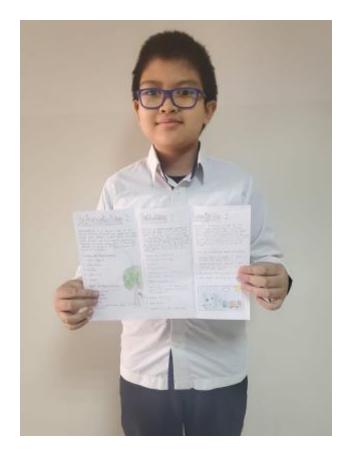
4 - Hala Khedr - 6WF



5 - Esmail Mohamed, Mustafa Khattabi, Ahmed Nada, Abdurrahman ElAllus, Zaid Badah, Abdulaziz Al Hammadi - 6WC Showing off their displayed brochures.



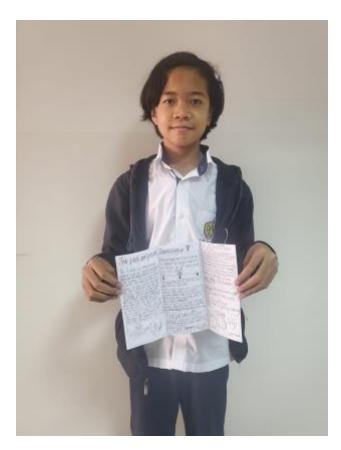
6 - Malak Abdulrahman - 6WF



7 - Muhammad Faisal - 6WD



8 - Zaina Elsafady - 6WE



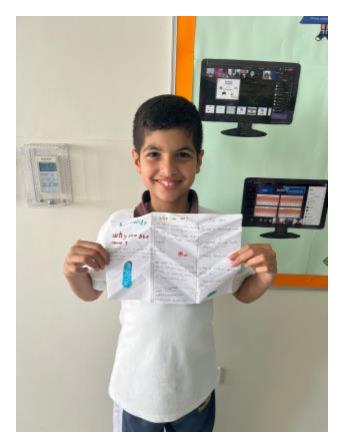
9 - Nazrin Bin Khalid - 6WD



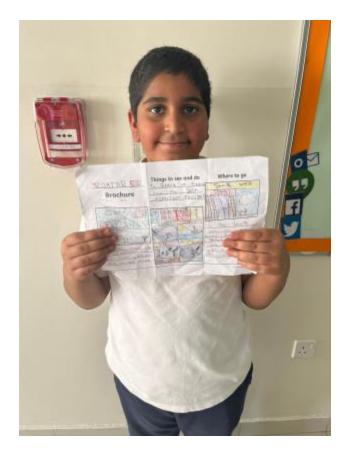
10 - Hazem Ahmed - 6WB



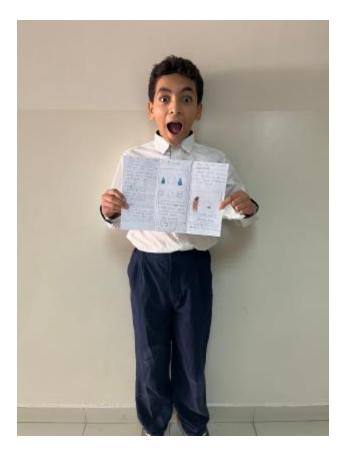
11 - Zahra Aini - 6WG



12 - Tamem Abu Hashim - 6WA



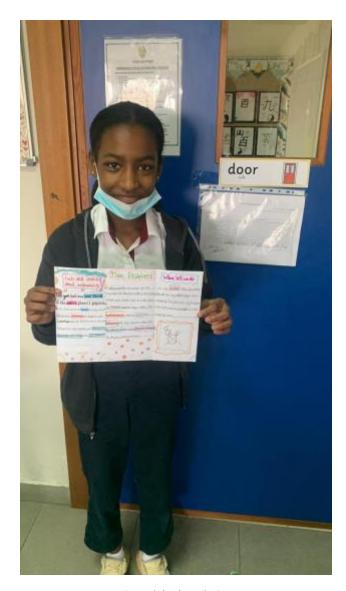
13 - Fadul Sada - 6WA



14 - Moaaz Saleh - 6WB



15 - Omar Al Ktifan - 6WB



16 - Malak Ahmed - 6WE

Bug Club Reading



Get them reading!

As most of you know, reading is the key for your child to be able to access the curriculum. Let us work together to instill and create a love for reading in our children.

Bug Club is a great online tool to develop confident and motivated readers. It combines over 500 finely levelled books with interactive eBooks and an online reading world – so books can be allocated to individual pupils for home reading and assess their progress instantly.

Bug Club benefits:

- An enormous range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry, offering variety to keep children engaged and develop a love of reading.
- Features well-known characters from film and television.
- Finely levelled to give your children manageable steps in reading progression and a real sense of ongoing achievement as they move through the levels.

"A book is a gift you can open again and again." - Garrison Keillor

Important Announcements



GRADUATION



This year's Graduation ceremonies for the Primary section will be taking place on Sunday 12th June.

Parents are invited to park in front of the school and proceed to the auditorium at the Doha Academy Al Waab Campus.

Timings

Reception: 8am - 9am

- Reception Parents, please arrive at 7.30am and park in the area opposite the school before going to the main reception -

Year 6: 10am - 1pm

- Year 6 Parents, please arrive at 9.30am and park in the area opposite the school before going to the main reception -

Invitations

In order to manage numbers, each student has an invitation for **only 2 family members** to attend the graduation ceremony.

Gowns

Once ready, gowns are expected to be delivered to school on June 8 and June 9.

Student Arrivals

 $Reception \, students \, should \, come \, into \, school \, with \, their \, parents \, at \, 7.30 am \, \, for \, their \, Graduation.$

Year 6 Students have a choice:

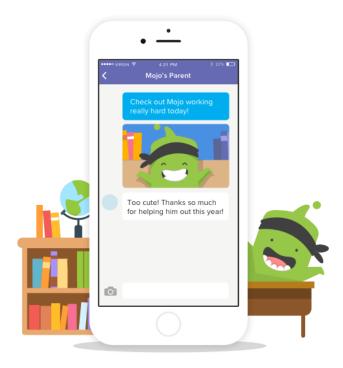
 $1 - Come\ into\ school\ a\ little\ earlier - between\ 8 am\ and\ 9.30 am\ -\ to\ spend\ time\ with\ their\ teachers\ and\ class\ before\ Graduation$

OR

2- Come into school with parents at 9.30am and join their class before the Graduation ceremony.

Congratulations to all our students who are graduating this year!

Communication





Class Dojo or MS Teams

Parents are welcome to continue messaging their children's teachers using the Class Dojo app or on MS Teams.

Under the messages tab - a list of the staff linked to your child's class is available.

Please note - teachers will do their best to get back to you within working hours.

If you require any help with connecting to your child's class, please contact the class teacher on MS Teams or email support@dohaacademy.net

Coming Soon

Last Day of School



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Following exams the week before, the official final day of term for all Primary Al Waab students will be **June 16.**

End of Year Parent-Teacher Meetings



To discuss your child's academic progress for the year, we would like to invite you to the final Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTM) of the 2021-2022 academic year.

These will be held over MS Teams on June 20, for both class teachers and specialist teachers.

More details will follow.

Thank you for your support and feedback