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The Power of Appreciation



As we reach the end of another extraordinary term, it is the perfect time to pause and reflect on one of the most important values within our College culture: appreciation. Whether it is recognising the dedication and talent of our students, the tireless work of our staff or the support of our families and wider community, appreciation is woven into everything we do at DESS College.

This term has provided so many moments that remind us of the importance of taking a step back to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of those around us.

Our Performing Arts students have delivered breathtaking performances, showcasing not just their technical skills but also their passion and commitment. From the dazzling whole-school production of Fame! to stunning individual recitals, their talent has rightly been met with admiration and applause. These performances serve as a reminder that great achievements are rarely individual efforts; they are shaped by hours of dedication, the guidance of teachers and the encouragement of family and friends.

Sport has also provided countless reasons for celebration. With over 100 teams competing in more than 600 fixtures, this term has been an incredible showcase of determination, skill and teamwork. From victories at the DASSA Football Finals to the excitement of hosting touring rugby teams from Argentina and Wales, our athletes have given their all, representing the College with pride. Their success is a testament to their commitment and the tireless support of their coaches, teammates and families.

Appreciation takes many forms, and as we mark the holy month of Ramadan, we are reminded of the deeper significance of gratitude, reflection and generosity. Our recent Ramadan assembly brought students together in a moment of unity, encouraging them to reflect on the values of compassion and kindness that this special time represents. It was an opportunity to not only deepen our understanding of Ramadan, but also to appreciate the strength of the diverse and inclusive community we are so privileged to be part of.

As we look ahead to the final term of the year, let us carry this sense of appreciation forward. Let us continue to acknowledge the efforts of those around us, celebrate each other's successes and recognise the many ways, large and small, that we contribute to the life of our College.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable break, and I look forward to another exciting term ahead.

Matthew Cotgrove
Head of School

A Season of Spectacle Performing Arts Shine at DESS College

This term, the Performing Arts at DESS College have reached new heights, with our talented students taking centre stage across a series of unforgettable performances, trips and competitions. From breathtaking musicals to thrilling theatre trips and award-winning musical achievements, the passion and dedication of our students have truly stolen the spotlight.

A Night of Thrills: Sweeney Todd at Dubai Opera

Our Year 13 CAPA students recently enjoyed a night to remember at Dubai Opera, watching a stunning performance of Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street. Known for its dark and gripping storyline, this world-class production offered an invaluable insight into professional theatre performance, set design and storytelling. Witnessing such a high-calibre show firsthand was an inspiration for our aspiring performers, deepening their appreciation for the craft.



Magical Moments: Year 8's Trip to Potted Potter

Year 8 Drama and English students embarked on an exciting theatrical adventure aboard the historic QE2, where they were treated to a captivating performance of Potted Potter. This dynamic show combined comedy, illusion and theatrical flair, offering a fantastic opportunity for students to see stagecraft and storytelling in action. The experience brought the magic of live performance to life, enhancing their understanding of both Drama and English studies.



Musical Mastery: Recital Evening Success

Our talented musicians took to the stage for a special Recital Evening, delivering breathtaking performances that showcased their incredible skills. From soaring violin concertos and technically brilliant piano solos to emotionally powerful vocal pieces, the evening was a true celebration of the dedication, discipline and passion of our young performers. It was an inspiring night for everyone, reinforcing the power of music to connect and uplift.



Rising Stars: LAMDA Examination Triumphs

This term also saw our students excel in the LAMDA (London Academy of Dramatic Art) examinations, refining their skills in musical theatre, acting and public speaking. The experience was an invaluable opportunity to build confidence, communication skills and creative expression. Huge congratulations to all who participated, and a special thanks to our dedicated teachers and coaches for their guidance and support.



Dramatic Talent: GCSE Scripted Examinations



Our Year 11 students delivered compelling performances in their recent GCSE Scripted Drama examinations, bringing to life a diverse selection of plays, including The Disappeared and Girls Like That. Their hard work, creativity and passion for drama were clear to see, with each performance captivating the audience. These examinations will contribute nearly 20% of their final GCSE grade; a testament to their commitment and skill.

Musical Glory: Young Musician of the Gulf Competition

We are incredibly proud of our students' outstanding achievements at this year's Young Musician of the Gulf (YMOG) Competition. A special congratulations to Grace Baker, who was named Overall Runner-up and Female Vocal Winner, and Jeff Sunil, who claimed the Male Vocal Winner title. Meanwhile, Elie Giovanni Adel took home the Composition Winner award for his original piece, showcasing exceptional



creativity. The school's elite vocal ensemble, Cantana, also impressed, winning the Small Vocal Ensemble category.



Harmonies at the British Embassy: St. David's Day Concert

Our Chamber Choir delivered breathtaking performances at the St. David's Day celebration held at the British Embassy. Their renditions of Adre'n ôl by Robat Arwyn and Hafan Gobaith were met with enthusiastic applause, demonstrating the choir's dedication and passion for choral music. The event was a memorable experience for all, further cementing the choir's reputation for excellence.



Fame! The Musical: A Dazzling Success



After months of preparation, our whole-school production of Fame! hit the stage in spectacular style. From the powerful musical numbers and vibrant choreography to the heartfelt storytelling, every moment was a triumph. Highlights included electrifying performances of Hard Work and the show-stopping finale Fame, which had the entire audience clapping

along. The production was a dazzling showcase of acting, singing and dancing talent, and a huge congratulations go to the cast, crew and production team for making it such a success!



Looking Ahead

This term's Performing Arts highlights have been nothing short of spectacular. With so much talent on display and such strong support from our community, we can't wait to see what the next term brings!

Bravo to all our performers, musicians and backstage teams. You have made us very proud!



DESS College Among Dubai's Best in TIMSS 2023

We are celebrating a remarkable achievement following the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) 2023 assessments.

At a prestigious ceremony held at the Museum of the Future at the end of last month, our representatives proudly accepted two awards from the Knowledge & Human Development Authority (KHDA), recognising both the outstanding performance of our Year 9 students and the dedication of our Mathematics and Science departments.

What is TIMSS?

TIMSS is a global assessment conducted every four years to evaluate student performance in mathematics and science. It measures not only academic proficiency but also critical thinking, problem-solving abilities and environmental awareness, all of which are essential for success in an ever-evolving world.

For us at DESS College, TIMSS represents an important benchmark, allowing us to compare our performance against global standards and ensure that we continue to provide a world-class education. The assessment aligns with Dubai's Education 2033 vision, which prioritises building strong foundations while equipping students with the skills needed to thrive in the future.

Outstanding Performance from Our Students

We were honoured to receive two major awards based on our students' exceptional results:

- Recognition as one of the top twenty schools in Dubai for overall TIMSS 2023 performance.
- A special commendation for excellence in environmental awareness, knowledge and attitudes, highlighting our commitment to fostering globally conscious students.



These achievements reflect the dedication and expertise of our Mathematics and Science teachers, who work tirelessly to deliver engaging and thought-provoking lessons. They also showcase the hard work, critical thinking and problem-solving skills demonstrated by our Year 9 students throughout the assessments.

Contributing to Dubai's Educational Excellence

We are particularly proud to have played a role in Dubai's impressive global standing in education. Notably, private schools across the city were ranked third worldwide in the environmental awareness section of TIMSS 2023, reinforcing Dubai's reputation for world-class education.

It was also wonderful to celebrate this success alongside our colleagues from DESS Primary Oud Metha, who received two high achievement awards, including recognition for the exceptional performance of their Emirati students. The KHDA praised this as a reflection of the school's inclusive and forward-thinking approach to education.

Looking Ahead

The TIMSS 2023 awards ceremony was an inspiring occasion, bringing together educators from across Dubai to celebrate the region's progress and growth since 2011. It was an especially proud moment for us as our Head of School, Mr Cotgrove, was invited by the KHDA to open the ceremony. He shared insights into our journey as a College and how we have consistently improved year after year over the past fourteen years.

Our success in TIMSS 2023 is not just about rankings or statistics. It is a testament to the commitment we have as a school to nurturing well-rounded, environmentally conscious and critically thinking students who are prepared to shape the future.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the KHDA for recognising our efforts, and to our dedicated teachers and students, whose hard work has made this success possible. As we look to the future, we remain committed to embracing new challenges, seizing opportunities and playing our part in achieving Dubai's ambitious Education 2033 vision.

Sustainable Hospitality in Action

Year 13 Students Go Green at JA Resort

Sustainable Hospitality in Action: Year 13 Students Go Green at JA Resort

In early February, Year 13 BTEC Hospitality students had the chance to dive into the world of sustainable hospitality during a visit to JA Resort. The trip was packed with hands-on experiences, giving them a real insight into how the industry is embracing eco-friendly practices.

From energy conservation and waste reduction to water management and cutting down on food waste, the resort's sustainability strategy was an eye-opener. The day kicked off with an engaging presentation by the Eco Team, where students picked up tips on renewable energy and reducing plastic use. They were then taken on a tour of the resort's in-house bottling plant, which slashes plastic waste by using reusable glass bottles.



There was plenty more to see and learn, from clever food waste management techniques like portion control and composting to the impressive Food Waste Master system. A visit to the sewage treatment plant offered a closer look at water conservation efforts, while a stop at the Animal Zone highlighted the importance of preserving biodiversity.

For the students, this immersive experience brought their Unit 2: Environment and Sustainability studies to life, showing just how powerful sustainable hospitality operations can be. It was a brilliant reminder of why environmental responsibility matters and how it can shape the future of the industry.



Captured in Motion

DESS College House Photography Competition Success!

In a spectacular showcase of talent and creativity, the DESS College House Photography Competition wrapped up with resounding success. This year's theme, "Transportation," sparked incredible inspiration, drawing the largest number of submissions to date from both staff and students, and providing proof of the growing enthusiasm for photography within the DESS community.

A Night to Remember

The excitement peaked at the awards ceremony on January 29th, where shortlisted candidates and their proud parents gathered to celebrate the exceptional work on display. As each finalist's photograph was unveiled, the audience was treated to unique perspectives on the theme, from sleek cityscapes and bustling roads to tranquil moments on the move. The creativity and skill showcased were outstanding.

Community Spirit and Artistic Flair

The competition not only highlighted the artistic talents within the College but also brought the community together through a shared passion for photography. It was a brilliant reminder of how creativity can capture the world around us and inspire us all to see things differently.

Congratulations to all the participants and this year's winners! With such an incredible level of enthusiasm and talent, we can't wait to see what next year's competition will bring.

Champions, Competitions and Community Spirit



With so much happening this term, it's hard to cover it all, but here are some of the standout moments from DESS College Sport. Huge thanks to all the staff, students and parents for their incredible support!

DASSA Netball U16 & U19

DESS College, led by Miss Beighton, hosted the U16 and U19 DASSA Netball tournament, welcoming teams from across Dubai to enjoy the fantastic courts, food and hospitality. The event saw some brilliant netball action, and a big congratulations to the DESS College U19A team who were crowned champions!

DESS College 10s Rugby

The ever-popular DESS College 10s Rugby tournament returned for four evenings of thrilling action. Teams from across Dubai and Abu Dhabi competed under the lights in what was the largest tournament yet. A big thank you to Mr Cliffe, Mr Gerber, the nursing team and all the staff involved for making it such a fantastic week of rugby.

DASSA Football Finals

DESS College teams put on an impressive display at the DASSA Football Finals, reaching six out of ten finals and winning five of them at the 7s ground. With so many red shirts on the pitch, it was a memorable evening for everyone involved. Mr Cotgrove's pre-match speech must have worked wonders!

Touring Teams

DESS College was thrilled to host visiting teams for Senior Boys' and Girls' Rugby, with opposition travelling from as far as Argentina and Wales. The matches offered a fantastic opportunity for our players to test their skills and build friendships through sport. Netball teams also enjoyed fixtures against touring sides in Term 1.

DASSA Individual Tennis Championships

The DASSA Individual Tennis Championships took place over three days, with DESS College students competing across all age groups. It was a wonderful opportunity for our tennis players to gain experience, and we're very grateful to Mr Reid for leading the team!

In Summary

This term, we saw over 100 teams competing in more than 600 fixtures across a wide range of sports and events. Through their dedication to Sport and PE, our students have continued to develop their skills, character and teamwork. We're already looking forward to more action in Term 3!



House Spirit Shines at Sports Day

Victory for Earth House



The eagerly awaited House Sports Day returned in full force at the end of Term 1, bringing the whole College together for two days of thrilling competition, teamwork and House pride.

Kicking Off with Field Events

Heralded by many as one of the highlights of the College year, the action started on Tuesday, 28th January, with the initial field events and 1500m races. Year groups stepped out of lessons to compete, with three athletes from each House - both boys and girls, accumulating points towards the grand total. There was no shortage of determination as students gave it their all in a bid to break some records.

A Day of Colour and Competition

On Thursday, 30th January, the College was a sea of House Colours as students moved through a packed schedule of events. From Water Polo, Football, Volleyball and Tag Rugby to E-sports, Dodgeball, Fitness Challenges, Handball, Netball and Athletics, there was something for everyone. For those needing a breather, there were also chances to relax and recover between events.



Final Relays and a Surprise Staff Race

The day ended in spectacular style with the final relays on the College's grass pitch, including the lightning-fast Year 12/13 relay; an emotional moment for those racing for the last time at DESS College. While scores were being counted, the staff took on a relay of their own, earning cheers from the whole school. Hats off to the brave mixed staff relay teams for stepping up!

And the Winners Are...

After two days of intense competition, Earth House emerged as this year's champions, claiming the top spot in style. Congratulations to every student who took part and contributed points for their House. You all played a part in the final result!

Thank You to the Team Behind the Scenes

A massive thank you to Mr Mills for heading up the event, supported by Mrs Mann, the PE team and the Nurses. A special shout-out also goes to the Media team for capturing all the action with excellent footage and photos.

With House spirit at an all-time high, we can't wait to do it all again next year!



Netball Stars Shine in South Africa

A Tour to Remember

This term, our Senior Netball players embarked on a trip of a lifetime to South Africa, gaining invaluable experience both on and off the court. Designed to test their skills against a variety of opposition, the tour was also an opportunity to build strong connections and showcase the hard work put into the Netball programme over the past six months. For many, it was their first overseas sports tour, and it certainly didn't disappoint!

Adventures Beyond the Court

The trip kicked off with a challenging hike to the top of Table Mountain, where the group was rewarded with breathtaking views. From there, they enjoyed a scenic bus tour around Camps Bay and Kirstenbosch Gardens, soaking up the beauty of Cape Town. The excitement was palpable as the players geared up for their first fixture.

Tough Matches and Team Spirit

The first game saw the team take on La Rochelle Girls School following an inspiring tour of Robben Island. Day four presented new challenges against Stellenberg High, Paarl, where the squad adapted impressively to strong defensive opposition. By the time they faced Paarl Girls High, the players were building momentum, showing impressive combinations and resilience, especially in defence. The after-school training sessions with Miss Beighton and Miss Southam clearly paid off, with leaders emerging across the court.



Wildlife, Recovery, and Winning Moments

The second half of the trip offered a well-earned break from competition. The team explored the Aquila Game Reserve and visited Boulders Beach, making unforgettable memories with South Africa's stunning wildlife. Recovery days included exploring the charming towns of Stellenbosch and Franschhoek, shopping for souvenirs and tasting local delicacies at the Night Market.

The final fixtures saw the team face two strong squads from Hoerskool Paarl Gimnasium. These matches tested the players both physically and mentally, but the squad's adaptability and teamwork shone through. Using insights from video analysis, the players refined their strategies, communicated more effectively and reflected on their performance with maturity.

A Grand Finale to Remember!

To top it all off, a surprise visit to Greenpoint Stadium for a packed-out DHL Rugby Championship match between the Stormers and Bulls left the girls buzzing with excitement. It was the perfect ending to an unforgettable tour!

Overall, the South Africa trip was a resounding success, full of learnings, laughter and lifelong memories. The girls were a credit to DESS College, representing their school with pride. And with planning already underway for South Africa 2027, the future of DESS College Netball looks brighter than ever!



Unified Netball

A Celebration of Inclusion and Sport

For the first time, DESS College had the honour of hosting the Unified Netball event in partnership with the Special Olympics, bringing together students from eight schools for a day of fun, teamwork and inclusion.

Led by our BTEC Sport students, the event featured a range of netball-inspired games, challenges and activities designed to engage students of all abilities. Unified Sport is a remarkable initiative that fosters inclusion, teamwork, and the pure enjoyment of playing together. Our BTEC leaders embraced the spirit of the event, showing enthusiasm and adaptability as they guided both primary children and secondary students through the sessions.

The day was filled with meaningful connections, new friendships and an inspiring display of sportsmanship, both on and off the court. The energy, smiles and excitement of all involved created a truly positive atmosphere, reminding us of the power of sport to bring people together. Unified Sport continues to grow across the UAE, and we look forward to supporting more of these events in the future, whilst developing our own Unified teams. These moments remain among the most rewarding in the DASSA calendar, leaving a lasting impact on everyone involved.

"Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." – Special Olympics Motto



Year 7 Erupt with Creativity in Volcano Challenge

This term, Year 7 students brought their geography lessons to life with an explosive Volcano Competition, combining their scientific knowledge with creativity to build impressive models of real-world volcanoes.

Working individually, students researched their chosen volcano before designing and constructing their models using materials ranging from papier-mâché and clay to more unconventional choices, which even included edible creations! The excitement peaked during the eruption phase, as students used baking soda and vinegar to recreate dramatic volcanic activity, with some eruptions proving surprisingly spectacular.

Judges had the tough task of selecting winners for the most realistic and creative designs. Congratulations to all students for their hard work and ingenuity, and a special well done to our prize winners.

A huge thank you to the teachers, staff and parents who supported the students in making this event such a success. With this year's competition setting the bar high, we can't wait to see what next year's young geologists will create.

A Big-Hearted Book Drive with a Lasting Impact

“We owe it to ourselves and to the next generation to conserve the environment so that we can bequeath our children a sustainable world that benefits all.” – Wangari Maathai

This term, we combined a passion for literacy with a commitment to sustainability through a hugely successful book collection in support of Old Books for New Eyes.

Tied to the UAE’s National Month of Reading, the initiative encouraged students, staff and parents to donate pre-loved books, ensuring they found new homes in underfunded schools across East Africa.

The mission of Old Books for New Eyes is simple but powerful: to provide young people in East Africa with greater access to literature, empowering them with knowledge and opportunity. With a target of donating 300,000 books in 2025, every contribution makes a difference, and thanks to the generosity of the DESS community, our collection has helped push that goal closer to reality.

On Thursday, 6th March, the response was overwhelming:

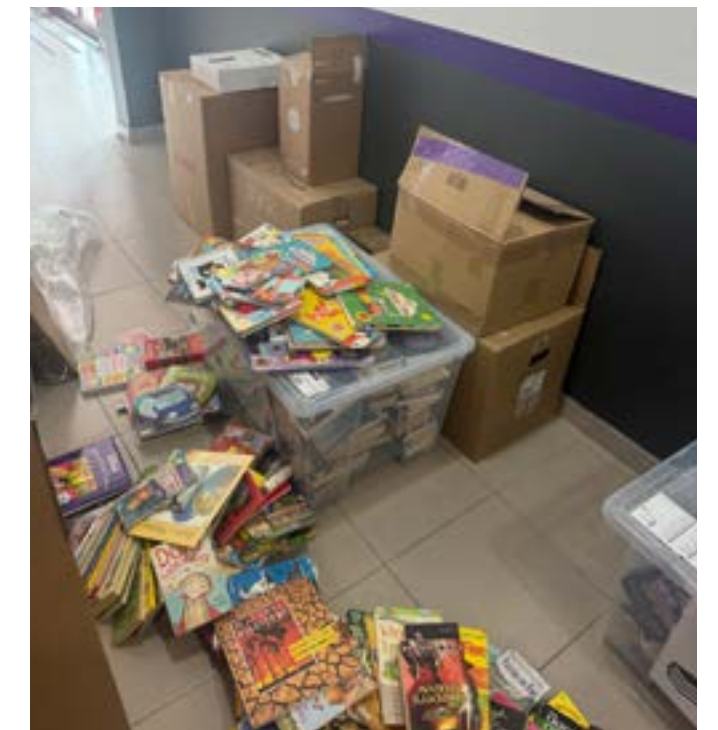
- 13+ years: 420 books
- 7–12 years: 761 books
- 3–6 years: 1,048 books



That’s an incredible 2,229 books now destined for schools where they will have a profound impact. The initiative has already helped over 100,000 students in Kenya alone, and these latest donations will continue to support literacy development across the region.

Beyond promoting education, this project also reinforced an important environmental message. Every donated book is one less sent to landfill, contributing to sustainability efforts while ensuring valuable resources are reused where they are needed most.

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to this initiative. Your generosity is not only enriching young minds but also helping to create a more sustainable world, one book at a time.



Science Soars to New Heights

Record Breaking Rockets and Engineering Triumphs

Blasting into the Record Books



In mid-February, DESS College students made an explosive impact at the Emirates Aviation University Water Rocket competition.

Out of 44 teams, our two entries soared to success, claiming first and sixth place!

The spotlight was on the DESS College team's 'It's not Rocket Science', who shattered the competition record with a launch reaching an incredible 120.9m; the furthest ever in the event's eight-year history. Huge congratulations to Max Van Koten, Kashvi Tacker, Jinnuo Huang, Jeff Sunil and Alex Habr for their fantastic teamwork and achievement. As a well-deserved reward, each student in the winning team took home an iPad!

A special thanks goes to Laura Reidy and Kirsty Kennedy for organising the trip and to Lawrence Winter for supporting the team throughout the day.

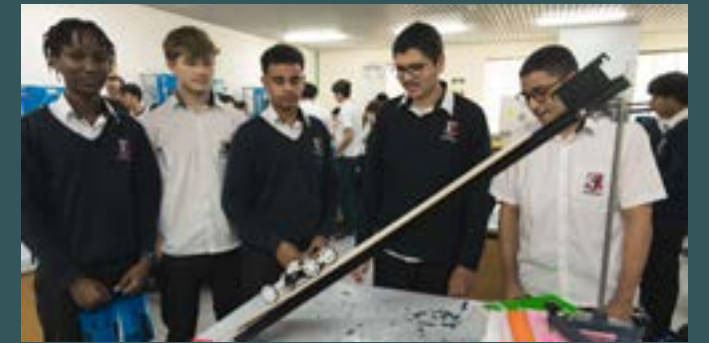
Engineering Excellence at AUD

Towards the end of February, 28 Year 12 physics students showcased their talents at the Engineering Open Day at the American University of Dubai. Competing across a range of challenges, they demonstrated creativity, skill and problem-solving flair.



- **Civil Engineering Challenge:** Two teams took on the task of constructing high-strength popsicle stick bridges, impressing judges with their designs.
- **Computer Science Challenge:** One team dived into AI-based problem-solving, navigating complex tasks with determination.

- **Mechanical Climbing Vehicle Challenge:** Five teams competed, with DESS College students clinching both first and second place! The first place team proudly brought home a trophy and a 2,000 dirham prize, while the second place team also earned a well-deserved trophy.



Congratulations to all participants for their outstanding achievements and for flying the DESS College flag so brilliantly!

Bronze Success in Biology

A big round of applause for our talented biologists who took part in the UKBC British Olympiad Biology competition, organised by the University of Warwick. Special mention goes to Zahra Kassim, Kashvi Tacker, Hafsa Aneel and Ekparnika Jha, who were each awarded Bronze for their impressive performances. Well done to everyone involved. Your hard work, passion, and scientific spirit continue to inspire us all!

Shining Bright in the Online Physics Olympiads

Students from Years 11 and 12 have once again proved their physics prowess, delivering an exceptional performance in the Online Physics Olympiads; a tough international competition designed to test and inspire young physicists. The challenge consisted of two 30-minute sets of multiple-choice questions, encouraging both a deep understanding of physics concepts and a passion for the subject.

Building on the success of the Physics Olympiad Challenge last term, 18 Year 11 students participated in the Intermediate Quiz, while 14 Year 12 students took on the Senior Quiz. The results were nothing short of impressive:

Year 11 Results:
4 Gold Awards
5 Silver Awards
9 Bronze Awards

Year 12 Results:
3 Gold Awards
4 Silver Awards
7 Bronze Awards



Every participating student achieved at least a Bronze Award, surpassing the commendation criteria, which was a truly outstanding accomplishment!

Congratulations to all our young physicists for their hard work, enthusiasm and remarkable achievements.

Embracing the Spirit of Ramadan

Reflection and Unity for Years 7 and 8

The Islamic Education Department hosted a special assembly for Year 7 and 8 students to welcome the holy month of Ramadan. Held in the school theatre during tutor time, the event offered a heartfelt reflection on the spiritual and moral significance of this sacred period.

The assembly began with students reciting Quranic verses about Ramadan, followed by key Hadiths that highlighted its core values of compassion, generosity, and self-discipline. Staff members shared personal experiences, encouraging gratitude towards Allah, parents, and the wider community, reminding everyone of the importance of kindness and togetherness during this blessed month.



An inspiring video further captured the spirit of Ramadan, and an interactive quiz with prizes added a lively touch, making the session both engaging and educational.

Beyond its spiritual focus, the assembly was a powerful reminder of the strength of community at DESS College, bringing students together to reflect, share and appreciate the true meaning of Ramadan. As the holy month continues, the sense of unity and gratitude it inspires is sure to leave a lasting impact.



Getting Ready for a Remarkable Term 3

As we turn the page towards Term 3, there is a growing sense of anticipation for what promises to be a busy and fulfilling end to the academic year.

Our students will continue to seize opportunities to compete and shine on the sports field, with major DASSA events for our Athletics U12-U15 squad and rugby players on the horizon. For our Year 9 rugby team, there is the added excitement of their trip to Sri Lanka, offering them a unique chance to test their skills internationally while creating unforgettable memories with teammates.

Beyond sport, our commitment to providing enriching experiences remains as strong as ever. The upcoming BSME calendar features a series of competitions including swimming, dance, volleyball and mathematics, ensuring that students from a wide range of disciplines have the chance to showcase their talents on a regional stage.

Meanwhile, the KS5 Showcase Event will give our senior students the opportunity to celebrate their learning journeys with family, friends and staff, while our ever-popular Marhaba Mornings will return, giving parents the chance to connect with each other and with staff, exploring topics that matter to their children's development.

For our leavers, Term 3 will carry special significance. Year 11 students will gather for their Goodluck assembly as they bid farewell to those who are heading towards new pathways beyond DESS College. Year 13 students will mark the end of their school journey with the much-anticipated Seniors Sunset event, following the success of last year's sunrise gathering. This reflective moment will offer them the space to pause, connect and contemplate their next steps before celebrating at the official Year 13 Graduation ceremony.

Alongside these highlights, we hope to see the positive momentum from our TIMSS 2023 success continue to ripple across the College. Our commitment to developing confident, critical thinkers who are ready to take on new challenges remains firmly at the heart of everything we do.

With so many exciting events ahead, Term 3 is set to be a fitting finale to a remarkable year at DESS College.



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