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Greetings Elite Private School Family,

The opportunity to serve as principal of Elite Private School is met with much enthusiasm and the expectation of great things to come. I look forward to continuing my 20th year in school leadership with Elite, while adding to a foundation of varied experiences attained through leadership roles in the United States of America and the United Arab Emirates. The most essential aspect of my role as principal is to set the stage for effective teaching and learning opportunities in a safe, orderly, and secure environment. To do so, we must work together towards upholding this common goal. Our school's mission, "To prepare a generation of educated, innovative, and globally-minded future leaders," will serve as a

compass to direct initiatives, plans and programs within our school community to best serve our students. Collaborative efforts between school faculty and parents is key to ensure our mission is successful.

I am truly ecstatic about working with each of you to lead the students of Elite Private School into a bright future of individual and collective successes.

On behalf of the school administration, teachers, and staff of Elite Private School, we thank you in advance for your cooperation and continued support!

All the best,
Goler L. Collins III
Head of School

Welcome Message

MR. GOLER COLLINS III

Head of Schools



A letter to the Parents

MR. ABBAS ABDULSAMAD

Global Vice Principal

Dear valued parents,

I am delighted to welcome you to Elite Private School in Abu Dhabi. EPS always strives for the growth of ALL students in their academic achievements and well-being.

Our mission in EPS is to prepare a generation of educated, innovative, globally minded future leaders. I will work in a full capacity to transform the school vision into a reality by ensuring that the school is providing quality education in which students are college ready and are equipped with lifelong skills.

The UAE National Agenda Targets are the guidelines that will enlighten our ongoing journey in EPS toward excellence.

I am very excited about working with the active and involved parents. I believe that our partnership together will have a huge impact on the individual progress of each child.



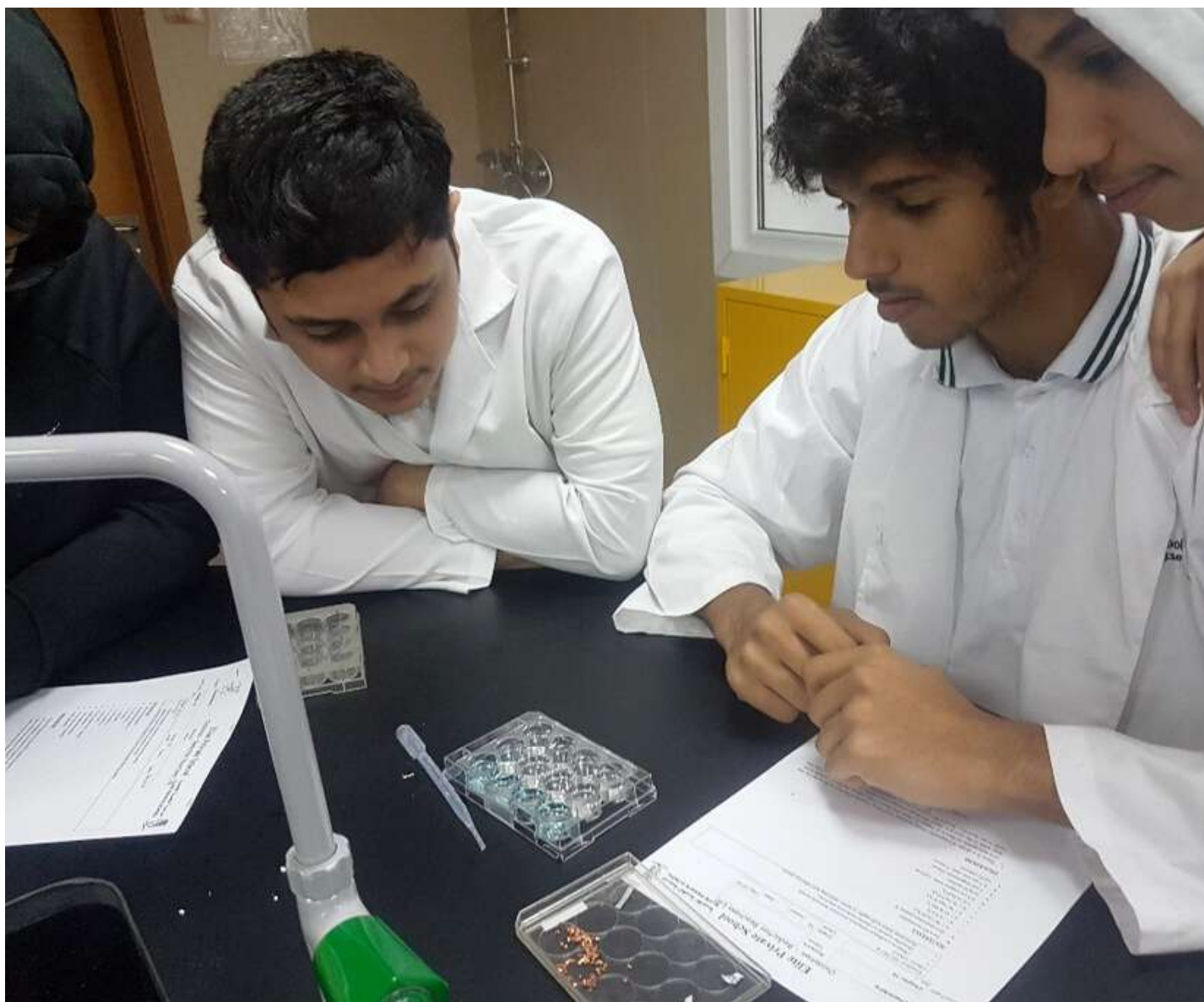
First Day at School

A school is a place of learning for a child. It is a training ground for them.

Here, they form new associates, come in contact with other children of different temperaments, and form new ideas and habits.

It is here that they prepare themselves for the stage of life. So, the first day of school is of great importance for them.

You're off to great places. Today is your first day! Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way!



Chemistry Lab

HIGH SCHOOL

"A laboratory is always considered as a relevant and essential part so far as the teaching of Science is concerned."

School laboratories are the place where students can perform researches, experiments and even learn new things.

School labs are a great place for students which helps them enhance their learning by understanding the theoretical concepts of science which are taught in classrooms.

It gives students first-hand experience and offers better opportunities for learning. It also helps in developing interactions between teacher-student and peer-to-peer, which helps them in experimentation, research, and exploration.

Our G12 students go to the lab to conduct experiments in order to observe the red-ox reactions between metals and then analyze their data to find the order of reactivity. These activities always come up with very positive results to our students.



Children of
today are
the leaders of
tomorrow

NELSON MANDELA





Collaborative Learning

Collaborative learning is one of Elite's teaching approaches where students work in groups so as to understand a concept, create a product or solve a problem. Unlike individual learning, students engage with one another to ask for information, evaluate their ideas and monitor their work together.

Collaborative learning involves clear stipulation of an educational task with instructions that require students to discuss the work so as to come up with solutions to the problem. During the discussion, they are encouraged to listen

attentively to the comments group members make. They also contribute to the sharing and can re-evaluate their views and come to conclusions.

Collaborative learning, nurtures the improvement of critical thinking skills via interpretation of ideas, and assessment of other student's thoughts and views. With collaborative learning, one can reflect on the actions and exchanges of the group and encourage others to do well as members share their thoughts, ideas, and feelings.



Former Students

They remind us why we teach.

After graduation, our 18-year-old (former) students scatter to the four winds. We teach them, we set them loose, and we hope they do well. Yet just because they are no longer in our classrooms doesn't mean we don't wonder about them.

Fortunately, sometimes they do come back to visit. They get a job in the area and come by after work. They are home from college for a break. They come to see friends, to see teachers, to help out. It means the world to me when they come back. Here's why.

One of the things we love most about teaching high school is watching our students grow and become adults. Once they graduate, though, we stop getting to see that process. When kids come back, we get to hear about their lives and see how much they've changed.

They remind us why we teach. As someone who gets super focused and uptight, having someone come in who is there just to be happy and enjoy themselves reminds us of the fun parts of our job and to have fun with our students.



Pink Day

October: Breast Cancer Awareness Month

The "Pink Day" for breast cancer awareness was celebrated on September 21, 2019. It is crucial to educate all the children about the importance of this day and the significance of the Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Prevention and early detection save lives.

A bazaar was organized along with some other activities. Due to the generosity and enthusiasm of all, the bazaar was a success, and we were able to raise a considerable amount of money. The funds were donated to Breast Cancer Awareness.

The children and all staff members were very excited and beamed with enthusiasm as they carried out the activities.

Congratulations to everyone who went above and beyond to make it such a successful day.

We look forward to the continued and enthusiastic participation of our students in such awareness programs.







Sport for Eliters

For long, sports have been viewed as a way to stay healthy and keep fit. Its benefits have gone further beyond this. It has got both physical and physiological benefits.

Among the physiological benefits is mental health. Academics is related to the ability of the brain to capture, store and process information. Sports impacts on education are limitless. Students are encouraged to participate in sports while in school. Some benefits of sports for students are:

Teamwork

Teamwork is key to success. In sports, you have to collaborate with other team members to win. To succeed in education, a student needs to work hand in hand with teachers and fellow students. Teamwork skills are among other requirements to secure a good job.

Self-confidence and self-esteem

A motivated student is more likely to do well in class than a student who views everything to be against him or her.



Leadership

In sports, there is leadership. Becoming a captain gives a student skills on how to become a good leader. Being a leader at school helps students gaining interest and leadership skills.

Social Skills

Sports bring people together. When playing in other schools, they get a chance to interact with new people. One gets to know the importance of people around him at a younger age. They appreciate the presence of everyone in their life.

Team sports offer more than just physical benefits for kids who participate. It also helps them emotionally and mentally.





Blue Day

Blue is the color of the sky and sea. It is often associated with depth and stability.

Blue symbolizes trust, loyalty, wisdom, confidence, intelligence and truth.

In order to emphasize the importance of Blue color, Elite School Of Excellence conducted Blue color day for KG students



Motivation begins at our doorstep

As a parent, you may begin to hear your child talk about Innovation, integration, and Multiple Intelligence (MI) inserted in their daily English lesson tasks and activities. As a parent, you may wonder: What is my kid talking about? What is MI? One goal for our school is to work with our teachers on continuous growth and learning. As a part of that learning, one teaching strategy being explored was Multiple Intelligence that paved the way for my students to utilize and implement this new knowledge to change their learning.

The new Term begins with so many challenging tasks for Grade 8 students that not only influenced us but also challenged the students to strive for more.

Individual Projects

With variety of projects the teacher challenged the students to become the experts.

These projects allow us as one team to work and develop 21st century skills beyond our knowledge of content.





"When you
know better
you do better."

MAYA ANGELOU



Plants & Nature

Learning about plants and nature is a satisfactory feeling. One can be outdoors in the fresh air and move around. When it comes to planting seeds, the sensory stimulation is an aspect of the experience.

Feeling the texture of the soil, the seeds, the plant leaves, the flowers, the thorns are all very interesting, as is the smell of the fresh garden and all of its plants.

Of course, most gardens are a visual explosion of colours, tones and shades.

Literacy skills are also a part of gardening. Learning the names of different plants and plant's different parts enriches the students' vocabularies and improves their ability to describe their world.

Children learn as they play. Our children loved getting in touch with the Earth. They were planting their own seeds. It increased their awareness of nature, eating healthy and taking care of the environment.





Book Fair

Elite Library

Reading, and the spread of knowledge, are key to the development and progress of nations, especially within children.

Reading forms an essential part of a child's growth and therefore, book fairs play a huge role in encouraging reading habits, especially among children. The Elite Private School Book Fair was held from the 3rd of November to November the 7th, of 2019 in the school's library.

Its aim was to encourage and inculcate the love for reading among students. A wide range of books of all literary genres and pedagogic games were displayed in the book fair.

Students, teachers and the staff members enjoyed the fair and selected the books they wished to read. The opportunity to browse books of so many varieties and in a large number at a time was a wonderful experience for the children and parents.









UAE National Day

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE?

The UAE National Day stands for UAE Union Day when the anniversary of the union between the six emirates on 2nd December 1971 is celebrated. This year, UAE will celebrate its 47th National Day. The buildings all over the country are decorated with red, white, black, and green colours of the UAE's flag.

The souvenirs and flags of National Day-themed items are sold at stores in every emirate. Some people even decorate their cars with national symbols and colours. The ways of celebration may differ throughout the country but their love and appreciation for the UAE keep them united.

In December 1971, the rulers of Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Al-Ain, Ajman, Sharjah, & Umm al-Quwain decided to unite and laid down the idea of UAE. Later in February 1972, Ras Al Khaimah decided to join them and become a single unit.

The idea of united settlement in UAE began after the British declared their desire to withdraw from colonies of the eastern Mediterranean. A meeting was held between Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan and Sheikh Rashid bin Saeed Al Maktoum and they decided to unite. They also invited the other Gulf Emirates to come together for the union.



After the British left in 1968, the National Day celebrations started three years later in 1971. When the Emirates Federal Constitution approved the principle on December the 1st, 1971. And the very next day, the seventh emirate decided to join in as well. Therefore, each year, 2nd December marks the celebration of the National day of UAE.

Here at ELITE PRIVATE SCHOOL we celebrated National Day on the 28th of November 2019. There was excitement and enthusiasm in the air as the students of the

Elite Private School commemorated the 48th UAE National Day through a Special Assembly held at the school. The children were enlightened about the significance of the UAE National Day, 'The Spirit of the Union' and the progress of UAE.

The assembly was conducted in Arabic, with a message on the National Day and reading the Holy Quran. Our KG students paraded and there was also traditional Arabic dances from the children. Children sang Arabic songs. The students clapped and

wavered to the music, waving the flag and saluting the UAE. Many students were dressed in the traditional Arab attire portraying the colours of the UAE flag.

A group of Elite students also participated in the celebrations of the UAE National Day held at **Mohammed Bin Zayed Health Center**. Thanks a lot to our students and their parents.









The Meaning of Tolerance

"Tolerance and Forgiveness are a duty. If the Almighty Creator forgives us as human beings are His Creation, then shall we not forgive?"

The Late Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

"To treat every person, no matter what his creed or race, as a special soul, is a mark of Islam."

The Late Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE, has proclaimed the year 2019 to be "The Year of Tolerance" in the UAE, highlighting the UAE as a global capital for tolerance, and emphasizing as a universal concept aimed at entrenching the values of Tolerance, dialogue, coexistence and openness to different cultures.

The Grade 1 students went on a very exciting trip to the Um Al Emarat Park on the 12th of November 2019.

During the trip they learned more about Tolerance. They interacted and did activities regarding Tolerance in Arabic with the organisers. The students were very involved in the activities and loved every second of their day.

To put the cherry on the cake for that day, the National United Emirates Football team came to talk to the children and take pictures with them. It was a day filled with joy, laughter and learning about Tolerance.





Healthy Lunches

Every day is a healthy school lunch day here at ELITE.

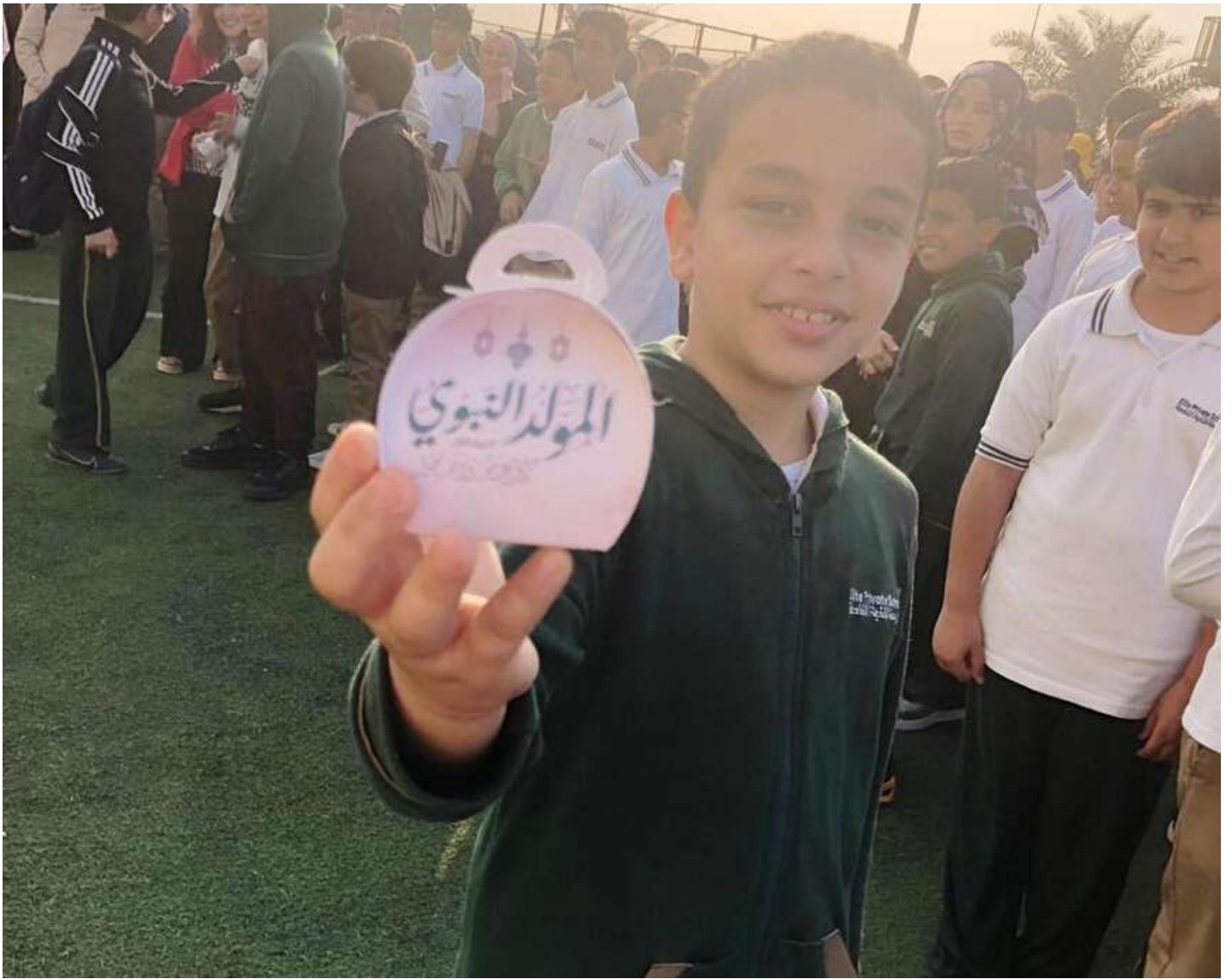
Children and their parents are taking part in packing healthy lunches each day in for their children. To be able to grow and concentrate well at school to learn new things one must eat healthy and choose healthy foods above unhealthy foods.

A healthy lunch consists of

five main food groups; they are:

- **Fruits and vegetables**, (bananas, apples, grapes, cucumber and carrots)
- **Protein**, (meat, eggs or beans)
- **Carbohydrates**, (bread) Oil (spreads) and
- **Diary** (cheese yogurt, milk).

Remember to pack in healthy food and make the right choices when it comes to eating.



Birthday of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH)

In November, we celebrated the Birthday of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH).

It is a way of demonstrating our love and veneration for God's Messenger. We are proud to hold the day in special significance.



National Flag-Day

The United Arab Emirates (U.A.E) Flag Day is a national occasion where people of the UAE remember the efforts of the founders of their State, Sheikh Zayed and Sheikh Rashid, and their brothers who sacrificed everything for the sake of their nation. It is a day when the national spirit is renewed, and an occasion to reflect on the achievements of the era of the President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan.

The UAE flag represents meanings of justice, peace, tolerance, power and moderation, under which all Emiratis live a decent life and enjoy security and stability.

This comes in continuation of the legacy of the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

The 3rd of November 2019 marks the accession of His Highness President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan.



We, Elite Private School celebrated national Flag Day. It was a day filled with appreciation to the beautiful country; United Arab Emirates.

Thank you, Elite Students, parents and staff for making this day a success. The national occasion of UAE Flag Day is a moment of pride and joy for everyone as they raise the flag to show their appreciation for the UAE.

Abu Dhabi Police Center - Traffic and Patrol Department

We at Elite were also honoured to be invited to participate of the National Flag Day celebrations held by the Abu Dhabi Police center.

We attended the event with around 30 students from different grades from Primary and Middle School, including our Elite Scout Team.

"Our flag is no ordinary symbol nor coloured fabric... it is a reflection of what who we are what we hold dear."

- His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE





Pyjama Day

Pyjama Day is a day that KG children were thrilled with the novelty of wearing their pyjamas to school and seeing all their classmates do the same!

Children were so proud of their pyjamas and some even brought along their favorite bedtime stories and toys.

The regular morning routine was replaced with a series of

special activities including games, bedtime stories and learning about the importance of sleep in our life.

The day has certainly given the children a lot to think about and we bid the sleepy heads a good rest that night.





Najah Exhibition

Most of the participating universities from the UAE are also ranked among the top 50 universities in the Middle East. Thousands of students visited the exhibition last week, and our students were no exception.

The students were accompanied by teachers and supervisors. They visited the stands, asked questions about the universities, the enrollment

process, studying abroad requirements, scholarships, etc. This experience gave a prospective students a fantastic opportunity to assess university options. The students were thrilled with this visit because the choice of a university is a complex process and this fair gave them the chance of looking for options both inside the UAE and abroad.



Elite Scout Team

The Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahayan Charitable and Humanitarian Foundation was established in 1992. The Foundation strives at remaining outstanding in delivering charitable and humanitarian activities aiming at improving the living standards of all human beings.

Our Elite Scout team participated in the event that took place in December in the Zayed Charitable & Humanitarian Foundation.

This event aimed to bring awareness about Multiple Sclerosis, a potentially disabling disease of the brain and spinal cord (central nervous system) that is still incurable.

Thank you to the parents

We want to thank you for working in a close collaboration with us to ensure your kids are achieving their best.

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