



"The merging of the whole school continues to progress well. The primary staff and the secondary staff are now working together to create an effective curriculum. The staff enjoyed the INSET day which was a successful event. We are preparing for our upcoming inspection by the KHDA. This will be the first inspection of the new all-through school. We hope and expect to getting a good report which we are looking forward to sharing with the parents."

Sir Greg Martin, Principal

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

- Douaa Nejmah, our Head of Islamic Studies, attended the meeting for the Islamic Committee and discussed setting a unified Islamic Studies external exam in Dubai.
- We are proud of Summer Spendlove, Year 9, who trained at a ski camp and competed in Switzerland. She also competed in the Open Schools Ski Championships in Italy and came first overall in Giant Slalom, first overall in Slalom and 4th as the only female in Parallel slalom.
- Year 5 students were studying The Victorian Era so their Art Teacher, Wendy Tully, decided to link the British textile designer, William Morris, from the 19th century to their artwork.
- During the Children's Mental Health Week our Foundation and Primary students did mindfulness and meditation activities.
- Our FS students had a blast on their Sports Day and Year 1 to Year 6 students participated in several competitions on their Sports Day.
- Year 11, 12 and 13 students attended an assembly with RCSI Bahrain to discuss pathways into medicine and preparation to apply to medical school.
- Students rehearsed for Arts Day and delivered great performances. Falcon House ended up being the winning house, Congratulations!
- The Year 12 Science Tutors ran Science revision sessions for Year 9 and 10 students during intervention.
- The Primary students worked with Year 11 students on a Music practical task.
- Year 2, 3 and 4 students went on a residential trip to Hatta and had a lot of interesting activities.
- Congratulations to Hanna Mirabel Hardy, Mila Jevremov and Nibras Malik for achieving the Outstanding Pearson Learner Awards in their recent GCSE and A Level exams.
- The FS1 & FS2 school trip to Umm Suqeim Beach and Park was brilliant.
- February 14th was a busy day for the primary school. FS, Year 1, 5 and 6 students dressed up for Red Day. Year 2, 3 and 4 students dressed up for Pyjamas Day. FS1 enjoyed their Drive Movie. All primary students had an exciting Innovation Day.
- During half-term, Year 7 to 11 students enjoyed their ski trip to Gudauri, Georgia.
- The English College's students, parents and teachers donated men's clothes which were given out at a mosque to lower income workers.
- Gecko Theatre, a reputable physical theatre practitioners who have performed on BBC live, came to work with our Drama and Theatre students as part of the GCSE and A Level course.
- Paul Tosio, a motivational speaker, taught our Year 12 and 13 students tools like Stress Reduction Management, Memory Skills, Exam Strategy, Speed Reading and Essay Writing Skills.
- We are proud of the incredible academic successes achieved by our amazing students at the 2nd round National Olympiad Ranking, mainly Aditii Kamath who was ranked 3rd in UAE for Mathematics and Praashna Patel who was ranked 4th in UAE for Biology.
- Year 11 students (current and new) attended our Sixth Form Options Evening for advice on the best post-16 pathway.
- Year 12 students delivered an assembly to Year 11 students about the transition from Year 11 to Sixth Form.
- Year 7 able computing students had an ICT Trip to the Apple store in Mall of the Emirates.
- Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 students attended the Annual Physics Open Day at the American University of Sharjah (AUS) sponsored by the UAE Space Agency.
- Year 9, 10 and 11 Science Learning Consultants had their second SLC in Science session. A massive well done to all of the dedicated SLC students, we are very proud of your enthusiasm and hard work in Science.

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For more details, pictures and videos of February's highlights and other events, please click on our social media links below:

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WEBSITE

Under News, we now have 3 new sub-sections, please click on the links below to check them out:

[What's Happening](#)

Where we are featuring the school latest news and events such as "*The Sixth Form Options Evening*" which was also open to external students.

[Blog](#)

Where are posting articles such as "*The schools' merger brings positive opportunities to students*" and featuring our teachers such as *Chloe Dulson, Teacher of Art* and *James Clark, Head of Boys PE*.

[Media](#)

Where you can find links to articles in the media, such as the latest Gulf News article discussing the "*Moral Education in the UAE*" featuring our Head of Moral Education Glenda Clark and Moral Education teachers Farah Khan and Charlotte Bagnall.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MARCH

DATE	GROUP	EVENT
Until Mar 7	Y7-Y10	Cycle 2 Assessments
Mar 4	Y1-Y7	Dental Screening
Mar 4	Primary	Eco Council
Mar 5	FS1-Y6	Posh Paws
Mar 5	Y8	English and History Trip
Mar 6	Y3	Lit Fest Author Session
Mar 6	Y12	Parent/Student meeting (UCAS/work experience)
Mar 10-11	Y12	Drama Exam
Mar 11	Y7-Y8	Islamic Trip to Theatre
Mar 13	Y11-Y13	GCSE & A Level Practical PE Exams
Mar 14	Y11 Islamic students	KHDA Trip
Mar 19-21	Whole School	KHDA Inspection
Mar 20	Y8	Parents Evening
Mar 21	Y9-Y10	Science Super League at DC
Mar 25-26	Y11-Y12	Drama Exam
Mar 27	Primary	Worth a Mention Day
Mar 28	Whole School	International Day
Mar 31-Apr 13	Whole School	Spring Break



the FRINGE

Saturday, 9 March 2019

10:00 - 10:30 **JESS**
JESS Choirs, Big Band and Chamber choir

10:45 - 11:5 **GEHS United School**
Gems United Band

11:30 - 12:00 **GEHS Wellington International School**
Zakaria

14:00 - 14:30 **The English College**
Rock bands or soloists

14:45 - 15:15 **Sobhan Kibala School of Irish Dance**
Sobhan Kibala's Irish dancers

15:30 - 16:00 **Debbie Private School**
Crowline Crew

Support our rock band on March 9th at 2pm at the Fringe, Dubai Lit Fest which is taking place at the Waterfront Level, Events Centre, InterContinental Dubai Festival City. This is a free community event.