Learning **Inside** and **Outside** of School

Thank you to school staff and all the students involved in events in March! It was a busy month of learning. What is the result of this learning?

- **1st Place in Qatar Destination Imagination Team Harmonic**
- **1st Place STEM Competition on Sustainable Development**
- **1st Place in Doha Municipality Art Contest**
- **2nd Place Robotics Team in Core Values**
- **3rd Place Odyssey of the Mind Team Estrella**
- **Best Delegate and Funniest Delegate at Model United Nations**

The students have had a lot of opportunities inside and outside of school:

- International Day
- Destination Imagination Competition
- Robotics Competition
- Fire Station Art Competition
- China Trip
- USA Trip
- Field Trip to Sidra Hospital
- Pep Rally/Talent Show
- Sophomore Field Trip to Career Fair at Gulf English School
- History and Geography Bees
- Qatar Airways Cadet Program
- Senior Trip to Sealine Beach
- Freshman field trip to Kahramaa Awareness Park—science related

Thank you also to our students for their hard work and dedication to their studies with so many other exciting things happening at school! Our goal as a school is to continue to offer opportunities while keeping our focus on academics strong. This focus allows us to meet our mission of “learning at high levels to be competitive in the international community.”
Student Absences

What do you do if your child needs to leave school?

Call us. Only a parent phone call can excuse a child from school. Calls from nannies or drivers will not be accepted by the school. We want to ensure that you are in control of when/if your student is absent—not student, nanny, family friend or driver.

One Drive

Your link to One Drive works for the entire school year! Please use it regularly to access weekly plans and other communications.

Road Construction

You may have noticed the road construction near our school. To the best of our knowledge, the construction will end about the time school starts in the fall (September 2018). This will open a much larger conduit to move to Haloul and ring roads.

Thank you for adjusting to the road closure so nicely!!

First Place!!

STEM Competition

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) is blossoming in Qatar. New schools with this focus are opening and several competitions are highlighting this emerging area of study for students.

MIS students recently attended a STEM competition and earned first place!

The task at the competition was to choose one goal from the 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development to improve people’s lives by 2030. And, the team chose Goal 2 – Zero Hunger – pledges to end hunger, achieve food security, improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture. In a limited time, they had to come up with an invention that would ensure the success of the goal, prepare a PowerPoint presentation, and make an artistic sketch of the invention. After that, they had to present in front of the other 10 teams from other schools.

As you can see, STEM work involves our MIS goals of critical thinking, analysis, synthesis, and engaged, active learning.

Congratulations to the following students:


Also participating in the competition for the first time were the following students:

Wajd Nashat Al-Rabadi, Muhamad Al Batarni, Noureldin Mohamed, Dimitri Ahsan, Mohammad Sultan Al Bukhari, Gabrielle Orosco, Maryam Ashraf Mostafa, and Muhammad Alief Rama

Model United Nations

At the recent MUN competition, Omar Barghouti (Junior) won the Best Delegate, while Francis Owen Magsumbol (Senior) won the Funniest Delegate.

Congratulations to the team for representing MIS so well!

Fees

Second semester fees are now past due.

If you have not stopped in to pay your school fees, please take care of this obligation as soon as possible as the late fees are applied.

And, for the majority of parents who have paid—Thank you!

Website

www.misqatar.com
April/May Events

March 30-April 7
Spring Break—No School
Students return at 7:15 a.m. on April 8

April 12
End of Quarter 3

April 19
Parent-Teacher Conferences:
Elementary Conferences 1-4 p.m.
Middle School from 4:30-7:30 p.m.
High School from 4:30-7:30 p.m.
Islamic Teachers from 3-6 p.m. as they teach at all levels
Ms. Widad (French) from 3-6 p.m. as she teaches across levels.

April 26
Academic Night (5-7 p.m.)
Middle and high school parents, please join us!

May 10
Early Dismissal at 12:30 p.m.

May 15
Start of Ramadan timings
School begins at 8:15 a.m. for students
School ends at 1:00 p.m. for students

Teacher Feature: Mr. Mark

Our teacher feature this month is Mr. Mark Vincent Eugenio Marcelo. Mr. Mark is a licensed professional teacher in the Philippines which qualifies him to teach here in Qatar. He graduated with a Bachelor of Secondary Education – Major in Mathematics in 2008. He has also earned his Master of Arts in Teaching in 2012. He spent five fruitful years teaching both in private and public schools in the Philippines. Furthermore, he has also attended trainings and seminars conducted by the Department of Education in the Philippines to become well equipped with different teaching strategies.

Mr. Mark is now in his fifth school year here at MIS.

“Teaching in an international school like MIS is a challenging and fulfilling experience. I am looking forward to spending more years in this prestigious institution,” stated Mr. Mark.

Academic Night

Parents of middle and high school students, please join us for Academic Night on April 26 at 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Students will be presenting projects from all content areas that represent their learning. We know that teaching is the best way to learn!

Email

Your email is the way we communicate with you.

To update your email or even your contact information, write us at misadmin@misqatar.com with the subject line as: Email/Contact
Student Trip—China

Students had a fantastic trip to China!! They left school on Sunday morning, March 25 and flew nonstop to Beijing.

The following morning, they began two days of touring the Beijing area including the Great Wall, Forbidden City and the Heavenly Temple.

Students then traveled to our sister school in Shijiazhuang by high speed train where they were introduced to their host families.

Staying with their host families, students experienced everyday life in China, went to school with their host brother or sister, and saw a little of the surrounding area.

Pictures below share some of the experiences of our students.

March Students of the Month

Thank you to these outstanding students for being role models socially and academically for their peers!

KG—Asil Sameh Ahmed Khedr
Grade 1—Ward Nashat Alrabadi
Grade 2—Fady Mohsen Faheem Abou Yosef
Grade 3—Kinan Sami Hamzeh Barqawi
Grade 4—Ma. Gabrielle Maxine Prudente
Grade 5—Dania Ahmad Fawzi Abusaad
Grade 6—Abeeha Fawad Khan
Grade 7—Ranyshia Wiley Agpalasin
Grade 8—Isobel Kyte Laureta
Grade 9—Anastasia Marinova
Grade 10—Abdulla Waleed Duwaisan
Grade 11—Yara Abbas Eldesoky Eladawy
Grade 12—Farah Mohamed Roshdy

Core Values at MIS

Responsibility
Integrity
Community
Empathy
Student Trip—USA

Our student trip to the USA left on Wednesday, March 27. Students flew nonstop from Doha to New York City.

Once in New York City, students enjoyed a few days of sightseeing including the Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building, Broadway and much more. They included seeing a Broadway show as well as visiting Columbia and Yale Universities.

After leaving New York City, students transitioned to our sister school in Connecticut where they stayed with host families, saw some local sights and attended high school. The students experienced everyday life in the USA.

Pictures below share some of the experiences of students.

Robotics Team Earns 2nd Place in Core Values

The Robotics Team competed on March 18 and brought home a second place in Core Values. The team exhibited cooperation and teamwork as an example to their peers from other schools. Pictured are Hanaan Riaz and Gusti Rais talking with the Minister of Education, Dr. Mohammed Abdul Wahed Al Hammadi.

Calculating Grades

How are middle and high school grades calculated?

There are two quarters and one exam in each semester. Each quarter is 35% of the grade. The final exam is 30% of the grade.

So, $35 + 35 + 30 = \text{semester grade}$

This means that exams for middle and high school are important. With third quarter ending, it is time to begin reviewing and studying for exams.

Please help your student create a study plan that will allow them to review a little each day. Too often, without parent help, students will try to "learn" the material the night before. We know this is not effective.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle that they use every day. They can bring from home and/or fill at our filtered water dispensers. Drinking enough water in our climate is important.

Our school is making a sincere effort to not to use plastic cups any longer. This helps the environment of Qatar, our home.
Celebrating and More Celebrating for Our International Day

March 15, 2018

History Bee

Two teams of middle school students will soon be participating in the History Bee. Thank you Ms. Haylin and Ms. Sumaiya for leading the teams as they train.

We wish the middle school students the best of luck at the History Bee!

Geography Bee

Three teams of high school students will be participating in the Geography Bee soon. Under the guidance of Ms. Marina, teams will be testing their knowledge of world geography in April!

Digital Marketing

Teachers frequently work together on developing curriculum, supervision of students, and our big celebration events. However, they also work together to create really interesting learning opportunities for students.

Ms. Rania and Ms. Marina are working together to create a digital marketing unit for our seniors. Students will be studying the marketing and advertising techniques used in business in their marketing class with Ms. Marina. Then, in Ms. Rania’s class, they will develop websites and other digital strategies to market their products.

The culminating project is the selling of their food in the first week of May during the school day to their peers. Profits determine the winning team.

Good luck, Seniors!
Teachers and Students Participate in Art Competition

Two of our art teachers, Ms. Salma and Ms. Liana as well as four Grade 12 students who take the Crafts class were participants in the recent Fire Station Exhibition. This is the second exhibition of the Visual Art Creators organized by the Ministry of Education. Below left, students with their art on display. Below right, teachers with their artwork.
First Place!! Odyssey of the Mind

Over the weekend of March 22-25, MIS sent Destination Imagination (DI) and Odyssey of the Mind (OM) teams to compete at QNCC. This weekend was the culmination of weeks of preparation and learning at other competitions.

Ms. Haylin’s team, Harmonic, placed first! The competition has been designed to enhance creativity, problem-solving skills and independence among the students. The students compete in two challenges, either a long term problem or a spontaneous challenge. The team competed in the Division II Category, Problem 5 Performance.

The long term problem was called “The Stellar Hangout.” The task was to create an original performance with a space setting with at least three original space creatures, one of which should not be a human. They are on a quest for a space treasure. Our team chose the space treasure to be the emotion of happiness. We had a cost limit of USD 125 to make the costumes and the props, and the performance had to be completed in 8 minutes.

More information and videos can be found on the Alf Foundation Facebook page.

Third Place!! Odyssey of the Mind

Seven girls from Grade 7 and 8 participated in the Odyssey of the Mind local tournament. Their challenge was to make three-dimensional emojis that will be used to communicate the life story of a once famous, but now forgotten, emoji. They also created a performance where the emojis demonstrate special functions like growing, turning into a team member, and changing into a different emoji. The performance also included a choreographed dance, a technical representation of texting, and sounds to enhance the performance. The twist? No spoken language was allowed. They competed against 15 teams and won the third place.

The team members were the following: Andrea Joy Deveraturda, Angeleah Belen Ganelo, Aseel Hesham Mohamed, Eunice Faith Pomperada, Elina Kalmouni, Leonie Fakhoury, Ma. Samantha Loise Prudente, Ms. Hanan (Coach) and Ms. Liana (Artistic Guide)
Re-Enrollment

Please know that the 8-weeks for re-enrollment ended on March 29.

Now, MIS begins the process of accepting the many students applying and on the wait list.

We must begin the process of calculating empty seats. Then, we must begin to fill them.

If you need a re-enrollment form, please email Ms. Katrina directly:

aki@misqatar.com

First Place!! Art Competition

Pictured to the left, Angelica Cabang recently took first place in the Doha Municipality Art Competition. The competition was focused on recycling, reducing, reusing as well as maintaining natural resources and reducing consumption. Her work was on display in February and March in the Doha Municipal Building.

Report Cards

Report Cards for Quarter 3 will be sent home with your student on April 19.

Please direct any questions about grades to your child’s teacher.

Qatar Airways Cadet Program

Our students visited the Qatar Airways Integrated Pilot Training Center. The group included MIS students who received training about the Cadet Pilot Program and were able to experience the A380 simulator. Pictured below are MIS students, students from another school and Qatar Airways staff.

Thank you Mr. Jimmy for leading our students to glimpse the opportunities available to them in this local business!
Destination Imagination and Odyssey of the Mind Teams

We want to honor all the students who participated in Destination Imagination and Odyssey of the Mind this year.

Last year was our first year in the program and we placed well enough to be invited to compete at the World Challenge in the USA. We did that with just one team.

This year, as you can see, we have seven teams at all levels. Thank you to our students and staff!

Destination Imagination — High School Teams

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ASSISTANT – JOSHUA MANGLIGOT

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