

2023 - 2024

#### MOISIV

To provide innovation-based, high-quality holistic education to produce self-directed, emotionally intelligent scholars.



#### MISSION

To provide a safe, conducive, and inclusive environment for learners, grounded in national and international values, to empower them to become skillful global citizens.



## NEWSLETTER

### SHEIKH KHALIFA BIN ZAYED ARAB PAKISTAN SCHOOL



## FROM THE DESK OF CHAIRMAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES "H.E FAISAL NIAZ TIRMIZI"

The right to education is one of the fundamental rights, guaranteed by international human rights law. In achieving this objective, Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Arab Pakistan School is making all efforts to provide affordable and quality education to multiple segments of society based in Abu Dhabi. We strongly believe that education, training and guidance are critical tools to enhance children's capacities in dealing with the multifaceted challenges of our time and act as empowered and productive members of society. Being established around 50 years ago, this school has made an important contribution by inculcating knowledge and other important skill sets to its students. This first newsletter of Sheikh Khalifa School demonstrates commitment of School management to remain engaged with parents and keep them abreast of academic activities and important developments aimed at improving education standards for the betterment of children.

Faisal Niaz Tirmizi







#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we approach the end of academic year 2023-24, let's take a moment to reflect on the various activities our students enthusiastically participated in throughout this academic year. In this newsletter, we'll share captured moments from these events, celebrating the diversity of talents and achievements within our school community. As we look back, it inspires confidence that, Insha'Allah, we will continue to excel and achieve even greater heights in the upcoming academic session. Thank you for being part of this journey.

Additionally, our commitment to NIM activities underscores our dedication to cultivating well-rounded individuals ready to meet the challenges of the future.

Moreover,I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we've had. It's almost time for the final exams, a crucial period for our students. I want to extend my heartfelt wishes to all our students, encouraging them to give their best effort during this exam season. Your hard work and dedication have brought us to this point, and I believe in each student's ability to succeed. Best of luck to everyone as we conclude another successful year.

Ms. Samina Shaheen

### NIM (NATIONAL IDENTITY MARK) STUDENTS' PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

Students engaged in activities of Arabic, Islamic studies & MSCS projects highlighted the importance of UAE's national identity, fostering a sense of unity and patriotism. Such activities are a way to teach them UAE's culture, values & citizenship. Through discussions, flag-themed art projects, and reflections on our cultural heritage, the day served as a poignant reminder of the values that bind us as a nation. The celebration not only instilled a deeper appreciation for our collective identity but also emphasized the role each student plays in preserving and honoring our rich cultural heritage.



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#### 52ND UAE NATIONAL DAY



SKBZAPS joyously commemorated the 52nd National Day of the UAE, embracing the spirit of unity and pride. The campus was adorned with national colors, and students participated in diverse activities, including cultural performances and flag hoisting. The celebration reflected our deep respect for the nation's rich heritage, instilling a sense of patriotism and unity among students, staff, and the entire school community.

# STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENT - SPELLING BEE COMPETITION AT EMIRATES & NATIONAL LEVEL



Our students excelled in the Spelling Bee competition at both Emirates and national levels, demonstrating outstanding linguistic skills and dedication. This achievement not only reflects individual prowess but also underscores our school's commitment to academic excellence in diverse arenas. We celebrate their success and recognize the hard work that led to this impressive feat on regional and national platforms.





#### BEAT THE HEAT

We recently hosted a lively "Beat the Heat" event, bringing students together for a day of refreshing activities. From water balloon fights to cool treats, the event provided a fun-filled escape from the summer sun. It was a joyous occasion, fostering a sense of camaraderie and resilience in the face of soaring temperatures.

### UAE FLAG DAY

SKBZAPS radiated patriotism and unity during the vibrant Flag Day celebration. Students and staff came together, proudly waving flags, showcasing a tapestry of national pride. The event symbolized our commitment to unity, respect, and the rich heritage of UAE we collectively cherish. It was a day filled with joy, camaraderie, and a shared love for our nation's flag.







#### ARABIC WEEK

Arabic Week at our school was a vibrant celebration of our rich linguistic and cultural heritage. Through engaging activities, language workshops, and cultural displays, students immersed themselves in the beauty of the Arabic language. The week aimed to promote a deeper understanding and appreciation for Arabic literature, history, and traditions. Students actively participated in various events, showcasing their language proficiency and cultural awareness. Arabic Week not only strengthened language skills but also fostered a sense of pride and connection to the cultural roots of our diverse school community.



#### PEACE DAY DONATIONS







In a heartfelt celebration of Peace Day, our school embraced the spirit of giving with a charitable initiative. Students and staff came together to make generous donations, embodying the essence of peace through acts of kindness. This collective effort reflects our commitment to fostering compassion, unity, and positive change within our community of UAE.

#### URDU & ENGLISH READING WEEK



The English/Urdu Reading Week was a vibrant celebration of language and literature at our school. Through engaging activities, book discussions, and storytelling sessions, students immersed themselves in the rich world of both English and Urdu literature, promoting linguistic diversity and a love for reading across various cultural dimensions. The week underscored the importance of language in shaping our understanding of the world, fostering a holistic appreciation for both English and Urdu as integral components of our literary heritage.



# MATH MANIA

Math Mania, a captivating event, successfully instilled the love of mathematics among students through engaging and enjoyable activities. The event created an interactive and positive environment, fostering a deeper appreciation for the beauty and applicability of mathematical concepts.













### ERGA (EAT RIGHT & GET ACTIVE)









SKBZAPSians recently conducted the ERGA initiative, fostering a commitment to holistic well-being among our students. The program emphasized the importance of maintaining a balanced and nutritious diet while incorporating regular physical activity into daily routines. Through interactive workshops, nutritional guidance, and engaging fitness activities, ERGA aimed to instill healthy habits and empower students to make informed lifestyle choices. This initiative reflects our dedication to nurturing not only academic excellence but also the overall health and vitality of our school community.

# HYDROPONICS WORKSHOP ALNAHDA SCHOOL









## CAREER GUIDANCE

Career guidance is vital for informed decisions. The Grade 9 orientation at SKBZAPS informed students and parents about the new session, elective subjects, and career paths, fostering awareness and preparedness for board classes. Trips to NAJA and the GCC Exhibition offered valuable insights into global higher education opportunities, aiding students in making informed choices post-Intermediate. These initiatives aim to align talents, interests, and aspirations, guiding students to set realistic career goals for success. The school's commitment to holistic development is evident through these efforts, ensuring students are well-equipped for a fulfilling academic and professional journey.

#### TEACHERS' TRAINING SESSIONS

SKBZAPS' recent teachers' training sessions were dynamic forums, focusing on the latest educational methodologies, technology integration, and effective classroom management. These sessions provided our educators with valuable insights, equipping them to create engaging and student-centric learning environments. The emphasis collaborative learning on innovative teaching strategies ensures our faculty remains at the forefront of educational excellence, benefiting both teachers and students alike.













#### >>> Innovative Recycling Initiatives

The young minds turned everyday materials into art, students unleashed their creativity, breathing life into discarded items and emphasizing the significance of repurposing for a greener planet.

#### Educational Insights through Art

The day not only highlighted the artistic prowess of our students but also served as an educational platform.





Community

Engagement and EcoConsciousness

The enthusiasm extended beyond the classroom, with students engaging in discussions about environmental issues.

#### CLIMATE CHANGE



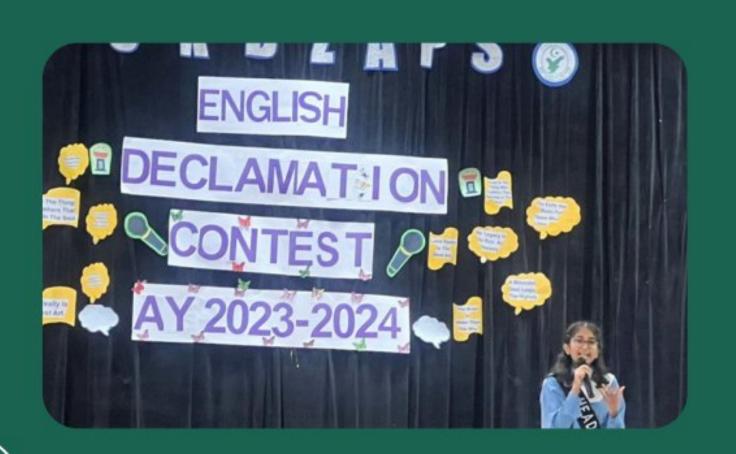




#### ENGLISH DECLAMATION CONTEST 2023-2024



Our school recently hosted a captivating declamation event, allowing students to eloquently express their thoughts on diverse topics. This platform not only nurtured public speaking skills but also celebrated the richness of perspectives within our vibrant school community, fostering a culture of confident expression and open dialogue.













#### BOOK TASTING EVENT

This event showcased a marvelous array of genres in English literature. Senior students warmly welcomed their junior counterparts, providing insightful introductions to various genres, creating an enriching exchange that celebrated the diverse facets of English literature.



























#### >>> ZERO EMISSION

#### Green Canvas Extravaganza:

SKBZAPSians' Zero Emission Day celebration was a vibrant affair as students immersed themselves in a sea of colors, showcasing their artistic talents. From eco-friendly drawings to imaginative paintings, each creation echoed the importance of a sustainable, zero-emission future.



### STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENT - WRITERS WITH BRIBOOKS PUBLISHERS











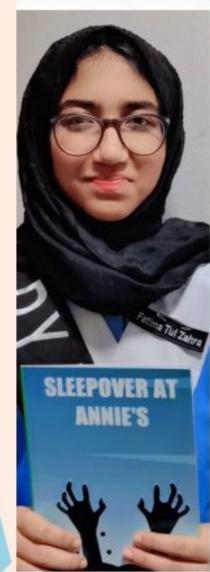
















#### INVESTITURE CEREMONY



The investiture ceremony at our school was a momentous occasion, marking the formal induction of student leaders into their respective roles. With a sense of responsibility and pride, the newly appointed leaders received their badges, pledging to uphold the values of integrity, leadership, and service. The event reflected our commitment to nurturing future leaders and fostering a culture of responsibility and excellence within our school community of UAF



#### SPORTS DAY



SKBZAPS' Sports Day was a spectacular showcase of athleticism, teamwork, and spirited competition. Students from various grades participated in a range of events, from track and field to team sports, displaying remarkable skill and sportsmanship. The vibrant atmosphere, cheers, and camaraderie made the day a memorable celebration of physical fitness, determination, and unity among our students. Sports Day not only promoted a healthy lifestyle but also reinforced the importance of teamwork and fair play within our school community of UAE.



#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic achievements are fundamental for student growth, fostering confidence and opening doors to future opportunities. Our annual class position holders' ceremony is a testament to our commitment to academic excellence, and celebrating high-achieving students. The recent SSC and HSSC results were a source of immense pride, with H.E Faisal Niaz Tirimzi, ambassador of Pakistan to UAE, presenting certificates of appreciation to the overall position-holders at a special ceremony held at the Embassy of Pakistan. This recognition highlights our students' exceptional accomplishments and emphasizes our school's dedication to nurturing academic excellence on an international platform. Our Board results are also a matter of great pride for us.

#### Overall, position-holders of SSC 2023

- Hafsa Bibi 10-G
- Zunaira Fatima 10-G
- Marifa Zeb 10-G

#### Overall, position-holders of HSSC 2023

- Rahma Bibi 12-I
- Muhammad Abdullah 12-U
- Sadia Bibi 12-G









#### OUR EXCEPTIONAL PIRLS RESULTS FOR THE YEAR 2021

We're exhilarated to announce that in the 2021 PIRLS Assessment, our school achieved an outstanding Mean Score of 509, placing us at the Intermediate International Benchmark level. This remarkable achievement is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and academic excellence of our students and educators. With 46 participating students, our school's commitment to fostering a stimulating learning environment has yielded exceptional results. Image is given below for reference:



PIRLS MEAN SCORES			
	Score	Benchmark	
Your PIRLS 2021 score	509	Intermediate International Benchmarking	
Your PIRLS 2016 score	465	Low International Benchmarking	
Abu Dhabi Private schools	483	Intermediate International Benchmarking	
All UAE Schools	460	Low International Benchmarking	

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS IN FEDERAL BOARD RESULTS







RAHMA BIBI	89%
MOHAMMAD ABDULLAH	87%
SADIA BIBI	86%
SHAHZAIB	83%
AIMAN MUHAMMAD RASOOL	83%

### ALUMNI (ONE CENT)

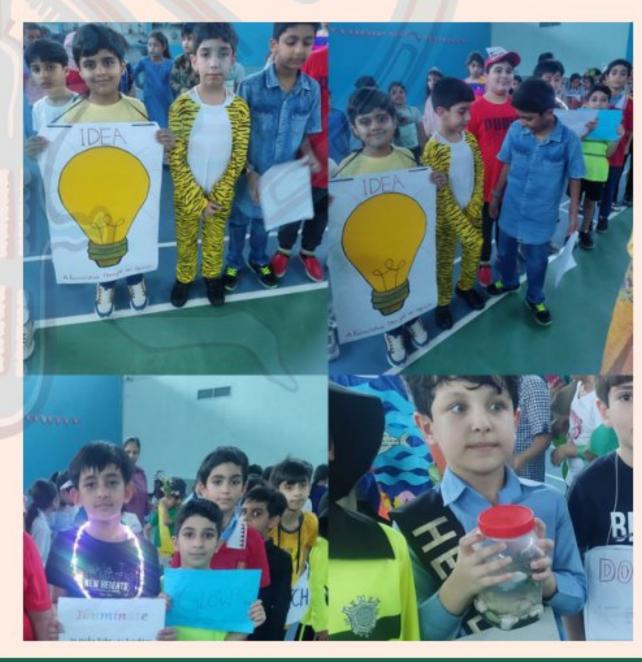
#### CEO/ SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Hi! I'm SARA DARA, I am an alumni of SKBZAPS, and I currently run an IT company. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the guidance and teachings that have been a cornerstone in my life. SKBZAPS influence has played a significant role in my journey, and I'm sincerely thankful for SKBZAPS and its teachers.



#### VOCABULARY WALK





#### A Day of Impact and Inspiration

"A Day of Impact and Inspiration" at our school was a transformative event that left a lasting imprint on our students. Filled with motivational speakers, interactive workshops, and meaningful activities, the day aimed to inspire and empower. Students were encouraged to explore their potential, set ambitious goals, and embrace the journey of self-discovery.

#### EID MILAD - UN-NABI





We joyously celebrated Eid Milad un Nabi, commemorating the birth of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). The event was marked by spiritual reflections, prayer sessions, and discussions about the Prophet's (PBUH) teachings. Students and staff came together in unity, sharing the message of compassion, kindness, and unity. The celebration not only deepened our understanding of Islamic values but also fostered a sense of community and harmony within the school.

#### IQBAL DAY

SKBZAPSians celebrated Iqbal Day with fervor, paying tribute to the visionary poet Allama Muhammad Iqbal. Through poetry recitations, essay competitions, and discussions, students delved into Iqbal's profound ideas, fostering a deeper connection to our cultural heritage. The event aimed to inspire intellectual curiosity and appreciation for Iqbal's contributions, reinforcing the importance of his vision for a harmonious society.









#### SCHOOL CAREER FAIR







The career fair held on January 17th at Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Arab Pakistan School, under the guidance of the school's career counselor, was a valuable opportunity for students from grades 9 to 12. The fair aimed to provide students with insights into various career paths and higher education options. The participation of esteemed institutions such as Abu Dhabi University, Liwa College, Qadri International, Abu Dhabi School of Management, Global Applied Knowledge Dubai, Regent Learning, AURAK (American University of Ras Al Khaiman), Coventry University, and IGEC showcased a diverse array of academic and vocational opportunities. The event was designed to empower students with the knowledge needed to make informed decisions about their future educational and career endeavors.











#### SCIENCE & ART EXHIBITION

We organized an enthralling exhibition, where creativity and innovation converged. The event showcased a myriad of artistic expressions and scientific discoveries, offering a platform for students to display their talents. From captivating artworks to cutting-edge scientific projects, the exhibition was a testament to the diverse skills and curiosity thriving within our school community. The synergy of Science and Art provided a unique and enriching experience, fostering a love for both disciplines and inspiring a new wave of creativity among our students.















## WAYFORWARD

#### OUR ENHANCED WEBSITE

Introducing the groundbreaking initiative of the "Whisper App". A secure platform on our homepage for students and parents (open to the community) to anonymously share social-emotional concerns with the Student Counselor and the Principal to connect, express, and empower emotional well-being for the care ,welfare and protection of students. Additionally, experience enhanced community communication through "tawk.to", a chatbot, and feel more engaged than ever before. Visit us online and discover the difference!

### CLASSDOJO

Exciting news! Our school is launching ClassDojo, an innovative educational platform connecting teachers, students, and families. With features like a dynamic feed for sharing daily moments and multilingual messaging, ClassDojo fosters enhanced communication and engagement. This initiative aims to strengthen our school community, providing a more interactive and inclusive educational experience for all.

#### RENOVATION OF LIBRARY & KG PLAYGROUND





We're thrilled to announce the upcoming renovation of the library, creating a vibrant space for enhanced learning. Additionally, we are revamping the KG playground to provide our youngest learners with an enriched and joyful outdoor experience. Exciting transformations await!

#### EMBEDDING TECHNOLOGY IN TEACHING & LEARNING





We're revolutionizing education by seamlessly integrating technology into teaching and learning, creating a dynamic and interactive classroom experience for students. This forward-thinking approach aims to cultivate digital skills and elevate the overall learning journey.

## WAYFORWARD

#### SCHOOL MAGAZINE

We are gearing up to launch our very own school magazine. This platform will serve as a creative outlet for our students, featuring a diverse range of articles, artwork, and insights. Stay tuned for a compilation that captures the spirit, achievements, and talents of our vibrant school community.

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAININGS

Our school is launching Continuous Professional Development (CPD) trainings to elevate the quality of teaching and learning! Through tailored workshops and collaborative learning opportunities, our educators will stay at the forefront of educational innovation, ensuring an enriched classroom experience for all students. Stay tuned for updates on our journey towards excellence!

#### CAREER GUIDANCE FAIRS & APTITUDE TESTS

Get ready to explore your future at our upcoming Career Guidance Fairs & Aptitude Tests. Discover your passions, uncover new possibilities, and make informed decisions about your career path. Stay tuned for more details on this enriching opportunity!

#### UPGRADING SCIENCE LABS

Prepare for an enhanced educational experience as we embark on upgrading our Science Labs! Stay tuned for state-of-the-art facilities that will inspire innovation, experimentation, and discovery. Together, let's cultivate the next generation of scientists and thinkers!

#### STATE-OF-THE-ART SPORTS FACILITIES

Experience the thrill of sports like never before with our state-of-the-art and enhanced facilities! From Badminton to Snooker, Basketball to Football, and Cricket Nets, we're transforming your sporting experience. Stay tuned for an exhilarating journey of fun, fitness, and friendly competition!

#### PARTNERSHIPS WITH UNIVERSITIES

Exciting Collaborations Ahead! we are doing partnerships with universities to pave the way for our students' brighter futures. Through these collaborations, students gain access to resources, mentorship, and opportunities for academic and career advancement. Stay tuned for updates as we empower our students to reach new heights!

#### PROSPECTIVE IELTS PARTNERSHIP WITH "BRITISH COUNCIL"

Our school is embarking on a prospective **IELTS partnership** with the esteemed **British Council**, opening doors to enhanced language proficiency and global opportunities for our students.

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