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# SHINING STAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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### MEET THE LEAD TEACHER

I joined this renowned organization in October 2017. I feel that I am so fortunate to work with Shining Star International School, Abu-Dhabi. I enjoy every opportunity I'm given to connect with educators. I admire and I actively participate in teaching groups-it's my way of contributing this wonderful global exchange of ideas. The curriculum is thematic in nature based on national standards and influenced by core values of the native place and student body yet balanced with international standards.

Curriculum maps are used to facilitate integration between disciplines. Each core area is guided by a set of outcomes generated from the best available standards. Students can thus progress at an appropriate pace accelerating or remediating as needed. Learning about the scientific process and the science concepts in context allows students to understand the role of science in the world beyond school. I would like to deliver my full potential to this organization to achieve the management goals as well as quality of education for the students. I have learnt many new experiences and I am sure a lot more are to come.



**MS. REMYA**  
LEAD TEACHER (SCIENCE DEPT.)

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# TOYS FOR JOY DRIVE



As the part of School's initiative to instill social responsibility into its students and to develop the essential values such empathy & care, Shining Star international school launched Its much awaited 'Toys for Joy' campaign in association with Emirates Red Crescent on 10th of October 2018 which Lasted till 21st of October 2018. The campaign aimed at raising a minimum of 1200 toys. Similar to the other initiatives the school comfortably exceeded its target by collecting 1700 toys thanks to the generous parents and students of SSIS.



Students tried to bring joy to the lives of those who are less fortunate. This might be a drop in the ocean of what is needed across the world, however all journeys begin with a simple step and SSIS students have long begun their journey. Glimpses of the Drive.



**Reported by  
Mr. Anurag  
Red Crescent Coordinator**

# Gandhi Jayanti Special assembly.

On the 2nd October 2018, a special assembly was conducted by students of Grade 1 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, fondly addressed as Bapuji.

The assembly started with an eloquent thought that emphasized the importance of non-violence. A splendid dance performance – “Vande Mataram” by our Shining Stars was a special tribute to the ‘Father of the Nation’ of India. To show the respect to the real Indian hero, students recited Jana Gana Mana, the Indian National Anthem. The assembly was concluded with a mime presented by the children showcased Bapu, as a man of simplicity and righteousness which created the ambiance of patriotism for our country.



Ms. Meera  
Coordinator Grade 1-4





## UN day celebration

The Special Assembly for the United Nations day was conducted on October 25th by Grade 5C students in the school auditorium. The world celebrates United Nations day on October 24th to honor the interstate organization promoting human rights, social progress, and world peace. The United Nations was founded right after World War II, this organization played a very important role in achieving peace worldwide. The PowerPoint presentation was shown by students on UN day and was followed by a questionnaire for grades 1 to 12. The United Nation day song was played to mark the end of the assembly.

Reported by  
Ms.Asha sasi

## Moral Education Programme



The Moral Education Program is an innovative and engaging curriculum to develop young people in the UAE with universal principles and values, which reflect the shared experiences of humanity. On Sunday 28th October 2018, the students of grade 1 to 5 conducted a special assembly on UAE Culture and Heritage.

The assembly started with an informative speech by a grade 4 student on the values and importance of MEP. There was a spectacular cultural program by our grade 1 students, which showcased a glimpse of the traditional 'Majlis'. To create awareness about the UAE and its history, quizzes were conducted for Grade 2 and 3 followed by the display of the winners' drawing pieces amongst Grades 4 and 5. There was the most awaited, spectacular fancy dress show by grade 1. They cat walked in the traditional UAE dresses with the traditional music playing.

Our Students enjoyed the day whilst getting acquainted with the culture and heritage of the UAE. This special day demonstrated the importance of a patriotic upbringing as it provides students with self-confidence and strength.

# Planetarium

The Planetarium show was conducted for grades 1 to 6 at the school campus from 16th to 21st October 2018. The Planetarium brought the wonderful world of Stars, Planets, the Solar System, the Galaxy and much more to life for students. Equipped with movable state of the art technology, the Planetarium aimed to educate students about the wonders of the universe as per age group and curriculum.



Students were given different slots according to which they visited the dome. The star of the show was Havel's view which is a telescope that's actually in space now. It helped students to discover the secrets of the universe along with a realistic experience of how the solar system works.



Reported by  
Mr.Anurag

# Mathematics week

The Mathematics teachers at SSIS, feel its their responsibility to make students aware of its practical use in life. In order to reinforce life skills the mathematics week was celebrated from 21st to 25th of October 2018. This week was a cooperative effort amongst teachers and student across all the grades who were interested in promoting mathematics. A special FIP (Framework Implementation Plan) for the week was designed to ensure all activities across the week were creative and appropriately challenging. Students wholeheartedly took part in Maths week and following glimpses are a testimony to its success.



# Breast Cancer Awareness

SSIS had a Cancer awareness program in the school to support cancer affected victims and spread awareness on the prevention and cure of Cancer. The students of Kindergarten came dressed up in pink colour clothes and activities were designed for the students to make PINK RIBBONS and colour these too. Teachers and students across the school dressed up in pink to show their support and be a part of this awareness campaign. A special session was held by Dr. Awatef, a renowned gynaecologist for the girls of grades 9-12 to make them aware of the prevention and cure of Cancer.

Ms.Afreen  
HOD English



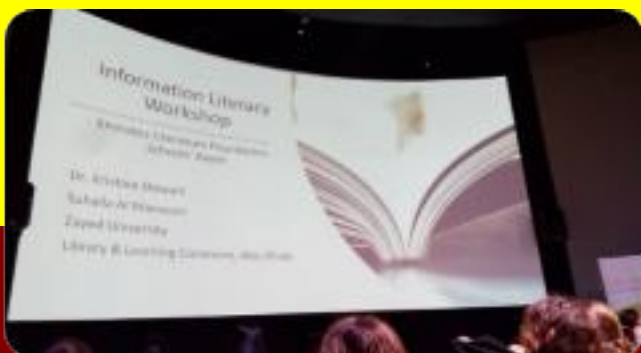
# Literacy Workshop

*“Information Literacy is the direction for the avid readers and librarians across the Globe.”*

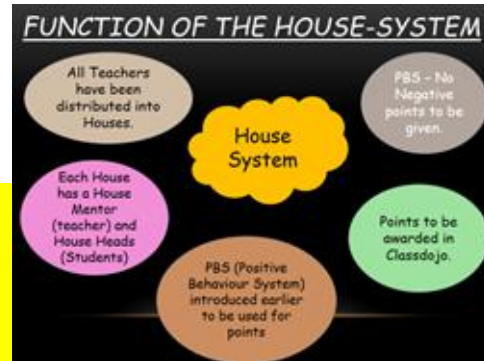
The Information Literacy Workshop held at Saadiyat Al Manarat for the librarians on 17th of October 2018 was a successful event, as it helped the librarians of the schools to try and implement the various activities with which reading can be reinforced amongst the students across the grades. Varied activities and ideas for setting up the libraries with different themes and many helpful websites were shared during the session.



This session was held on behalf of Emirates Literature Foundation School's Event and was presented by Dr. Kristine Stewart and Suhaila Al Mansouri, Zayed University Library and Learning Commons, Abu Dhabi.



# Introduction of the house system



The House System was introduced for the students and teachers who will be a part of the school's events and activities. The Four houses are Phoenix, Aquarius, Hercules, and Leo. Teachers are included in these houses and a House Mistress too was nominated to lead the houses. It's a part of the initiative by SSIS to involve the students in the school's day-to-day activities and have healthy competitions within the houses, depending on the grades. The school always has high expectations from the students and, teachers being included in the House System is the best part as they lead their houses for all the competitions and work towards achieving success (or a common goal).

## The School House Captains:

| House    | Boys                |                      | Girls                 |                      |
|----------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|          | <u>Student Head</u> | <u>Asst. Captain</u> | <u>Student Head</u>   | <u>Asst. Captain</u> |
| Phoenix  | Mohammad Safwan     | Jasim Anees          | Amina Bint Ibrahim    | Barira Taj           |
| Aquarius | Mohammed Anver      | Adil Ajith           | Mubashira             | Huma Abdul Hadi      |
| Leo      | Vysagh Pavithran    | Mohammed Nabeel      | Shabeeba Thasneem     | Rabia Baiju          |
| Hercules | Mohammed Nabeel     | Ali Abid Zainul      | Jaseera Chaliya Kandy | Sania Saban          |



## Al Rawabi farm visit



An Industrial field trip to “Al Rawabi Dairy Farm”, Dubai was organized by the commerce department on Monday 29th October 2018. The team of twenty-eight students and three teachers from the Commerce department were there to interact with the representatives of the farm and to understand the process of production, processing, bottling, and marketing of dairy and related products.

Under the guidance of a company, professional students were able to understand the functionality of each department working at the dairy farm like production, processing and marketing each department manager also addressed the students’ inquiries about the various functions of the respective department. It was a real-life experience for the students to understand the importance of process and procedures followed by the market leader in the Dairy Industry.

**Ms. Merin**  
**HOD commerce.**

## Interschool Competitions Declamation competition

The Interschool declamation competition was organized by Mayoor Private School on 25 October 2018 under the theme ‘The Year of Zayed’ where nine schools along with SSIS participated in. The competition was divided into junior boys and girls and senior boys and girl’s categories. Three participants from SSIS school took part in the competition. Aisha Muhammed from grade 8 A, Maryam Maqsood from 10 A and Adil Muhammad from 12 D. In a highly competitive tournament, Maryam Maqsood from senior girl’s category obtained third position.



**Reported By**  
**Ms. Deepika Pathak**

# GIIS Al-tasamuh Competition

United Nations Organization has declared the 2nd October, which is the birth date of Mahatma Gandhi as the International Day of Non-Violence. GIIS Abu Dhabi organized a variety of competitions for students on the 27th October 2018 to mark the occasion. The main aim of the event was to increase awareness among today's youth regarding the importance of Peace and Non-Violence. A team of 54 students represented SSIS at GIIS in a variety of events. The following are the list of competitions where our Shining Stars performed exceptionally well.

- Tryst with Colours -Sub junior 1st position  
(Bareera 3B, Nanda 4A, Nirad 4C, Anaswara 4A)
- Tryst with colours- Senior 2nd Position  
(Mubarrah 8A, Mehak 8A, Lalesha 7A, Layba 7A)

## Prejudged events:

- Comic Strips-3rd place (Ayesha 10 A, Shamsa 10A, Yasmeen 9A, Haya 9A)
- Scratch –Senior- 1st place (Salman 7C, Joshua 7c, Rashid 8C, Jasim 8C)
- Scratch- Super Senior: 3rd Place Anushka 9A, Keerthana 9A, Haya 9A
- Picture This -Super senior: 1st place. Adil Ajith 9C

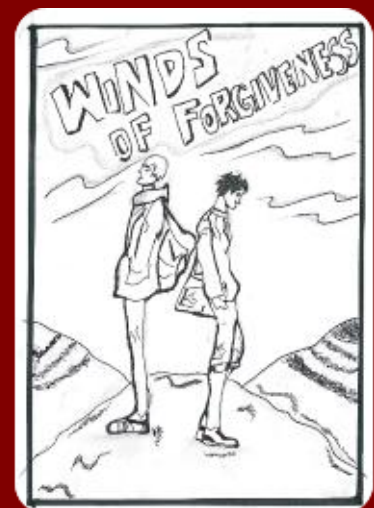
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**Junior Group**



**Picture this by Adil Ajith**



**Senior Group**

# Student Talk

Shining Star is the turning point of my life which has given it a beautiful outlook. I am always thankful to this institution for supporting and being my constant companion. I have been exploring this school from last five years. I am happy to say that I have witnessed too many big and positive changes that have happened until now. Not only the students and teachers have brought a smile on my face but also each and every nook and corner. Every classroom in this school has an awesome story to tell. I strongly recommend this school to everyone who wants to find the 'Beauty of Childhood'.

**Sania Mary Saban  
Grade 8 A**

# Parent Talk

I am honoured that my daughter is studying at Shining Star International School. The school has explored her into a lot of new things. I am glad that my daughter gets all the confidence to participate in all the activities that are conducted in and out of the school.

I have seen a lot of improvement in her academic performance. The school has wonderful teachers and students and I am very proud that my daughter is one among them.

I strongly recommend this school for others.

**Parent of H. Fareeha  
Grade 8**

# TEACHER TALK



I believe that imparting education and wisdom has been the noblest of the creeds adored since civilization embarked, and am proud to be a zealous faithful part for a combined goal shared by the vision of the school management. I feel working here in SSIS has improved my skills as a teacher and view education as a holistic process for preparing the students to face the future

**Mrs. Anjum Safdar**  
**Urdu Teacher**

## Upcoming Events

- UAE flag Day
- Book Fair
- Chris Fade show
- Open week for Parents (My Identity)
- Children's day
- Talent show
- Poster Making Competition.

