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WADI WAVES

2018-2019



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

INDIAN SCHOOL AL WADI AL KABIR holds the clear distinction as one of the best and most preferred schools in Oman. It is because every student's well-being, growth and holistic development hold priority for the faculty as well as the members of the school management.

The chief concern at ISWK is to provide adequate, abundant and meaningful opportunities in both scholastic as well as co-scholastic arenas to stimulate the students, from the Kindergarten to class XII, into performing beyond expectations and thus blooming into compassionate and capable human beings. Kudos to the entire team of the Commerce and Science streams for consistently producing commendable results adding yet another feather in our cap.

My most sincere appreciation extends to the excellent team of teachers who support the system with creative and innovative ideas, and often walk the extra mile to help students improve academically as well as enhance their performance in co-scholastic areas. Thanks to the hard work and commitment of our staff and students alike, ISWK is making its presence felt in Inter-school events, CBSE Clusters, national level games and sporting events, and many other related activities.

ISWK bagging the ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD for three consecutive years at the GCC CBSE Schools' Principals' Conference was a feat in which we have carved out a niche for ourselves.

The infrastructural enhancements, contemporary teaching support, professional development programs for teachers and forward-thinking plans make ISWK a place par excellence!

I use this platform to thank the School Management, parents and teachers for their unstinted support and wish all my students the very best in life.



VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

It is the purpose of education to provide students with knowledge and the necessary tools to develop a strong character. It is to produce life-long learners who evolve with every turn of physical, intellectual, emotional and spiritual forms of knowing. Whose excellence is not determined by the intellect alone; they also have deep understanding of finer human emotions. Whose vision is not constrained by the mere promotion of monetary success. They have a vision of academic excellence, collaboration, democracy, social justice, ecological sustainability and the arts. In short, they have a clear notion of what it means to be truly free.



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

"Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?" asked Alice. "That depends a good deal on where you want to get to," said the cat. "I don't much care where--" said Alice. "Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the cat.

mind the outcome of their striving. To assume that something will happen without their doing anything much to make it happen, would be setting themselves up for disappointment.

Students must remember that goals must be realistic and achievable. They must be specific and measurable. A commonly used acronym is SMART goals: specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-bound.

This amusing bit of conversation from 'Alice in the Wonderland' explains so beautifully the need for setting goals in our life.

Students need to differentiate between goals and expectations. While an expectation is a strong belief that something will happen or be the case, a goal is something that you want to achieve and are willing to work for it.

Today's students face an array of competitive scenarios. It becomes significant to them to establish clear goals and priorities keeping in



ISWK SUCCESS CONTINUES !!!

GRAND SUCCESS IN CBSE CLASS X BOARD EXAMINATIONS – 2018

ISWK STUDENTS' STUPENDOUS PERFORMANCE IN 12 OF 2018

After a spectacular performance in class XII Examination 2018, class X students of Indian Schol Wadi Kabir have come out with flying colours in the CBSE Board Examinations held in March 2018.

School First Rank shared by two students.

1. Ms. Shradha Jayapraksh - 97.6%
2. Ms. Sarengi Radhika - 97.6 %

2nd Rank & 3rd Rank

3. Master Sankalp Sandeep Kshirsagar - 97.2%
4. Master Arjun Manoj Kumar - 97 %

SUBJECTS	A1(90% above)
English(101)	100
Malayalam(12)	11
Maths(41)	82
Hindi(85)	24
Science(86)	123
Social(87)	96
FIT(165)	2

Kudos to all !!!



SHRADHA JAYAPRAKASH
(97.6%)

FIRST RANK



SARENGI RADHIKA
(97.6%)

FIRST RANK



SANKALP SANDEEP KSHIRSAGAR
(97.2%)

SECOND RANK



ARJUN MANOJ KUMAR
(97%)

THIRD RANK

The following is the list of toppers in both the Science as well as Commerce streams.

ENGLISH	JOVITA DANTIS VARGHESE	98
ACCOUNTANCY	VINEETHI RAVINDRANATHAN	97
ECONOMICS	ARYA SUDHEER SHREYA NAIR	98
BUSSINESS STUDIES	ARYA SUDHEER JOBIN JACOB KANNANNUPARAMPIL S. AYISHWARYA	99
ENTREPRENEURSHIP	SHREYA NAIR	98
INFORMATICS PRACTICES	DEVAYANI HEBBAR RAKSHA JAGADEESH PATIL RUSHAB JAIN ABDULLAH FEROZ ANSARI AISHWARYA BALAKRISHNAN RAGENDU SURESH NAIR SANDHRA JYOTHIS TOMLEY	100
COMPUTER SCIENCE	VAIDEHEE THAKUR	99
BIOLOGY	ARAVIND K PRASAD	97
CHEMISTRY	JOVITA DANTIS VARGHESE VAIDEHEE THAKUR ASWIN MURALEEDHARAN ULANAT	99
PHYSICS	NIKITHA MICHLIN ALEX	98
MATHEMATICS	ASWIN MURALEEDHARAN ULANAT	100

SCIENCE STREAM



VAIDEHEE THAKUR
(97.4%)

FIRST RANK



Aswin Muraleedharan Ulanat
(96.6%)

SECOND RANK



NIKHITHA MICHLIN ALEX
(96.4%)

THIRD RANK

COMMERCE STREAM



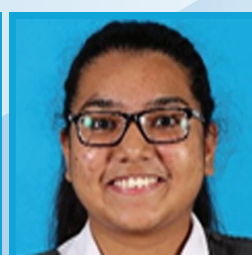
Jobin Jacob Kannannu parampil
(96.4%)

FIRST RANK



ARYA SUDHEER
(95.6%)

SECOND RANK



SUHANA MOHMMMED
(95.6%)

SECOND RANK



Praneel Malloli Meethal
(95.2%)

THIRD RANK

ISWK STUDENTS' STUPENDOUS PERFORMANCE IN CLASS 12 OF 2018: 7 STUDENTS SCORE 100 % MARKS IN INFORMATICS PRACTICES

The jubilant students of Indian School Wadi Kabir have the world at their feet with their outstanding success in Class 12 Board Examinations conducted by the CBSE in March 2018, marking yet another year of excellent academic and personal achievements at the school.

The hard work put in by all the 259 students, who appeared for the AISSCE, has borne fruit. Of the 145 students of the Science stream, Vaidehee Thakur has topped the list of successful candidates with an aggregate of 97.4% followed by Aswin Muraleedharan scoring 96.6% in the aggregate and Nikitha Michlin Alex adding up an impressive 96.4%. Vaidehee Thakur is also the topper in Computer Science with 99%. Jovita is the topper in English with 98%. Aswin Muraleedharan has scored 100% in Mathematics.

Of the 114 students of the Commerce stream, Jobin Jacob Kannannuparampil stands first with 96.4% aggregate followed by Arya Sudheer and Suhana Mohammed with 95.6% in the second place. In the third place with an aggregate of 95.2 % we have Praneel Malloli Meethal.

Informatics Practices deserves a very special acclaim as they presented an amazing performance with 7 students scoring 100 marks and thus setting a record. The triumphant toppers are Devayani Hebbar, Raksha Jagadeesh Patil, Rushab Jain, Abdullah Feroz Ansari, Aishwarya Balakrishnan, Ragendu Suresh Nair and Sandhra Jyothis Tomley.

The School Management, Principal and Staff congratulate the students and their parents for their brilliant results.

ISWK IS NOW SAT EXAM CENTER

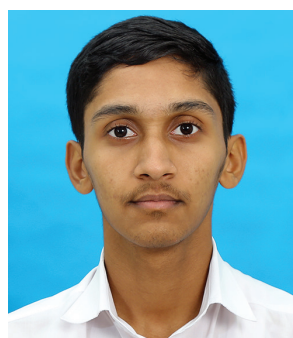
Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir is now listed on College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) of USA. It will now become easier for students to apply for Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) examination necessary to secure admission in foreign universities for higher education. Henceforth, the SAT exam will be conducted in the school premises as per the dates provided by College Board.

"Sic parvis magna" – Sir Francis Drake

This popular Latin quote means – "Greatness comes from small beginnings." I believe that greatness also lies in working past pre-existing standards and developing your own. It comes by working hard while keeping your balance. The potential for greatness lies in each and every student. All one has to do is to tap into it and make full use of the opportunities available around them.

And that's exactly what ISWK has given me throughout my 12-year-journey with her: opportunities to achieve, excel and most importantly, grow! Be it holding the prestigious ISWK flag up high as the Head Boy, or the numerous accolades won for sports and cultural competitions; ISWK has and always will be an integral part of my life. The school with its highly efficient teachers and management, multifarious sports and cultural opportunities, and modern infrastructural advancements, leaves no leaf unturned and is rightfully one of the most accomplished Indian schools in the Sultanate.

What I value the most about ISWK is the gestalt community: the community of dedicated teachers, talented students, and supportive parents – aka the "ISWK Family". No matter what happens, this family always supports you; corrects you when you're in the wrong; but undoubtedly makes sure you develop as an individual. I believe this is what every student should be grateful for. As a student, one must strive for greatness, and keep working hard to achieve it as, ultimately, good things come to those who persevere.



SRIRAM NURANI

HEAD BOY'S MESSAGE

HEAD GIRL'S MESSAGE



NISHI ASHER

"All of us do not have equal talents but all of us have an equal opportunity to develop our talent". - Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

The journey of the past 12 years has been full of challenges, opportunities, exposure and experiences that have given me innumerable memories to look back upon. Witnessing our school set new benchmarks with each passing year is indeed a delight for the family of ISWK. Our Principal Mr. Rao has always been an inspiration for each one of us. He performs the role of a dignified captain who steers this ship

(ISWK) with complete dedication and we, the crew are grateful to him for his guidance. Our teachers, as well as the administrative staff contribute equally toward well - maintained and ideal teaching-learning atmosphere in our school.

Bearing the school flag as the Head Girl has always been a proud moment for me and being a part of the council has helped me develop my leadership skills as well as my individual talents. ISWK recognizes every student as a unique diamond that must be polished in order to make it sparkle with brilliance. It opens eyes to our dreams and gives us the wings to reach the pinnacles of success. It aims at providing holistic education and the inspiration to explore horizons beyond academics.

Our students possess remarkable talent and I would urge them to avail the opportunities that come their way and let the school flag flutter high.

INVESTING OF STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS



“The old order changeth yielding place to new”.

Creating an elegant ambience, ISWK invested its elected Student Council members and Office Bearers for the academic year 2018-2019. Ms. Mohana Prabhakar, CEO of Apex Press and Publications, was the Chief Guest at the stately investiture ceremony. Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Hon. President of the S.M.C. along with its other esteemed members, special invitees, dignitaries, and parents were present in the school Multi Purpose Hall, on this august occasion. The Chief Guest was ushered in with elaborate fanfare. After the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the Guest, the school Western Music choir offered a heartfelt prayer *‘Abide by me’*.

The investiture commenced with the handing over of charge by the previous year’s House Masters and Mistresses to their newly- appointed forerunners. This was followed by the presentation of badges to the members of the Student Head Council as well as the House Office Bearers, by the Honourable Chief Guest and honorable S.M.C members. The Chief Guest conferred the badge of office on Master Sriram Nurani V (Head Boy), Miss Nishi Uday Asher (Head Girl), Master Akash Patil (Deputy Head Boy), Miss Emima N Suresh (Deputy Head Girl), Master Sanjay K A (Sports Coordinators-Boys), Miss Ardra Haridas Nair (Sports Coordinator-Girls), Master Shahrukh Shahjahan (Cultural Coordinator-Boys), Miss. Natasha Correia (Cultural Coordinator- Girls), Master Aymen M Arif (Public Relations Coordinator-Boys) and Anupriya Chatterjee (Public Relations Coordinator-Girls). Esteemed members of the S.M.C. invested ten Head Council members and 32 House Office Bearers. 84 Prefects (Classes 8 to 12) also took the oath of office.

The School’s Hindustani choir captured the explicit emotion in the words of a spirited song, *‘Dil Mein Mere Kuchh Sapne...’* A few dreams there are in my heart, my very own. The programme concluded with the singing of the National Anthem and now it was time to capture the mood of the day with an elaborate photo-session.



CELEBRATING SUPPORT STAFF DAY

May 7th, 2018 was yet another fun-filled day at Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir as student members of the ‘Entrepreneurs Club’ (CommerceStream) celebrated “Support Staff Day” to honour the efforts of the unsung heroes. Mr. Kirti Jesrani, Co-Convener and Co-Treasurer of the SMC, and Mr. Binay Shukla, Chairperson of ERP Systems, were the Guests of Honour. They welcomed the members of the support staff into the MP Hall by presenting ‘Thank You’ cards to them. Class 12 students--Venisha, Khushboo and Nazia expressed their admiration for the support staff by reciting poems and making speeches in Gujarati, Bangla and Arabic, especially written for the occasion. They deeply appreciated the tireless efforts on part of the School workforce to keep the school functioning like a well-oiled machine. Through this warm gesture, the students have learnt how to value the dignity of labour and respect the ‘support staff’.

INTER-HOUSE HINDI ELOCUTION COMPETITION



The Inter-House Hindi Poetry Elocution Competition for Classes VI to VIII was conducted in Multi-Purpose Hall of the school. It was a delight to listen to ISWK budding talent presenting their poems. The overwhelming response of the audience boosted the self-confidence of the participants.

Following are the names of the winners of the Competition:

Class VI - First- OM TANNA, Second- SUHANA SUHAIL, Third- AAGNA AND AANYA

Class VII - First- INAAYA KHAN, Second- NASHRA HAQUE, Third- DISHITA AHUJA

Class VIII - First- ABHAY RAJ & MEGHA MENON, Second- JOEL VARGHES, Third- ADHYATM SHARMA



INTER-SCHOOL HINDI EXTEMPORE COMPETITION

Extempore is an art of speaking in public without prior preparation. It requires the ability to think spontaneously. Students learn to voice their creative ideas with precision as well as develop essential skill much needed in their chosen careers as well as in day-to-day social interactions. The competition was held in two segments: for the students of classes VI to VIII, and for those of grades IX and X.

The results of the competition follow:-

Junior (Class 6 to 8)

First - **ABHAY RAJ MISHRA** (ISWK), Second- **ARYAN RAHUL JOSHI** (ISM) and **SHIVANSHI MISHRA** (ISWK)
Third - **SUGHADHI SUGANDHI POKHRIYAL** (IS Sur), and **NIHARIKA SHARMA** (IS Muladha)

Senior (Class 9 to 10)

First- **PRIYA MADAN MOHAN** (IS Salalah), Second- **SOHAM MAKNOJIA** (ISM) and **MANSI GURURANI** (IS Salalah)
Third- **SOMYA TIWARI** (Is Sohar), and **AYAAN HYDER KHAN** (ISWK)

INTER-HOUSE HINDI DEBATE COMPETITION



Debating is a co-scholastic activity that provides students with an opportunity to express their views as can be challenged by those holding a contrary position. The length and breadth of knowledge that they gain through this activity is simply unparalleled. With the same perspective in view, the Inter House Hindi Debate Competition was held on the following topics:

"Housewives Are Better Off Than working women " For classes IX and X.

"Modern Education System Is According to our needs." For classes XI and XII.

The following is the result of the Competition:-

Class 9 to 10

Best Speaker for the motion (First) - **VAISHNAV NIAR CLASS 10 D**

Best Speaker for the motion (Second) – **MANYA TALATI CLASS 9 A**

Best Speaker for the against the motion (First) – **GAURI THAKUR CLASS 9 J**

Best Speaker for the against the motion (Second) – **SARTHAK SARKAR 10 G**

Class 11 to 12

Best Speaker for the motion (First) – **MANU ADTYA GUPTA- 12 D**

Best Speaker for the motion (Second) – **Akshaya Mistry -11 B AND MOH. RAHIL -12 B**

Best Speaker for the against the motion (First) – **TANMAY SELOT -12 D**

Best Speaker for the against the motion (Second) – **ASHWATHY NAIR – 11 C**



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY CELEBRATED

Counselling Department, ISWK celebrated World Mental Health Day on October 10 with a special assembly held for senior classes to raise students' awareness regarding the significance of mental health and how mental health is as important as one's physical health.

A mime was staged on power of positive emotions, followed by a quiz on myths about mental health. Students motivated the audience by singing songs based on the theme of inculcating love for oneself. Posters and charts on the importance of mental health were displayed all the foyers.

72nd INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATED AT ISWK

Indian School Wadi Kabir celebrated the 72nd Independence Day of India with patriotic fervour on the Senior School grounds.

The Chief Guest for the august occasion was Shri Maganlal Vyas, an Indian businessman and the proprietor of 'Eveready Supermarket' in Muscat.

Also present on the occasion were, Mr. Alkesh Joshi, honorary President of the ISWK Management Committee along with its esteemed members. The Chief Guest along with other dignitaries was welcomed by the Student Council members with traditional fanfare. Tri-colored balloons were released to mark the beginning of the programme.

The Chief Guest in his address to the gathering congratulated everyone present on this auspicious occasion. He said that every Indian should feel proud to belong to a great nation. He also paid homage to the countless martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the independence of India.

The programme started with the Kindergarten students presenting a group action song titled 'Shaan-e-Hindustan' the pride of India, in the form of a fusion dance. Their expressive dance movements won the hearts of the audience. A dance drama depicting the invaluable contribution of the Armed Forces personnel to secure the borders of our motherland was performed by ISWKi. Primary Wings (Morning & Afternoon shifts) performed dance numbers 'Salaam India' and 'Swarajya Is My Birthright' respectively. Senior school performed 'Indiawaale', a dance choreographed to pay a glowing tribute to their beloved nation. The students through their enchanting dance moves portrayed strands of a diverse culture woven into a unified fabric of vibrant India. The audience felt proud of their country and became charged with a vigour to commit themselves toward building a strong and glorious Indian nation in the years to come.



INTER- SCHOOL ENGLISH LANGUAGE QUIZ

‘Linguawiz-2018’ an inter-school English language Quiz competition was organized by Indian School Wadi Kabir in their multi-purpose hall. A total of ten teams from Indian schools namely IS Muscat, Darsait, Al Ghubra,

Seeb, Mabela, Muladdha, Nizwa, Sohar, Salalah and the host school ISWk took part in the competition. Mr. Pankaj Sharma, Assistant Senior Editor of ‘The Times of Oman’ was the Chief Guest.

‘Linguawiz-2018’ is the first venture of its kind organized for students of Indian schools of Oman with a view to stimulate their interest in literary quizzing. The quiz made use of a smattering of linguistic activities to challenge the participants knowledge of English literature.

‘Linguawiz-2018’ ISWK’S initiative to bring together keen contestants from all the Indian schools, and it is hoped that the event will be eagerly awaited in the new academic year.

MOBILE APP DEVELOPMENT COMPETITION

Promoting students' software development skills,





Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir hosted –‘Acuity 2018’, an Inter-school Mobile Application Development Competition. Mr. Binay Shukla, esteemed member of the SMC of ISWK, click-started the event as the Chief Guest. The competition was adjudicated by Mr. Chandra Shekhar Jajware -CIO of the Khimji Ramdas group, IT operations; Mr. Swapnil Morande, specialist in Systems and E-Business Management at Majan College; and Dr. Anu Manchanda, Head of the Department of Computer Science at Waljat College of Engineering.

A total of six teams from Indian schools namely Darsait, Muscat, Al Ghubra, Seeb, and Sohar as well as the host school participated in the ‘Mobile Application Development Contest’ in which the contestants displayed their coding skills. To test their mettle, the judges quizzed them on their logical reasoning and computing skills. Mr. Jagadeesh S. Patil, Head of the Department of Information Technology ISWK asked questions from those in the audience to assess their knowledge in the field of IT

The team comprising of Saurabh Suresh and Adil Sharafudheen from IS Darsait came at the First runners-up position; Harsh Patel and Vaansh Lakhwara of IS Sohar finished Second runners-up. Sarthak Anil Bawal and Hassan Haider of the host school ISWK emerged champions in this closely fought competition.



INTER -SCHOOL SCIENCE QUIZ “BIG BANG 2018” -SEASON 9

The Department of Science organised ‘BIG BANG 2018’ an inter-school Science Quiz on World Students Day to commemorate the birthday of an eminent Indian scientist Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. The Chief Guest for the occasion, Mr. Hala Jamal, is a young entrepreneur and a popular quiz master. Questions from diverse Science subjects such as Biochemistry, Industrial Chemistry, Geophysics, Barology, Astronomy, Nanotechnology and Genetics threw an intellectual challenge to the quizzers.





MODEL UN ASSEMBLY

Indian School Wadi Al Kabir called a Model UN Assembly on October 24 to mark the 73rd United Nations Day. The ongoing initiative by the Department of Social Science is meant to provide information to the students about the working of the UN as well as provide a common platform for expressing their views as representatives of member nations of United Nations. Student-delegates from eight Indian Schools- Muladha, Sur, Sohar, Muscat, Jalan, Nizwa, Mabela, Al Seeb, and the host school ISWK participated in the competition to speak on MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS, 2030 (Sustainable Development). Mr. Samir Yumkhaibam, Second Secretary and Education Officer, Embassy of India, Muscat, was the Chief Guest. Principal D. N. Rao welcomed the Chief Guest as well as other dignitaries and special invitees. Five student delegates from every participating school represented a UN member state each, to voice their views on the relevant goals which that particular member state espoused toward achieving

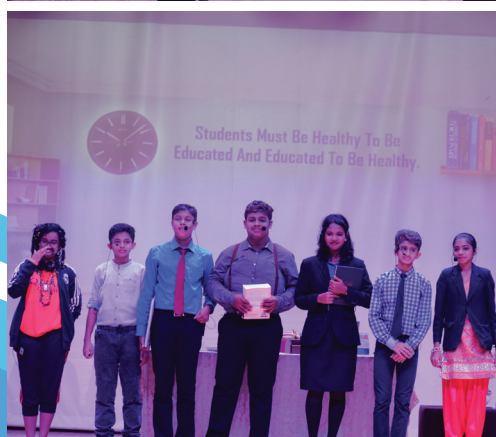


sustainable development.

Abhijit Prasad representing Indian School Wadi Kabir lifted the winner's trophy while Sandhra Mathew of I.S. Sur was in the first runner-up spot, and Tanya Barua representing of I.S. Jalan in the second.



ENGLISH DRAMATICS & LATE MATHRADAS KHIMJI MEMORIAL AWARDS



ISWK held their Inter-House Dramatics (English) along with the distribution of the Mathradas Khimji Memorial Awards for academic excellence on Thursday, 27th of November. Ms. Mrunal Khimji was the Guest of Honour for the occasion. Mr. Rajendra Ved, Executive Director, ISWK & ISWK i; Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Hon. President of the SMC. along with the other members, special invitees, parents and well-wishers of the school graced the evening function.

Ashoka House with their play 'The Doll's House'



won the top position. Anushree Chatterjee of Ashoka House was adjudged 'Best Actor'. Lavan Singh of Vivekananda House was adjudged Best Supporting Actor. Ms. Aimen Khan, Mr. Amitav Roy, Mr. Sapan Chakraborty adjudicated the drama competition.

The Chief Guest gave away prizes to the toppers in the Classes 6-12 in the annual exam conducted in the academic year 2017-2018.

The Commerce Department at Indian School Wadi Kabir organized "BizRevive", an inter-school Business Revival Competition. The participating teams also had to 'mime' on their chosen socio economic issues as part of the competition. Mr. Mayur Sanghani- Group Head- Corporate Accounts, treasury and credit, with Khimji Ramdas Group. The panel of judges included Mrs. Anu shaikh, a leading woman entrepreneur and owner of a limited liability company; Mr. Conrad Prabhu, Business Editor at Oman Daily Observer, and Mr. Amarjeet Majumdar- Managing partner of Crowe Horwath and advisor of Bridge Academy- a training institute in Muscat.

'BIZ-REVIVE' INTER-SCHOOL BUSINESS REVIVAL COMPETITION



A total of seven teams from Indian Schools Ghubra, Muscat, Seeb, Muladha, Salalah, Sohar as well as the host school participated in the competition.

Team 'Resurrectors' comprising of Nisha Ann Joseph, Nakshatra and Archana of ISWK won the first position in 'Business Revival' competition. They presented the plan for revival of the dying art of Pottery. The second position was bagged by ISM. In mime competition ISWK won the first position and Indian school Salalah came second. The prize for overall winner school was clinched by the host school ISWK. ISM were at first runners-up and Indian school Sohar finished second.

The students' active participation in the event broadened their outlook on the real-world socio-economic issues as well as enhanced their understanding of certain key business concepts. The event also allowed them to exercise their creativity and gain self-confidence.



ASHOKA HOUSE LIFTS CHAMPIONS TROPHY AT ISWK'S ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

Annual Sports Meet was held on November 13, 2018 amidst great mirth, verve and camaraderie at the ISWK Primary school grounds. Mr. Saud Bader Ambusaidi, Director, Sports Activities, Ministry of Sports Affairs, Sultanate of Oman, was the Chief Guest. Mr Saleh Khalifa Al Khusaibi, former advisor to the Ministry of Sports Affairs and Secretary General of Oman Olympic Committee along with Mr. S. A. S. Naqvi, also an advisor to the Ministry of Sports Affairs were the Guests of Honour. Also present on the occasion were the esteemed members of the School Management Committee, parents and well-wishers.

After an impressive 'Torch Run' by student-athletes and distinguished sportspersons around the oval track at the ISWK Primary school grounds, the meet was declared open by the honourable Chief Guest. It was a sight to behold as colourful balloons and white doves soared into the blue sky, symbolizing the spirit of freedom and joy. The four Houses namely Akbar, Ashoka, Tagore and Vivekananda in their impressive turnout, took part in the March Past presenting a salute to the Chief Guest. The spectators couldn't help applauding as the contingents marched in unison to the beat of the impressive School Band.

An exuberant sporting spirit was in the air as the students of classes 6 to 8 performed various drills. In three separate drill displays, more than thousand teenagers carried out calisthenic exercises with Hoops and Lezims. Yet in another drill 'Yoga Dance', a combination of advanced yogic postures, the students effortlessly assumed intricate yoga mudras or postures essential to developing a supple body. It was a sight to behold as the students exhibited flexibility, beauty and synchronization with remarkable ease.

Young athletes running 100-meter sprints and 4x100 meters relay races were a model of strength, skill and stamina. They were cheered on by their fellow students as they squeezed the last drop of their energy to cross the finishing line.

It was the day when each house proudly waved their trophies. Vivekananda House won the coveted trophy for their unparalleled March Past. Ashoka House were declared champions and the proud students carried aloft the 'Champion House' trophy in a victory lap around the arena. The Chief Guest and other dignitaries gave away the prizes to the winners of various sports competitions that were held from time to time during the current academic session.



ANNUAL EXHIBITION 2018-2019

ISWK held an exhibition based on the theme 'Innovation in Sustainable Development'. The exhibition was inaugurated by the Chief Guest Mr. Mahmood Yahya Al Husaini, Deputy Director General, Administration & Financial Affairs, Ministry of Education. He was accompanied by Madam Siddiqah Abdul Majeed Al Lawatiya, Director, International Schools Office, Ministry of Education. The students of Middle and Senior Wings of Indian School Wadi Kabir explored the theme using exhibits, presentations, working models and games etc.

Indigenously developed Mobile Apps by the ICT students were much appreciated. Students set up cafes to serve healthy and hygienic food. A special highlight was the range of career opportunities available to the students after passing school.

The esteemed guests were delighted to see the variety of exhibits. They praised the students and teachers for their combined effort that contributed to the success of the exhibition. Impressive exhibits, presentations, working models on display as well as live performances by student were admired by the Chief Guest.



29th FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir celebrated its 29th Founders' Day with verve and elan on their Primary school ground on 5th December. His Excellency, Munu Mahawar, Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman was the Chief Guest.

In his address to the gathering Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Hon. President of SMC highlighted the achievements of the school in academics and related areas. He outlined the new ventures in the offing towards development of the infrastructure of the school. Mr. D. N. Rao, the Principal, in his annual report briefed the audience about the meritorious accomplishments of ISWK students in academics, sports and co-curricular activities.



meritorious students who scored cent percent in various subjects. Special Achievement awards were given to two brilliant students who managed to score cent percent marks in the SAT exams. Seven ISWK students who got selected to represent Oman National Cricket team in the Under-19 team in 'ICC World Cup' qualifiers were also given awards. A Gavelier who secured the First position in the Speech Evaluation Contest of 'Oman Gavel Club' championship was also felicitated. The 'Cock House' trophy was awarded to Vivekananda House for standing out among all the four Houses of the school by excelling in co-curricular activities throughout the academic year.

It was an evening of entertainment as well as a memorable occasion when distinguished students received awards in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the school.



INTER-SCHOOL MATHEMATICS QUIZ

Commemorating 'The Man Who Knew Eternity', Dr. Srinivas Ramanujan, the mathematical genius of India, Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir hosted the Annual Inter-School Mathematics Quiz in the multi-purpose hall. Christened as 'The Vision of Infinity', the quiz is held every year to commemorate the birth anniversary Dr. Ramanujan which falls on December 22. Mr. Mayur Sanghani, KHIMJI RAMDAS was of the Chief Guest. Mrs. Sushmita Gupta, an esteemed member of the ISWK school management committee was the Guest of Honour.

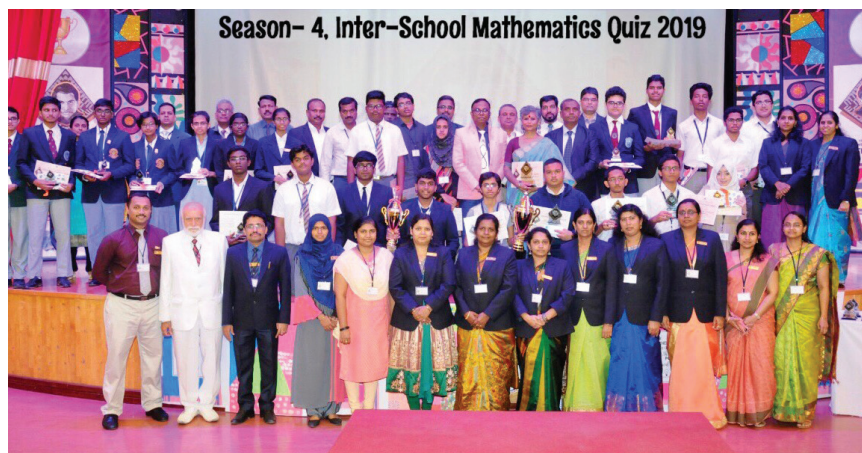
Participants from 11 Indian Schools in Oman-- IBRA, IBRI, MUSCAT, SEEB, SOHAR, DARSAIT, MULADHA, SALALAH, SUR, AL GHUBRA, the host school ISWK as well as SRI LANKAN school were seen vying with one another contesting for the coveted trophy.

Each team comprising of two participants contested through six challenging rounds to gain an edge over their keen competitors. The cleverly conceived rounds aptly tested the mathematical acumen of the contestants. It took keen observation and astuteness on part of the quizzers to answer the brain teasing questions. The buzzer round tested the quick reflexes as well as the mental prowess of the quizzers when they had to respond within split seconds ahead of their adversaries. Apart from continual brainstorming, the contesting teams had to solve mathematical problems in record time as well as explain how they arrived at the solution to the given problem.



It was a keenly contested competition which kept the participating teams at their logical best, exercising their thinking and reasoning powers. There were questions meant for the audience comprising mostly of Maths enthusiasts from the host school.

Indian School Muladha emerged as champions while Indian School Wadi Kabir were declared runners up. The teams who couldn't win a position went away with a resolve to do better in the next competition in 2020.



In a first-of-its-kind cultural exchange programme, organized by the Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman, under the aegis of the Ministry of Education, school students of eight countries expressed solidarity with Oman as part of the 48th National Day celebrations of Oman. The function was hosted by Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir. His Excellency Dr Hamood bin Khalfan Al Harthi, Under Secretary of Education & Curriculum, Ministry of Education, was the Chief Guest. He was accompanied by Mr Mahmood Yahya Al Husaini, Director General Assistant for Administration and Financial Affairs, Ministry of Education. His Excellency Munu Mahawar Indian Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman; HE Nour Ettean Al Rray, Tunisian Ambassador, were among the Guests of Honour. Also present on the occasion were Mr Anwar Hossain, Consular, Embassy of Bangladesh; Ms Bernadette A Mendoza, Consular General, Embassy of Philippines; Mrs Hiruni Rajapakse, Consular, Embassy of Sri Lanka and Mrs Siddiqa Abdul Majeed Al Lawatiya, Director International Schools Office, Ministry of Education as well as other esteemed dignitaries. The function also celebrated the completion of 48 glorious years of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said Al-Said's long reign of peace, prosperity and unity.

Mr Mahmood Yahya Al Husaini, Director General Assistant for Administration and Financial Affairs, Ministry of Education addressed the gathering presenting a few glimpses of the cultural exchange programmes in the past. Dr Baby Sam Samuel Chairman, Board of Directors, Indian schools in Oman, in his speech to the audience, paid a generous tribute to the host country for fostering values of peace and acceptance. He lauded the far-sighted vision of His Majesty the Sultan and prayed for his long life.

A rendition of the 'Al Ta'ayush Al-Silmi' theme song by the student choir of ISWK marked the grand opening ceremony highlighting the unifying concept of harmonious coexistence of rich and varied cultures --an expression to build a sense of international solidarity with their host country Oman; a bonding that transcended geographical boundaries.

In this cultural extravaganza, school children from eight nations- Bangladesh, Egypt, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Tunisia and India came together to showcase the richness of their unique culture through traditional dances.

AL TA'AYUSH AL SILMI - BONDING BEYOND BOUNDARIES



69th INDIAN REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATED AT ISWK i CAMPUS





A solemn rendering of the National Anthem by the student choir set the tone and mood of the celebrations. A stately March Past by the four houses of ISWK marched to the beats of the school band. Tiny tots from Kindergarten dressed as famous personalities of the Indian Freedom movement stole the hearts of the onlookers. Patriotic songs and dances by the youngsters of ISWK mirrored the effulgent love that they carry for their motherland in their young hearts. A Yoga dance troupe employing several basic yogic postures, depicted the Tricolour as a motif, complete with the 'chakra' in the middle, to the accompaniment of a patriotic song.

The Chief Guest gave away prizes to the awardees of various art competitions held in the latest season of 'Art Utsav' in which parents, grandparents and teachers had exhibited their aesthetic quality.

As the function came to a close, the gathering was steeped in patriotism and their love for the nation.

CANCER AWARENESS WALK ON WORLD CANCER DAY



To commemorate World Cancer Day, February 4, and to spread awareness among the masses about cancer, its early detection and prevention, ISWK students, parents as well as staff took part in the cancer awareness walk on the Primary school ground.

The program was held under the aegis of the Oman Cancer Association and the Indian Embassy in the Sultanate of Oman.

Present on the occasion were the Mr. Rakesh Adlakha, Deputy Chief of mission from the Indian Embassy; Dr. Rajyashree Naraayanakutty, Specialist Surgeon; Hon. President of the SMC, Mr. Alkesh Joshi and members along with other dignitaries and special invitees. The main attraction of the program was the presence of Gautami Tadimalla an Indian television and film actress.

Ms. Gauthami, who came out of cancer herself, a few years ago spoke to the gathering about the vulnerability of human beings to cancer and the need to be prepared to have it detected as this is what makes for the fact that cancer was mainly curable.

Mr. Alkesh Joshi, in his speech, thanked OCA, the Indian Embassy, Dr Rajyashree Naraayankutty, Gauthami, teachers, parents and students to be present in large numbers to take part in the awareness drive and to express solidarity with the cancer patients.

The program highlight was a walk around the Primary ground to the accompaniment of the School Band. Ribbons of blue, burgundy, gold, black, yellow, green, violet, emerald, purple, teal, light blue, pink, grey, white and orange colours came alive as a single multi-coloured wave. There was the formation by the participants of a single united ribbon of ISWK to mark the day, praying for the recovery of cancer patients worldwide and promising cheer and hope to those who have become the victims of one of the most dreaded diseases afflicting humankind.



'AMBASSADOR'S POLEMIC CHALLENGE' -2018

Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir hosted an inter-school debate competition to commemorate 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the topic of the debate was ‘Has India Been Successful in its Adherence to The Principles of Self Reliance?’

His Excellency Munu Mahawar, Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman was the Chief Guest. Also present on this occasion were Dr. Baby Sam Samuel, Chairman, Board of Directors, Indian schools in Oman; Mr. Vinoba M.P., Educational Advisor to the BoD; Mr. Rajendra Ved, Executive Director of ISWK as well as ISWK international; Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Honorary President of ISWK management committee along with its esteemed members as well as the members of the BoD.

Ritu Andrews Machalith and Anirudh Govil both of Indian School Al Ghubra were declared the Best speaker and the First Runner-up respectively. Darin Carvalho of Indian School Salalah was placed at the Second Runner-up position. Anirudh Govil of ISG also bagged the prize for the Best Rebuttal. Indian School Al Ghubra were declared the best team and lifted the ‘Ambassador’s Polemic Challenge’ trophy for the year 2018.

BIDDING ADIEU TO GRADUATING BATCH 2018-2019



Parents, teachers and the management bid a touching farewell to Class XII students due to appear in the forthcoming CBSE Board examination in March this year.

Mr. Kumara Gurubaran Shanmugham, Managing Director, Bilfinger Tebodin & Partner LLC was the Chief Guest. Present on this solemn occasion were Sheikh Kanaksi Khimji, the valued patron; Mr. Rajendra Ved, Executive Director of ISWK & ISWK i Management; Mrs. Shilpa Pawani, Chairperson, Academic & Staff Matters ; Mr. & Mrs. C.K.Gandhi of the Hindu Mahajan Association; esteemed members of SMC; special invitees and parents of the graduating students. The Chief Guest , Mr. Kumara Gurubaran Shanmugham and Madam Kumara Gurubaran Shanmugham were welcomed by the Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl offering them potted saplings.

The Chief Guest, in his address to the students besought the students to be grateful to their parents and teachers for imparting to them the necessary knowledge and education to pursue their chosen careers in life. He stressed the importance of entering a profession that they love as this would make their work a joy. He also bid them to acquire competent communication as well as soft skills to achieve significant progress in their chosen careers.

Mrs Shilpa Pawani, Chairperson of Academic & Staff Matters, wishing the graduating students good luck for their exams, brought home to them the importance of leading a wholesome life by developing their favourite hobbies, once the exams were over. She also reminded them to give back to society as this will surely bring them happiness and the joy of giving.



Mr. D N Rao, the Principal, in his speech bid farewell to the students hoping that their schooling at ISWK had groomed them well and provided the necessary tools, academic, moral and spiritual, to become ‘confident, competent, committed and compassionate citizens’.

In her valedictory address, Nishi Asher, the Head Girl reminisced her days at ISWK the rich and varied experience of growing up into a responsible person as she thanked all the teachers in bringing out the best in her. The Head Boy, Sriram Nurani recalled his memorable days at school with nostalgia and reverently thanked the teachers and mentors.

The Chief Guest gave away awards and mementos to the outgoing students. Special awards went to four students of exceptional calibre.

Sriram Nurani of the Science stream as well as Nakshatra Lakshmanan and Nishi Uday Asher of the Commerce stream were declared ‘Ideal ISWK Students’. Caleb Shalom and Naziha Nizar of Science Stream, and Manu Aditya Gupta of the Commerce stream won the ‘The Achiever of the Year’ award.

The highlight of the evening was a melodious performance by Mrs. Ramana Murthy, a noted Ghazal singer who won the hearts of the audience with her mellifluous rendition of ‘Chupke Chupke’ and ‘Once upon a time there was a tavern’.

The audience was regaled by a fusion dance ‘Thirangaa Jaan Se Pyaraa’ presented by students. The school Western Music choir sang a motivational song, “Don’t Stop, Never Give Up” as they bid adieu to their graduating seniors. The function came to a close with students as well as their parents and guests commingling over dinner.





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