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# **GMS NEWSLETTER**

#### **EDITION #4**



#### Especially for our newly invested Student Leaders.....

Leadership is not about the leader. Leadership is about the growth and positive change that a leader can bring about while working with others. Effective leadership requires that you constantly keep the balance between delegating and motivating—being involved and connected to what is happening, but not micromanaging.

Leadership, simply put, is the ability to influence others. Values-based leadership takes it to the next level. By word, action, and example, values-based leaders seek to inspire and motivate, using their influence to pursue what matters most. What matters most, of course, depends somewhat on

personal choice. Admittedly, some may decide that what matters most is attaining a particular job title or salary level, or perhaps having a bigger house, a vacation home, a luxury car or two. Obviously, that is not what I'm talking about here. For values-based leaders, what matters most is the greater good, the positive change that can be effected within a team, the school, or even on a global level.

Deciding what matters most begins with the leaders themselves. Values-based leaders take the time to discover and reflect on what is most important to them. Rather than remaining within the confines of their defined job description and leaving the bigpicture issues for someone else to address, values- based leaders are engaged and committed to making a difference and setting an example. Their objective is to make the world a better place within their scope of influence, no matter how great or small.

Today it is common for leaders to confuse activity with productivity. They often multitask without taking the time to reflect on why they are doing what they are doing. They run around busily from task to task, but they do not take the time to step back and see the big picture. They are not connected in any way with the overall purpose or plan for what they are doing. Self- reflection can help solve this problem. When people take the time to reflect on what is important to them and why, they begin to

transform activity into productivity—and for all the right reasons.

Balance, the second principle of values-based leadership, is the ability to understand all sides of an issue. Leaders who pursue balance realize that their perspective is just that: theirs. By purposefully seeking input from others, especially those who have opposing opinions, you gain a global perspective that enables you to make choices that align with your priorities. When you take the time to reflect and to look at issues and situations holistically, the world becomes much simpler and the plan of action more obvious.

With true self-confidence, the third principle of values-based leadership, leaders recognize what they know and what they don't know. When you develop true self-confidence, you don't need to put on a façade that suggests to the world that you have

mastered everything. Nor do you wilt at the first signs of a challenge, believing that you are not good enough or strong enough to face it. True self-confidence helps you appreciate your strengths, talents, and accomplishments, while also acknowledging the areas in which you need development. Truly self-confident leaders have a deep awareness of what they bring to the table, and develop a team with complementary strengths, particularly in areas where they have weaknesses.

The fourth and final principle of values-based leadership, genuine humility, keeps leaders grounded. No matter how far you've risen, you should not forget where you started. Genuine humility helps you recognize that you are neither better nor worse than anyone else, that you ought to respect everyone equally and not treat anyone differently just because of a job title. When you embrace genuine humility, your leadership

thrives: your team members are willing to work with you to accomplish the mission and will respect your decisions because they know you value their contributions, no matter their roles.

These four principles of values-based leadership are as important early in your leadership career as they are later on. When you embrace these principles, you'll learn how to lead and influence people.



We are happy to inform you that all our teams have done extremely well in the FIRST LEGO League(FLL) Competition organized by ATLAB and Ministry of Education, UAE as part of the AIR series (Artificial Intelligence and Robotics series).

5 teams participated and all of them won different awards in various categories.

- 1. Challenge Solution Award- 'Team Code Cubs' led by Ms. Avikkal Kavitha
- 2. Team Poster Award- 'Team Techno Troopers' led by Ms. Avikkal Kavitha
- 3. Core Value Award- 'Route Masters' led by Ms. Sharon Oommen
- 4. Team Model Award 'Team Clockwork Connect led by Ms. Jaquline Devi
- 5. Core Values Award-'Team Ship Shapers' led by Ms. Jaquline Devi

Team Code Cubs led by Ms. Avikkal Kavitha won the 1<sup>st</sup> Position in the Sharjah Zone and has been selected for the final round.









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**NELWINA SUZANNE JINU-5G1** CHRISTINA MARY RAJAN-5G1

#### **CORE VALUE AWARD TEAM SHIP SHAPERS**

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MATHEW BENOY KONDOOR-3D **RAYAAN JAYESH-3D** HARSHITHA SRINIVASAN JIYA VIJAY -3D PRITHVI PRAVEEN NAIR-3D SIDHARTH RAKHE SARIN-3D

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#### **TEAM POSTER AWARD**

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#### **TEAM TECHNO TROOPERS**

AADIDEV AVARANKUNNATHU PADINCHARETHIL-3A CHRIS SEBASTIAN RAJAN-3A VARNITH PRAKASH-3D **MEENAKSHI PRANESH-3F DHRITIMAN DAS-3F DOORVA TRIVEDI-3F** 

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#### **TEAM MODEL AWARD**

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#### TEAM CLOCKWORK CONNECT

**AVNI VIJAY KUMAR-2E GAYATHRI SUBASH-2B** MOHAMMED ZAYAN SHAIKH-2 NAMITHA PANGOTTIL-2E **NIHITHA SREE SWAKSHA REVURI-2E** SYED ARSH IMRAN MUSHTAQ-2B

# **INNOVATION**



# **MARATHON - 2022**

Heartiest Congratulations to Dhananjay Iyer from Grade 5B1 on his outstanding performance in the finals of "Innovathon - Your Ultimate Innovation Marathon-2022", a Robotics Competition conducted by Brainy and Bright. He won the First Prize in the Junior Category. The competition was held on March 20, 2022 at the Alif Pavilion, at Expo 2020. Here's wishing Dhananjay many more successes!





GEMS Inter-School Quran and Hadeeth Shareef Recitation and Memorization Competition

(2022)

The 4<sup>th</sup> GEMS Inter-School Quran and Hadeeth Recitation and Memorization Competition 2022 was held on May 18, 2022 at GEMS World Academy, Dubai. Twenty five schools across the UAE participated in this event.

The aim of the event was to celebrate and showcase our students' knowledge of Islamic Studies and Muslim principles. The competition revolved around four stages of Quran memorization and four stages of Hadeeth Shareef recitation.

Our students Syed Yasir Ahmed from 7B1 secured the First Position in the Level 3 Qur'an Memorization and Syed Saad Shakir 9B2 secured the Second Position in the level 3 Hadeeth Recitation. Our students explored their talents and displayed great enthusiasm.



Syed Yasir Ahmed GRADE 7B1 Qur'an Memorization Level 3 First position



Syed Saad Shakir GRADE 9B2 Hadeeth Recitation Level 3 Second position

# NIMS ISLAMIC FEST 2022

The NIMS ISLAMIC FEST 2022 Competition was held on Saturday 21, 2022 at New Indian Model School, Dubai. Nearly 20 schools from the UAE participated in this event.

The competition included various categories like Hifz ul Qur'an, Islamic Elocution , Calligraphy and Islamic Nasheed. We secured the Second Position in Islamic Nasheed in the boys and girls category.

Our students left everyone mesmerized with their talent and performance.



GRADE 3A Islamic Nasheed Second Position

#### ISLAMIC NASHEED – OPEN CATEGEORY FOR BOYS





**Islamic Nasheed** 

**Second Position** 

Anupama. A.P GRADE 10G1 Islamic Nasheed Second Position

#### ISLAMIC NASHEED - OPEN CATEGEORY FOR GIRLS





Islamic Nasheed

Second Position



# Act of Kindness

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AASHAY JAIN TOOK PART IN THE E-WASTE COLLECTION DRIVE- 2022 SUSTAINABILITY EDU-FEST







Aashay Jain's (Grade 5B2) first book got launched at the Sharjah Children's Reading Festival 2022.

His book is available at Hall No-6, Stall No-36, Expo Centre, Sharjah





It is with immense pleasure we inform you that Hawa Aijaz 5G1 has written a book, 'The Guardian of the Forest' published on Amazon as an e-book and paperback. She has become a young aspiring author. A big thank you to all her teachers of English especially Ms. Ruma Minz for building her self confidence and developing her writing skills in Grade 3. Great going Hawa!





"Those people who develop the ability to continuously acquire new and better forms of knowledge that they can apply to their work and to their lives will be the movers and shakers in our society for the indefinite future." — Brian Tracy

We applaud Anirudh Singh Senegar of Grade 12 B2, a student of Artificial Intelligence on using every opportunity to learn more and know more.

Anirudh shares that, "AI is said to become a core component of all modern software over the coming years and decades. He is very passionate about learning new things related to AI and would like to pursue a career in this field. Choosing AI as one of his subjects really helped him explore his interests. It also allowed him to spend more time researching on it. By doing various courses online, he is not only able to grasp the concepts of AI but also diversify his knowledge re-

May 15, 2022







# ECO CHAMPION





AADHITH POILINGAL RATHEESH of GRADE 5B participated in Sustainability Edu-fest and received the Eco-Champion certificate. Well done Aadhith !



2022 SUSTAINABILITY EDU-FEST in partnership with

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This certificate hereby confirms that

AADHITH RATHEESH

has been awarded the

**GREEN CERTIFICATE** 

for participation & contribution in the WeCareDXB 2022 SUSTAINABILITY EDU-FEST held in Dubai.



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*Riva Tulpule* **Riva Tulpule** Founder - WeCareDXB

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GRADE 1B



TANVI GANESH GRADE 1C



BHAVYA BHADORIA

**GRADE 1D** 





ANNVI JANE GAMA GRADE 1E



RAYAN ASHPAK SHAIKH

GRADE 1F





















ADITYA SAI GRADE 4B



ALWIN VARGHESE SAJAN GRADE 4B1



ZOYA MARIAM GRADE 4BG





FALISHA FATIMA GRADE 4G





GRADE 5B



















ANANYA SINGH GRADE 6G1





GRADE 7B







ASHLIN ANI MATHEWS GRADE 7G1



SIVANI SUDEEP GRADE 7G





GRADE 8B



KRISHNESH SHAJU UNNI GRADE 8B2



GURU SAI RITESH SEELAM GRADE 8B1





VISHAL GIGY GRADE 8B3





GRADE 8G













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GRADE 12B1





**MARIAM SHAIKH** GRADE 12G2



LAKSHMI VINOD

GRADE 12G1







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**ARTHUR WILLIAM – 6B1** 

#### SHRIYA JISHNU – 9G1

**ZEBA SAGAR- 12G1** 



#### **ABIAH RACHEL SHIJU-5G1**

DAKSH SHYJU – 7B



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# FROM THE COUNSELLOR'S DESK

#### THE ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE



When was the last time you stopped by to say 'Thank you'? Today? Yesterday? A week ago?

Thank you- two small words carrying a bag full of emotions. In today's fast paced world, we rarely have time to stop by and notice the little things around us and feel grateful for it. Stop wherever you are right now and look around you. Look for 5 things you can see, 4 things you can touch, 3 things you can hear, 2 things you can smell and 1 thing you can taste you are grateful for. Yes, gratitude is not just for the bigger things in life. It is a practice to be thankful for everything you have.

Positive psychology claims that practicing gratitude not only has mental benefits but physical benefits too. People who are grateful feel less pain, less stress, are able to sleep better, have stronger immune systems, experience healthier relationships, and do better academically and professionally.

How do we cultivate gratitude? Gratitude starts with noticing the goodness in life and little things that bring you joy. It could be your family, friends, a good book, a hot cup of your favourite beverage, your favourite season, your favourite television show or your loving pet. Simply put- it is counting your blessings with a grateful heart. In the hardest of times, finding something you are grateful for can shift your inner attention from negative emotions to a more positive outlook.

Everyone express gratitude in their own ways. While some resort to writing in their journals, others prefer expressing it with words and actions. As a starting point to practicing gratitude, here is a 7-day challenge for you.

- Day 1- Say thank you to the support staff at school whenever you get a chance
- Day 2- Write a thank you note to someone who inspires you.
- Day 3- Acknowledge something mother nature provides you with that you are grateful for
- Day 4- Express gratitude to a friend
- Day 5- Say a gratitude prayer before your meal
- Day 6- Think about your abilities, talents, something you are proud of and feel grateful for it
- Day 7- Walk up to a mirror and express gratitude to the person you see in it.

