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Principal's Message



"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other." - John F. Kennedy

It has been wisely said that to find time to do what you should be doing in order to get where you are going, you must have the leadership discipline to focus on worthy..

At ISWK, we encourage and prepare students to participate fully, to take risks, to be self-advocates, and to create long lasting memories and relationships with peers, staff and community.

Our goal at ISWK is to provide an enriching, engaging, and challenging curriculum that will gear up pupils for success while at ISWK and for the years that follow. We believe that students, parents, teachers and management all play a vital role in assisting pupils achieve their greatest potential. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources and opportunities available to them, including the library, science labs, computer labs, student council, Peer Buddies, team building activities, after school academic and athletic offerings through our informative and impressive website. Parents can check academic progress regularly via our parent portal and can access information about school events on our website.

At ISWK, we recognize that social/emotional development is as essential to student success as academics. This year we continue our advisory program, called S. A. I. L. - Success, Achievement, Independence, and Leadership. During S.A.I.L., small groups of students meet monthly with an authorized faculty member to explore on all possible solutions for problems encountered during Teaching - Learning process. Our goal is to provide a time for students to build connections with teachers and peers and to build a stronger sense of community and ownership at Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir with a theme - Every day brings new choices, new opportunities to build strong ISWK community to make a positive difference.

Allow me to reiterate that what makes greatness is beginning something that does not end with you!



Vice Principal's Message

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." - Walt Disney

ISWK is a prestigious educational institution in Oman which moulds students to face any challenges in life. I quote:

"Regardless of where you were born or what your financial position in life, the power to affect your own future lies within your own hands. Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start."

So today is the day to start living the life of your dreams. It all starts with the right choices, because the choices you make define the person you become. The good news is that mental toughness is a skill that can be learned, and the tougher you get, the bigger you'll dream and the more fun you'll have. This training is what ISWK gives.

This volume of Wadi Waves gives a glimpse of all these activities.

I wish all the best for the Wadi Waves TEAM.



Message from Head Boy

"No one who achieves success does so without acknowledging the help of others. The wise and confident acknowledge this help with gratitude". – Alfred North Whitehead.

Being a part of ISWK has been a wonderful experience for me that has carved an opportunity to thrive in an environment that has allowed me to develop my personal skills, maintain a good academic growth and most important of all become a great team leader. It is these qualities embedded in me by the school that has aided me in succeeding in whatever field I choose.

I would also like to express my gratitude to our respected Principal and teachers for making me what I am.

I am also grateful to the Management Committee for providing us students, the latest resources in technology available. School has always been my second family and every student in this family knows his rights and responsibilities well.

If we live by the values adopted in school, we can surely achieve our goals.



Message from Head Girl

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success". – Henry Ford

The most satisfying realization in many of these qualities is that our individual talents are gifted to us through our school, our friends and of course our dear teachers. My school has always taught me just one thing, "Either find your way or else make one for yourself, because your only option is success."

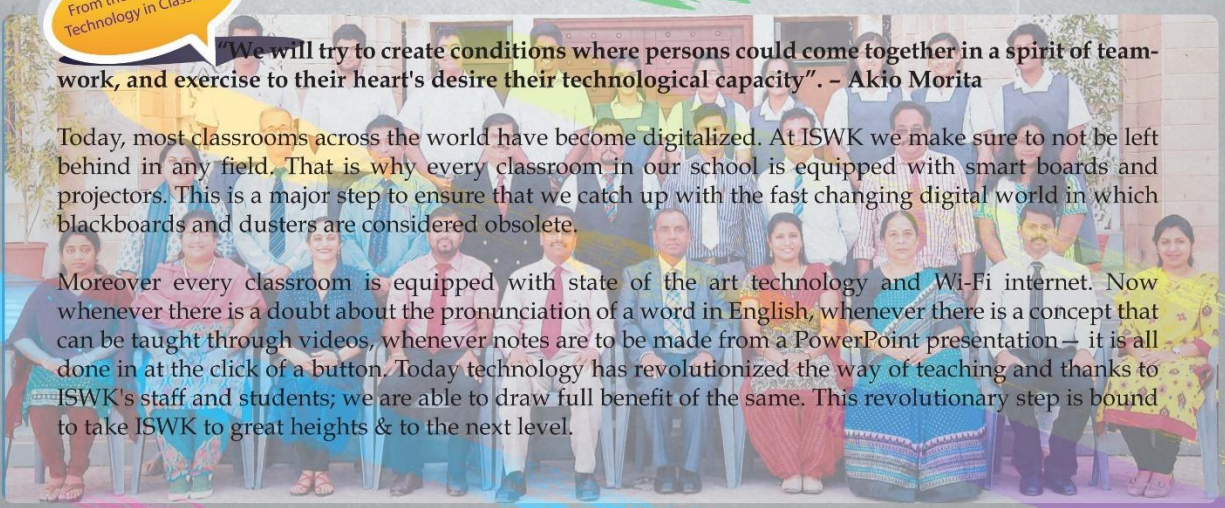
This academic year turned out to be one of the best in my life. We were successful in making the most out of all our school functions. I would like to thank everyone especially my class 12 friends who have considered me worthy of and elected me for this post and believing in my abilities from Day 1! I would like to end with a message for my dear juniors at ISWK. "In life, the only thing that stands between who you are and who you want to be is.....YOU!"

From the Editor's Desk:
Technology in Classrooms

"We will try to create conditions where persons could come together in a spirit of teamwork, and exercise to their heart's desire their technological capacity". – Akio Morita

Today, most classrooms across the world have become digitalized. At ISWK we make sure to not be left behind in any field. That is why every classroom in our school is equipped with smart boards and projectors. This is a major step to ensure that we catch up with the fast changing digital world in which blackboards and dusters are considered obsolete.

Moreover every classroom is equipped with state of the art technology and Wi-Fi internet. Now whenever there is a doubt about the pronunciation of a word in English, whenever there is a concept that can be taught through videos, whenever notes are to be made from a PowerPoint presentation – it is all done in at the click of a button. Today technology has revolutionized the way of teaching and thanks to ISWK's staff and students; we are able to draw full benefit of the same. This revolutionary step is bound to take ISWK to great heights & to the next level.



ISWK Faculty Entertain Students on Children's Day

"When mind stuck, entertain your heart." Toba Beta



Like every other year, the children of ISWK witnessed a gala performance in the school's Multipurpose Hall. The function started with a prayer song followed by the lighting of the lamp by the Vice Principal, Mr Jayaprakash. K. Pillai and other senior members of the faculty. The cultural extravaganza titled "Entertainment ke liye kuchh bhi karega" (anything can be done in the interest of entertainment) followed. Soul stirring songs and a couple of foot-tapping dance numbers from Bollywood and Kollywood partaken by almost all teaching fraternity stole the show. A hilarious flop show put up by the staff greatly enhanced the children's entertainment. The second phase of the celebration was at the Primary Wing in the evening of November 14th, 2014. Competitions were held in dance and music and this drew an enthusiastic audience

making the evening entertaining.



Ambassador's Trophy for Polemic Challenge



"Few are those who see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts." – Albert Einstein.

The topic for the Ambassadors Trophy for Polemic Challenge "Technology has not fostered World Peace" reverberated the legendary language of Nelson Mandela. The trophy instituted by the former Indian Ambassador to the Sultanate, H.E. Anil Wadhwa, offers a podium to the Indian Schools in Oman to demonstrate their declamatory proficiency. Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir hosted this annual interschool event this year in its multipurpose hall on 3rd November 2014.

Twenty-six participants from thirteen Indian Schools participated in this competition. Mamata Gopinathan of ISWK was adjudged The Best Speaker (1st Runner-up). At the end of the debate, the Chief Guest H.E. J.S. Mukul, the Indian Ambassador, further enlightened the students about the topic. Mementos were handed over by Mr D. N. Rao, Principal of ISWK, to the judges – Mr Mayank Singh, Mrs Ononigho and the eminent Toastmaster Mr George Thomas. Mr Mathew Abraham, Educational Advisor Board of the Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman and Mr Alex C Joseph, Assistant Educational Advisor of the Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman, were amidst the august assembly.

Unassailable Kaylyn Kyles of Wadi Kabir

"Somewhere behind the athlete you've become and the hours of practices and the coaches who have pushed you... is a little girl who fell in love with the game and never looked back... Play for her" – Mia Hamm

Repeating victory five times in a row is something beyond creating history. ISWK girls' team under the captaincy of Yuvasshri Ravi scripted history by winning the trophy for the fifth consecutive year. The team achieved this victory by defeating Indian school Muscat with an unbelievable score of 5-0 in a match held at Indian School Muladha grounds early this year. Shreya Nair scored two goals while Estrid D'silva, Sanjana Naik and Aurica D'Souza scored one each. They had booked their final berth by defeating Indian School, Sur with 3 goals in a semi-final match. With this victory over Indian School Muscat, the girls' football team qualified to the final stage of the National Football Tournament.

U16 boys win Oman Cricket League

"Cricket being my first love, once I enter the ground it's a different zone altogether and that hunger for winning is always there". – Sachin Tendulkar

U16 Boys brought laurels and honour to the school by winning the Interschool Cricket Tournament conducted by Oman Cricket Club for the year 2013-2014, which was held at Al Amerat Cricket Grounds. There were ten participating schools in the fray. It was a league tournament and in the final match ISWK defeated Pakistan school Muscat by 48 runs to emerge winners of the tournament. This was the maiden victory for the under-16 boys' team for ISWK. The Best Batsman (top scorer) was Ivan Joseph Manjila of standard X and Best Bowler (highest wicket taker) was Brijesh Gandhi of standard XI. From ISWK Ivan Joseph Manjila, Brijesh Gandhi, Mayukh Misra and Rohan Koshy represented Oman in international matches held in Malaysia.



CBSE Oman Cluster Volleyball

"Ask not what your teammates can do for you. Ask what you can do for your teammates." – Magic Johnson

We have once again been full of pride to have the CBSE Cluster Volleyball Tournament hosted on our grounds on October 27. Mr Prakash Ved, chairman of our Sports Sub committee, took the chair of the Chief Guest for the inaugural ceremony. Both boys' and girls' teams took part from all three Indian Schools- Muscat, Darsait and ours. Boys' matches were played as best of five sets and girls' best of three, each set with 25 points. While both teams from ISM qualified to the CBSE National Tournament, our girls came out with flying colours bagging the Runner-Up Trophy. The closing ceremony was presided by Mr Biren Patel, member of our Sports Subcommittee. Mr R.S. Pathyarch from ISM served as the CBSE sports observer.



Inter-House English Debate Competition: Clash of Wits

"In all debates, let truth be thy aim, not victory, or an unjust interest." William Penn

The Inter -House English Debate Competition for Classes IX-XII was held on 14th May 2014 in the school auditorium. It was conducted in two phases. The format of the debate was a bit different as the day witnessed a live debating session wherein the debaters from Classes IX -X had to debate on the topic, 'Advertisements create artificial needs' whereas the teams from XI-XII exhibited their debating skills on the topic, 'Social Networking Technologies -An invasion of privacy'. The competition was adjudged by an eminent panel of judges from the Toast Masters Club and Saleh Al-Shaibany, journalist and columnist from The Times of Oman and moderated by senior students of the school. Tagore House was declared the Best House .The Best Speaker from the Senior Category was Hridya Ruparel from XII and Joel Prem Lobo from class X. Mamata Gopinathan and Joel Lobo bagged the prizes for the best Rebuttal. The competition was well appreciated by both the judges and the audience.

Investiture Ceremony

"Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending". - Carl Bard

The morning of May 13 saw a glorious sun dawn on the skies of ISWK campus as 108 of its Student Council Office Bearers were ceremoniously invested at an impressive function held on the school grounds. The auspicious occasion was graced by the presence of the Chief Guest Captain Arjun Dev Nair .Also present on the occasion were Mr. Harshendu Shah, President of the School Managing Committee, Mr. Leo Lobo, Academic Director, Members of the Educational Cell of the Banyan Merchant Committee, other dignitaries, parents and well-wishers. The student leaders were formally invested with various posts of responsibility for the academic year 2014-2015. The entire contingent of the Student Office Bearers staged a March Past in honour of the Chief Guest, Captain A.D. Nair. The Chief Guest ceremoniously invested Alen Anthony and Gaadha JP as Head Boy and Head Girl respectively. Thereafter, he conferred the Deputy Head Boy, Deputy Head Girl, Sports Coordinators and Cultural Coordinators. The selected Captains, Deputy Captain, Vice-captains, and Deputy Vice-captains of all the four Houses named after Tagore, Akbar, Ashoka, and, Vivekananda, also received their badges. Additionally, there were in all 76 Prefects who proudly received their badges from Mr. Harshendu Shah, President of the School Management Committee along with its members, Mr. Prakash Ved, Mr. Rajendra Ved, Mr. Alkesh Joshi as well as Mr. Leo Lobo. The Chief Guest administered the Oath of Office to the newly-invested Office Bearers and Class Prefects.

The investiture ceremony concluded with a grand parade of the newly-elected Office- Bearers.



ISWK quiz team (First Runners up position in the most prominent quiz event of the country Times of Oman Interschool quiz contest.)



Leadership Programme

"While a good leader sustains momentum, a great leader increases it". -John C. Maxwell

The Leadership Programme for the 184 members of the Student Council of Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir was organized on August 24, 2014 to train and motivate the young leaders of the school. Mr S Sivam, HR Manager, guide and mentor for the day, counseled the student leaders on how to emerge as a good leader and highlighted various elements of leadership. The programme included various interactive games to understand, co-operate and to work together as a team. His wise words convinced the Council Members, that they all have the power to lead the student body of ISWK to greater heights.



Wadi Kabirians Shine at Jhankaar Spectrum 2014

"A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people". - Mahatma Gandhi

Jhankaar Spectrum, a gala event featuring several Inter-School competitions in various disciplines was hosted by ISM on October 18th, 2014. The event was inaugurated by H.E. J.S. Mukul, the Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman. The various prizes won by ISWK:

Event	Name of the Students	Position
<i>Western Dance (Group) -Team 1</i>	Shivani Sandeep	<i>1st prize</i>
	Aishani Sandeep	
	Diya Juyal	
	Rachna Rajesh	
	Pragati Thakur	
	Aishwarya Bala Krishnan	
<i>Western Dance (Group) -Team 2</i>	Lakshmi Haridas	<i>3rd prize</i>
	Hridaya Ruparel	
	Nikitha Alex	
	Pearl Elsa Mathew	
	Kavayaa Ruparel	
	Tiya Anna Tiju	
	Tanaaz Shanavaz	
	Vinita Vargheese	
<i>Street Play in English (Group)</i>	Laxmi Hari	<i>A Grade</i>
	Aleena Thomas	
	Ann Ebey Alex	
	Heera Menon	
	Garima Kumari	
	Dhriti Bhatt	
	Kamini Mishra	
<i>Create a TV Advertisement (Group) Team - 1</i>	Mamata Gopinathan	<i>2nd</i>
	Harikrishnan K	
	Shalem Obadiah	
<i>Indian Percussion Tabla Solo</i>	Smit Samir Shah	
	Lijith Lohidhakshan	<i>1st prize</i>
<i>Western Guitar Solo</i>	Mcweil Pereira	<i>2nd</i>
<i>Elocution</i>	Gaadha Jayaprakash	<i>2nd A Grade</i>
<i>Western Drums Solo</i>	Bento Noronha	<i>A Grade</i>
<i>Western Violin Solo</i>	Nandana Ranjith	<i>A Grade</i>
<i>Bharatanatyam Solo</i>	Harigouri Nanda	<i>1st prize</i>
<i>Indian Light Vocal Solo</i>	Sreerag Menon	<i>1st prize</i>
<i>Photo Album Making- Team -2</i>	Anand R Pillai	<i>3rd prize</i>
	Zeba Anjum	
	Liya Benedict Dsouza	
	Devika Sureshkumar	

**Excellence in All India Senior School Certificate
(Class XII) Board exams, 2014**



"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from failure." ~ General Colin Powell

The students of Indian School Wadi Kabir have made their school proud with their commendable performance in Class XII Board Exams 2013- 14. Of the 86 students of the Science stream 53 students scored above 75%. Milap Alpesh Sheth topped the Science stream with the maximum aggregate of 96% followed by Anant Saxena with 95.8% and Aishwarya Raghuraman with 95.8%. Of the 103 students from the Commerce stream 51 secured above 75%. Joash Saldanha has broken the school record by standing first with 95.8% followed by Larissa Chrystal Rego with 95% and Sneha Vinod with 93%.

Science Stream

Commerce Stream

FIRST RANK	SECOND RANK	THIRD RANK	FIRST RANK	SECOND RANK	THIRD RANK
					
Milap Alpesh Sheth (96%)	Anant Saxena (95.8%)	Aishwarya Raghuraman (95.8%)	Joash Saldanha (95.8%)	Larissa Chrystal Rego (95%)	Sneha Vinod (93%)

Subject Toppers

English  Misbah Fatima Hussain (98%)	Mathematics  Greeshma Philip (99%)	Chemistry  Anant Saxena (99%)	Physics  Milap Alpesh Sheth (96%)	Biology  Raka Ghosh Dastidar (97%)	Accountancy & Economics  Larissa Chrystal Rego (95%)
Business Studies  Angeline Joy P (97%)	 Aswini Anil Kumar (97%)	Entrepreneurship  Rahila Mohammed (94%)	Informatics Practices  Thasleema Aslam (95%)	 Krishna Dinesh Kamath (95%)	
Computer Science  Mohamad Sajid Abdula (97%)	 Adarsh M Jayadevan (97%)	 Nischay Venkatram (97%)	 Milap Alpesh Sheth (96%)		



Excellence in All India Secondary School (Class X) Exams 2014

"Strength of mind is exercise, not rest." ~ Alexander Pope

ISWK students excelled in CBSE class X Board Examinations 2014; all 343 students were successful - achieving a 100% success as usual over the years. Of the toppers, 25 students scored a perfect CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) score of 10 out of 10 with A1 grades in all the five subjects. 37% of the total students scored 90% and above. Students, parents and teachers were jubilant at the excellent performance of the school.

The toppers are Abhishek Karanath, Amrita S Nair, Anna Vinaya Xavier, Anubhav Dasgupta, Anusha Sasidharan, Ashwin Titus, Juveriya Firoz Ansari, Keziah Elizabeth Johnson, Kishore Kumar, Mathirush S Pillai, Merin Rachel Varghese, Mohit Motwani, Nikita Davies, Pranav Pramod, Sabera Ismail, Sanjai Shine, Santhra Ann Saji, Shivani Varma, Shraddha Venkitaraman, Siddhant Chandra Mouli, Sruthi Mary Sanil, Tayyaba Shaikh, Urvi Ajit Dhruva, Uthara Muralidhar and Vishal Udandaraao.



Spelligator 2014

**"Anyone who can only think of one way to spell a word obviously lacks imagination."
Mark Twain**



An initiative of the Ministry of Education (Directorate General of Private Schools) the Spelligator 2014, is a rewarding platform for students to develop and hone their spelling skills. Under the onslaught of modern technology, the importance of correct spellings has been significantly undermined. In order to assert the value of accurate spellings, this competition has been organized at various private schools in Muscat. Keziah Elizabeth Johnson of standard XI ranked second in the competition this time.

NASA School Tour - An ever-memorable one

"All the traditional STEM fields, the science, technology, engineering, and math fields, are stoked when you dream big in an agency such as NASA". - Neil de Grasse Tyson



The curious minds of our school had the opportunity to discover a whole new world of adventure and exploration through the NASA space research Centre tour conducted by the school in June, 2014. Thirty-three students along with three teachers including our Principal, set out on this edutainment tour on the 15th of June, 2014. The tour started with a three-day stay in Houston, where the students



attended a space programme on 'Advancement in Space Technology'. They were

also part of a practical workshop on 'Robots and Rockets' and were awarded Certificates of Excellence for taking part in various activities. The students also had



the chance to experience scuba diving and visited thrilling places like the Galveston Island and the Pleasure Pier Amusement Park. From Houston, they left to Buffalo via Charlotte by air to enjoy the serenity of the Niagara Falls. After a two-day stay there, they left for Washington D.C. by bus. On the way to Washington, they



visited the dreamland of every kid, Hershey's chocolate world! In Washington D.C. they witnessed the beauty of world-famous sites like The White House, the Lincoln Memorial and the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial. Students also got the rare opportunity to know more about air and space technology from the

Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. Last but by no means the least, they got



the once in a lifetime opportunity to visit the Empire State Building-which is the second tallest skyscraper in the U.S.- and to enjoy the scenic view from the 86th floor observatory point. The tour was brought to an end with the visit to the Statue of Liberty in the Liberty Island and a shopping spree in every shopaholic's dream destination, the Times Square. On the whole, the guided tour to NASA Space Centre was both



informative and extremely entertaining. The students and teachers had an 'epic' time with a holiday full of evergreen memories.



ISWK fielded Spectacular Sports Day on its own grounds



Principal Mr. D. N. Rao and other dignitaries and special invitees. The School Brass Band played the welcome tune.

Emil and Yuvashree, along with Mayukh Misra, Ivan Joseph Manjila, Brijesh Gandhi and Rohan Koshy, who represented Oman in the International U-16 cricket match held in Malaysia, were bestowed with the honour of lighting the flame and bearing the Torch. Emil Sebastian, a Grandmaster in the making, is a Gold medalist at the recently concluded National Chess tournament, while Yuvashree Ravi is the captain of U19 Girls Football team, the reigning Champions in their category for five consecutive years. They were joined by U19 Girls Football team, U19 chess players, athletes, table tennis players, winners of CBSE clusters U14 chess and badminton players. Then came the March Past of all the four Houses – Tagore, Ashoka, Vivekananda and Akbar to submit the salute to the Chief Guest. Mr. Solomon from ISM and Mr. Sampad Misra meticulously measured the march-past



where Tagore house was triumphantly thrilled. The overall Athletic Trophy went to Ashoka House whereas Tagore House was also named runner-up.



The hundred-strong school brass band led by Diti Parmar played the tunes Colonel Bogey March, When the Saints Go Marching In, We Shall Overcome, Nanha Munna Rahi Hoon, and Saare Jahan Se Accha. The band was followed by the welcome address by head girl Gaadha Jayaprakash and oath-taking by head boy Alen Antony Pathil.

A curtain raiser by 5th standard and a drill display by the 6th, 7th

and 8th infused interludes into the innumerable athletic events including 75, 100 and 200 metre sprints and 4 X 100 metre relays for boys, girls and finally for the faculty members in the form of a startling surprise item.

Clusters of stirred sports persons who added feathers to ISWK's cap were felicitated on the occasion. The school bagged 15 gold in chess, 6 silvers and 22 bronzes in swimming, 1 gold, 4 silvers and 20 bronzes in table tennis, 4 silvers in tennis, 3 silvers in basketball, 35 golds in cricket, 12 silvers and 12 bronzes in volleyball, 8 silvers in badminton, 2 golds in athletics, 14 bronzes in handball, 18 golds in football, and the list goes on.

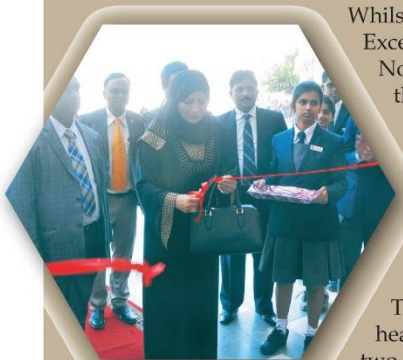


What's more, seven of our cricketers Ivan Manjila, Mayukh Misra, Brijesh Gandhi, Rohan Koshy and Akshada Gunasekar, Jaidhanya Gunasekar and Bubbly Sonia playing for Oman team, were top of the bill of the year.

The event was highly appreciated and received well by all present to witness the spectacular show put up by the P.E Department of the school.

The evening ended with the ceremonious handing over of the school flag by the Head Council to the Principal. This marked the consummation of the 22nd Annual Sports Meet of ISWK.

ISWK Exhibits Excellence



Whilst hosting a two-day Oman-India conference on Education, Empowerment and Excellence, stressing the role of education in life, Mrs Fatma Bint Abdul Abbas Noorani, Director General of Private Schools, Ministry of Education said, "It is the school's responsibility to transform individuals into leaders of tomorrow. Every annual exhibition of Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir airs that responsibility of being a role model in epitomizing the very essence of that archetypal adage." This year was no exception to it where Mrs Noorani chaired the episode as the Chief Guest. The swirling aura of command within doors of the school amplified the theme of the exhibition India through the Ages.

The exhibition laid a strong emphasis on Indo-Oman Relations. It was in a way head-to-toe an image of two spirits and a fruit of two feelings artistically blended that spoke for an Indian collage in a grand Omani panorama. Trade between India and Oman has a history of several millenniums.

Bearing this fact file in mind, entrance of each floor was draped as per the subtheme of the story. The entire entity of the exhibition was embroidered with painstaking planning and prompt pursuance. Legendary literary strokes of genius in Arabic, English, French, Hindi, Malayalam, and, Sanskrit, together with their immortal characters and creators were put on display in detail. Production of paper and gunpowder was perfectly pertinent as their technology was spread over the Middle East through India as says the earliest record of a written formula for gunpowder appeared in the 11th century.



Modern Indian Authors' section included Hindi poets and other literary charisma of contemporary India. Department of Mathematics characteristically magnetised the audience with their presents given the title of Ancient Numerals, Math-World, Math and Monuments, Mathematic, Math - Infinite World, Contribution of Mathematicians, History of Mathematics and Origami, Properties of Triangles and Circles, Vartik - the Abacus and Medieval Abacus, and so forth. The ambience was like going on a cruise by Herbert George Wells 'Time Machine'. Other substantial showpieces were Agriculture and Trade, Hydroelectric Project and Rainwater Harvesting, Amazing Staircase and Probability Game, Days like Dreams, Adfinity, Jog Waterfall, Kids' Gallery, Origami Steamer and Origami Jungle, Auto-cleaner Water Level Indicator, Model Sugar Industry, and the like.



Department of Arabic came forward with a list of Arabic-Speaking Countries and their Capitals, International Vocabulary Originated from Arabic, Contribution of Arabic to Philosophy, and the like. Their Malayalam counterpart pictured their Culture and Literature. Department of Science brought Wireless and Internet, Metallurgy and its Applications, Microscope - Hook's Model, Ancient Instruments, Astronomical Changes,

Contribution of Ancient Science, Time Devices, Ancient Monuments in Science, Wonders of Science, Ebola, Magic of Science, Curious Science Facts, and the like.

The exhibition was highly appreciated by guests and was within parents' reach for two hours and a half in the morning and again for another couple of hours in the evening. Nevertheless, even after the final curtain delayed by almost half an hour waves of viewers kept kissing the school shore.



ISWK stage Inter-House English Drama competition

"Drama is life with the dull bits cut out". – Alfred Hitchcock



Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir had their Inter-House English Drama Competition on the 16th October in the school premises.

All the four houses presented their pieces in the best state-of-the-art mode possible. Before all else Mrs Kanan Kapadia, the Chief Guest, was given a warm welcome by the august assembly of the evening. The Tagore



House was the maiden invitee to present their production, 'Dare to be Daniel'. Then it was the spell for 'A Christmas Carol' – staged by the Vivekananda House – followed by 'The Monkey's Paw' – W.W. Jacob's short story – a classic of horror writing brought to us by the Ashoka House. At long

last the Akbar House performed John Boynton Priestley's play, 'Mother's Day'. Interludes were well satiated by way of presenting the Late Mathradas Khimji Memorial Awards for academic excellence to all the scholars from the middle, secondary, and, senior secondary wings of the school. In addition to the three



crème de la crème from all classes, the top ten percent of the pupils

were also recognized by means of precious prizes and certificates. Bharath Prasad of the Vivekananda House was

adjudged the Best Actor while Aiswarya Asokan of the Akbar House bagged the accolade for her Best Supporting Role. The trophy for the Best Performance went to the Vivekananda House for, 'A Christmas Carol'. Nevertheless ISWK altogether remained

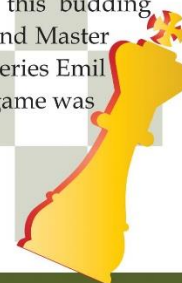


EMIL SEBASTIAN -A WOULD BE GRAND MASTER



Emil Sebastian, chess player and a class XII student of ISWK won the first position in Under-19 CBSE National Chess Championship in November, 2014. Prior to this achievement, he had made the school proud several times. The U-19 School team led by Emil won the title in the CBSE Clusters in 2013 and 2014 and became first runner up in 2012 in Oman. Emil represented All India Chess Federation in the Asian School Chess Championship held in Delhi in 2011. In September 2014, Emil won the first Oman FIDE rated classical Championship. The most remarkable achievement of this budding

chess player is the encounter with the Chess Legend and former World Champion Grand Master Garry Kasparov in a simultaneous exhibition in the Sultanate of Oman in 2013. In this series Emil was highly commended by the Grand Master for the beautiful challenge given and the game was even posted with a review analysis in the official website of Garry Kasparov.



ISWK Founders' Day Celebrations Bring out Creative Best in Students



The 25th Founders' Day celebrations of Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir brought out the essence of cultural diversity and rich heritage of India and Indo-Oman relations.

H. E. Dr. Hamood Bin Khalfan Al Harthi, Under Secretary of Education and Curricula in the Ministry of Education was the Chief Guest. He was accompanied by Ms. Fatima Bint Abdul Abbas Noorani, Director General of Private Schools under the Ministry of Education, Ms. Siddika Abdul Majeed Al Lavathi, Deputy Director of Education and Curricula and Mr. Kiran Asher, Vice-Chairman with the Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman. Also present

on the occasion were the esteemed members of the SMC, along with its President, Mr. Harshendu Shah; members of the educational cell of the Banyan Merchant Association along with the prominent members of the business community.

Mr. Mathew Abraham, Edn. Advisor and members of the Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman; Mr. Leo Lobo, the Academic Director and Mr. D.N. Rao, Principal of the school as well as other dignitaries and special invitees graced the occasion.

A colourful cultural programme and prize distribution ceremony marked the 25th Founders' Day celebrations.

Mr. Harshendu Shah in his speech to the gathering stressed upon the need to further upgrade the existing facilities in the school to make it one of the most modern and a premium educational institutions in Oman.

Mr. Rao presented the annual report highlighting the various activities undertaken during the academic session 2014-2015.

The cultural programme with 'Light' as the theme saw some riveting performances by the children of the school. There was an underlying message in all of them, which aimed at bringing the world communities together and fostering universal brotherhood. Indian classical as well as western dances presented by students received a huge applause. Brilliantly choreographed dance performances such as 'Light of the World', 'Flight of Fancy', 'Illuminating Glory',

'Dancing Lights Paint the Sky', and 'Fusion of Colours' bedazzled the audience with their mesmerizing effect. A melodious composition with lyrics sung in eight different regional languages by young singers enthralled the audience. Western choir of the school presented a soulful rendition of the song 'We are the World' which received a standing ovation by the Chief Guest and the audience.

Meritorious students of Class XII, who managed to be placed among the top 0.1% and those from Class X with CGPA 10 received awards from distinguished guests. Awards were also given away for special achievements in SAT, sports, and co-curricular activities.

Teachers who received the coveted 'Excellence in Teaching Award' were also felicitated along with those who have completed a dedicated service in the school for 25, 20 and 10 years respectively.

Above all, it was an evening full of joy, entertainment and glory.



ISWK rejoice Republic Day of India

Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir saluted the tricolour of India on the 66th Republic Day of the largest democracy of the world. The observance convened at the senior school premises kicked off on arrival of the Chief Guest for the ceremony, Mr. Yashvant Virjee Purshottam Toprani. He unfurled the National Flag following which the National Anthem was resonated in unison. Emotions ran high as all the four houses Tagore, Ashoka, Vivekananda, and Akbar marched past.



The mark of respect to Mother India was put into words by way of the song Ekata Swatantrata- Unity for Liberty. The school choir also presented Vijayee Vishva Tiranga Pyara - The conqueror of the world, our dear tricolour! Then came the tribal folk dance that stole the show at long last.

The jingoistic dance number presented by the primary wing of the school was the most magnetic part of the programme. Many a tiny 'taught' from the Kindergarten section dressed as national trailblazers were amazingly eye-catching. The whole congregation felt proud on occurrence of the event Proud to be Indian wherein inventions and inventors of India were illustrated. For instance, mathematics could never reach today's height without the contributions of India. Mr Anil Mathradas Khimji, Director of Khimji Ramdas, the president of the School Management Committee, Mr. Harshendu Shah, other SMC members, dignitaries, Academic Director Mr Leo Lobo, Principal Mr D N Rao, vice principals, supervisors, coordinators, teaching and non teaching staff, students and their parents bore witness to a magnificent celebration.



Bidding Farewell To Students of Class XII 2014 to 2015



the chief guest for the formal farewell

Mr. Binay Shukla, Executive Audit Director with Assurance service of Ernst and Young, Middle East Prattice, Muscat. In his inspirational speech, exhorted the students to visualize, focus and follow their dreams. He also urged them to believe in themselves and to do their best in whatever they do.



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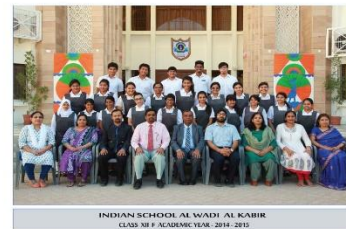
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