# AL SHOHUB PRIVATE SCHOOL

**SINCE 1999** 

The Voice

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لقد اخترنا The Voice كإسم للنشرة الإخبارية للتأكيد على أن كل فرد في مدرستنا سواء كان من الطلاب أو موظفي المدرسة ، لديه صوت يستطيع ايصاله، ويمكننا معًا استخدام أصواتنا لعمل تأثير إيجابي ، ليس فقط على مدرستنا ، بل على المجتمع من حولنا.

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مديرة المدرسة

Welcome to The Voice, our new and improved newsletter, bringing you all the news and events from AI Shohub Private School, every two weeks. We have chosen The Voice as the name of our newsletter to emphasise the fact that each and every individual at our school; the students, all members of staff team and our parent body, has a voice, and together we can use our voices to

Mrs. Lisa Passante Principal

make a positive impact, not only on our school, but our local and global community.

We want to make sure that our Al Shohub families are kept up to date each week with our most recent events, important dates and the special achievements of our students, which most definitely deserve to be celebrated.

If there is any information that you would like us to include in our fortnightly newsletter, do not hesitate to get in touch with me via my email: principal@alshohub.org

We hope you enjoy our first issue.

#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Parent AssociationMeetingThursday 19th September8.15am to 10.15amAuditorium

SEPTEMBER

**اجتماع مجلس أولياء الأمور** يوم الخميس 19 سبتمبر من الساعة 8:15 إلى 10:15 صباحاً في مسرح المدرسة



### **PRIMARY VOICES**



Ms. Alison Lloyd Head of Primary

What a wonderful start we have had in primary! We have had lots of fun and, of course, there has been lots and lots of learning taking place.

I have had the privilege to meet, and spend time with, all students from the Foundation and Primary phases who have been telling me all about their exciting lessons. All students are making progress and are eager for more learning!

We had our first 'Values led' assembly this week where the students discussed why we should choose kindness and different ways we can be kind to ourselves and to others. I have received some amazing examples of how kind our Al Shohub family is through photographs sent in from home and tracking how many Dojo points have been given for acts of kindness in school. If you are not yet signed up to Dojo please join us so you don't miss out on all the wonderful work your child is doing at school and other important messages and information.

All of the teachers and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support so far this in this school year, together we will ensure your child is happy, safe and always learning.

#### **PRIMARY GALLERY**



Y3 matching 2 digit number sentence cards to dienes blocks, and working as a team to partition numbers three different ways



### LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

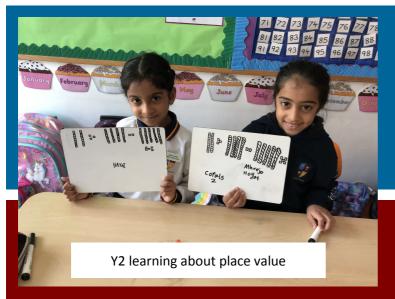


Nursery (FS1) enjoying Circle Time activities

Y6 comparing numbers



#### LOOK AT OUR LEARNING



In Business Studies, secondary students had to demonstrate collaboration and critical thinking skills

as they designed packaging to protect an egg



Secondary students presenting their ideas on how to improve the communal areas of school



Using our displays to show one to one correspondence



### **SECONDARY VOICES**



Ms. Su Boyd Head of Secondary

I would like to start by saying a huge thank you to all students, staff and parents for making me feel so welcome and part of the school community so quickly. It really does feel like I have come home.

Students have had a positive first two weeks in secondary school. They have been introduced to the 7Cs and started to recognise and develop their competency skills. It has been lovely to see students continue to use these skills effectively in their subjects. All students spent time in their form classes and completed exciting challenges in their Learning to Learn day and then induction day. Students created a design concept and presentation on communal areas in the school. The winning groups that were nominated by their peers and teachers presented to the Senior Leadership Team and we were so impressed that these designs will be implemented in their chosen areas. We want our

head of Secondary students to feel like they are part of Al Shohub School so their ideas are welcomed on how to get the most out of their time with us.

We are proud at Al Shohub that our teachers are passionate about their craft and subjects. Staff created and delivered hook lessons to share their passions and hopefully ignite our students' passions for their lessons. Staff have also been working on adapting and creating a curriculum that will continue to excite students through student led learning and aiming for outstanding progress. We hope that you have received the overviews so that you can also play a part in your child's education.

Baseline assessments have also been completed in every lessons. The purpose of a baseline assessment is to see exactly what skills and knowledge a student has so teachers can plan in response to this to channel their learning to succeed.

#### **MEET AND GREET**

Thank you to all our parents who came along to our Meet and Greet on Monday 9th September. We hope you were able to meet as many of your children's teachers as possible, and explore their classrooms.

For our secondary parents, we hope the information you received was valuable in terms of understanding the priorities for the year, as well as general information about how the secondary school will operate.

We will be hosting parent coffee mornings in the weeks to come which will provide more specific information about your children's year groups, the curriculum and how you can support your child.



### **TEACHER FEATURE**

In each issue of The Voice, we will introduce you to members of our teaching team, in order for you to get to know the staff at Al Shohub. We will also be featuring our students in future issues.



#### MS. MARIAM, (FS1) NURSERY RAINBOW FISH

Ms. Mariam graduated from Manchester Metropolitan University with an Early Years BA and worked as an Early Years teacher in a pre-school. Her love for learning then led her to do her PGCE in Primary, giving her experience in Year 2 to 4 in London schools. Experiencing Key stage 1 and 2 allowed Ms. Mariam to make the unquestionable decision of teaching within Early Years. She is passionate about the Early Years Curriculum and how the framework covers the education of all children. She is enthusiastic about joining the FS team at Al Shohub Private School and will support children to explore their rich and stimulating environment. She believes in opportunities through play and playful teaching; children should go home talking about how much fun they have had in school!

#### MS. SIAN, YEAR 4 SWORDFISH TEACHER AND PRIMARY MATHS LEADER



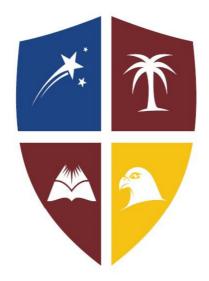
Ms. Sian graduated with a Primary Education Degree from Edge Hill University in the North of England in 2014. She began her teaching career in Luton where she found a passion for teaching children from different cultures in an incredibly diverse class. She spent two years in Luton before moving to Dubai, where her knowledge of early reading, writing and numeracy was built upon. Ms. Sian spent three enjoyable years teaching in a private British School in Dubai where she was part of a mindfulness team that encouraged the development of the whole child. Ms. Sian has moved to Abu Dhabi this year and will be taking on the role of Year 4 Swordfish teacher and Mathematics lead across the primary school. Ms. Sian is determined to develop our children into keen mathematicians who show resilience and determination.



#### **MS. KRISTEN, HEAD OF SCIENCE**

Ms. Kristen studied at Queens University Belfast. Here she gained a BSc with honors and a Post Graduate Certificate in Education. Ms. Kristen has been very fortunate to work in an excellent Independent International school in Ras Al Khamiah for the last three years. During this time she has experienced teaching KS3 Science and KS4 Biology and Chemistry specialisms. This has allowed her to develop excellent strategies for working with students with English as a second language, both inside and outside of the Science curriculum. Ms. Kristen is excited to step into her new role as the Head of Science at Al Shohub, as she is passionate about Science and can't wait to promote a love for learning in every student.





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