Dar Al Hanan School Magazine
2013-2014

I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone visiting our online Dar Al Hanan English Magazine for both departments the elementary and the high school. I hope you enjoy reading the articles written by our students which show the school’s many strengths as well as the exciting progress we are making in order to develop the English language in the school through academic and non-academic curricular.

It is a real honor to supervise the 5th issue of Dar Al Hanan school magazine. Both students and teachers participated in this magazine to show their work, their love and their loyalty towards their school.

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Welcome

Message from the Editor

I'd like to extend warm wishes to all our readers.

As we all know, the magazine reflects the school, its aims and objectives. It also highlights events, activities and academic prowess and achievements.

Our new design of the English Magazine puts the key contents of each issue front and center, allowing you to more quickly and easily discover what’s inside.

I appreciate the originality of the thoughts of our elementary students' tender minds which have been presented in the magazine without galvanizing to make it look more glamorous and dazzling.

The year is coming to an end and it has been a memorable year of achievements which saw new heights being scaled by students of Dar Al Hanan in both academics and extra co-curricular activities.

I do hope that the magazine encourages many more students to express their creativity.

I am indebted to the dedicated and hardworking staff "English Teachers" of the Primary School who give their time generously to help doing this magazine.

Mrs. Shahinaz Sabra, English Magazine Editor
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), is the largest Arab state in Western Asia by land area (approximately 2,150,000 km² (830,000 sq mi), constituting the bulk of the Arabian Peninsula) and the second-largest in the Arab world (after Algeria). It is bordered by Jordan and Iraq to the north, Kuwait to the northeast, Qatar, Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates to the east, Oman to the southeast, in the south, the Red Sea to the west and Persian Gulf to the east. Its population is estimated to consist of 16 million citizens and an additional nine million registered foreign expatriates.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was founded by King Abdul-Aziz bin Saud (known for most of his career as Ibn Saud) in 1932, although the conquests which eventually led to the creation of the Kingdom began in 1902 when he captured Riyadh, the ancestral home of his family, the House of Saud, referred to in Arabic as Al Saud. The regime has been an absolute monarchy since its inception. Saudi Arabia is sometimes called "The Land of the Two Holy Mosques" in reference to Al-Masjid al-Haram (in Mecca), and Al-Masjid an-Nabawi (in Medina), the two holiest places in Islam.

By: Mashael Al Mesheal & Tala BalSharaf, Grade 6B
When you go to a school and meet new friends you get close and get used to them. Eventually some of your friends might leave the place and change schools or some of your older friends graduate before you do. Therefore, last year's graduation taught me a lot.

Last year's graduation at Dar Al Hanan 2012 – 2013 was amazing, but it was sad at the same time to know I won't be seeing the graduates at our same building anymore after we got used to them being around us.

This graduation taught me that my close friends will always be on my mind and even though they're not around me anymore and I will still have those beautiful memories of all the times we've spent together the past years.

Moreover, what I also learnt was to be creative and think of how I would like my graduation to be like, because I loved last year's graduation theme and the play that they did was fantastic.

In brief, last year's graduation was the most wonderful; we said our goodbyes with tears hoping that we'll see each other again.
On Thursday 28\textsuperscript{th} November 2013, was Dar Al-Hanan School \textit{Open Day} 2013 – 2014 where I had an unforgettable day. Not only the students were having a great time, but people from many different places in Jeddah joined us that day as well. A variety of activities was presented in the \textit{Open Day} which included: \textbf{Luck Games}, where people get to think of a word to pronounce it and to guess the pictures. \textbf{Karaoke Corner} was for people with passion for music and singing who all participated and enjoyed singing and listening to music as well.

Traditional corners were available too, such as \textbf{Henna Corner} and \textbf{African Braid Corner}. \textbf{Beauty Corner} where you can get your hair styled and your nails polished.

Who doesn't love food?! Surly not me, because I absolutely enjoyed the \textbf{Food and Snacks Corners}, which were divided into separate corners where every corner represents a different country. For example, one of those corners represented Italy where you get to experience the joy of Italian food. \textbf{Photography corner}, I loved this corner the most, a picture is worth a thousand words.

A lot of the tables grabbed my attention, especially those selling imported products from the States, United Kingdom, Germany and even France! When you have confidence, you get things done perfectly amazing, and that's when you can have fun and enjoy the results of your work. Words can't describe how thankful I am for all the great effort by Dar Al-Hanan School to make the \textit{Open Day} so successful and enjoyable.

\textbf{By: Rawan Mashat, Grade6B}
Missing the Open Day

My lovely school, directed by a wise management and teachers arranged for an open Day for a change. I was so excited to attend that important event and was fully ready for it. But unfortunately I could not due to some personal reasons.

My class mates told me about how interesting it was. They enjoyed the karaoke, had fun drinking fresh juices, eating popcorn and ice cream. They took some pictures at the photo section, bought some makeup and accessories.

Finally there was a debate whether the American, Italian, or French food corners were the best. The food indeed was delicious.

I really missed this eventful day and I hope to attend next time.

By: Faten Al Khudaidi

Grade: 6A
The Open Day ............. Was a Real Fun!

It was the best day ever!! We came to the Open Day with great enthusiasm. It was the day when we had fun and were extremely happy.

The first thing we did was to meet our friends Hanan, Leen, Ghada, Savana and Maryam.

Later we played on the trampoline. After the games we were hungry, so we went to the food corner and had a great variety of food ranging from burgers to salads and sweets.

At last we went to take a group photo of this memorable day. We had different costumes to choose from and were excited to wear them and take photographs.

It was the best day ever!!

Aljoharah & Yara

Grade-4B
This year, we went to Fakieh Aquarium. We had a lot of fun. We saw different kinds of sea creatures such as sharks, sea horses, puffer fish, and starfish. We also watched the dolphin show. It was just amazing. It is such an unforgettable trip. We wish if we can go there again.

By: Students of Grade 2
On Thursday December 29th, Dar-Al-hanan School celebrated a gathering of more than 400 students and teachers. The theme of the event was to promote diversity and educate students about various international cultures.

Each class contributed in the event representing a country in the Arab world. During this exercise, students were asked to wear the costume clothes of each country and singing the national anthem.

Moreover, students also brought traditional food from the respective country.

The overall event represented six countries: Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Yemen, Morocco and Egypt. First grade represented Saudi Arabia and Lebanon. The outcome of the event was exciting to the students. They had the opportunity to learn about different countries in the Arab world. Students were also exposed to the authentic values of the Arabic heritage including generosity, social gatherings, unity and the most important is the common language that all Arabic countries share.

By: Mrs. Shaimaa Al Shaiban
Mickey Mouse is a funny animal cartoon character; has a series of animated short films produced by Walt Disney Animation Studios.

The first appearance for Mickey was in 1928. He typically wears red shorts, large yellow shoes and white gloves.

Mickey has become one of the most recognizable cartoon characters in the world.
Disneyland Paris

Paris is one of the most popular cities in the world. You can enjoy visiting many places in there, especially Disneyland Paris, or Euro Disney, which is 32 km from the busy center of Paris. Disneyland Paris is the perfect gateway for the whole family members. It is a dreamland where everyone can enjoy his or her day very well. In this wonderland, one can do different types of activities, from eating delicious food, to enjoying Disneyland characters’ parades, to riding games, and do not forget to take lots and lots of pictures!

People from all around the world go to Paris to visit Disneyland, and I wish if every child in the world can spend a good day at Disneyland.

Done by: Yasmina Ahmad 3-B
SPECIAL MEMORIES

This photo was taken in France, during last summer vacation. I was acting like driving my daddy’s car. There was a thunderstorm, then the rain stopped and we saw the rainbow. It was such a beautiful and unforgettable moment.

Jana Showlag - 2/A

This photo was taken 2 years ago, in Spain. I was wearing Spanish dress. I really enjoyed this vacation with my lovely family.

Sultana Al-Shieshekly – 2/B

This photo was taken last year in my 7th birthday. I looked like a princess. This is the best birthday I’ve ever had, because all my friends were there.

Sadeem Al-Sheikh – 2/B

This photo was taken in 2010, when I was 5 years old. I was in Jordan at my grandparents house. I was painting the wall. I really had fun.

Leen Al-Nammari – 2/A

This Photo was taken three years ago, in Chukee Cheese. I was playing different games. It was so funny.

Rana Bughdadi - 2/B
My Bedroom

By: Leen AlNammar, Grade 2

My special place is my bedroom. It is painted bright pink with lots of heart shapes. I always sit there to do my homeworks. It is my special place because it is just for me.
Did you know that there is a kind of snake that has two heads?

Did you know that there is a kind of fish that has a long tail that can kill people?

Did you know that the sun is a kind of a star?

Did you know that the volcano after million years becomes a rock?

Did you know that there is a kind of mosquito that kills people?

Did you know that the moon is natural satellite of earth?

Done by: Jana Danish, Ghada Alaboud, and Basma Abdul Malik-4A

Did you know ...?
To make 1 pound of honey, bees would have to visit over 2 million flowers!

A shrimp's heart is in its head!

Most lipstick contains fish scales!

If you keep your eyes open by force when you sneeze, you might pop an eyeball out!

Wearing headphones for just an hour will increase the bacteria in your ear by 700 times!

Some worms will eat themselves if they can’t find any food!

By: Rahaf Baghdadi, 6/B
The Bermuda Triangle
By: Rahaf Boghdady, Grade 6B

The "Bermuda Triangle" or "Devil's Triangle" is an imaginary area located off the southeastern Atlantic coast of the United States of America, which is noted for a supposedly high incidence of unexplained disappearances of ships and aircraft. The apexes of the triangle are generally believed to be Bermuda; Miami, Florida; and San Juan, Puerto Rico. The US Board of Geographic Names does not recognize the Bermuda Triangle as an official name. The US Navy does not believe the Bermuda Triangle exists. It is reported that Lloyd's of London, the world's leading market for specialist insurance, does not charge higher premiums for vessels transiting this heavily traveled area.

The most famous US Navy losses which have occurred in the area popularly known as the Bermuda Triangle are USS Cyclops in March 1918 and the aircraft of Flight 19 in December 1945. The ship probably sank in an unexpected storm, and the aircraft ran out of fuel and crashed into the ocean -- no physical traces of them have ever been found. Another well known disappearance is the civilian tanker SS Marine Sulfur Queen carrying bulk molten sulfur which sank in February 1963. Although the wreck of Marine Sulfur Queen has not been located, a life preserver and other floating artifacts were recovered. These disappearances have been used to provide credence to the popular belief in the mystery and purported supernatural qualities of the "Bermuda Triangle.

Since the days of early civilization many thousands of ships have sunk and/or disappeared in waters around the world due to navigational and other human errors, storms, piracy, fires, and structural/mechanical failures. Aircraft are subject to the same problems, and many of them have crashed at sea around the globe. Often, there were no living witnesses to the sinking or crash, and hence the exact cause of the loss and the location of the lost ship or aircraft are unknown. A large number of pleasure boats travel the waters between Florida and the Bahamas. All too often, crossings are attempted with too small a boat, insufficient knowledge of the area's hazards, and a lack of good seamanship.
Amelia Mary Earhart was born on July 24th 1897 and disappeared July 2nd, 1937. She was an American aviation pioneer and author. Earhart was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. She received the U.S. Distinguished Flying Cross for this record. She set many other records; for example, she wrote the best-selling books about her flying experiences and was instrumental in the formation of The Ninety-Nines, an organization for female pilots. Earhart joined the faculty of the Purdue University aviation department in 1935 as a visiting faculty member to counsel women on careers. She inspired others with her love for aviation. She was also a member of the National Woman's Party, and an early supporter of the Equal Rights Amendment.

**Early flying experiences**

With a young female friend, Earhart visited an air fair held in conjunction with the Canadian National Exposition in Toronto. One of the highlights of the day was a flying exhibition put on by a World War I pilot. The pilot spotted Earhart and her friend, who were watching from an isolated clearing, and approached them. "I am sure he said to himself, 'Watch me make them scamper,'" she said. Earhart stood her ground as the pilot came close. "I did not understand it at the time," she said, "but I believe that little red airplane said something to me as it swished by." By 1919 Earhart prepared to enter Smith College but changed her mind and enrolled at Columbia University, enrolling into a course in medical studies among other programs. She quit a year later to be with her parents who had reunited in California.

*Elan Abu Dawood, Gr 3-A*
Ballet is a type of performance dance that originated in the Italian Renaissance courts of the 15th century and later developed into a concert dance form in France and Russia. It has since become a widespread, highly technical form of dance with its own vocabulary based on French terminology. It has been globally influential and has defined the foundational techniques used in many other dance genres. Ballet requires years of training to learn and master, and much practice to retain proficiency. It has been taught in ballet schools around the world, which have historically used their own cultures to evolve the art.

Ballet may also refer to a ballet dance work, which consists of the choreography and music for a ballet production. A well-known example of this is *The Nutcracker*, a two-act ballet that was originally choreographed by Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov with a music score by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky. Ballet dance works are choreographed and performed by trained artists. Many classical ballet works are performed with classical music accompaniment and are theatrical and use elaborate costumes and staging, though there are exceptions to this, such as works by George Balanchine.

Ballet became a sport with big and famous tournaments. It is a compensation of dance, sport, and art.

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By:
- Jana Showlag
- Leen Al-Nammari
- Majdah Al-Shareef
- Lana Khalawi
- Eman Al-Shareef
- Rana Bughdadi
Moon

Did you know that the moon actually does not light up the Earth?

The sun gives the moon the light. We see the moon because of reflected sunlight and did you know that the same side of the moon always faces the Earth?

Moon is the natural satellite of Earth.

By: RANEEM and SAVANA, GRADE 4 B
I would like to tell you about my school trip.

I went to a cupcake factory called “Munch”. I went with my classmate and teachers.

I enjoyed it so much. I learned how to make cupcakes and how to decorate it with frosting. I liked the mini cupcakes with the chocolate topping most. It was just “YUMMY”.

By: Jana Showlag
2A
POPCORN WITH CARAMEL

By: Leen Khan Grade 4B

Ingredients:

1 corn cup
2 cups of sugar
5 Cups of Butter
1 little spoon of salt
1 big spoon of liquid vanilla
Big spoon of baking powder

Procedure:

We put oil in a pot on the oven we wait until the oil gets hot then we put the corn and we close the pan we wait until we have the corn done

Way for making caramel:

We need a deep bowl.

We add 2 sugar cups and water in a bowl on the oven without mixing it for 20 min. or more until the sugar color becomes like caramel’s color then we add the butter and we mix with wooden spoon warning: don’t use the iron one after that we add salt and vanilla. Then we add the baking powder to the deep bowl, then we put the popcorn inside the caramel’s pan and we mix carefully and we put the mixture in a pan until it gets warm. Enjoy it!
Chocolate Cake Recipe

Ingredients
- 2 cups sugar
- 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup HERSHEY'S Cocoa
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup boiling water

Direction:
1. Heat oven to 350°F.
2. Stir together sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Add eggs, milk, oil and vanilla; beat on medium speed of mixer 2 minutes. Stir in boiling water.
3. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pans to wire racks. Cool completely. Frost with "PERFECTLY CHOCOLATE" CHOCOLATE FROSTING. 10 to 12 servings.

"PERFECTLY CHOCOLATE" CHOCOLATE FROSTING

1/2 cup (1 stick) butter or margarine
2/3 cup HERSHEY'S Cocoa
3 cups powdered sugar
1/3 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Melt butter. Stir in cocoa. Alternately add powdered sugar and milk, beating to spreading consistency.

Add small amount additional milk, if needed. Stir in vanilla. About 2 cups frosting.

Enjoy it!

By: Hanan AlGhalib, Grade 4B
**TSUNAMI**  A tsunami leaves the deep water of the open ocean and travels into the shallower water near the coast. A tsunami travels at a speed that is related to the water depth – hence as the water depth decreases, the tsunami slows. The tsunami depends on both its wave speed and wave height which remains nearly constant. Consequently, as the tsunami’s speed diminishes as it travels into shallower water, its height grows. Because of this shoaling effect, a tsunami, imperceptible at sea, may grow to be several meters or more in height near the coast. When it finally reaches the coast, a tsunami may appear as a rapidly rising or falling tide, series of breaking waves, or even before.

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<td>✓ Stay away from flooded and damaged areas until officials say it is safe to go back.</td>
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<td>✓ Be prepared to survive on your own for at least three days. To do this, you should prepare an emergency kit for your home and car, along with a portable one.</td>
<td>✓ Stay away from debris in the water – it could cause health and safety risks.</td>
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<td>✓ Consider taking a first aid course and learn survival skills.</td>
<td>✓ Save yourself first, not your possessions.</td>
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<td>✓ Tune to a radio station that serves your area and listen for instructions from emergency officials. Follow these instructions and wait for the &quot;all clear&quot; before returning to the coast.</td>
<td>✓ Help injured or trapped people – give first aid where appropriate.</td>
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<td>✓ Stay away from the beach – do not go down to watch a tsunami come.</td>
<td>✓ Do not move seriously injured persons unless they are in immediate danger or further injury.</td>
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<td>✓ Help a neighbor who may require special assistance, like</td>
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<td>✓ Move inland to higher ground immediately and stay there.</td>
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<td>✓ If there is a noticeable recession in the water away from the shoreline, this is considered “nature’s tsunami warning” and you should move away immediately.</td>
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<td>✓ Stay out of the building if water remains around it – tsunami waters, like floodwaters, can cause buildings to sink and collapse.</td>
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<td>✓ Check food supplies – any food that has come in contact with flood waters should be thrown out because it may be contaminated.</td>
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elderly people or small children or people with disabilities.
Earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, tsunamis, etc., may cause terribly disastrous consequences for life—human, animal and plant. They may also result into a large-scale destruction of property and, more importantly, lifelong human distress due to medical and psychological reasons.

The issue of natural calamities and human sufferings is one of the most baffling subjects of science and religion as well as of various other fields of study like psychology and social sciences, etc. Every time a calamity occurs, it gives rise to questions of not only immediate practical importance but also having epistemological and philosophical significance. The people, quite reasonably, want to know the real cause of the death and destruction occurring at the occasions of natural calamities.

Qur’an, however, does not seem to support the ‘wrath of God theory’. A little reflection on the Qur’an passages relating stories of the past Prophets will show that God almighty has never chastised a people unless He had first sent a Messenger to them who would convey unto them the message of truth and warned them of their evildoings.

‘We just say thank you God that our country is safe and the Syrian people are having many natural disaster and war so we just pray for them and help them by sending money for them.’

Done by: Amal al Aboud