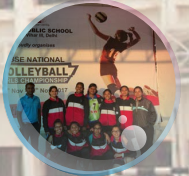


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Principal's Message

Make the most of Your Talent !



The youth of today get easily influenced by fast-changing trends and fashion. In the backdrop of everything trendy and fashionable, it is essential to hold on to a strong belief in your natural gift or talent. You should, sooner than later, recognize your talent and develop it in the best possible way. Take the example of a few young Indians who are international celebrities --Virat Kohli, P.V. Sindhu, Manushi Chhillar, Akshay Ruparelia, to name just a few. If you observe carefully, all of them have something in common- they exhibit a remarkable sense of discipline and are fully devoted to their chosen profession. Additionally, all of them made the most of their talent by recognizing it early in their lives.

Each one of you also has a special talent or a natural gift that you need to identify and develop by participating in a number of extracurricular activities being conducted regularly at school. It would be ideal for you to select an activity in which you are deeply interested, and then devote all your free time to it. It is wonderful if you can take part in many activities and can perform well. But it is essential to recognize your true talent and build upon it. You too can make it count, through dedication hard work and discipline.



Vice-Principal's Desk

'Wadi Waves' is more than just a reflection of the curricular, co- curricular and extracurricular activities featured in the annual calendar of our school. It provides an opportunity to students to showcase their talents. After all, it is by enhancing the students' innate abilities that a school makes them competent to win laurels.

We, at ISWK cherish the hope that the publication of this e-magazine will create an awareness of the opportunities provided by the school in order to foster students' development into confident and promising youth. ISWK reiterates its desire to enable students to walk the path of success leading to their bright future.

I express my sincere thanks to all the editorial team members for the effort that has gone into publishing the latest edition of 'Wadi Waves'.

Editor's Desk

Healthy Mind, Healthy Body



When we see someone in seemingly perfect health, we tend to be drawn by mere physical appearance. Seldom do we assess the role of mental health in a person's life. The need to understand human brain as an important organ of the body and the fact that it can get sick or malfunction, is often overlooked. The care of mind needs special care just as the body. Diabetes and blood pressure are recognized as ailments but what about unhealthy functioning of the mind? Mental health is important because it includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects the way we think, feel and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make choices.

Mental health is crucial at every stage of life—from childhood and adolescence through adulthood. To enjoy sound mental health is to be aware of one's thoughts, feelings, and behavior. Having good emotional health enables us to solve day-to-day problems of life, cope with stress and enjoy healthy relationships. However, many a happening in our life destabilizes our emotional health leading to strong feelings of sadness, stress or anxiety. Therefore, it is essential to care for one's mental and emotional health in the same way one looks after one's physical well-being. 'A healthy mind in a healthy body' is an age-old proverb which emphasizes links between our bodies and attitude.

It is being increasingly felt in the educational circles today that due to the prominence given to social media and an easy access to the Internet, students face numerous challenges when focusing their attention on their studies or finding a purpose in life. Lack of motivation keeps their grades low and gives rise to feelings of alienation thus adversely affecting their overall performance at school. However, if timely help is extended, these negative feelings can be overcome and replaced by mindfulness and a positive outlook on life. This change will help students to achieve their full potential in academics as well as co-curricular activities.

With the help of trained counsellors, ISWK students have the opportunity to discuss mental health in a safe and understanding space. By extending professional help, students are made aware that feeling low or sad or anxious is nothing unnatural and that these feelings can be overcome. Helping young minds to open up, can prevent early symptoms from developing into something more serious in later years. Not only does this help to identify issues early on, but also affords youngsters the necessary knowledge about how to inculcate mindfulness. They are encouraged to talk to someone they trust; whether a parent, teacher, counsellor or friend. By discussing their problems with the right person they feel better and it helps put things in a proper perspective. This is as therapeutic for the mind as medicines are for the body. It is of utmost importance that we take care of our body as well as our mind.

By- Rakesh Sharma



Head Boy's Message

'Keep The Flag Flying High...'

ISWK flag is seen fluttering high celebrating its successes, be it academics, sports or cultural activities. I've been fortunate indeed to proudly bear that flag. ISWK is fast becoming what all of us dreamed of it - the most sought after school in Muscat. The ISWK family—our teachers, administrative & support staff and, of course students, all contribute to the genial learning atmosphere in our school. As students, we are given a free voice and we can see our ideas transform into reality. That is why most of us consider it our second home, making the school life special and memorable.

As the Head Boy, I got the opportunity to channel the sustained effort of the student community to make a qualitative difference. Personally, being a part of the student council has helped me tremendously in honing my leadership and organizational skills. I'd exhort every student to take advantage of the ample opportunity that school provides us. You need to participate whole-heartedly toward the ongoing success of our school. Take a leap of faith and let gravity handle the rest. I urge each one of you to explore your potential, and in turn, help ISWK to demonstrate its future potential.

Head Girl's Message

SIGNING OFF...



I remember the day when as a tiny tot, I walked into the portals of ISWK and was ushered inside a new world. And here I am confidently walking out of these gates as a more complete person...

As I a little girl, I had always dreamt of having my name imprinted on the Roll of Honour, and seeing that dream come true has filled me with happiness. It is an ecstatic feeling.

ISWK has made me grow so much as an individual. Being designated as the Head Girl made me grow more responsible and tolerant towards ambiguity. No matter what the crisis or the heightened emotions along the way, I've learnt to face situations with a calm mind. I developed organizational skills, learned time management, added to my confidence as well as laid the foundation to be a good leader. I have also learnt to deal with real-life situations and improved my decision-making skills. Working with my counterpart Aayush Abraham and the entire student community has taught me the importance of teamwork and has certainly been a marvellous experience. I will always remember and cherish the wonderful memories and experiences ISWK has given me. It wouldn't have been possible without my teachers who motivated and groomed me into what I am today; my family who has been my constant strength; my schoolmates and friends who have always supported me throughout. As I sign off, I would like to thank everyone who has been a part of this beautiful journey. I also would like to wish good luck to the future leaders of our school and the entire ISWK family. ISWK was, is and will always remain close to my heart.

Raksha Patil-Head Girl

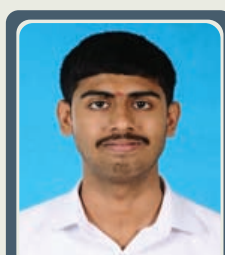
ISWK Students Excel In AISSE 2017

The students of Indian School Wadi Kabir came out with flying colours in Class 12 Board Examinations conducted by the CBSE in March 2017.

Of the 119 students of the Science stream, Sabareenath Madhusoothanan has topped the list of successful candidates with an aggregate of 97.2% followed by Mohammed Afnan scoring 96.6% in the aggregate and Greeshma E. Jose and Nabiha Mahmoud adding up an impressive 96.2%. Sabareenath Madhusoothanan has scored 100% in Mathematics.

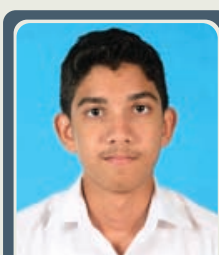
Of the 118 students of the Commerce stream, Akshaya Balaji Mohan stands first with 95.8% aggregate followed by Jyotsna Andrea D'souza with 95.6% in the second place. In the third place with an aggregate of 94.8 % we have Elizabeth Kuruvilla. The School Management, Principal and Staff congratulate the students for their brilliant results.

SCIENCE STREAM



SABAREENATH
MADHUSOOTHANAN
(97.2%)

First Rank



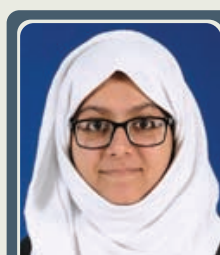
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Second Rank



GREESHMA E. JOSE
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Third Rank



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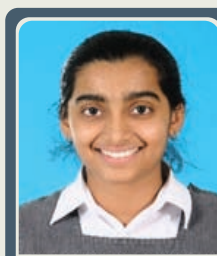
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COMMERCE STREAM



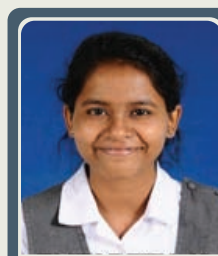
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(94.8%)

Third Rank



Excitement rose high as ISWK prepared for investing its elected student Office Bearers for the current academic year. Mohammad Azharuddin, former captain of the Indian Cricket team was the Chief Guest at the auspicious investiture ceremony. Two pre-eminent Sri Lankan cricketers of yesteryears, Mr. Ruwan Kalpage and Mr. Rumesh Ratnayake along with Asaddudin Mohammad (a budding cricketer and Mohammad Azharuddin's son); Mr. Syed Anwar, member of the Oman Cricket Board, Mr. Madhu Jesrani, veteran cricketer who has played a key role in popularizing the game in Oman; Mr. Anil Khimji, a patron of the school; Mr. Harshendu Shah, Hon. President of the S.M.C., and other members of the SMC were also present on this august occasion along with other dignitaries and special invitees.

Students gave a loud cheer as the Chief Guest entered the multi-purpose hall amid elaborate fanfare. After the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the Guest, the school choir and orchestra offered a heartfelt prayer. 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 members of the Students' Head Council as well as the House Office Bearers, by the Honourable Chief Guest.

It is for the first time that electronic voting devices have been used in the school for conducting the elections of the student leaders. The Honourable Chief Guest conferred the badges of office on Master Aayush S. Abraham (Head Boy), Miss. Raksha J. Patil (Head Girl), Master Shawn Elton (Deputy Head Boy), Miss. Nishi Uday Asher (Deputy Head Girls), Master Sanju S. Ephrem (Sports Coordinators-Boys), Miss. Jayadhanya G. (Sports Coordinator-Girls), Master Manu A. Gupta (Cultural Coordinator-Boys), Miss. Nisha Anna Joseph (Cultural Coordinator- Girls), Master Tanmay Selot (Public Relations Coordinator-Boys) and Ditte Parmar (Public Relations Coordinator-Girls). Additionally, eighty Prefects of Classes 8 to 12 were sworn in.

The Chief Guest exhorted the newly sworn-in student leaders to persevere to hone their leadership skills and to meet the challenges ahead. The leaders should deem this opportunity as a training ground that would open up avenues of leadership for them in the future, he underlined, adding that a leader is one who knows, goes and shows the way.

The School's Hindustani choir captured the explicit emotion in the words of a spirited song, ' Khwaab ko Raag De, Neendh ko Aag De', Weave your dreams into reality and let not slumber rob you of your dreams. 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 and autographs from Mr. Azharuddin to remember this momentous occasion.



ISWK Celebrates 71st Independence Day Of India

Indian School Wadi Kabir celebrated the 71st Independence Day of India with much aplomb and show in the Primary School ground. August 15th, 1947 is a day dedicated to the fond remembrance of all those sons and daughters, great or small, whose sacrifice has borne fruit when their motherland attained freedom from foreign rule. It is a tribute to the freedom fighters who fulfilled a long cherished dream of all nation lovers, after much suffering.

The Chief Guest for the august occasion was His Excellency, Indramani Pandey, Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Anil Khimji, a patron of the school; Mr. Kiran Asher and members of the Educational cell; Mr. Harshendu Shah, President of the ISWK (I), Mr. Rajendra Ved, Executive Director of ISWK and ISWK-I; Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Honorary President of the ISWK Management Committee along with its esteemed members; Members of Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman; Members of the other Indian School Management Committees and Principals of other Indian schools in the Capital area. The Chief Guest along with other dignitaries was welcomed by the Head Girl, Raksha Patil and the Head Boy Aayush Abraham of the school. The tiny tots of Kindergarten presented a bouquet of flowers to the distinguished guest.

Tricolor balloons were released into the air to mark the beginning of the celebrations. The stage was done up in the manner of the ramparts of the Red Fort. After inspecting the Marching Contingents of the participating schools--IS Darsait, IS Muscat, IS Ghubra, IS Al Seeb, IS Al Muladha and the host school ISWK, the Chief Guest took the salute. The ISWK Head Council led the march followed by contingents of Primary students in the Army, Navy and Air Force uniform. The contingents marched to the accompaniment of the ISWK school band.

The star attraction of the program was a mini-tableau of the states of Kashmir and Rajasthan, and a model of INS 'Yoga' with an impressive display of the commendable achievements of India in the fields of Science and Technology and Space research. In his speech the Chief Guest highlighted the role of Freedom fighters in gaining Independence for India. He added that it was now for all citizens of India to commit themselves to building a glorious nation meeting the challenges ahead such as a clean India, education for

the poor and upliftment of the underprivileged. He also stressed the need of integrating technology in all aspects of life. Showcasing the unity in diversity, unique to India, the dance troupes of ISWK performed well-known folk dances selected from the east to west, and north to south of India. A dance-drama 'Reliving the Freedom Struggle' was performed by the Primary school students enacting the roles of the iconic freedom fighters of India.

The Grand Dance Finale gave a befitting tribute to the motherland. A patriotic song titled 'Ik Khwab Tha' 'I had a dream' by the school Hindustani choir roused the patriotic feelings among the audience. The grand celebrations ended with the singing of the National Anthem of India.

ISWK Conducts Inter-School Model U.N. Assembly - 2017

The United Nations Day is celebrated all over the world on the 24th October every year. To commemorate this special occasion on the 72nd Anniversary of the U.N., Indian School Wadi Kabir conducted an Inter-School U.N. Model Assembly at its Multi-Purpose Hall. H.E. Indra Mani Pandey, the Indian Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman was the Chief Guest. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Anil Khimji, patron of the school; Mr. Harshendu Shah President of ISWK-I, Mr. Rajendra Ved, Director of ISWK & ISWK-I Management Committee, esteemed members of the S.M.C. and other special invitees. The Chief Guest addressing the student delegates at the Model Assembly offered them insight from his own firsthand experience as a delegate from India at many international conferences at the United Nations.





A total of eight Indian schools (from Muscat Capital Area as well as other cities in the Sultanate of Oman) participated in this Model Assembly. The event was organized by the Department of Social Science of the host school. An eminent panel of judges comprising of Mr. George Thomas, Mrs. Shymala Iyer and Ms. Kaviya Krishnan, all distinguished public speakers, adjudicated the event.

Five student delegates from each participating school representing a member nation of the U.N. voiced issues reflecting the theme of Millennium Development Goals 2030 (Sustainable Development). The topics ranged from Climate Change, Conservation of Natural Resources, Protecting Biodiversity, Women's Empowerment, Poverty Elimination, and Global Disarmament to that of Peace and Progress through Sports. It was a highly educative experience for all the participants as they became aware of the problems confronting the modern-day nations and possible means to tackle these problems through international cooperation and understanding.

In a closely contested event, Miss Shradha Jayaprakash of ISWK, representing Jordan, lifted the winner's trophy. Miss Ananya. S. Ashok representing Venezuela, and Miss Karen Romany representing Spain were declared the 1st and 2nd runners up respectively representing Indian School Sur.

The event came to a close with the playing of the United Nations anthem. The students, many of whom gave their maiden speech, aspired to occupy a seat in the United Nations one day. In every respect, these students showed a promise to take on their future roles as responsible citizens of the world committed to alleviating problems confronting the world.

ISWK Holds Inter-House Dramatics and Prize Distribution Function



Indian School Wadi Kabir held its biennial Inter-House Dramatics Competition (Hindi) on Sunday the 29th of October, 2017. Mr Anil Khimji, one of the senior most Partners of M/S Khimji Ramdas Group of Companies- a Prominent Business Conglomerate in the Sultanate of Oman and a Patron of the school, was the Guest of Honour for the occasion. Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Hon. President of the S.M.C. along with its esteemed members, special invitees, parents and well-wishers graced the evening function. The gathering also witnessed the felicitation of the winners of 'Late Sh. Mathradas Khimji Memorial Awards for Academic Excellence', for the year 2016-17.



The one-act plays themed on relevant social issues such as poverty, gender discrimination and the power of truth were poignantly enacted. Ashoka House production, 'Kathputli' --The Puppet; Vivekananda House production, 'Raja Beta', --The Pampered Son; Akbar House production, 'Sanch Ko Aanch Kahan' --Truth Will Prevail, and Tagore House production 'Garibi Abhishap Nahi'-- Being Poor Isn't A Curse, held the audience spell bound with their remarkable performances. Mrunal Kulkarni of Vivekananda House was adjudged the Best Actor while Sarthak Sarkar and Vaishnavi Mehta, both of Ashoka House were declared runners-up. Adhya Mehra of Ashoka House was declared the Best Supporting Actor and Mohd. Rahil of Tagore House was the runner-up. Ashoka House lifted the Best House trophy while Vivekananda, Akbar and Tagore Houses were at the first, second and third runners-up positions, respectively. Mr. Milind Jadav, Dr. Shirish Mishra and Mr. Sudhakar Tripathi, all expert theatre critics, adjudicated the drama competition.

The Annual 'Late Sh. Mathradas Khimji Memorial Awards for Academic Excellence', for the year 2016-17 were given away to the Class Toppers as well as Subject Toppers in the previous year's final examination. To congratulate and encourage the young actors, the Honorable Chief Guest, Mr. Anil Khimji, awarded One Thousand Rial Omani to all the participants of the Drama Competition.





ISWK Hosts Software Development Contest- 'Acuity 2017'

Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir has hosted the first-ever Interschool Software Development Competition-Acuity 2017 with a view to promote software development skills in ICT among the students of Indian schools in Oman.

Mr. Biren Patel of the SMC who is also the Chairperson of Information and Technology committee; Mr. Binay Shukla, esteemed member of the SMC inaugurated the event as Guests of Honor. The competition was adjudicated by Mr Chandrashekhar 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, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science at Walajat College of Engineering.

A total of eight teams from Indian schools—IS Muscat, IS Seeb ,IS Mabela, IS Muladha, IS Salalah, IS Al Ghubra (international) participated in the Software Development Contest. To spice up the event, the participating teams were named after various android versions viz. Oreo, KitKat, Eclair, Marshmallow, Donut, Jellybean, Cupcake and Honeycomb.



In its four rounds, first came the game development round, where students had to display their coding skills. Additionally, the participants were quizzed by the judges who put to test their logical and computing skills. In the subsequent three rounds—which included the ocular round, the buzzer round and the rapid-fire round-- Quiz Master for the event, Mr Jagadeesh Patil, HOD of the ICT department, ISWK tested the mettle of the participating teams for their expertise in the field of IT.

After four rounds of intense competition, Team 'Marshmallow' comprising of Elton John , Soham Parekh and Sarthak Bawal of the host school emerged champions. Team 'Cupcake' comprising of Rutwik, Vignesh and Jeswin from Indian School Al Ghubra took home the 'runners-up' trophy. The dream of the ICT department had finally been executed seamlessly with the help of technical support provided by the host school's Team 'Sparc', the real processors behind the grand success of the event.

ISWK Organizes 'Economix' - A Unique Inter-School Contest of Debating and 'Fashion Gala'



The Commerce Department at Indian School Wadi Kabir organized "ECONOMIX", an inter-school competition featuring a debate on the motion: 'Demonetization- A Step in the Right Direction' along with 'Fashion Gala', a fashion show centered on the themes of Demonetization, Globalization and Bitcoins. The Guests of Honour for the occasion were the esteemed members of the S.M.C. - Mr. Kirti Jesrani, Honorary Co-Convener and Co-Treasurer; Ms Shilpa Pawani, Chairperson- Academics and Staff matters, and Mr. Binay Shukla, Chairperson- ERP systems and online fee payment. The panel of judges included Ms Swati Dasgupta, Features Editor, The Times of Oman newspaper and 'Hi' ; Ms Kusum Mishra , Member of teaching faculty- Dept of Management, Waljat College of Applied Sciences and Ms. Rema Anand, an experienced Economics teacher and a university rank holder.



The stage in the Multi-Purpose Hall of the school was decorated with motifs and signs pertaining to the moneys of the world, for added ambience. On either side of the venue there were rows of soft boards showing educational posters relevant to the occasion. A total of eight teams from Indian Schools Ghubra, Muscat, Seeb, Darsait, Mabela, Muladha, Salalah as well as the host school participated in the competition. The debate could not have come at a more opportune moment as the Demonetization exercise in India completes its first anniversary. Well-informed debaters put forward forceful arguments both for and against the motion.

The star attraction of the program was 'Fashion Gala' for which a special ramp had been constructed inside the multi-purpose hall. The main objective of this event was to give free reign to students' imagination and creativity to present their fascinatingly designed costumes on a catwalk in the manner of fashion models. This activity also put to test students' understanding of fundamental economic issues related to Globalization, Demonetization and Bitcoins. Captivating models mesmerized the audience as they presented their creations with skill and elan. Each of the fashion models was assisted by a team member who briefly delved on their chosen theme and the depiction of it through the medium of their chosen costume. Satwik Mishra of ISD speaking for motion and Rupcha of ISG speaking in opposition were declared the best speakers. Nazia Hassan Ansari and Khushbu Haroon of ISWK won the Fashion Gala. The prize for Overall winner school was clinched by the host school ISWK.

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

ISWK Conducts Annual Sports Day - 2017

In the season of the 47th National Day of Oman, the Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir conducted the Annual Sports day with much fanfare and enthusiasm. The Honourable Chief Guest, Mr. Abdul Majeed Faqir Al Baluchi, Director of the Internal Audit Department, Ministry of Sports Affairs, graced the occasion with his benign presence.





The esteemed members of the School Managing Committee, invited Guests, Parents and well-wishers were present on this joyous occasion.

The Sports Meet commenced with the impressive torch run by the athletes and sportspersons of ISWK who are the winners of the Oman CBSE Clusters and who represented the School at the National Level. This was followed by the enthralling marching display of the four Houses: The Ashoka, Akbar, Tagore and Vivekananda, to the beats of the School Band. The Head Girl of ISWK, Raksha J. Patil welcomed the august gathering.

The Sports Meet was declared open by the honorable Chief Guest, Mr. Abdul Majeed Faqir Al Baluchi, Director of the Internal Audit Department, Ministry of Sports Affairs. The School Head Boy, Ayush Abraham, administered the oath, on behalf of the school. It was a day filled with spectacular performances in terms of the graceful displays of drills, and Zumba workout by the students of Grade VI, VII and VIII as well as the prowess of the athletes with their speed, and endurance. The evening, therefore saw pulsating performances with excitement renting the air with the athletes participating in various athletic events in a race for the first, second and third positions, respectively. It was remarkable to see the athletes put in every bit of their energy to win laurels for their respective Houses.



Chess National Team



Table Tennis Nationals



Football National team



Badminton National team



**U- 16 Boys champions of
OCC tournament**



Volleyball National team

The excitement of the Meet reached its zenith with a surprise event: a fun filled game for the teachers and parents of ISWK. The Annual Sports Meet was then rounded up with the announcement of the results of various events that were held from time to time during the current academic session. The cheering of the jubilant students and the waving of the colorful house flags filled the ambience with festivity and jubilation.

The Akbar House was declared the Champion House and proudly carried the 'Champion House' trophy in the victory lap around the arena followed by the runners up House, The Ashoka.





girls category secured winners position in cluster organised by Indian School Darsait and represented our school at national level hosted by Salwan public school, Delhi, India... U 17 girls qualified for quarter final matches in national.



The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Jayadhanya Gunasekhar, School Sports Co-ordinator. thereby, bringing down the curtains to yet another scintillating performance by ISWK.

The most solemn moment of the program was the Closing Ceremony when the Head Boy, Head Girl and the Captains of the four Houses reverently held the school flag and meticulously folded it to be handed over to the Chief Guest who in turn, handed it to the Principal and the Head of the Department of Physical Education to be preserved till the next Sports meet. The memorable evening came to a close with the School Band playing the retreat.

ISWK organises "Vision of Infinity" - Inter School Mathematics Quiz Competition to commemorate Dr. Ramanujan's Birthday



Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir hosted the 3rd Season of Inter-School Mathematics Quiz within its own premises. Christened 'The Vision of Infinity', the quiz is held every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Srinivas Ramanujan, which falls on December 22. The invitees included other Heads of the Maths Department from other schools. A total of eight schools namely IS Ghubra, IS Ibri, IS Muladha, IS Muscat, IS Salalah, IS Seeb, IS Sohar, Sri Lankan School, and the host school ISWK participated in the annual quiz.

Each team comprised of two participants, contested through six rounds to gain an edge over their keen competitors. The cleverly conceived rounds aptly tested the mathematical acumen of the contestants.



The Televised Image round relied on video clips from famous Western as well as Indian movies. It depended on keen observation on part of the quizzers to crack some brain teasers. The buzzer round tested the quick reflexes of the quizzers. In the rapid fire round the maximum number of correct responses by the contestant in one minute decided the fate of his/her team. In the visual round the contestants had to recognize a famous mathematician from his photograph and clues pertaining to his invaluable contribution to the world of mathematics. Apart from brainstorming the contesting teams had to solve mathematical problems and explain how they arrived at their solution.

It was a keenly contested competition which kept the participating teams at their logical best using their thinking and reasoning powers. Carefully chosen questions demanded well thought out responses. Using strategy, presence of mind as well as common sense gave the contestants a definite advantage. In certain rounds a team was allowed to take help from the adjacent team, but a wrong answer could result in loss of marks for both the teams. There was a tie for the first place between IS Muladhah and IS Muscat. IS Muladhah in response to the tie-breaking question pressed the buzzer first only for an incorrect response, thus giving away the first place in the competition to IS Muscat. The host school (IS Wadi Kabir) had to be content with the third place.

Kudos must go to the Quizmaster Sanjeet Das, Head of Department-Mathematics for making the entire event an exemplary exploitation of technology bolstered by the milieu of the Multi-Purpose Hall. The audience comprising of Maths enthusiasts from the host school enjoyed the quiz competition as much as the participants who went away with a resolve to do even better in the next competition slated for January 20th, 2019.

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 lie 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 op 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

ISWK CELEBRATES SUPPORT STAFF DAY

It was yet another beautiful and fruitful day at Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir as the 'Entrepreneurs Club' of the Commerce stream celebrated "Support Staff Day – a step towards Humanity" with full aplomb on 7 of May, 2017.

At the outset, the students of the E-Club heartily welcomed the Cleaning Staff and the Support Staff of the School with a speech acknowledging their hard work.

A video presentation of interviews of the Senior Support Staff marked the beginning of the programme. This was followed by a poem penned by Shivani & Dhara, members of the Club appreciating the ceaseless efforts of the work force of the School.





The Member of the Management committee Mr Pakash Ved, Our School Principal and Vice Principal congratulated the workers and thanked them for their selfless services. He also lauded the efforts of the students towards this noble gesture and added that it was the first of its kind step in the history of the School to honour the contribution of indispensable helping hands. The workers were then licitated with Thank You Card and Gift Vouchers.

It was an overwhelming moment for them as Mr. Jairam, a Senior Support Staff expressed gratitude on behalf of the community towards the School Management, Teachers and Students for the kindness shown.

The ceremony came to a close with a sumptuous brunch served to them. It was a happy moment to see the Management Members, School Principal, Vice Principal and HOD join them to add to their joy and happiness.

Through this activity, the Students learnt valuable lessons in dignity of labour and respecting 'support staff'.



ISWK CELEBRATES FOUNDERS' DAY, 25 Years of CBSE AFFILIATION

Indian School Wadi Kabir held its 28th Founders Day as well as celebrated the Silver Jubilee of its affiliation to the CBSE, Delhi, on the school's Primary Wing premises on 7th of December. Mr. Khalil Bin Mohammed Bin Ali Al Hathrami was the Chief Guest along with Mr. Almour Bin Said Al Hashmi, the Guest of Honour. Students from the kindergarten welcomed the honoured guests with a potted bamboo sapling. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Anil Khimji, patron of the school; Mr. Harshendu Shah, Honorary President of the ISWK- International; Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Honorary President of ISWK; esteemed members of the SMC, members of the Indian Merchant Community; special invitees and parents. A soulful singing of both the National Anthems of Oman and India by the ISWK choir marked the beginning of an eventful evening.

In his address to the gathering, Mr. Harshendu Shah proudly acquainted the audience to the year- long activities at the newly instituted, 'ISWK international', a Cambridge University affiliate, which caters to the educational needs of the expatriate community in Oman especially in the Capital. Equipped with all the modern facilities ISWK-I is yet another milestone in the ongoing journey of ISWK institutions. He also reiterated the invaluable contribution of ISWK to the Indian community living in Oman, for a period spanning more than seventy-five years.





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It being the 25th year of the school's affiliation to the CBSE, more than nine hundred students took part in this cultural extravaganza based on the theme of 'One world , One Dream'. The students performed traditional and stately dances from as many as 25 countries of the world with the amalgamation of the underlying message of peace and harmony .These were presented by Kindergarten wing, Primary school students both from the Morning as well as Afternoon shift, the Senior school students of ISWK and ISWK- I.

A beautiful rendition of a group song by the Hindustani Music choir enthralled the audience. The finale was the Western Music ensemble comprising of 50 violinists and 60 instrumentalists by the Western music Department that played popular melodies to entertain the audience and draw the curtains to an eventful and historic event of the school.

Mr. Anil Khimji, valued and esteemed patron of the school, and Mr. Harshendu Shah presented mementos to the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour, respectively. The programme ended with a dinner hosted by the SMC in honour of the Guests and the entire school staff.





ISWK Organizes 'Art Utsav' Confluence of Art, Music & Dance



Indian School Wadi Al kabir notched up another success by organizing 'Art Utsav 2017', an Art festival with a confluence of Art, Music and Dance. Indian School Al Ghubra, Muscat, Muladha, Seeb and Mabelah participated in this festival. An initiative of the Art Department of ISWK, this event creates a platform for the youngsters to share with those of mature years, an artistic experience to demonstrate their creativity. The event was inaugurated by Madam Tahira Fida, the Guest of Honour for the evening and an eminent artist from Muscat. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Harshendu Shah, Hon. President of the SMC of ISWK (International), esteemed members of SMC of ISWK, honoured guests and well-wishers of the school.

Mr. Sheffy Thattarath, Mr. Unni, Mr. Sydney Rebello and Ms. Vijayalakshmi Shettigar, Ms. Meghal Kothary and Ms Manisha Bhoir, all

distinguished personalities from the world of art, adjudicated the Art Competition. The function also saw the distribution of prizes and certificates to the winners of academic excellence awards for the year 2016-2017.

It was a treat to watch the contestants—students, parents and grandparents immerse in their chosen art medium to create art-work in various events such as Rangoli, Drawing & Painting and Flower Making. The competition was for students in six categories: KG- Std1&2; Std 3, 4 & 5; Std 6, 7 & 8; Std 9 & 10 and Std 11 & 12. The Adult Category comprised of staff as well as parents and grandparents of students of ISWK. The entire playground of the Primary school was converted into an arena with different sections of the area allocated to different art disciplines.



The Chief Guest gave away prizes to 210 students from Std 6th to 9th and Std 11 & 12th who distinguished themselves as the top 10% of successful candidates, and by standing first in one or more subjects in the final exams held in March 2016. The subject toppers in Board Exams of Class 12 in the academic year 2016- 2017 were also felicitated.

Primary as well senior school students entertained the audience by performing traditional Indian folk dances such as 'Bihu', 'Garbha' and 'Dandiya' in colourful costumes. Choirs from junior as well as senior wings of the school sang soulfully to enhance the beauty of the evening. Additionally, inspiring music cascaded from a keyboard and flute duo, creating a pleasant atmosphere. The ambient music stole everyone's hearts away. A group of students entertained the audience by creating 'Junk Music', with discarded things such as empty paint cans, a broken horn, plastic pipes and water bottles.

The function came to an end with the announcement of the prize winners in the various art categories, making the audience applaud generously.



'Fun and Games at Charity Fete'



69th Indian Republic Day Celebrated At ISWK i Campus



The newly-instituted Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir international along with the Primary and Senior wings of ISWK celebrated the 69th Republic Day of India with great fervour within its own premises. Mr. Mahesh Toprani, a prominent member of the Indian business community and Partner in Haridas Nensey Company was the Chief Guest. Also present on this august occasion were Mr. Rajendra Ved, Executive Director of ISWK & ISWK i Management; Mr. Harshendu Shah, Hon. President of ISWK i; Mr. Alkesh Joshi, Hon. President of ISWK; other esteemed members of the SMC; special invitees; parents as well as expatriates belonging to the Indian community.

The play area of ISWK i had been exclusively done up to evoke feelings of patriotism and national pride. The wall face of a corner of the newly-constructed building had been draped in impressive colours of the National Flag. Bunches of tricolour balloons in mid-air, brilliant against the clear blue sky, and a few swaying gently on either side of the seating area enhanced the jubilant mood of the gathering.

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.

