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Welcome to Elite



Message From the Board

First of all, I would love to thank every member of the elite family for the support, dedication and the time you spent in Elite. We had an amazing and successful year. We have achieved a lot this year it wouldn't be possible without you! Elite has achieved:

5 Year Accreditation from AIAA

AdvancED Accreditation

Elite was placed 4th in the UAE Culture Competition

Elite was placed 2nd, 3rd and 5th in the Reading Carnival Competition

Elite was 2nd in the Abu Dhabi Quran Competition

We have reached the national round in the Think Science Fair with an application created by our students and supported by our staff called "Pharmacy Finder"

We have won first place in the KWN competition

Elite participated in Dubai Scholar cup round 2 and won gold and silver medals

This is just a sample of what we have achieved together. These achievements would not have been possible without the talented minds and teaching creativity of our teachers, the effort of our students and the unconditional support of our parents and the community.

There is no doubt that the competition among schools is getting tougher, acceptable is not acceptable anymore. We are proud of what all of you have done despite the many challenges we all have had. We are starting a new chapter in our story. As part of that, we are having an organisational structure and new capable team members are joining us. Together as one team, and with the support of every Elite member, we will deliver our mission to prepare a generation of educated, innovative and globally-minded future leaders.

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Abu Dhabi International Book Fair

ABU DHABI NATIONAL
EXHIBITION CENTER

"Today a reader, tomorrow a
leader"

The Abu Dhabi International Book Fair (ADIBF), under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, is the most diverse book fair in the region.

Inaugurated 29 years ago by the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the Fair has gained a global reputation as a leading literary trade and cultural event in the region. It aims to highlight the UAE's rich heritage, showcasing its authenticity and modernity, as well as its cultural and literary output.

As usual, Elite Private School attended the Bookfair on April 28 and 29 of April 2019. Our students had a great time and they went through the booths, selected and purchased many books, stories, and educational games.

It was an extraordinary event and an excellent way to promote reading and an opportunity for an outdoors library activity.





The Dangers of Drugs and Smoking

COLONEL MOHAMMED
KHALIFA AL KAABI FROM
ABU DHABI POLICE

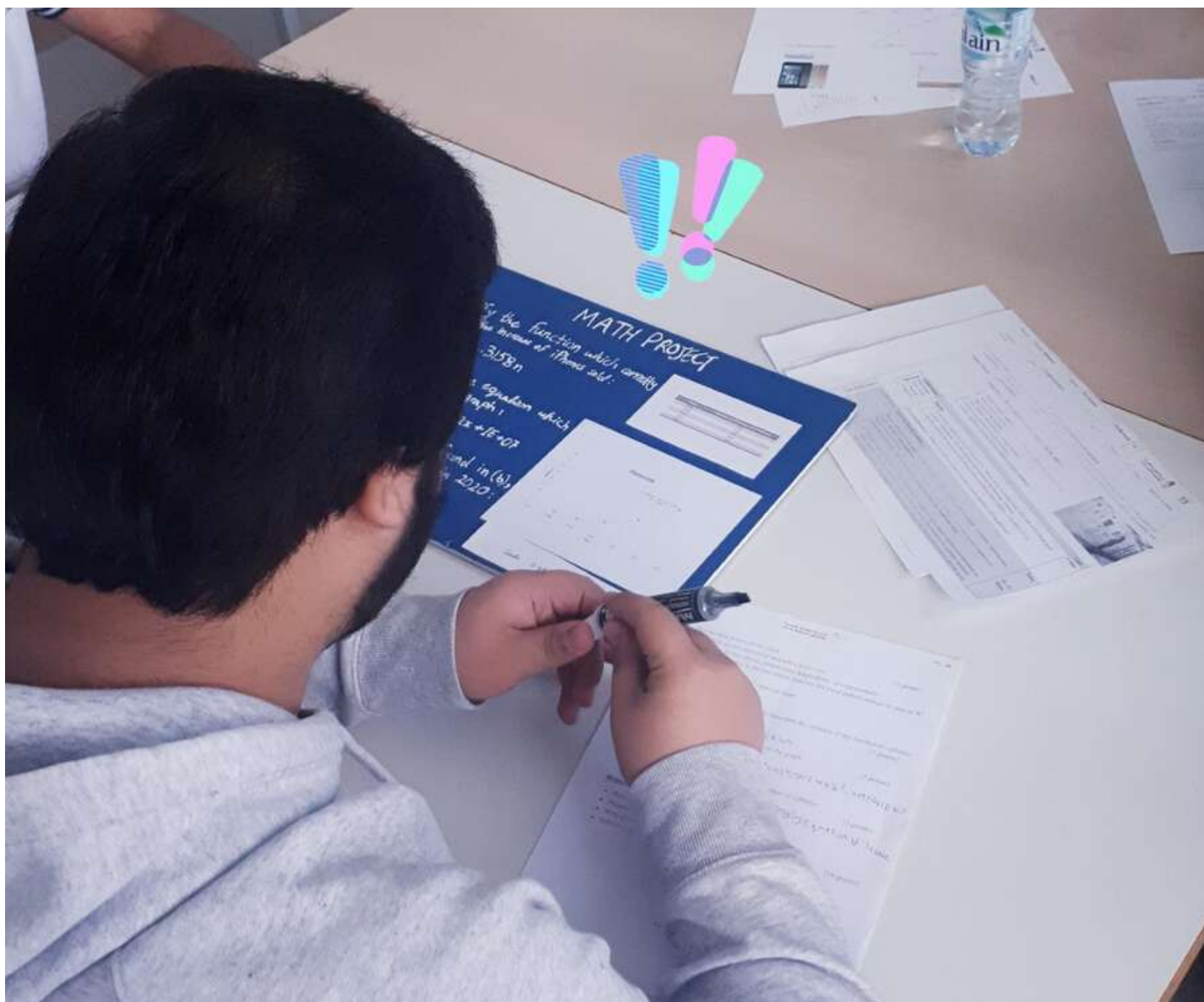
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The use of drugs and smoking among teenagers can have serious effects on their physical and mental health. These include:

- Poor school performance: Teenagers may remember less of what they have learned
- Anti-social behaviour and mental health: the consumption of drugs is linked to anti-social behaviour, mental health problems and permanent brain damage.

- Teenagers who drink and smoke are more likely to take drugs and have a high risk of premature death.
- The use of drugs and cigarettes during teenage years can impair brain development and cause loss of memory and other skills.

In May, we had the pleasure of receiving at Elite Private School the Colonel Mohammed Khalifa Al Kaabi from Abu Dhabi Police for an Awareness Lecture on the dangers of drugs and smoking



iPhone Project

MATHEMATICS PROJECT

Over the last few years, there has been a massive increase in mobile phone usage and market penetration.

At first, only a few people had smartphones, then within a short period of time, the majority of people has an iPhone or similar smartphones.

For this project, students were

given data describing this phenomenon. The objective was that by using an excel spreadsheet to the plot; the students were able to identify the pattern of data. Also, using the function generated by excel, students were able to predict the number of iPhones that will be sold by 2020.

The use of Maths in everyday life



Be the change.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others'.

Engaging in community service provides students with the opportunity to become active members of their community and has a lasting, positive impact on society at large. Community service or volunteerism enables students to acquire life skills and knowledge, as well as provide a service to those who need it most. These are some of the common benefits of participating in a community service program:

- 1. Psychological benefits: Volunteering increases overall life satisfaction and helps you feel good about yourself because you are helping others. It can also help to decrease stress and ease depression.
- 2. Social benefits: Volunteering engages students with the community, creates special bonds with the population being served, and increases social awareness and responsibility.

3. Cognitive benefits:
Volunteering helps students enhance their personal knowledge, grow from new experiences, and develop better interpersonal communication skills.

Therefore, grade 11 students participated in a project with the theme "Adding pleasure and fun to the lives of the disabled".

Students and teachers paid a visit to Al Noor Centre for the Care of Disabled where they made some shows, gave candies and gifts, and danced a lot! The smiles on the faces of those angles were priceless; the inspiration students got was something they never experienced in their entire life! It was a fabulous day, to be remembered for a lifetime.

Note: The faces of Al Noor Center's children are blurred for child protection



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A photograph of four children in school uniforms sitting on a floor, playing with colorful toys. A girl on the left is focused on a red box filled with colorful blocks. Two girls in the center are looking at each other, one holding a small orange toy. A boy on the right is holding a green toy. The background is decorated with colorful paper flowers and large numbers. The text "Play is the work of childhood" is overlaid in white, with a double horizontal line above and below it. The name "JEAN PIAGET" is at the bottom.

Play is the work of childhood

JEAN PIAGET



Graduation Class 2019

COMMUNITY

"Wherever you go, go with all your heart."

Time is up! The day has come in which faculty members can see the fruit of their hard work and effort; so ripe, tasty and gleams! This is the big day. Everyone has arrived; Elite population, parents, students and guests. All are excited about this unique day, and all are doing their best perform their roles. Everything is in place, everyone are wearing their fancy clothes to celebrate this special day!

The graduation ceremony was an orchestrated process involving a march of students onto the stage, the reading of speeches, the giving of diplomas, and of course - the commencement exercise,

the official moment when the students are declared graduated. It is one of the most important moments in an Elilter's life as it marks a transition from one stage in his/her educational life to another. The major part of the ceremony was taken up by the distribution of degrees to the students who march up the stage as their name and major is announced. It is a moment of pride for a student as well as the teachers who look on with a sense of achievement as an academic degree is conferred on their child.

Greetings Class of 2019; we did it. We're finally graduating.

We walked across that stage and handed our diplomas at an event that has been 13-plus years in the making. It's remarkable, isn't it?

All of those nights we spent cramming for the test the next morning, all of the books we read and the essays we wrote, all of the lessons we learned from not only our teachers, but our friends as well, all of the friendships/relationships we began, ended, and mended, and all of the wonderful and terrible experiences we have had throughout high school and the other years we spent in K-12 education have led up to this day that we never thought would come so fast.

When I think about the Elite Graduates of 2019, I think about social activists, entrepreneurs, artists, musicians, writers, photographers, scientists, teachers, leaders, philosophers, and so much more. I think about people that know how to do everything from code websites to people who can launch social justice campaigns that change the world.

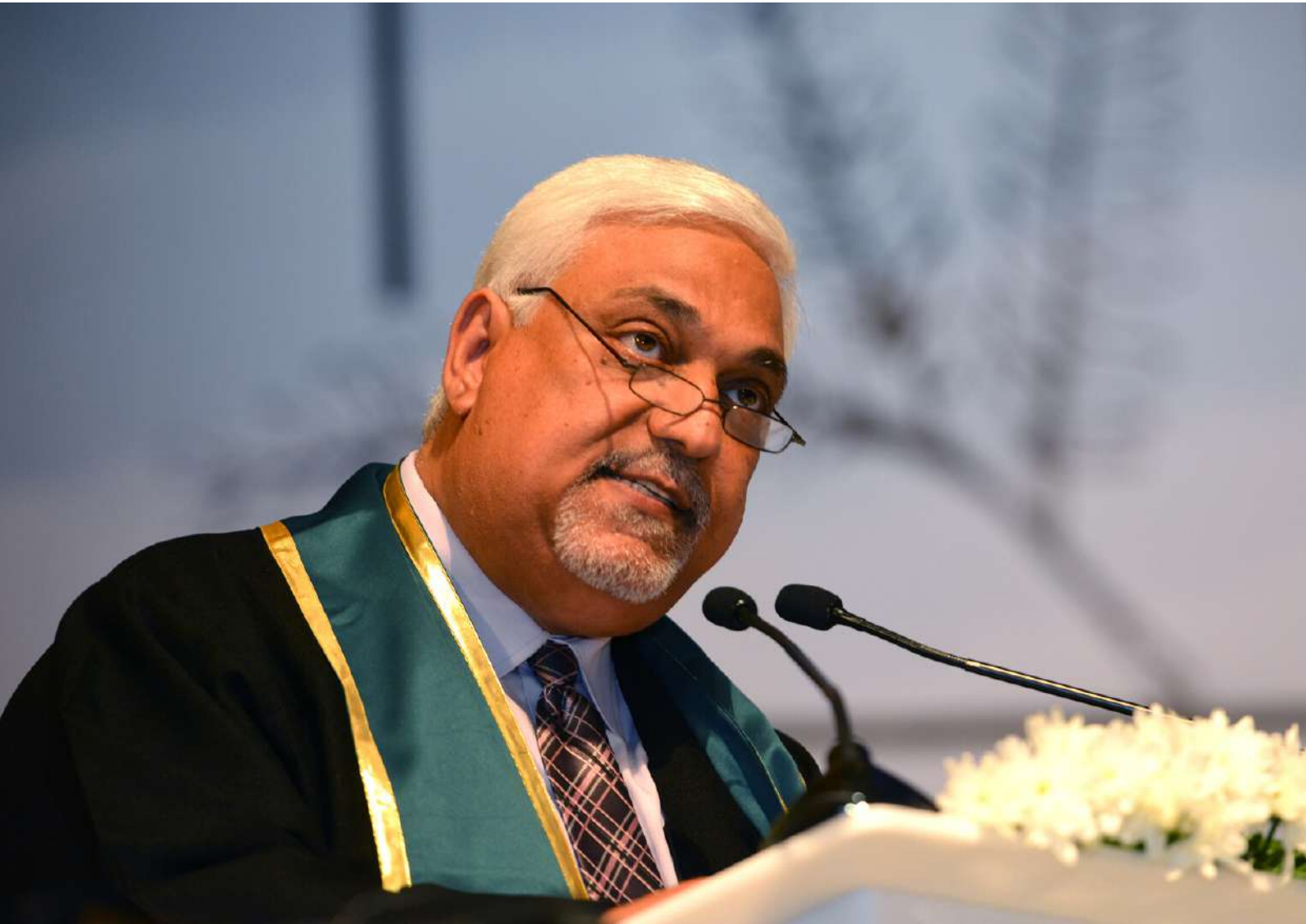
No, we're not perfect. While we are the generation dedicated to ending bullying, we also are the generation that went from attacking people in person to attacking them behind a screen; those same screens have taken away some of our ability to appreciate things like letter-writing and in-person conversations. But we are who we are. We are the Elite Graduates of 2019 and we are going to change the world. We are going to leave this world better than we found it.

What we will miss the most of 2019 are the students:

- the highs and lows, the tears and laughter which is the high school life. As teachers, our wish is that students take all the skills they have learned and apply them toward life. The only way I know how to end this article is with a favorite quote of mine by Tom Brokaw: "You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world."

Ms Nabila Zu'bi













We did it again

COMPETITION

KWN (Kid Witness News) is a global video education program supported by Panasonic.

KWN (Kid Witness News) is a global video education program supported by Panasonic, with the aim of boosting creativity and communication skills and fostering teamwork through video production by children at the primary and secondary school levels.

In 2004, an international category was created in the contest for the first time, taking the competition global. The KWN Global Contest has been held annually since 2008. As of March 2018, around 3,450 children from 417 schools in 16 countries/region around the world have participated in the past year.

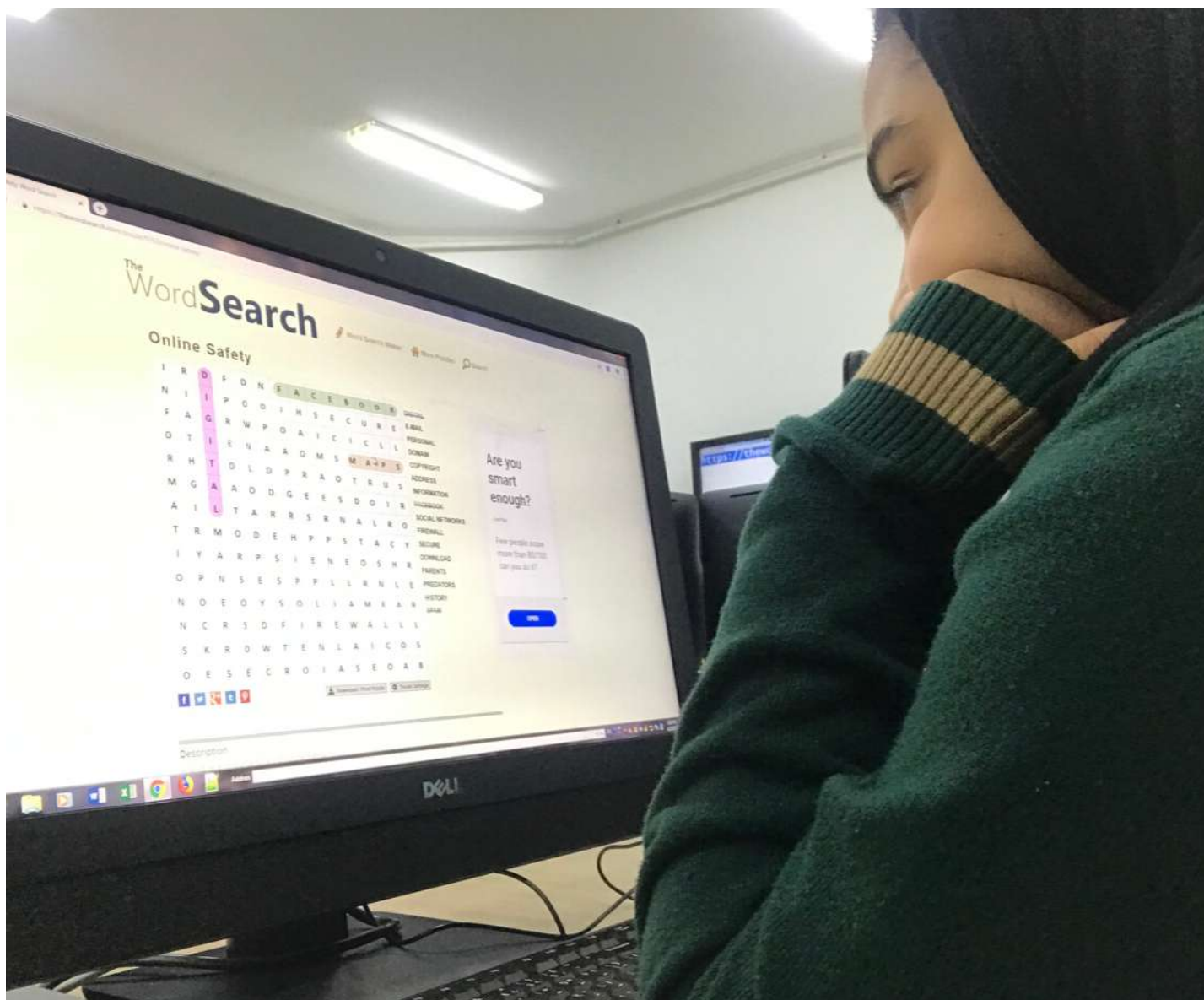
In 2017, Elite Private School Students won the Global Citizens Award, in Japan, with the video "Afflictions".

According to the juries, 'this video was impressive and courageous. An emotionally powerful story conveying the message of PTSD from a conflict situation affecting civilians.

This year, our students did it again and won the Kids Choice Award.

Congratulations to Leen Salim G10 and Suzan Mouzer G12.

Keep up the good work.



Online Safety

INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATION
TECHNOLOGIES

"Think before you click'.

Online safety is a top priority for parents and teachers who are providing internet access to younger children and teens alike. Safe search resources for the internet should not replace proper parental or teacher supervision.

Our students from grade 5 to 8 have done an "online safety word searching" using a website for word searching named "Educational word search". The main goal behind this activity is to increase the students' awareness of online safety issues.

The students have learnt a wide range of new vocabulary about online safety.

The winner of the two-level activity received a gift from the teacher.

The students enjoyed the activity and learned some online safety tips, like for example:

- Not to give out personal information about oneself online without your parent's permission. This includes your name, address and telephone number.

If they do not know a person in 'real life', tell the parents about anyone that is asking to meet them.

- Do not give out any of passwords to friends or anyone they meet online.
- Check with parents first before downloading or installing any software on the computer.

- Finally, children should agree to computer rules set up by their parents, teachers or guardians. With freedom and trust comes the expectation that they will act responsibly.



"Think before you click'.



The World Scholar Cup-Dubai

COMPETITION

"Competitions push you to achieve more".

The World Scholar Cup is an international competition involving top prominent schools in the region.

Elite Private School has participated in The World Scholar Cup-Dubai Round II along with more than forty other schools.

The competition is composed of various activities and assessments such as collaborative writing, team debate and scholars challenge

that aim to test students' aptitude and application of material studied of the competition's syllabus.

It also enables students to rank upon the scoreboard and advance onto the global rounds held in Yale University, USA.





Our Bus Drivers

COMMUNITY SERVICE

"Be the change you wish to see in the world'.

Our students of IIBC wanted to say thank you to our bus drivers.

Those gentlemen who drive us home every day attended, safe and secure, they do deserve appreciation! Therefore, they have selected this theme for their community service project.

Giving them quality sunglasses and caps to protect them from heat, students thanked our bus drivers wishing them the best and everlasting life of blessings.

Participating in community service not only makes a difference to the organization and people being served but it also makes a difference to

every student's career prospects.

Participating in community service activities helps to enhance student resumes by allowing students to obtain work-related skills prior to graduation, builds good references for employers in regards to community involvement, and provides a forum to network with future potential employers.

It also helps students develop civic and social responsibility skills and become more aware of what their community needs.





Planetarium Show

SCIENCE

"We should not teach children the sciences, but give them a taste of it".

The Science department arranged a Planetarium experience to primary students on 24 th April, 2019, in order to enlighten the students on concepts related to the solar system and space unit.

The students were also shown the movie Our Universe which showcased the arrangement of planets, position of stars and other interesting facts about the galaxy.

The planetarium proved to be an enjoyable learning experience for the students.

As the lights dimmed and the journey through the stars began, the excitement among the students was overwhelming.

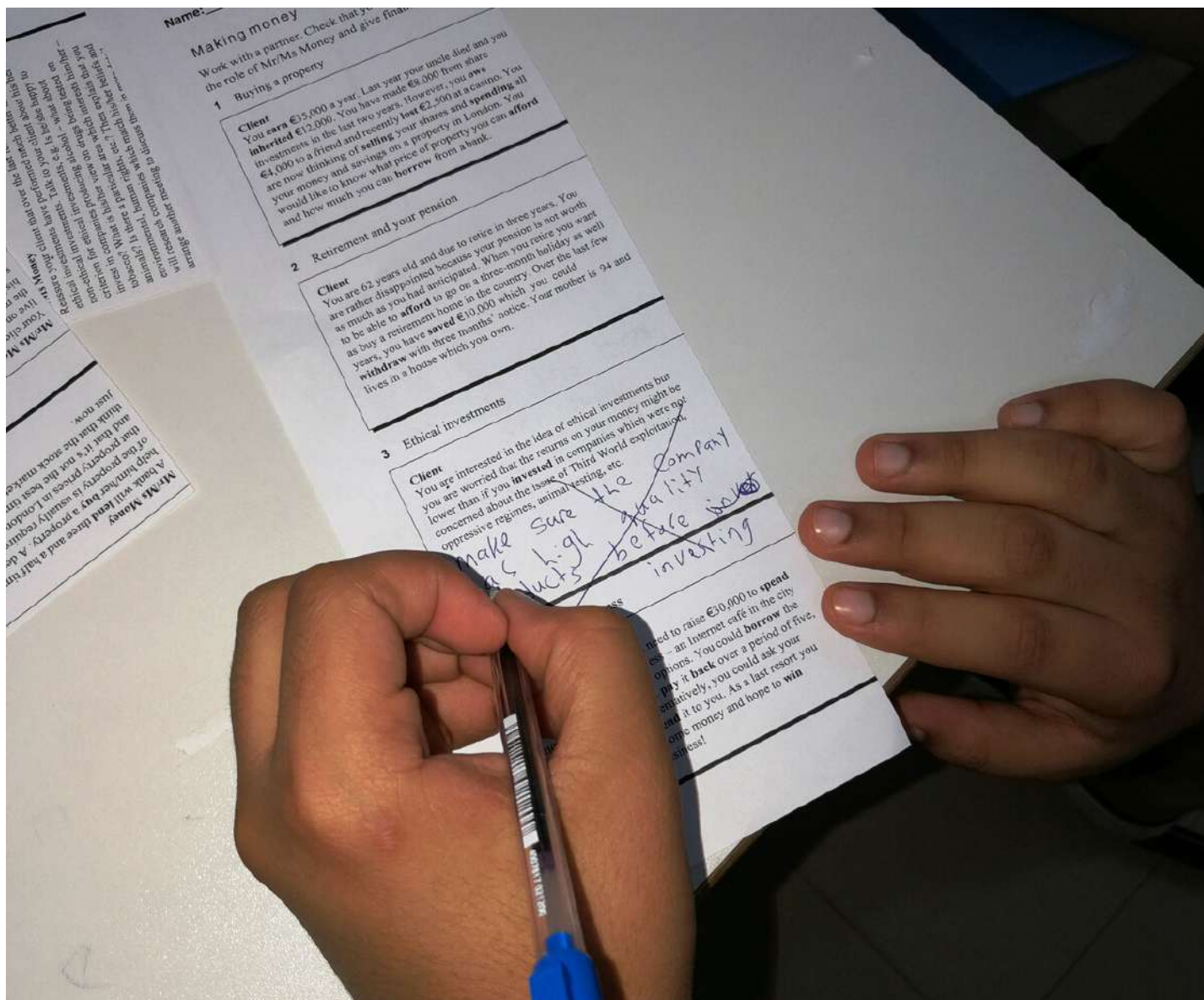
The sky came alive on their massive dome theater. The show was extremely amazing and provided a good visual experience as well as factual knowledge of astronomy.

At the end of the show the students were encouraged to ask questions to clarify their doubts.









Mr. Money - Financial Game

BUSINESS

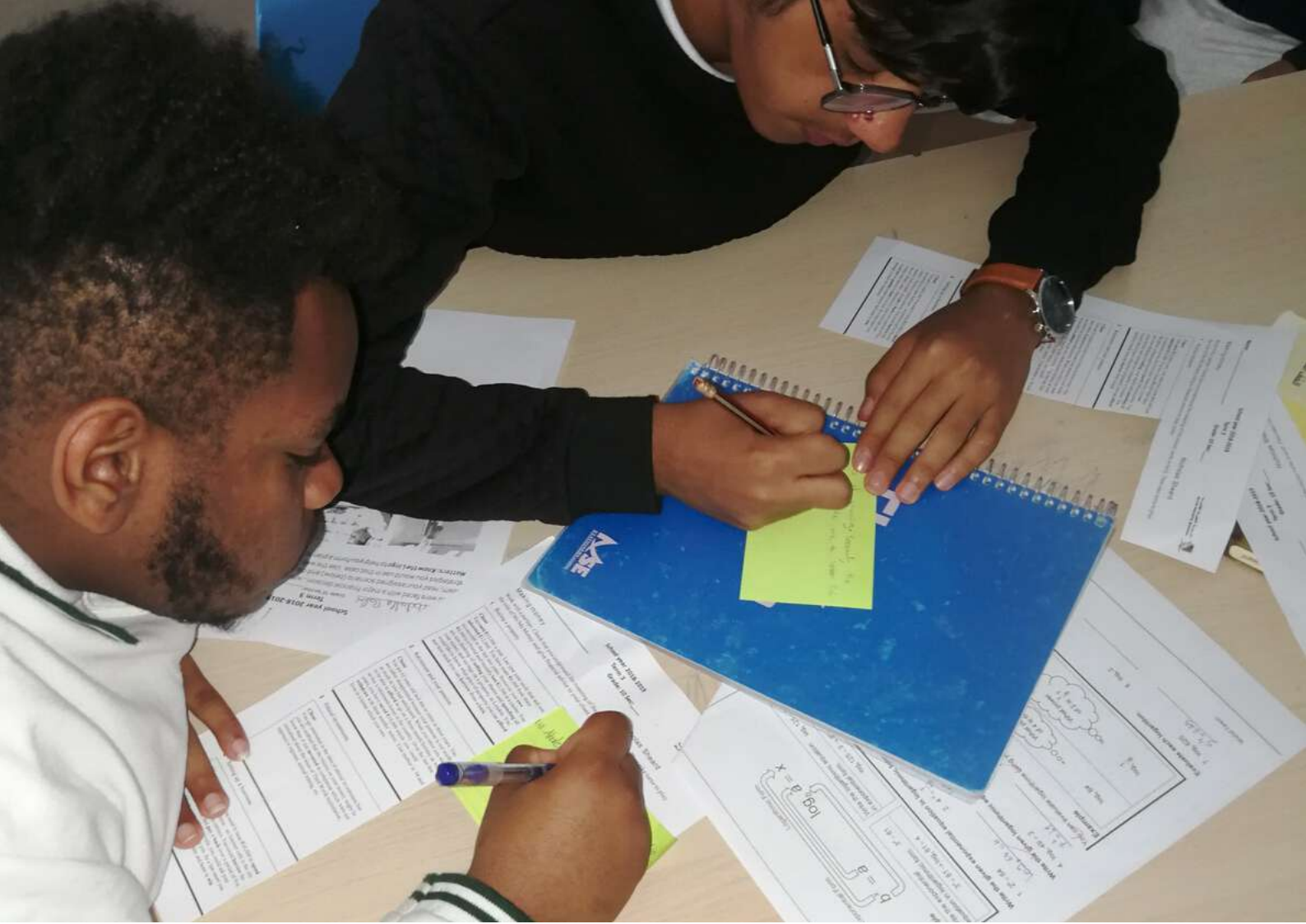
"Every student can learn, just not on the same day, or the same way'.

Money games for children are great tools to teach children what money is, how it's used and its value. Playing these types of games with your students makes learning fun and encourages students to ask questions about money and hopefully probe a little deeper.

The students worked in pairs to play Mr/Ms Money, a financial adviser, giving advice to different clients. This game also aims to teach financial vocabulary to the students.

The class discussed the topic of money by asking students if they have ever had any advice from a financial adviser and if the advice turned out to be good or bad. Students could choose different situations and took turns playing the financial adviser and giving advice to a variety of clients. At the end, the students act out the conversations

Our students had fun and learned some valuable money management skills.





AdvancedED Accreditation

COMMUNITY

'The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided meets acceptable levels of quality'.

Accrediting agencies are third-party entities whose purpose is to insure that institutions and programs meet standards for program quality and that they are committed to continuous improvement.

To obtain accreditation, the institution must demonstrate that it meets the requirements of the accrediting. Accredited institutions undergo rigorous review before accreditation is granted and are evaluated regularly to insure continued compliance with standards and policies that demonstrate the quality of the institutional or individual programs.

AdvancedED is the largest community of education professionals in the world based in the United States.

They conduct rigorous, on-site reviews of a variety of educational institutions and systems to ensure that all learners realize their full potential.

Their expertise is grounded in more than a hundred years of work in school accreditation.



Spelling Bee

COMPETITION

"This competition encourages students to learn new concepts".


The spelling bee competition took place in April. Students were chosen to take part to spella board selection of words with a varying degree of difficulty!

It encourages students to learn new concepts and develop correct English usage that will help them in their academic years and beyond into their careers.

This is a great competition for students to broaden their vocabulary and also a challenge for them.







One child, one
teacher, one
book, one pen
can change the
world

MALALA YOUSAFZAI



Anti-bullying campaign

PRIMARY SECTION

**STOP BULLYING. BE A FRIEND
IN NEED.**

On April 29, 2019 we started our first activity on anti-bullying; the anti-bullying chain which represents the UNITY of the students to stop bullying others. How do you stop bullying? These bright paper rings—looped into a chain—highlight kind and respectful ways to treat people.

We also created a big PEACE logo to promote a peaceful environment in the school. If there is no bullying, there will be peace.

In the same day, after the activity we gave students a little souvenir- a quoted bookmark.

We believe that even though you can sometimes feel alone, sad, left out, and stressed there's still HOPE, LOVE, PEACE, ACCEPTANCE, COURAGE and help in our community.

On May 1, 2019 we made a PLEDGE TO END BULLYING and we sealed it with our red coloured hand prints. We all know that bullying is everywhere, and we are going to continue to fight to stop it. We will not stand back. We believe that everybody has a right to live in a community where they feel SAFE, INCLUDED, VALUED, and ACCEPTED regardless of the differences.





Kindergarten Graduation

KINDERGARTEN

"Kindergarten education allows the children to learn while playing".

We at Elite recognized and honored the accomplishments of our kindergarten class of 2019.

It was overwhelming to see our children have already climbed the first step of the ladder of their education and are heading to the next step which is the formal education or grade school.

Kindergarten education allows the children to learn while playing and learn many new things.

We would like to congratulate all the graduates for successfully completing their kindergarten education and wish them success in their further journey.

Thanks to teachers, supporting staff and the parents for playing a key role in the learning process of Kindergarten 2.











Reading Carnival

ARABIC DEPARTMENT

**“The first book maintained
Students write the first line in
the future”**

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These were the words with
which His Highness Sheikh
Mohammed bin Rashid Al
Maktoum to manifest the
importance of reading in our
Arab World.

Our Eliters have adopted such
precious values in their pursuit
to read as many books as
possible (over 50) in one
academic year. Students work
through five stages of the
competition reading ten books
and summarizing their content
in the challenge passports.
Upon completion of the

reading and summarizing, the
final stage of elimination
commences according to set
criteria.

In Elite, we believe in the
crucial role of reading in the
build-up of students’
intellectual and emotional
dimensions. Reading,
according to Elite ethics,
provides the following benefits:

- Raise awareness of the
importance of reading among
students and youth in the Arab
World.
- Improve Arabic language
skills, including fluency and
eloquence in Arabic speech.
- Develop self-learning,
analytical and critical thinking.

- Skills, and broaden understanding and comprehension. Develop emotional and intellectual intelligence.
- Promote cultural awareness among students.
- Build a network of young Arab readers and facilitate the communication between them to build Arab cultural gatherings.
- Promote patriotism and Arabism, and the feeling of belonging to one nation.

Our Eliters won the First, second and third place consecutively in the following competitions:

**Animated Reading Contest
(Second Place by G7 Wadeema Al MARzouqi)**
**Creative Reader Competition
(Third Place by G8 Abdullah Al Naqbi)**

**Holy Qura'an Competition
(Second Place by G6)**
**Different reading and creativity competitions.
(Animated reading, unusual locations' reading, reading pictures...).**

Such victories felt rewarding and with every book our Eliters finished, they felt a sense of progress. This has been a challenge where nobody else could judge them, their passion, their intellect, IQ or their commitment. they chose how much they wanted to put in and then worked towards meeting the goal.

In this way, a reading challenge is a personal, quantitative and yet simple action plan to work on knowledge and personal development, look after your wellbeing and receive a reasonable dose of me-time and work towards an achievement to celebrate at the end of the year.





Music Concert

PRIMARY SECTION

"Music education can help spark a child's imagination or ignite a lifetime of passion".

The music concert took place at the end of the school year .It was a fantastic success. Throughout the academic year, students are challenged to be creative, through composing melodies and different rhythms.

We encourage our students to develop their talents by taking part in the school choir.

There was a diverse range of complexity which gave our students an opportunity to sing solo and as a group.

Overall from this outstanding performance, we are going to pursue an annual music concert. As well as we are planning to incorporate technology into the music lessons.





Welcome to Elite

COMMUNITY

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Ms Reneta Sanders

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Ms. Reneta Sanders is a successful Educational Specialist from the US with over 18 years of expertise in administering professional development workshops for teachers and administrators that drive success within classrooms and schools. Mentors educators in the creation and implementation of classroom instruction, lesson planning, data analysis, assessment and behavior management. She has a proven record of successful school leadership through surpassing state goals and national recognition.



Ms Adrianna Chestnut

ACADEMIC VICE PRINCIPAL

Ms. Adrianna Chestnut is an American school leader with experience in the design, development and implementation of innovative programs, curricula and instructional methodologies. Possesses a passionate belief in the capacity of all children to learn and succeed and a sense of urgency about making that real for all students. Successful with ethnically and socioeconomically diverse students, including at-risk learners as well as high achievers. Active member, leader and contributor to each academic community.

Change and Improvement are
on the way



eid-al-adha MUBARAK

May Allah accept all your sacrifices and shower his
blessings and love on you.

Thank you to the parents

we want to thank you for working in partnership with us to ensure your kids are achieving their best.

Given their outstanding performance this year, our hopes are only getting higher for the upcoming school year.

Stay tuned and thank you for your cooperation.

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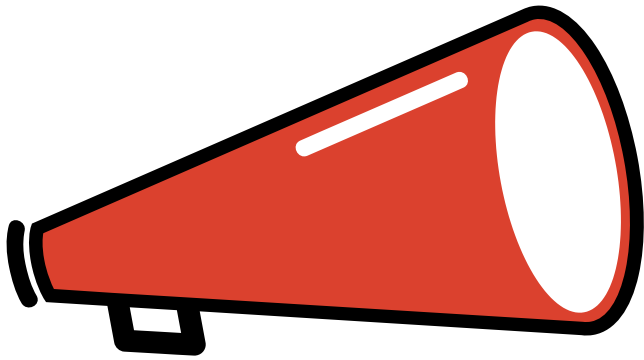


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Start Dates for Academic Year 2019-2020

Grade 1 to Grade 12: 01 of September 2019

KG: 15 of September 2019

