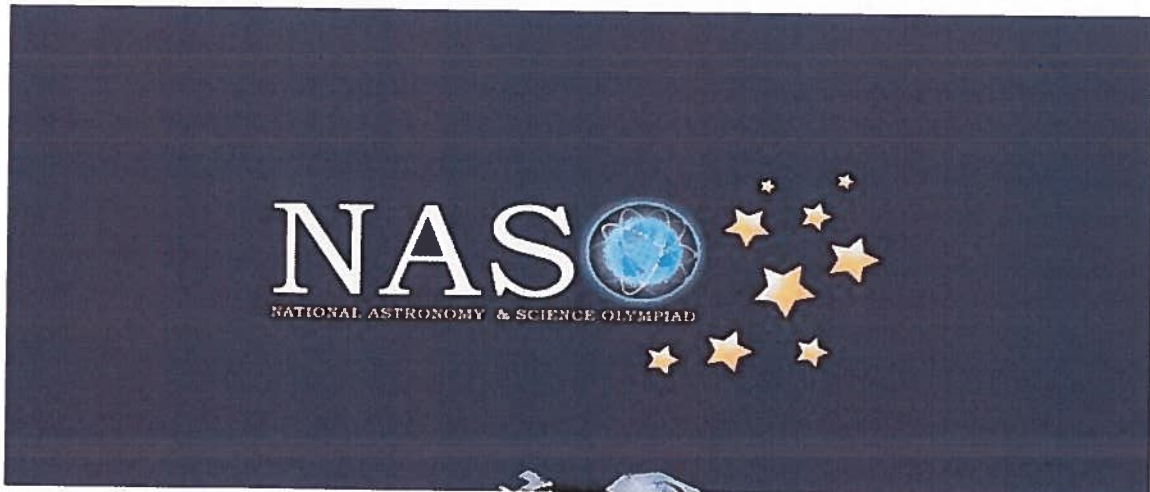


Dear Parents,

We have begun the new year with resounding successes in the field of Sports winning the Indian High School Championship in both Cricket and Football to open our account this year.



And if that wasn't enough reason to celebrate, our youngster Ira Loren of Grade 2c won the first Open UAE Badminton Championship for the under 11 girls. We are proud of our youngsters and their coaches for the phenomenal coaching and commitment to the sport.



In the National Astronomy and Science Olympiad, we had 69 participants of whom 48 walked away with Gold medals, Cash Prizes and certificates. They are now into the second round and we hope they bring home more laurels!

Our Kindergarteners have entered the Mathletics Hall of Fame with a KGS student, Sanvi. P topping the list of top 100 in the Middle East as well as with Kate L coming in 5<sup>th</sup>. We are exceedingly proud of all our little ones and we hope that many more will join this elite list in the coming months.

**MATHLETICS HALL OF FAME**  
Middle East's Top 100 Students

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Position	Country	Name	School	Points
1		Sanvi P	The Kindergarten Starters (GEMS), Dubai, United Arab Emirates	2260
2		Mohamad Junior A	GEMS International School - Al Khail, Dubai, United Arab Emirates	2260
3		Haydon K	ACS International Schools, Doha, Qatar	1958
4		Aikunim Y	Hollybury Astana, Astana, Kazakhstan	1722
5		KATE L	The Kindergarten Starters (GEMS), Dubai, United Arab Emirates	1680
6		Jagritiya J	Emirates International School/Meadows (Primary), Dubai, United Ar.	1560

Republic Day 2018 was celebrated with fervor throughout the school with art competitions, creative writing and quizzes that helped our students connect to their roots and understand the richness and diversity of the culture of India.



As our initiative for The Year of Zayed, our focus will be on Human Development and Sustainability- two values, that the great leader is known for.

To begin the initiative, we start with 5300 students and 300 plus staff working to create a human portrait of Sheikh Zayed as the largest human formation of a political leader to make a bid for the Guinness book of World Records followed by the Young Legends Leagues Football Championship in February for Kindergarteners to promote the development of skills in our youngest ones.

Arabic and Reading will receive an impetus as we have exciting initiatives lined up to take centre stage in mid-February. Our contributions to Philanthropy continue with our donation of 342, 444 AED to Dubai Cares and we welcome our parents and well-wishers to join us on the Walk for Education in support of Primary Education on 16 February, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Dubai Creek Park.

In order to become an even more eco- friendly school, all classrooms and offices will have LED light bulbs leading to lower electricity consumption and reduced heat emission which will result in better air quality as well by March 2018. Many more modifications are planned to enhance accessibility to the building and we hope to reopen for the new academic year with greater provisions for our children.

We look forward to many more successes in the Year of Zayed to develop our young minds. Thank you as always to our ever supportive parents for your continued cooperation that makes our school a unique institution with a family ethos.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Asha Alexander', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

**Asha Alexander**  
**Principal**