



مدرسة الدوحة البريطانية
DOHA BRITISH SCHOOL
RAWDAT AL-HAMAMA



Secondary Newsletter

Thursday 20th March 2025

Our Purpose

Is that every young person should gain as much as possible from our school, based on our belief that all learners can, need and want to achieve

Our Vision

Is to be a vibrant, welcoming international school that provides a first class education enabling pupils to thrive within a dynamic, global environment

Our Mission

Is to prepare all pupils through a relevant, challenging curriculum and well-resourced facilities, to become lifelong learners contributing to a global community



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We are committed to preparing our community to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world. We explore global citizenship as a commitment to social, environmental, and economic actions taken by individuals and communities who acknowledge that every person is a citizen of the world.

Global Citizens:

Have knowledge and understanding of global issue.

Take responsible actions that positively impact the world.

Reflect a deep sense of collective responsibility and shared humanity.

Cultivate skills and attitudes to be active and responsible global citizens.

Foster an awareness of our interconnectedness with people from diverse backgrounds and regions.

Growth: Cultivate skills and attitudes to be active and responsible global citizens.

Learning: Have knowledge and understanding of global issues.

Oneness: Reflect a deep sense of collective responsibility and shared humanity.

Belonging: Foster an awareness of our interconnectedness with people from diverse backgrounds and regions.

Action: Take responsible actions that positively impact the world.

Leadership: Demonstrate leadership in promoting global citizenship and sustainable practices.

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Dear Parents,

Please find below, information pertinent to the Secondary section of DBS Rawdat.

- **Stars of the week**



To see all nominations, please visit: [Star of the Week](#)
Celebrate your child's success with them!

- **Red Lanyards – A Reminder**

For everyone's safety, all parents must wear their red lanyards when entering the school. If you don't have one, please collect a yellow visitor lanyard from security upon showing ID.

Kindly keep your lanyard visible at all times while on site. We appreciate your continued support and cooperation.

- **Uniform Reminder**

Please ensure students wear the correct school uniform, including black polishable shoes (no trainers or Nike Air Force), and only school jumpers, fleeces, or blazers. On colder days, a plain white or black long-sleeve top under the shirt is acceptable.

- **PE Uniform – Girls (Year 5 and above)**

As per MOEHE guidelines, girls must cover their legs during PE by wearing loose tracksuit bottoms or leggings under shorts.

For queries, contact Ms Lorente: paula.lorente@dbsrawdat.com.

Thank you for your support!

<i>Upcoming events</i>	
<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
<i>2nd March - 27th March</i>	Ramadan School Days
<i>30th March - 3rd April</i>	School Closed - Eid Holiday
<i>6th April</i>	First School day - Term 3
<i>QUESS Activities</i>	
<i>14th April @ 2:30pm</i>	Boys Table Tennis
<i>16th April @ 2:30pm</i>	Girls Table Tennis



DBS HIGHLIGHTS

FRIENDS OF DBS ANNUAL IFTAR

On Tuesday, 18th March, our school community came together for the annual Friends of DBS Iftar. This special evening brought together parents, students, staff, and friends of DBS in celebration of the Holy Month of Ramadan.

It was a heart-warming occasion where unity, reflection, and generosity were beautifully shared over a delicious Iftar meal. Events like this remind us of the strength and warmth of our DBS community, as we embrace the spirit of togetherness during this blessed time of year.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended and helped make the evening truly memorable. A special thank you goes to the Friends of DBS for organising the event.

Please see below for some lovely photos from the event.





SCIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

UNDERSTANDING OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM

The Year 7 class is currently studying multiple body systems. As part of our learning, we recently dissected a heart to gain a deeper understanding of the circulatory system. This hands-on activity allowed us to explore the heart's structure and function, enhancing our knowledge of how blood circulates throughout the body.

- Mrs Mekhalfia



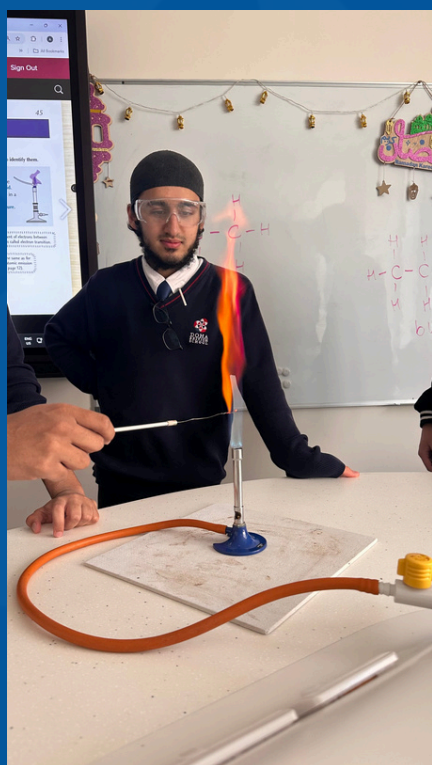


CHEMISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

BALANCING EDUCATIONAL PRACTICALS WITH CORE PRACTICALS

Our A-Level chemists have been working incredibly hard, especially after receiving the results from our January exams. Balancing educational practicals with core practicals has been a great way to break up the intense theory content, allowing us to connect our understanding in a hands-on way. It's been a valuable learning experience as we continue to develop our skills and knowledge

- Mrs Mekhalfia





SCIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

HOW DIFFERENT ORGANISMS RELY ON EACH OTHER WITHIN AN ENVIRONMENT

The Year 8 class participated in creating an ecosystem to deepen our understanding of interdependence. This hands-on project allowed us to explore how different organisms rely on each other within an environment. It was a great way to observe the connections between living things and their surroundings.

- Mrs Mekhalifa





CAREERS CORNER

OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 11 AND YEAR 12 STUDENTS: CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY'S SUMMER COLLEGE PREVIEW PROGRAMME (SCPP)

We are excited to share a fantastic opportunity for Year 11 and Year 12 students with strong academic potential who are interested in pursuing top-tier universities. The Summer College Preview Programme (SCPP) at Carnegie Mellon University in Qatar (CMU-Q) offers students the chance to experience university-level coursework and campus life.

Programme Highlights:

Academic Challenge: Engage in university-level coursework, including advanced math, writing, and project-based learning.

Skill Development: Learn time management, goal setting, and take responsibility for one's learning.

Career Exploration: Explore various career paths and gain hands-on experience.

University Prep Workshops: Participate in workshops to enhance competitiveness for university admissions.

Eligibility:

- *Year 11 or Year 12 students who are residents of Qatar.*
- *Applications require essays; incomplete applications will not be accepted.*

Why Apply?

This programme offers an excellent opportunity for students to challenge themselves, gain confidence, and prepare for the academic demands of university. Those who participate often return to school motivated and ready to excel.

How to Apply:

Apply here: [SCPP Application Link](#)

Deadline: Ensure to submit essays along with the application.

We encourage all eligible students to apply for this valuable experience!



The Link Between Attendance and Attainment

To raise awareness of the crucial role attendance plays in academic success, we would like to share a recent research report published by the UK Department for Education in March 2025. While this study is based on data from schools in the United Kingdom, its findings provide valuable insights that are highly relevant to our British curriculum context here at DBS.

The report highlights the strong link between consistent school attendance and improved attainment, particularly in assessment years.

We encourage all parents to read the full report using the link below:

- [Link Here](#)

Thank you for your continued support in promoting excellent attendance.



The link between attendance and attainment in an assessment year

Research Report
March 2025

LIBRARY NEWS

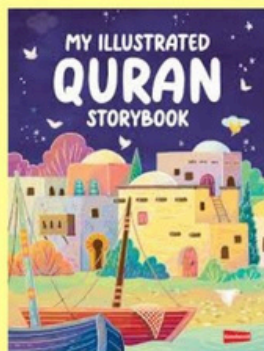
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BOOK of the Week

My Illustrated Quran Storybook by Saniyasnain Khan

This beautifully illustrated book presents a collection of engaging stories from the Qur'an, written in clear, simple language perfect for young readers. Each story highlights important lessons about kindness, honesty, patience, and faith, helping children understand the messages of the Qur'an in an accessible way.

With its colourful illustrations and gentle storytelling, this book encourages children to develop a deeper love and understanding of Islamic teachings.



BORROW TODAY!

Today in History

16 March 2025 - Garangao: A Joyful Mid-Ramadan Tradition in Qatar
Midway through the holy month of Ramadan, children in Qatar celebrate Garangao, a cherished tradition that highlights community spirit and generosity. This year, Garangao will be celebrated between 14 and 16 March, as families and neighbourhoods mark the occasion on different nights. Children dress in colourful traditional clothing, sing festive songs, and go door-to-door collecting treats and nuts in beautifully decorated bags. It's a joyful time that brings people together, blending fun, culture, and the values of sharing and kindness.



20 March - International Day of Happiness
Celebrated worldwide, this day reminds us that happiness is a universal goal. It encourages kindness, gratitude, and positive actions!



Source: www.onthisday.com

"RAMADAN IS A CELEBRATION OF FAITH, REFLECTION, AND COMPASSION – A TIME TO PURIFY OUR HEARTS AND RENEW OUR PURPOSE." – NOUMAN ALI KHAN



Ongoing Reminders – Useful to Know

• [Access to E-library for Students – Information on how our students can access the free e-book library from home](#)

• [School Calendar 2024/25](#)

• [School Uniform and Schol Shoes 2024-25](#)

• [Staff email contact list](#)

• [Google Classroom](#)

• [School Day Guide](#)

• [Careers Guidance](#)

• [Head of Houses](#)

Kind regards,

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