



NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM MRS MOLLOY

Mr Sibley has been attending the BSME Conference in Bahrain this week with other Headteachers from British schools from across the Middle East. We look forward to welcoming him back next week.

It has been another busy week here at DESS culminating in a fabulous class assembly hosted by 2D and all things Irish. I would like say a huge thank you to everyone involved, congratulations 2D!

Year 5 and Year 6 competed in the QPPSSA mixed tag rugby competition on Monday. This is the first time DESS has participated in this so well done to you all.

Our amazing BSME team departed for Dubai yesterday. They were all very excited as they boarded the bus to the airport. The children all looked fantastic in their BSME sports kit, and we would like to say a massive thank you to our BSME sponsors Clyde & Co and Jacobs for their sponsorship. We wish them every success for the competition and look forward to their return on Sunday.

Finally may I remind parents that we do expect all children at DESS to participate in their swimming lessons, unless a medical note is provided.

Have a lovely weekend



CANTABILE PERFORM IN DUBAI

On Thursday, 2nd March the DESS Cantabile singers got up in the middle of the night to perform at Choirfest Middle East. When we arrived at Dubai British School we had a small snack and had our photos taken and did our last minute rehearsal. After that we went to the huge auditorium where the first choir performed (they were amazing!). As the second choir performed their fantastic songs we were lining up to get on stage, that was when everyone was getting nervous. There were lots of people watching when we sang 'Cockles and Mussels' and 'Let's Fly a Kite'. Following that, we did a singing workshop with people from London, it was so fun! Even though we had to wake up at half past three in the morning, it was worth it. A big 'thank you' to Miss Chapman and Mrs Copeland for looking after us and making it possible for us to go to this amazing event. *Written by: Mhairi in 6A*

FIND OUT ABOUT OUR CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS HERE

[Awards of The Week](#)

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- ◆ Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th March—Parent Consultations .
- ◆ Thursday 16th March—Year 1 Fairy Tale Day.
- ◆ Thursday 23rd March—World Book Day celebrations. 'Bookmart' will be selling books Sunday 19th—Thursday 23rd March .
- ◆ School 'sign up' ECA's have now finished.
- ◆ Our policies can be found here <http://dess.org/index.php/about-dess/policies.html>
- ◆ Calendar of Events can be found here: <http://dess.org/index.php/news-and-events/calendar-of-events.html>



Sport at DESS

Results Tuesday 28th February – Years 5/6 Mixed Outdoor Athletics – 3rd Place

Monday 6th March – Year 5 Mixed Tag Rugby – 5th Place

Fixtures: Wednesday 8th – Sunday 12th March - BSME games in Dubai

Sunday 12th March – Year 3 QPPSSA Boys Basketball Competition

Tuesday 14th March – Year 4 QPPSSA Boys Basketball Competition

Notices : NO EMSS training /PE TEACHER led squads or ECA's on Sunday 12th March.

Years 3 and 4 basketball training has now finished

Come and Join Us For a Coffee

On Wednesday 22nd March 7.30am in the Small Gym, DESS will be holding a coffee morning where parents can meet the Language Department (Arabic & French); Learning Mentor and your Parent Council representative.

Come and join us if you would like to meet with any of these departments/people to learn more about what they offer at DESS. All parents are welcome and we hope to see as many of you there as possible.

WHY NOT JOIN OUR FANTASTIC TEAM :

Job Opportunities

Friends of DESS

FOD Secretary : please email Friendschair@dess.org if you would like to volunteer for the position.

Volunteer Book Readers needed for World Book Day, please email friendschair@dess.org if you are interested.

Pizza Day : Thursday, 30th March

Next FOD Meeting : Tuesday, 4th April

16TH MARCH : DESS IS OPEN TO PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Event Details

Message from Accounts

Please note that invoices for the Summer Term 2017 Fees were sent out via email on Thursday 9th February. If you did not receive your invoice, please contact Claire in Accounts on schoolfees@dess.org for a copy. The payment deadline for this is Tuesday 14th March.

If you are thinking of leaving DESS at the end of **Spring Term 2017**, please complete our 'Withdrawal Form Letter' which can be found on our website under (Admissions/Leaver information/Withdrawal Form Letter) <http://www.dess.org/index.php/admissions/leaver-information.html> which must be given to our Registrar no later than **Tuesday 14th March** in order to receive your Refundable Deposit. This form can be handed in via email, hard copy or fax.