



Perspective

Learning for a lifetime

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B.E.S.T sets realistic model of United Nations

For the sake of a peaceful and flawless world, a vigorous and civilized deliberation must take place replacing the stereotyped silence and indifference towards the pressing global issues. Moulding a youth populace embedded with global literacy and emboldened with chivalrous attitude to stand up equipped for the global equilibrium is the need of the hour. The unfaltering belief of B.E.S.T schools in this ideal translates into a colossal conference every year - B.E.S.T Model United Nations, a conference wherein students portray the role of foreign diplomats representing different countries and abiding by their foreign policies.

The Annual event is a befitting global platform that enhances a multitude of 21st century skills in students besides training them in detailed research to stay abreast of international affair.

Dr.Akila Sarirete, Asst. Professor and Acting Dean of Effat College of Engineering, Jeddah officially inaugurated the session and thanked New Al Wurood International School for giving the students such a global platform with the hosting of MUN. The robust presence of a galaxy of intellectuals, distinguished guests and parents embellished the event.



Chief Guest Dr. Akila Sarirete

Asst. Professor and Acting Dean of Effat College of Engineering





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The exploration camp at Bharat Scouts and Guides Training Centre, Doda-ballapur, Karnataka, India during the summer holidays from 14th August to 19th August 2019 was full of exotic activities designed to explore the scenic beauty and marvelous geographical landscape of Bangalore. 45 cadets from the B.E.S.T schools, KSA attended the camp organized by Bharat Scouts and Guides, Saudi Arabia. The camp opened up a world of unique experiences that enthralled and ignited the minds of the participants.

The Visveswaraya Industrial and Technological Museum, one of the majestic centres of learning the students explored, treasured trove of machines and artifacts related to science and technology. Its interactive exhibits made it a great place for children to develop a love for science. The beautiful Lalbagh Botanical Garden, yet another place the cadets visited, opened up a wonderful world of education. The trekking trail the cadets exuberantly hit was memorable for the diversity of landscapes it passes through.



Unlocking a New World

Scouts and Guides of B.E.S.T Schools, KSA were readily there at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, West Virginia, USA to attend the 24th World Scout Jamboree 2019.

The proud cadets, as the theme of the Jamboree proclaimed, did 'Unlock a New World'. They had a life-changing experience in the largest outdoor educational event organized by the World Scout Movement, gathering Scouts, Guides and leaders from around the globe every four years. This once-in-a-lifetime event was scheduled from 22nd July to 2nd August, 2019. The magical 12 day splendor was an out and out reservoir of extraordinary activities, excitement and life time learning for the cadets flocked together from around the world. Every one of them carried home an unprecedented jamboree experience.

Celebrating collaboration and partnership, the World Organization of the Scout Movement selected Scouts Canada, Asociación de Scouts de México and the Boy Scouts of America to co-host the 2019 World Scout Jamboree. The event highlighted new adventures, cultures and friendships shared by Scouts from around the world. The B.E.S.T School cadets have the privilege of taking part in the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan in 2015.





Preeminent Achievement

Ms. Abeer Ashraf, the dexterous athlete of New Al Wurood International School, Jeddah won gold medal in Discus Throw in the XXIX CBSE Cluster Athletic Meet held at International Indian School, Jeddah. She is the Sports Captain of her school, an effective orator and most importantly, the recipient of the Presidential Award in Scouts & Guides. Ms. Abeer's top notch performance in the Cluster Meet qualified her to the National Meet held in India.

SAIMUN SPLENDOUR

B.E.S.T students had a remarkable outing in the seventh chapter of the SAI Model United Nations Conference (SAIMUN). The B.E.S.T Schools' student diplomats were the only representation from Saudi Arabia in the Eastern India's largest International MUN with a participation of more than 600 delegates from across the globe.



The event which held from July 25 to 27, 2019 is a duly accredited and registered event of United Nations Information Centre for India and Bhutan (UNIC), under the aegis of the UN.

Master Mohammed Sheharyar and Ms. Alia from New Al Wurood International School proudly participated in the mega event. It provided an unexampled platform for students to debate on contemporary International issues with meticulous moderation, encouragement and guidance of the chairpersons and the vice chairpersons of each committee.

Master Mohammed Sheharyar of New Al Wurood won special mention award among more than one hundred delegates from his committee. His performance was stunning and was well appreciated and acknowledged by the Judges and other office bearers of the Committee.



ELS 2019 - A Future Focused Innovative Learning Space

The yearly ELS (Exercising Leadership in Schools) organized by B.E.S.T Schools brings together education leaders from across the Group to access the latest insights and best practices in schools, helping them tackle the changes ahead.



The pace of change in the education sector continues to be a significant challenge for school leaders and principals across. The yearly ELS (Exercising Leadership in Schools) organized by B.E.S.T Schools brings together education leaders from across the B.E.S.T Group of Schools to access the latest insights and best practices in schools, helping them tackle the changes ahead.

It takes strong will, big hearts, and bold action to transform plans into a dynamic engine of capacity and achievement. In the ELS 2019 held at New Al Wurood Girls' Section, Jeddah, resilient leaders of B.E.S.T Schools, at every level, in every role, were looking to transform intentions into targeted strategies for high-performing schools that achieve more for students, staff, and communities.



The unique event constantly echoed its core belief that the global competence in the 21st century is not a luxury, but a necessity. The students, teachers and leaders must have complete access to a system that recognizes and incorporates best practices from around the globe, teaches skills and knowledge necessary for success in the 21st century. The wholehearted participation of Mr. P.V. Hameed, Executive Director, Peevee Sons, who have walked the journey of B.E.S.T Schools in the KSA inspired the entire team of leaders. The two day conclave unfolded an uncluttered view of the actions that the in-house leaders must take to reach the dream destination.

Milestone Service Encomium

As some of the precious members reached their glorious career milestones in their stint with B.E.S.T Schools, the B.E.S.T family proudly honored them for hitting noteworthy work anniversary. The decennial, quinquennial and vicennial awards presented to them on the occasion were metaphorical proclamations that people are and always will be the greatest asset of the group. Each of them is an important member of the team and their skills and contributions will be an important part of the group's continued success. The B.E.S.T family had a very special honor of revering the very first employee of the group Mr. S.M Noushad, Group Manager of B.E.S.T Schools in appreciation for his 20 years of altruistic service.

This is also a decennial milestone year for the man who let loose the wind of change in the organization – Mr. A.M Ashraff, the visionary General Manager. The acknowledgment and appreciation for 15th year of commitment was conferred on Mr. Razi Shaik Pareeth, the Deputy Group Manager (Commercial). Decennial and quinquennial contributions of teaching staff, transport staff and support staff were admirably extolled for the part they play in maintaining the organization's performance standards and commitment to excellence. The ceremony reinstated that the continued contribu-

tions of the milestone service awardees are vital for the group to continue to be successful in meeting its stated Mission, Vision and Values.



Ms. Rubeen M.
(15 Years)



Ms. Anita Andotra
(15 Years)



Ms. Leena
(15 Years)



Ms. Samiha Mariam
(15 Years)



Mr. Sudeer
(15 Years)



Mr. Waleed
(15 Years)



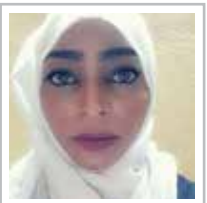
Mr. Ali A.P.
(10 Years)



Ms. Roshna
(10 Years)



Mr. Mohsin
(10 Years)



Ms. Haoua Abdallah Mahamat Cheou
(10 Years)



Mr. Yoosuf K.
(10 Years)



Mr. Subair K.
(10 Years)



Ms. Zareena
(10 Years)



Mr. Mustafa
(10 Years)



Mr. Ayyoob B.
(10 Years)



Mr. Firoz Babu
(10 Years)



Mr. Basheer T.
(10 Years)



Mr. Rajeevan
(10 Years)



Mr. Ahmed P.K.
(10 Years)



Mr. Noushad Ali
(10 Years)



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Mr. A.M Ashraff
General Manager
(10 Years)



Mr. Razi
Deputy Group Manager (Commercial)
(15 Years)



Parent Talks

Towards a Reskilling Revolution

"If we do not change the way we teach, thirty years from now, we're going to be in trouble," said Jack Ma, founder of Alibaba Group, China's e-commerce giant. These words send echoes across globe as it was a reckoning of the fact that the current educational system across geographies, needs to undergo comprehensive transformation to adapt the requirements of the fourth industrial revolution, which is predominantly skill driven.

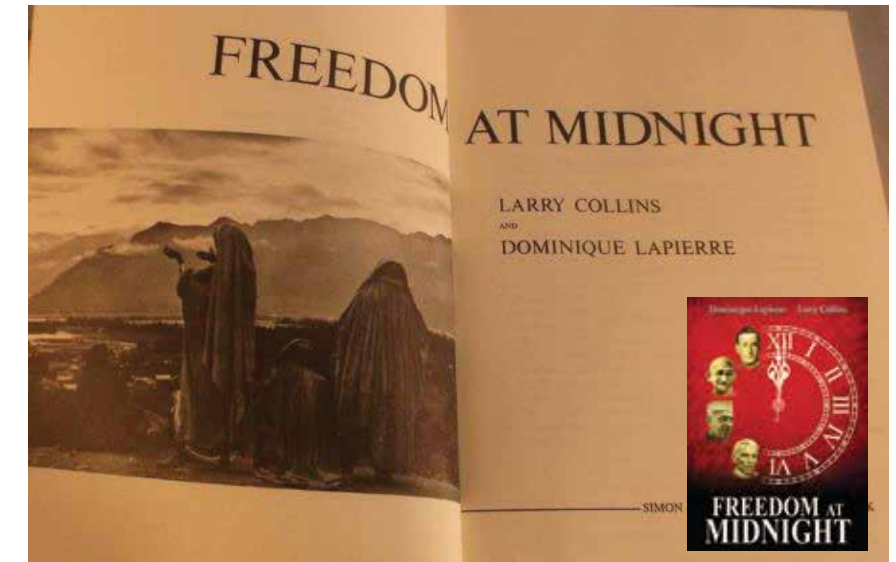
The future of work looks quite different as automation and artificial intelligence will make manual and repetitive jobs obsolete. The knowledge based approach of education that is prevailing since the last two centuries will not equip children to compete with machines.

The nature of skills that is required in the labour market is undergoing rapid change and hence the current labour forces have to change their attitude to a "lifelong learning one" to ensure that their career is rewarding. This is where Jack Ma's words are highly relevant. "We have to teach our kids how to be innovative, constructive and creative so they can survive in the AI (artificial intelligence) period".

Mr. Albin Joseph

Father of Joseph Albin, Class 10 & George Albin, Class 7 (Al Khozama)

FREEDOM AT MIDNIGHT BOOK REVIEW



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If you want to delve into the history of Indian Independence and its intricacies, 'Freedom at Midnight' is the first book I would recommend. Penned by the dynamic duo authors, Larry Collins and Dominic Lappierre, Freedom at Midnight unveils a thoughtful and heartfelt rendering of India's tragic salvation from the clutches of British Imperialism with a saga of sacrifices.

The 774-page book which deserves a special space among the Indian classics encompasses the fag end of the British hegemony over India, the sorrowful partition and the grieving assassination of the father of the nation. "Freedom at Midnight," is almost total recall of those tormenting

negotiations that led up to that historic Midnight, the interminable wrangle, as much emotional as political, that ultimately pulled the cork from the imperial bottle and released the jinn of conflict. The book takes the readers through an enthralling documentation of the stupendous subject the independence of India from the Britishers and its aftermath by portraying the super-plenipotentiary powers of Lord Mountbatten, Gandhi Charisma and Nehru Logic.

Crafted with in-depth knowledge, extensive research and unparalleled literary flavour, Dominique Lapierre & Larry Collins transform this historical story into a critically acclaimed epic set in the backdrop of Indian independence. This book is a must read for every Indian as it's a highly informative and captivating. This vocabulary enriched, literature-esque and historically-woven massive work, is a reference to the students, feast to the readers and a bible for upcoming politicians. Without 'Freedom at Midnight' Indian history is absolutely incomplete, it seems.

MY ALMA MATER



8th April, 2004, is a day which I can never forget in my life - the day I stepped into my first temple of education. 15 years later, I realize that Al Khozama International School (AKIS) was much more than something a three and half year old could have asked for. What a wonderful community it offered to help me grow. Never did I feel alone or unimportant. I was never just a registration number on a computer screen or a name in classrooms. I had value and AKIS recognized that in me.

AKIS is an unexplainable emotion in all the ways. This is the place where my childhood experienced budding and blooming. This little paradise of us trained us to be the best in all that we do. AKIS gave me unforgettable student years.

Getting us know amazing people and the best teachers. Thanks to AKIS for building confidence in me, feeding knowledge and providing great friends for life.

From my very first principal Mr. Sebastian to Mr. Gopinathan, there has been a lot of joyful learning that has taught me to achieve a lot in life. I miss those good old slides and see-saws in the KG section; I miss my small yet beautiful football ground. I still do miss the cricket we played in middle of the football ground when others kicked the football around.

I am thankful to my Alma Mater for the creation of favorable conditions for the personal growth and the large number of extracurricular activities which gave me the chance to open up my inner potential. AKIS brought me up to confidently walk the road to my dream. Thank you AKIS!

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CONGRATULATIONS NOVUS CHAMPION !



Rufus Rojesh of Al Khozama International School, Dammam won the Novus Championship of the 24th World Scout Jamboree(Asia Pacific Region) held in West Virginia, USA. Novus Championship represents the youth Scouts from around the world who went above and beyond to explore all the programs and adventures that the World Scout Jamboree had to offer.

OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



Saisuchith (97.6%)

Saisuchith of Al Khozama International School, Dammam topped the group of schools by scoring 97.6% in Class 10 CBSE Examination 2018-2019.

Saisuchith's scoring of the perfect 100 in Mathematics adds an extra glint to his achievement. The result has been a testimony to his dedication and the unwavering support of the teachers and parents



CENTUM REAPER

Saleha Shafi Ahmed Khan of New Al Wurood International School, Jeddah attained the enticing 100 mark in Social Science in the Class 10 CBSE Examination 2018-2019. The stupendous result reflects the tenacity and hard work of the student and the support of the faculty and parents.

CHAMPION GAVELIER

Master Sandeep Srinivasan of Al Khozama International School became the cynosure at Saudi Arabian Toastmasters Annual Conference (D79) held in Riyadh. His spectacular skill of oratory won him the champion title in the Gavelier Speech Showcase segment.

