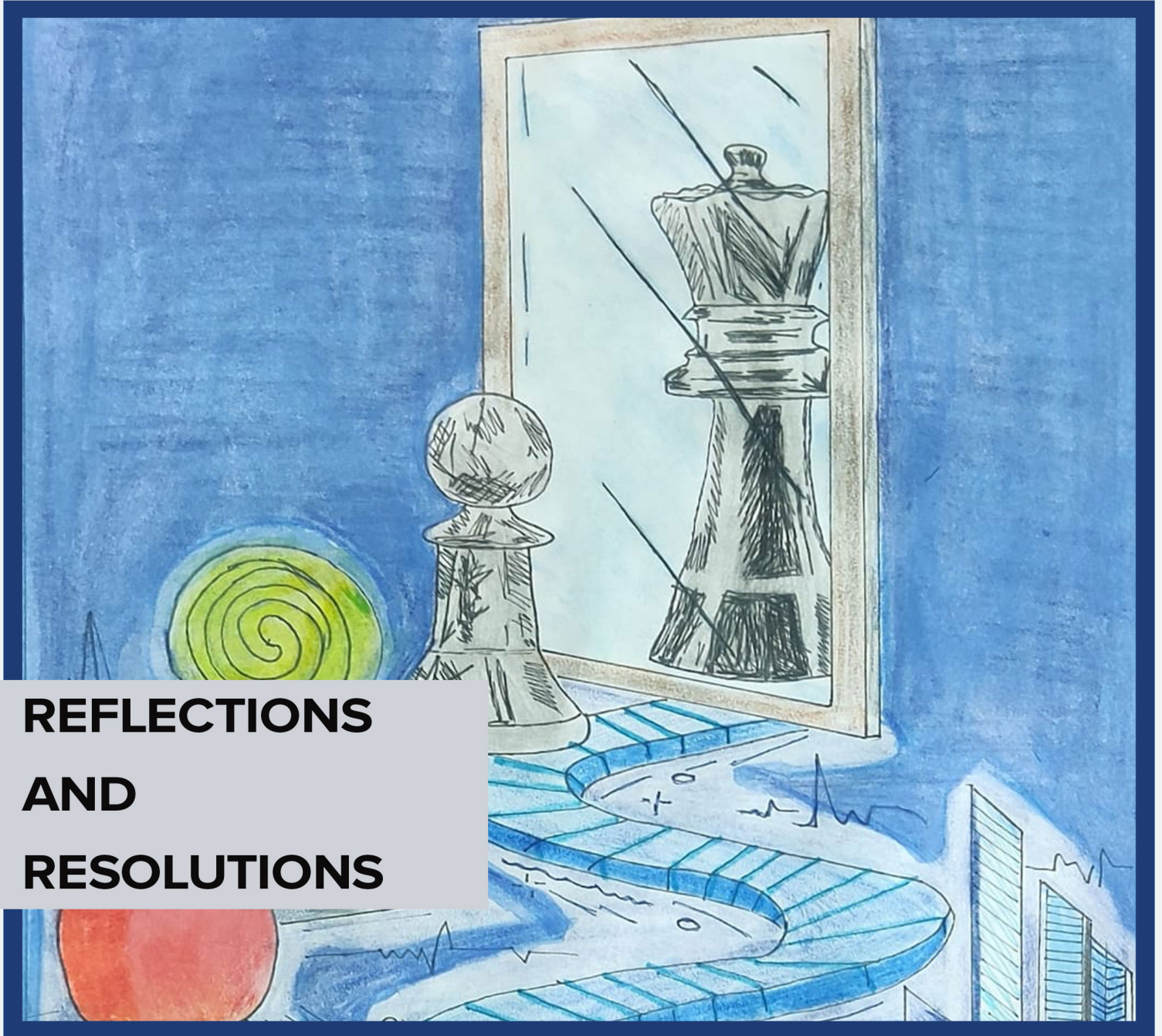




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LEADERSHIP AT DAS

Dear Students,

As we start the new academic year, let us take a moment to pause and reflect on our journey over the course of the year in this issue. This edition of our newsletter is the last of this year's volume.

Our schools are not just a place of learning, they are a sanctuary of growth, friendship, and transformation. Think about the achievements you have made, the challenges you have faced, and the lessons you have learned. Reflect on the friendships you have formed, the skills you have developed, and the memories you have created. Each moment contributes to our growth and shapes who we are.

Let us resolve to be kinder, more compassionate, and more determined. Let us set goals that challenge us and inspire us to be the best versions of ourselves. And let us support each other every step of the way.

Together, by turning our reflections into resolutions we can make the school year ahead of us one with growth in learning and successes.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Dear Readers,

Over the academic year and particularly in the last term, our sustainability initiatives have deeply resonated with members of our school community. From Environment Day to DAS Cares, we have strived to embody our school's commitment to social responsibility and community engagement. Our initiatives have been designed to educate and benefit members within our school and community.

I would advise students to be role models to your peers by demonstrating eco-friendly behaviours in your everyday life. Show others how easy and rewarding it can be to live in harmony with the environment. I encourage you to actively participate in volunteering activities organized by the school.

Remember, even the smallest efforts can make a big difference.

Best wishes,



Mrs. Stephanie Mathew Thomas
Head- Sustainability and Strategic Growth
Dar Al Salam Schools

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPALS' DESK



As we navigate through another academic term, let's take a moment to reflect on our efforts and achievements. Each day presents an opportunity for growth and improvement. Let's challenge ourselves to aim higher and strive for better results. Whether it's academics, extracurricular activities, or personal development, let's push our boundaries and unleash our full potential. Remember, success is not just about reaching the destination but also about the journey of self-discovery and growth. Let's commit to giving our best in everything we do and make every effort count. Together, let's soar to new heights!

Mrs. Sujata Sivakrishnan
Principal
Indian Central School



I would like to encourage each of you in your scholastic and co-scholastic development. It is important to excel academically but remember to explore your talents and passions outside of the classroom. Embracing a well-rounded approach to education will help you maximize your potential and open doors to exciting opportunities in the future. Keep up the magnificent work and continue striving for excellence!

Mrs. Sanober Farrukh
Principal
Pakistan English School

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPALS' DESK

“True education encompasses not only the mastery of subjects but also the cultivation of character, creativity and resilience through diverse experiences.”

Embracing the rigour and endeavours of academics, fueling it with curiosity and passion helps students achieve their goal. While academic excellence is important, real education goes beyond textbooks and classroom walls. It's crucial that 21st Century skills be imparted in schools.

Ms. Geetika Ahuja
Principal
Aspire Indian International School



Engaging students in co-curricular activities like fine arts, performing arts, sports, clubs, or community service will give them opportunities for self-discovery and personal growth. Participation in co-scholastic endeavors also help develop essential skills like teamwork,

coordination, leadership and will give students a sense of fulfilment.

We at AIIS embrace a holistic approach to education where individuals are equipped to navigate the complexities of the world and make meaningful contributions to society.

As we set our sights on the future, let us commit to reaching new heights of excellence. Let's pledge to approach every challenge with determination, every setback as an opportunity for growth, and every success with humility and gratitude.

At ABSK, we aim to foster a passion for learning that extends beyond the confines of the classroom, inspiring each of you to pursue your interests and discover your unique talents.

Mrs. Charmaine Graves
Principal
Aspire Bilingual School



WELCOMING AIIS VICE PRINCIPLE

It is with great pride and enthusiasm, we introduce our Vice Principal, Dr. Alice Abraham, who is a true educational visionary, a passionate advocate for student holistic development and success, a dynamic leader bringing an abundance of expertise to our school community.

With an illustrious career as the Founding Principal of a Premier School and College of Allied Health Science in Pondicherry, India, Dr. Alice demonstrates an unrelenting dedication to fostering an empowering learning environment.

Let's welcome Dr. Alice Abraham to join us as a driving force behind our commitment to aspiring excellence in education.



Dr. Alice Abraham



MEMORABLE MOMENTS

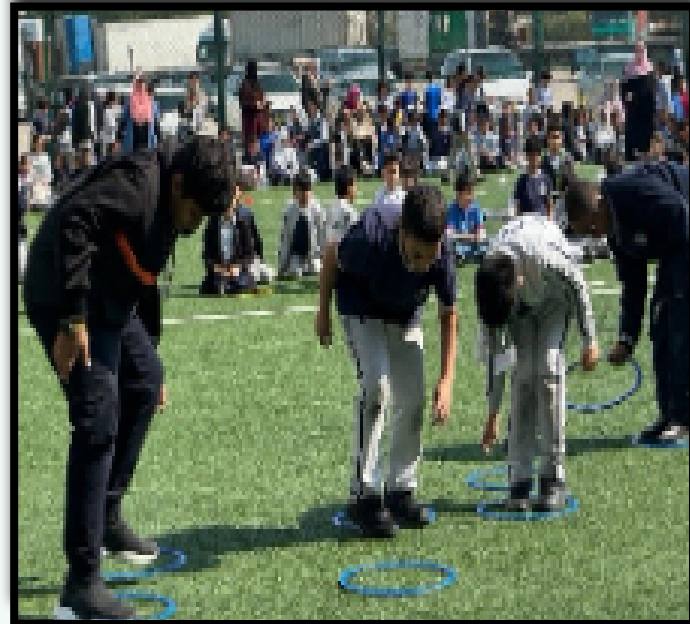
INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL



The academic year 2023-24 at ICS was marked by intense intellectual engagement. Notable achievements included the project Absorption of Textile Dye Waste Using Natural Materials, which secured the title of Outstanding Senior Project at the Kuwait Children's Science Congress.

Students also excelled in the Science National Olympiad, essay writing, and narrative contests, showcasing their commitment to learning and creativity in Science and Arts.

PAKISTAN ENGLISH SCHOOL



PES experienced exhilarating moments at their Sports Week. Students demonstrated remarkable passion and talent.

From awe-inspiring goals in football matches to record-breaking sprints on the track, each instant brimmed with energy and excitement. It truly celebrated athleticism and teamwork.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS

ASPIRE INDIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Several noteworthy events unfolded at AIIS during the last term of the year. The 'INNOVISTA' exhibition showcased students' innovative projects, while the Annual Athletic Meet fostered healthy House Competitions.

Fun Races for KG and primary students were a delightful spectacle. The Mini Zoo Activity, with its visual impact, underscored our responsibility toward the animal kingdom. Furthermore, the recent initiative to name the school corridor added a distinct identity to our campus. These enriching events contributed to the school community, shaping priorities, curriculum, and co-curricular excellence.



MEMORABLE MOMENTS

ASPIRE BILINGUAL SCHOOL



The sports day at Aspire Bilingual School was a resounding success, showcasing the talents and enthusiasm of its students. The event featured a variety of athletic competitions, including track and field events, team sports, and fun races. Students participated with great energy fostering a sense of sportsmanship. The School was a memorable event that promoted healthy living and school pride.



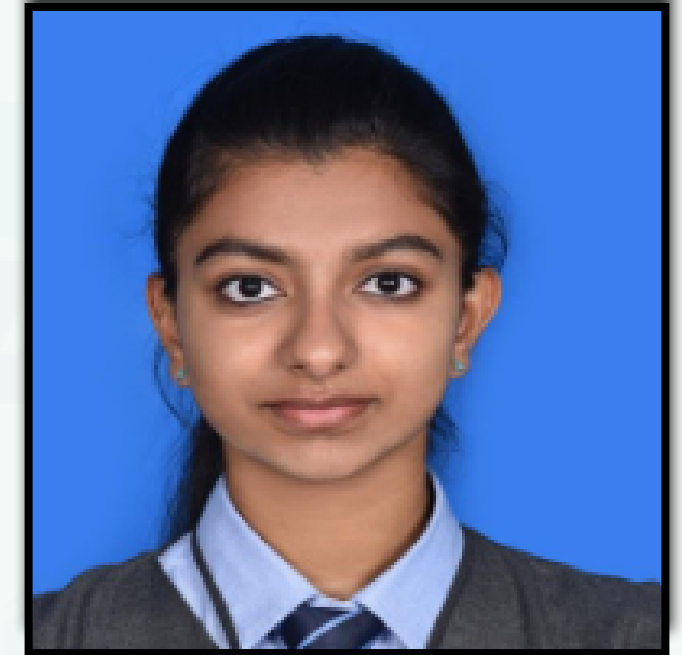
Celebrating National Day

During the month of February in Aspire Bilingual School, our students read, write, illustrate and discuss the history, the sights and the sounds of Kuwait. This work is not only in preparation for National Day but also to help them understand the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. Their study of course is capped off with a National Day Celebration in our auditorium. Students share their love of country by performing mimes, recitals, songs, poetry and dances after which the party continues outdoors with live music, food and camaraderie.

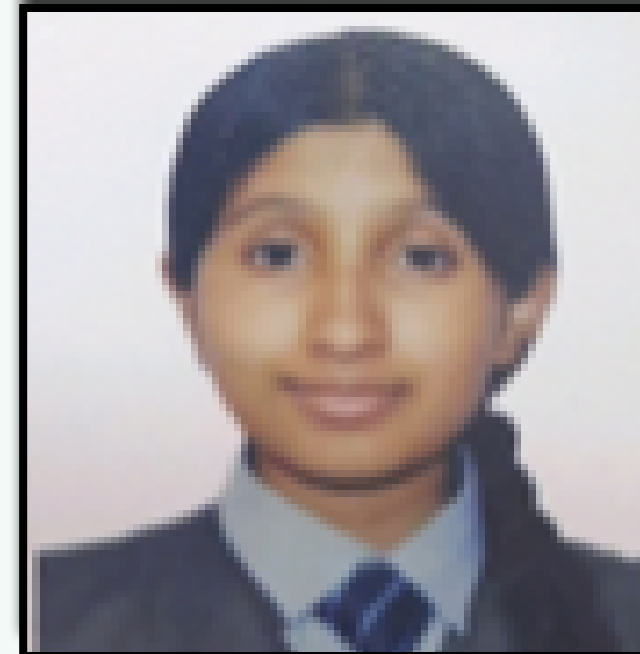
DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS

INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

University provides an opportunity for personal growth, global awareness, and embracing diversity. Career decisions, however, should align with life goals rather than being solely education oriented. To any student, dreams are a gateway to the world. While university choices may seem vast, one should consider criteria carefully. Landing safely after board results is assured, but the destination remains uncertain. Prioritize your capabilities over societal expectations, and hard work will yield rewarding outcomes.



Sandra Saji (XII G)



Talia Elza Reegil (XII G)

Transitioning into a new phase of life, abundant opportunities await. As a Science enthusiast, the horizon appears limitless. Any decision-making process involves assessing strengths, interests, and capabilities. Fields like Medicine, Biotechnology, Psychology, and Forensic Science are captivating due to their significant impact in today's world. Thorough research is required to guide in identifying universities that align with one's aspirations.

DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS

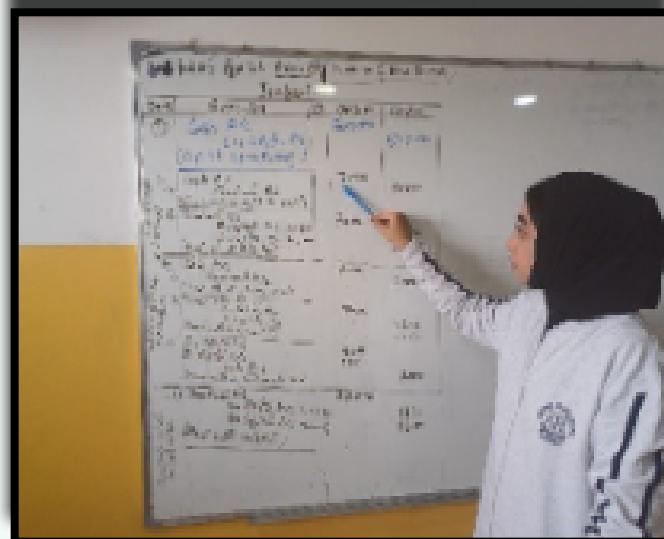
PAKISTAN ENGLISH SCHOOL

Students at PES consider careers in medicine, engineering, business, and aviation for diverse and compelling reasons. Medicine offers the opportunity to directly impact lives, providing care and comfort to those in need while continuously advancing medical science.

Engineering presents the chance to innovate and solve complex problems, shaping the future through technological advancements in various fields. Business offers versatility and the potential for entrepreneurship, with opportunities to lead, strategize, and drive economic growth. Aviation provides an exciting and dynamic career path, combining technical skills with the thrill of flight and the ability to connect people and goods globally.

Each of these fields offers unique challenges, rewards, and opportunities for personal and professional growth, making them highly attractive options for ambitious and passionate individuals seeking fulfilling careers.

Shahar Bano Atif (XII A)



ADVICE FROM ALUMNI

INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL



Abeer Asif Siddiqui

As you contemplate your career path, remember that it's not about finding the right direction, but rather choosing what aligns best with your strengths and passions. Embrace creativity, overcome challenges, and strive for excellence. Parents, teachers, and seniors serve as guides, but ultimately, your potential shapes the journey. Utilize resources wisely to reach your destination



Affan Asif Siddiqui

Education extends beyond mere subject matter and problem-solving. It serves as a fertile ground for nurturing curiosity, compelling us to take that crucial extra step. Amidst a sea of career options and emerging fields, clarity can be elusive. However, discovering our own strengths and potential remains straightforward. Each career path is unique, accompanied by its distinct challenges. There are no shortcuts, instead, we must adapt and allow our unwavering enthusiasm to guide us.

ADVICE FROM ALUMNI

INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

Me, Ridwan Chowdhury as an alum and a commercial pilot instrument rated license holder, my piece of advice to every student here is to embrace your passion and chase your dreams fearlessly. Take your challenges as opportunities, failures as lessons, and persist with unwavering determination. Remember the quote, “The sky is the limit”, it’s not it’s just a view for me and everyone because success is a journey not a destination. Cherish every moment of your journey from day 1, stay committed to your passion, and remember networking is the key. Your time here is a foundation for your upcoming journey, and the steps to build a career that reflects your true aspirations.



Ridwan Chowdhury

Balancing academic achievements with practical experience is essential for career success. While academic knowledge lays the foundation, internships and hands-on work provide invaluable insights and skill enhancement. Seek internships aligned with your interests to gain exposure to real-world scenarios and build industry networks. Networking through industry events and LinkedIn connections is equally crucial. Engage in extracurricular activities and volunteer work to showcase diverse skills and commitment. Remember that career paths are nonlinear, so remain open to exploring different opportunities



Sufyan Aslam Mukadam

ADVICE FROM ALUMNI

INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL

As a sixth-year medical student at Vitebsk State Medical University in Belarus, I am deeply passionate about the field of medicine. Despite the challenges—long hours, tough situations, and study burnout—I believe that the rewards will ultimately outweigh the hardships. The intricate workings of the human body intrigue me, and I am fascinated by how doctors diagnose and treat illnesses. The COVID pandemic has highlighted the selfless dedication of healthcare professionals, inspiring me to pursue medicine. For me, being a physician is not about financial gain; it’s about improving lives and serving humanity.



Talha Amjad

PAKISTAN ENGLISH SCHOOL



Yasir Azizullah

Dr. Yasir Azizullah, a seasoned medical professional, offers valuable advice to aspiring students in the dynamic field of medicine. He encourages them to follow their passion and maintain a lifelong commitment to learning, given the ever-evolving nature of healthcare.

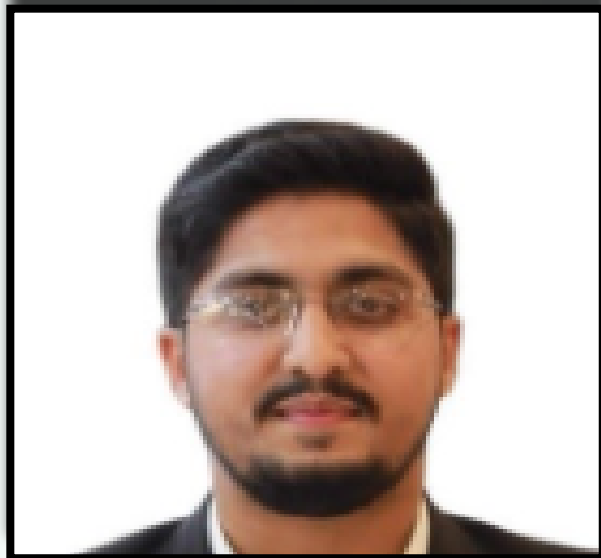
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PAKISTAN ENGLISH SCHOOL

Captain Fahad Lateef, a respected leader in the aviation industry, highlights the virtues of perseverance, discipline, and effective teamwork. These qualities are essential for success in leadership roles within the airline industry.



Fahad Lateef



Ahmed Nawaz

Mr. Ahmed Nawaz, an accomplished computer science engineer, underscores the significance of establishing a strong programming foundation. He advocates for continuous skill development to remain competitive in the rapidly advancing technology and e-commerce sectors.



Rutaba Hassan

Ms. Rutaba Hassan, a senior auditor at KPMG Kuwait, encourages individuals to explore diverse career paths in accounting. Her insight emphasizes the importance of considering various options within this field.

TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVES

INDIAN CENTRAL SCHOOL



An inspirational educator possesses a remarkable ability to ignite curiosity and passion for learning in their students.

My inspirational educators are my History and English teachers, Mrs. Sangeeta Dias and Mrs. Usha Manoj, respectively. They were embodiments of the true definition of inspirational educators. They created a very happy atmosphere in the classroom. Their approach towards each student was always positive.

They have both played a very important role in my life. They encouraged me and believed in me when no one else did. I treaded the path of teaching with them as my inspiration and whatever I am today is all credit to them.

I hope that in my 15 years of teaching so far and in the years to come I may continue to mould and inspire young minds to achieve great heights.

Mrs. Ceuzita Natasha Fernandes

PAKISTAN ENGLISH SCHOOL



In the world of education, certain individuals leave an indelible mark on our lives. Let me tell you about two incredible teachers who have greatly inspired me and served as mentors in my teaching career.

First, there's Mr. Zahoor Ahmed, an English language teacher. He had a unique way of bringing grammar and literature to life in the classroom.

Another remarkable mentor is Ms. Zillay Huma, As a humanities group teacher, her extensive knowledge and genuine love for the subject reflected through in every lesson she used to deliver. She skillfully incorporated Islamic teachings and stories into her lessons to instill moral values in her students. She had a remarkable talent making her lessons incredibly relevant and engaging.

Mrs. Ayesh Khursheed

TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVES

ASPIRE INDIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

APJ Abdul Kalam's humility, personal touch, approachability, and incredible power to encourage children to become better for themselves and the nation are few qualities that never fail to motivate me as a teacher. His emphasis on innovation, perseverance and integrity serve as guiding light in my teaching journey. His belief in the power of education to transform lives has instilled in me a sense of purpose and passion for teaching. By embodying his principles of humility and continuous learning, I strive to empower my students to dream big, work hard and contribute to the society, just as he envisioned.

Ms. Saba Ahmed



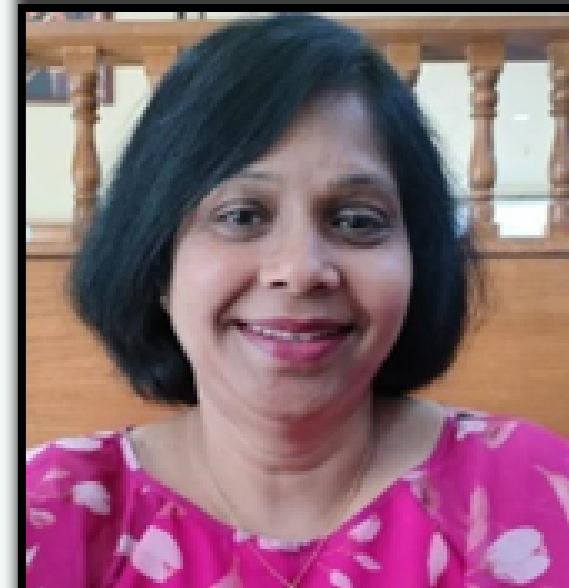
The influence of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on my life as a teacher is unmeasurable. His profound insights into philosophy, education and spirituality have deeply resonated with me. The emphasis on holistic development coupled with moral and ethical values has inspired me to prioritize character development along with academic excellence for my students.

Mr. Ramayya Palakonda



TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVES

ASPIRE INDIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



Dr. Maria Montessori's pioneering work in "Child – Centric" approach to education has shaped my pedagogical practices in significant ways. Her belief and emphasis on observing uniqueness in each child, experiential learning and sensory rich activities has been a great influence on me to incorporate interactive teaching practices in my classroom. By embracing Maria Montessori's philosophy, I strive to empower my kindergarten students to be disciplined and self-directed learners who are capable to reach their full potential.

Ms. Helen Dsilva.



Dr. Varghese Kurien, father of White Revolution, has been an influential figure for Social Science teachers always. He reminds that being a teacher is not just about delivering lessons but also to remain committed to make a positive difference in the lives of people around you. His commitment to social justice, rural development and empowering marginalized communities serves as an inspiration for educators teaching subjects like Economics and Sociology. Dr. Kurien's approach to grassroots development and emphasis on community based solutions encourages me to explore ways to inspire my students to engage and contribute meaningfully to their own communities and prepare them to be responsible and compassionate citizens.

Mrs. Reni Susan Kurian

TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVES

ASPIRE BILINGUAL SCHOOL

When I was in Grade 11, my English teacher, Ms. Kowalchuk, saw potential I never knew I had. She persuaded me to prepare a poetry lesson and teach it to her Grade 9 boys' class. Her only advice, "Make it fun." After teaching that class, I knew that law was no longer my career of choice. Teaching was in my blood. Ms. Kowalchuk motivated me every day with her love of language, the passion with which she presented her lessons and the care she gave each and every student. I sincerely hope that over my career that I have done the same for my students.

Mrs. Charmaine Graves
Principal



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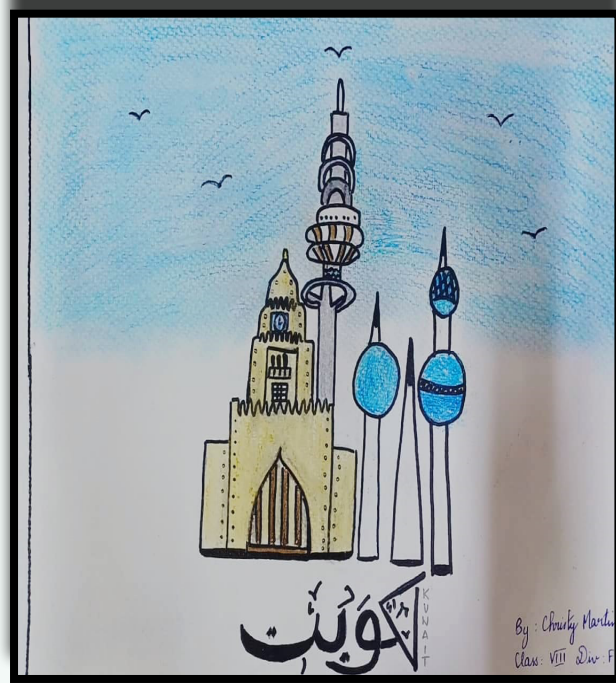


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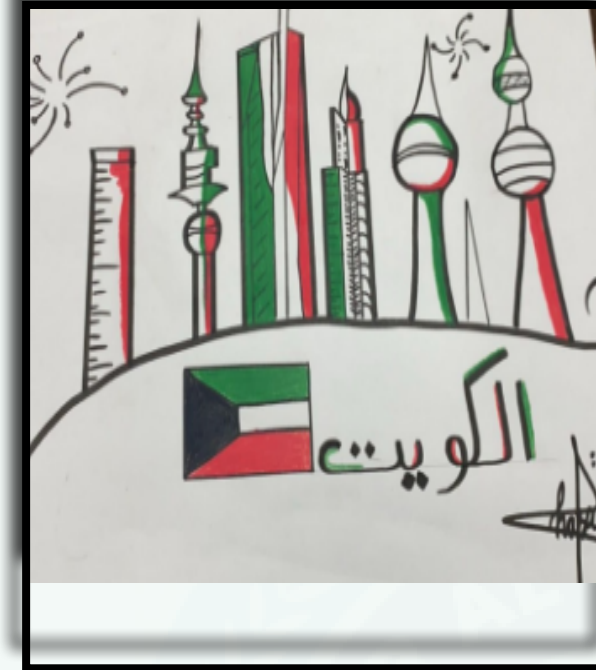


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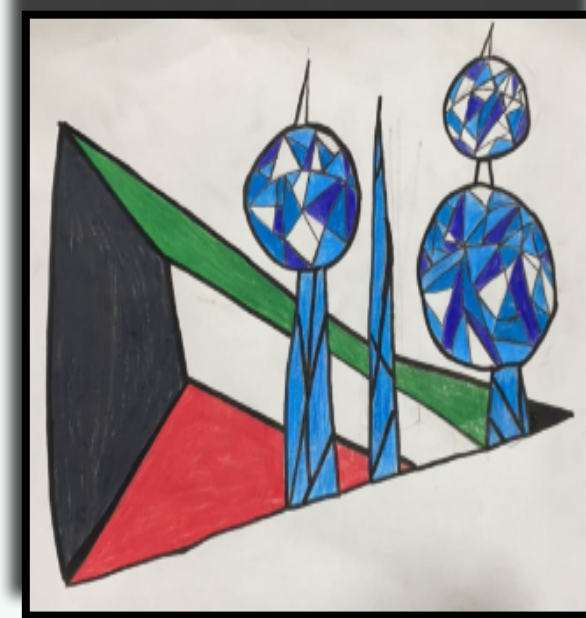
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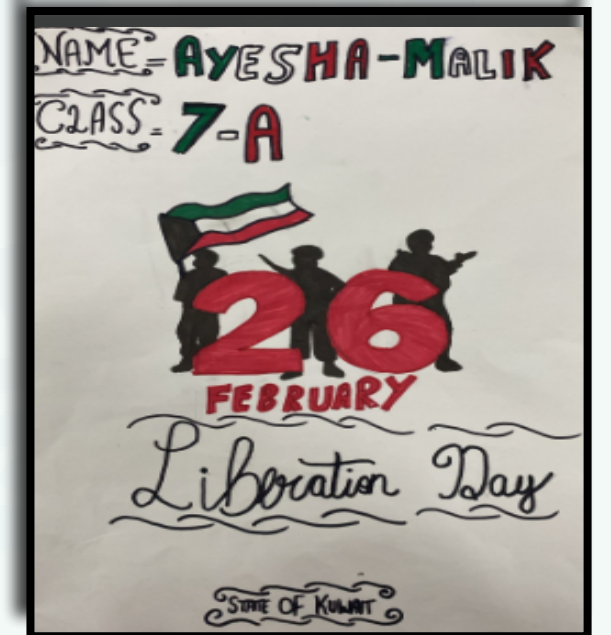
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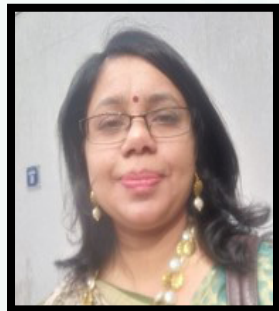


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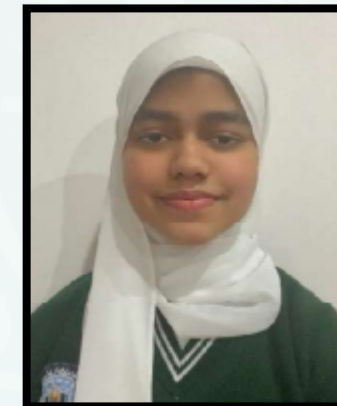
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