

GMS NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal's Desk



Both research and common sense verify that teachers make a difference not only in what students learn about content but in what students learn about life. Our parent community would agree with me when I say that our teachers don't just take classes; they teach our children. They meet their individual interests and needs, and work to "set them up for success." They instill hope and challenge each student to take a risk with courage and belief in self. They are fierce advocates and joyfully celebrate their students' successes.

Our teachers invest countless hours during evenings, weekends and vacations to assess students work and provide meaningful feedback to encourage the students to do even better the next time. By modeling and prompting, our teachers help students learn to ask questions and find their own answers that lead to more questions and answers...and the process spirals for a lifetime.

Some children love coming to school; some come to school for love. Our teachers love them all!

While we can never truly compensate our teachers for the difference they make in the lives of our children day in and day out, we did want to recognize their many efforts. Please join me in congratulating our **DLE Champions** on consistently delivering high quality lessons despite the predominantly online mode. We applaud each one of them on using new technologies *expertly* to successfully engage with their students remotely.

Earning the **DLE Champion Badge** are the following teachers:

- * Sharmeen Shaikh - KG
- * Shama Agrawal - KG
- * Parvathy Roji - KG
- * Jaishree Bharath - Grades 1 & 2
- * Kavita Panku - Grades 1 & 2
- * Sreeja Suresh - Grades 1 & 2
- * Sabeena Noufel - Grades 1 & 2
- * Vinolyn Keren - Grades 1 & 2
- * Basma Atef - Grades 1 & 2
- * Syed Ahmed - Grades 1 & 2
- * Saba Rizvi - Grades 1 & 2
- * Ruma Minz - Grades 3 & 4
- * Qurat Nazki - Grades 3 & 4
- * Zarine Nigar - Grades 3 & 4
- * Nikhat Bandri - Grades 3 & 4
- * Pushpa Krishnan - Grades 3 & 4
- * Raina Sood - Grades 5 & 6
- * Meherunissha Ahmed - Grades 5 & 6
- * Raina Rodrigues - Grades 5 & 6
- * Tina Tiby - Grades 5 & 6
- * Remya Vineeth - Grades 5 & 6

- * Kavita Joshi - Grades 5 & 6
- * Herve Arokiaraj - Grades 5 & 6
- * Meenu Latha - Grades 7 & 8
- * Naureen Imam - Grades 7 & 8
- * Nufsath Faisal - Grades 7 & 8
- * Soniya Joseph - Grades 7 & 8
- * Lakshmi Veeraragavan - Grades 9 & 10
- * Sonia Rodricks - Grades 9 & 10
- * Priya Vinod - Grades 9 & 10
- * Neeraj Singh - Grades 9 & 10
- * Bijesh Kollaariparambil - Grades 11 & 12
- * Meenakshi Dhoundiyal - Grades 11 & 12
- * Blessy Thomas - Grades 11 & 12
- * Vinita Mane - Grades 11 & 12

Do extend warmest congratulations to our **Inclusion Champs** on very effectively supporting students of determination and catering to the needs of students of all abilities despite the predominantly online mode. We applaud each one of them on successfully engaging all their students, especially those with special learning needs.

The **Inclusion Champ Badge** was bestowed on the following teachers:

- * Nikita D' Souza - KG
- * Parvathy Roji - KG
- * Jasmeet Basoor - Grades 1 & 2
- * Raina Rodrigues - Grades 5 & 6
- * Maha Sayed - Grades 7 & 8
- * Priya Vinod - Grades 9 & 10
- * Lakshmi Veeraragavan - Grades 9 & 10
- * Surya Acharya - Grades 11 & 12
- * Ayshabi VC - Grades 11 & 12

- * Nisha Mathew - Special Educator
- * Ann Johnson - Special Educator
- * Swathi Satheesan - Counsellor
- * Sherin Jayakumar - Counsellor

Do also join me in whole-heartedly congratulating our **Digital Champs**. When we unexpectedly found ourselves needing a plan to switch to online teaching at short notice, our tech savvy colleagues helped us to find our way. They used the opportunity to learn how to use tools to develop students' autonomy, build relevant 21st century skills, and to foster student creativity using technology. They were instrumental in helping us to transform our classrooms using 'edtech'.

The **Digital Champ Badge** was awarded to the following teachers:

- * Sharmeen Shaikh - KG
- * Avikkal Kavitha - KG
- * Sayyida Khudsiya - Grades 1 & 2
- * Brucena Baretto - Grades 1 & 2
- * Sabeena Noufel - Grades 1 & 2
- * Sunitha Sudheer - Grades 3 & 4
- * Jacqueline Devi - Grades 3 & 4
- * Anoop Kumaresan - Grades 5 & 6
- * Neeraj Roy - Grades 7 & 8
- * Neeraj Singh - Grades 9 & 10
- * Binu Nair - Grades 9 & 10
- * Bijesh Kollaariparambil - Grades 11 & 12
- * Sini Thomas - Grades 11 & 12
- * Shalu Melwin - Grades 11 & 12

We are immensely grateful to our teachers for harnessing the power of the personal connection. Thank you, Teachers! You DO make a difference!



Thank you to
Anoop Kumaresan for
designing these very
special badges



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JADE RAFAEL JABEZ BARNABA

KG1 A



DYLON ALISTAIR COUTINHO

KG1 B



BALAKRISHNA RAMANAN

KG1 C



VIHAAN YADAV

KG1 D



EVELYN ALICE TONY

KG1 E



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Star Student of the Month October 2020 – KG 1



ROHAN RAKESH

KG1 F



AIDAN ALI

KG1 G



KHADEJAH SHAMS MEMON

KG1 H



IVANA SHEENA RENJAN

KG1 I



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 – KG 2



SAI SPOORTHY SHANKAR

KG2 A



GAYATHRI PADMASETTY

KG2B



IRENE LIJO

KG2 C



YUSUF AHMED MUSTAQ AHMED

KG2 D



AMAL FATIMA

KG2 E



GAURIKA TRIPATHI

KG2 F



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 –GRADE 1



KAUTILYA VIVEK JETHWA
GRADE 1A



SAQIB MOHAMMED
GRADE 1B



DIVDEEP SINGH
GRADE 1C



AISHI SAXENA
GRADE 1D



DHAARVI SHAH
GRADE 1E



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 1



CHRISTOF FERNANDES

GRADE 1F



DHRITIMAN DAS

GRADE 1G

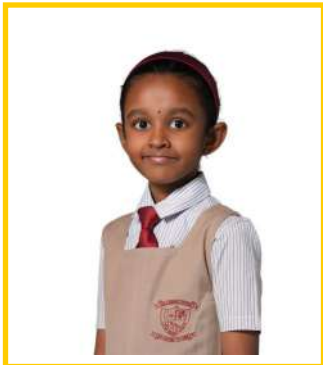




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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 2



BHAVANIKAPRIYA

GRADE 2A



ADAM ABDUL HY

GRADE 2B



SANJHAY RAJASEKAR

GRADE 2C



ZAIN KONAMVEETIL SIYAD

GRADE 2D



HIMANK GUPTA

GRADE 2E



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 3



HAWA AIJAZ

GRADE 3A



MEERA VINOD

GRADE 3B



PARTHIV SABARINATHAN

GRADE 3C



YASHIKA NANDHAKUMAR

GRADE 3D



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Star Student for the month of October 2020 - GRADE 3



EVAN LAURANCE

GRADE 3E



SHRINAND KELAMKULANGARA MANOJ

GRADE 3F



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 4



BADRINARAYAN RAJESHKANNA

GRADE 4B



AADHIL SHAJAHAN

GRADE 4B1



CATHERINE MELWIN

GRADE 4BG



SWARA DHANANJAY NARKHEDE

GRADE 4G



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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 5



SIDDARTH ROY

GRADE 5B



DHANESHVAR SARAVANAN

GRADE 5B1



AFRAH AREFATH

GRADE 5G



SAI ARCHITA ARUN KUMAR

GRADE 5G1



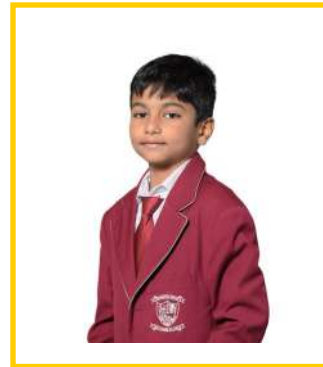
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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 6



MOHAMMED ANAS NAZEER KHAN
GRADE 6B



VEER JAIN MAHAVEER
GRADE 6B1



AARUSH ARORA
GRADE 6B2



JEFFRIN ALEX KURIYAKOSE
GRADE 6B3



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RIDHA PARA KKANDY

GRADE 6G



BRITNEY D'SOUZA

GRADE 6G1



ZOHA FATIMA

GRADE 6G2





OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 7



VIHAAN ETHAN DSOUZA
GRADE 7B



FADI ABDULLAH
GRADE 7B1



AYDIN KALLANGODAN
GRADE 7B2



ADITYA ANAND
GRADE 7B3

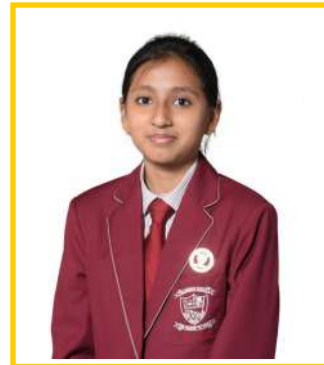


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Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 7



KASHVI VINAY AGRAWAL
GRADE 7G



SAAKSHI SAKET PENDSE
GRADE 7G1



DIYA YOGESH SUVARNA
GRADE 7G2



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 8



MANAV MADAMBIKATTIL
GRADE 8B



RAYAN ROUF NAQASH
GRADE 8B1



SARVAJITH A KARTHIKEYAN
GRADE 8B2



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the month of October 2020 –GRADE 8



APARAJITHA RAMA MURALI
GRADE 8G



AANYA GURUDATH MANIKERE
GRADE 8G1



NEHA MARIAM EAPEN
GRADE 8G2



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 9



JOSHUA JAMES MOOTHEDAN
GRADE 9B



ABHIRAM SARITH BHARATH
GRADE 9B1



SHAURYA GUPTA
GRADE 9B2



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 9



MARYAM ABDUL AZIZ CHOGLA
GRADE 9G



CHARU ANAND
GRADE 9G1





OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 10



DEVANARAYANAN MANOJ KUMAR
GRADE 10B



MRIDHUL SHARMA
GRADE 10B1



KHADIJA ZAKRIYA JAMADAR
GRADE 10G



LAKSHMI VINOD
GRADE 10G1



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the Month of October 2020 - GRADE 11



ABIN PAUL
GRADE 11B1



PRATHAMESH SANJAY DESAI
GRADE 11B2



NAMEERA TAHER
GRADE 11G1



ARIA ELIZABETH ANIL
GRADE 11G2



OUR STAR STUDENTS

Star Student for the month of October 2020 - GRADE 12



SYED AAMIR AHMED
GRADE 12B1



SHIBIN CHACKO
GRADE 12B2



BHAGYASHREE LOMESH PATIL
GRADE 12G1



MEHR SALHOTRA
GRADE 12G2

VIRTUAL GLOBAL COLLABORATION

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Twinning with Bal Bharati Public School, Noida

A History Lesson to Remember!

We were delighted to 'twin' with Bal Bharati Public School, Noida for the Twinning Project - an exciting and effective way of providing learners with an understanding and knowledge of the world and their role within it. We believe that by providing positive learning opportunities and meaningful interactions, students will be encouraged to explore their role as global citizens.

Through joint curricular work, we aim to widen perspectives and challenge attitudes and values.

For the first session the students discussed two great leaders - the Father of the Nation, UAE Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan and the Father of the Nation, India Mahatma Gandhi. The students were excited about the opportunity to explore history with their newly found friends from 2000+kms away.



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AN WHO SCULPTED HIS WAY NON-VIOLENTLY



UAE FLAG DAY

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The UAE Flag, an embodiment of honour, allegiance and peace, adorned the campus of GEMS Millennium School, Sharjah to commemorate the accession of the President, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan as President of the UAE.

The students and staff assembled on the Sports Field for a Special Assembly where students reflected on what the UAE means to them, shared facts about the significance of the day, remembered the efforts of the founder leaders, Sheikh Zayed and



Sheikh Rashid, and all those who sacrificed everything for the nation. The Flag was hoisted at 11.00 a.m. to the tune of the UAE National Anthem and stirred feelings of pride, solidarity and respect.

Shakir Syed Ahmed of Grade 7 recited verses from the Holy Quran to invoke the Almighty's blessings and prayed for His blessings on the land and its people. Anupama of Grade 8 captivated everyone with an Arabic song, Elbeet Metwaheed, to celebrate the magnificent culture of the UAE. Varnith Prakash of Grade 1 delivered a heartwarming speech in Arabic.

The assembly was live-streamed for the benefit of students and the parent community.



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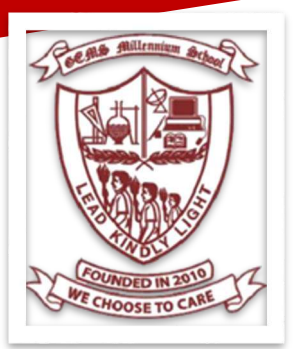
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INTER-SCHOOL ISLAMIC COMPETITION

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Our students made GMS proud by winning in the Dubai Scholars Online Inter-School Islamic Competition held on November 7th 2020. There were total of 12 schools who participated from Dubai, Sharjah and Ajman. The Competition was conducted through MS Teams and Zoom.

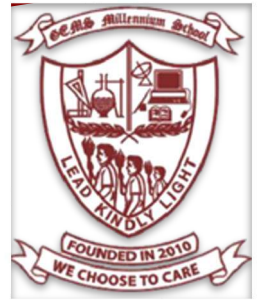
Name of the Student	Grade	Category	Position
Syed Saad Shakir	7B2	Qirat - Juniors	1 st Place
Mohammad Khalaf	10B	Qirat - Seniors	2 nd Place
Rizwan ul Abidin	10B	Islamic Calligraphy senior (Boys)	1 st Place
Chu Abdul Rahman	9B1	Islamic Calligraphy senior (Boys)	2 nd Place
Nameera Taher	11G1	Islamic Calligraphy senior (Girls)	2 nd Place
Rayyan Refeek	3F	Islamic Calligraphy Sub Junior (Girls)	1 st Place

Congratulations!

INTER-SCHOOL RHYMES AND FANCY DRESS COMPETITION

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'Big achievements start with small steps'.

Our little Kindergarteners have already started walking up the steps of success and achievement. They represented GMS in their very first virtual Inter-School Rhymes and Fancy Dress Competition hosted by *Shining Star International School* on the 2nd of November. They participated in solo and group performances, winning 4 out of the 8 events. Our students were a symbol of confidence, style and grace while they performed on the stage. Well Done!

KG1-1st Prize in Rhymes and Recitation (Group)

KG1-1st Prize in Fancy Dress (Group)

KG2- 2nd Prize in Rhymes and Recitation (Group)

KG2-1st Prize in Fancy Dress (Group)

You did it!
Congratulations

KG1 : Winners – 1st Place

Inter- School Group Recitation (Group)

Dylon Alistair Coutinho (KG1 B), Mahasin Shahid (KG1 C), Amima Majid (KG1 D), Evelyn Alice Tony (KG1 E) , Judith Sherly Godly (KG1 H), Janaki Jeevan (KG1 I), Dhyana Dilip(KG1 G)

KG1 : Winners – 1st Place

Inter-School Group Fancy Dress (Group)

Safia Abdul Matin(KG1 B) , Lauren Zeena Monis (KG1 D), Nithila Ananda Prakash (KG1 E), Arushi Aneesh (KG1 H), Falisha, Anum (KG1 G), Ishitha Sreechand (KG1 F), Aahil Hasheer (KG1 C)

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KG2 : Winners – 1st Place

Inter-School Recitation (Group)

Loshini Saravanan (KG2 A), Samaira Ali (KG2 B), Pradipta Ajay Choudhary (KG2C), Hanan Almirah (KG2C), Jagannath Sunilkumar (KG2 D), Surya Jagadish (KG2 F)

KG2 : Winners – 1st Place

Inter-School Fancy Dress (Group)

Gayathri Subash (KG2 E) , Namitha Pangottil (KG2 F), Amal Fatima (KG2 E) , Rajeev Yuvan (KG2 E), Amrah Firdos (KG2 F), Swastik Kurup (KG2 D)

Participants

KG1 : Solo Inter –School Rhyme Recitation

1. Khadeejah Naqui Shaikh (KG1 A)

KG1 :Solo Inter –School Fancy Dress

Ananya Narayanan (KG1 A)

Participants

KG2 : Solo Inter –School Rhyme Recitation

Yusuf Ahmed (KG2 D)

KG2 : Solo Inter –School Fancy Dress

Haya Mishael Anas (KG2 E)

You did it!
Congratulations

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